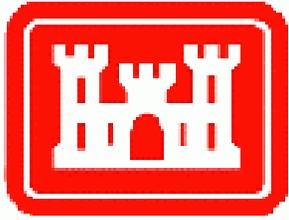


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An aerial photograph of a coastal city, likely St. Louis, Missouri, showing a long beach, a large stadium (the Gateway Arch), and a bridge. The ocean is visible on the right side of the image.

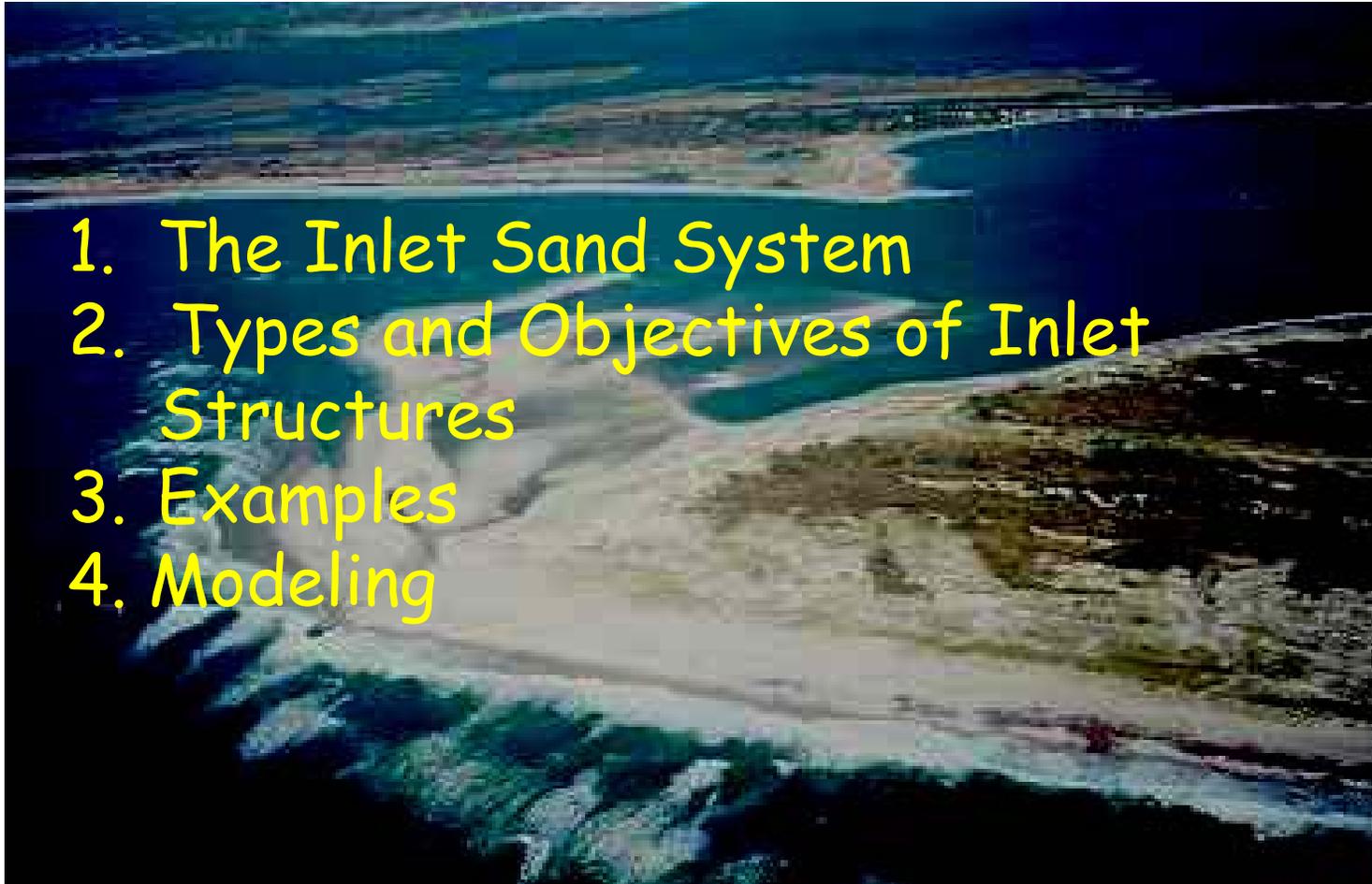
**Structures and Strategies
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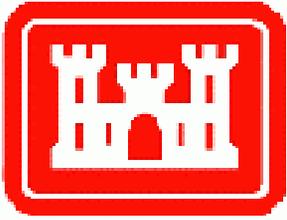


Outline



1. The Inlet Sand System
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3. Examples
4. Modeling



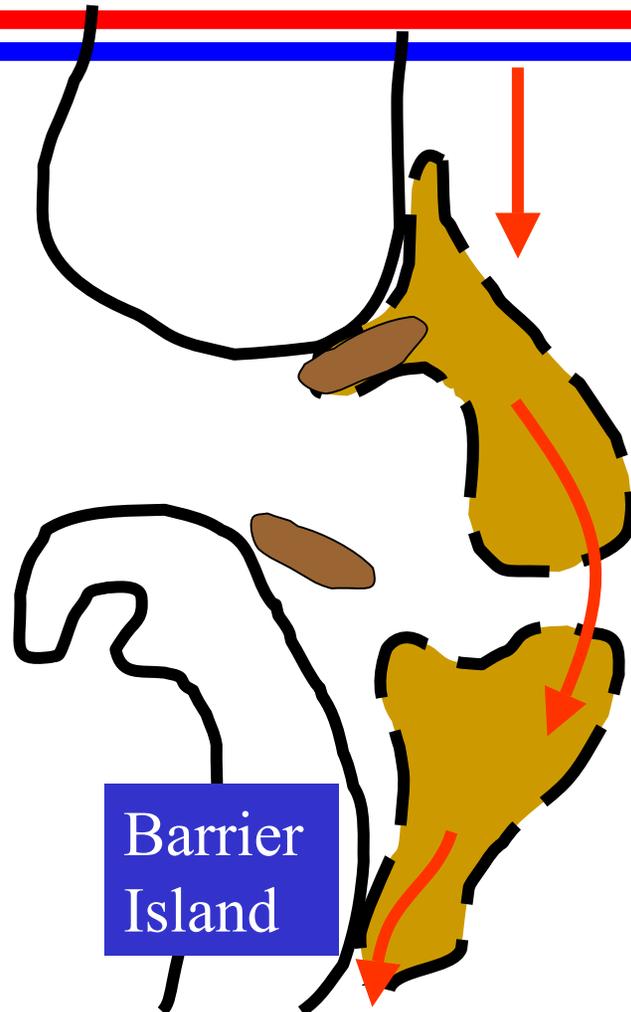


USACE's Mission



- maintain navigable waterways
- minimize and mitigate for adjacent beach impacts
- maintain and create environmental habitat

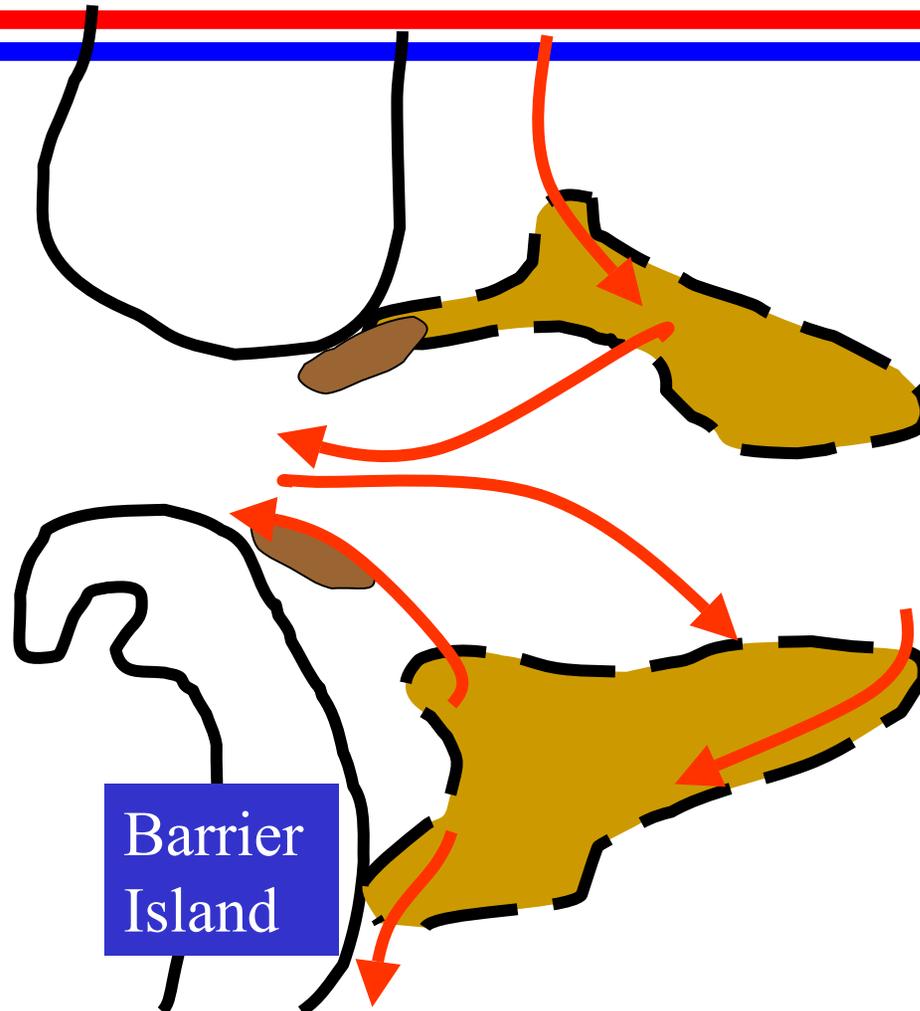
Natural Sand Bypassing



1. Wave-Induced
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Natural Inlets

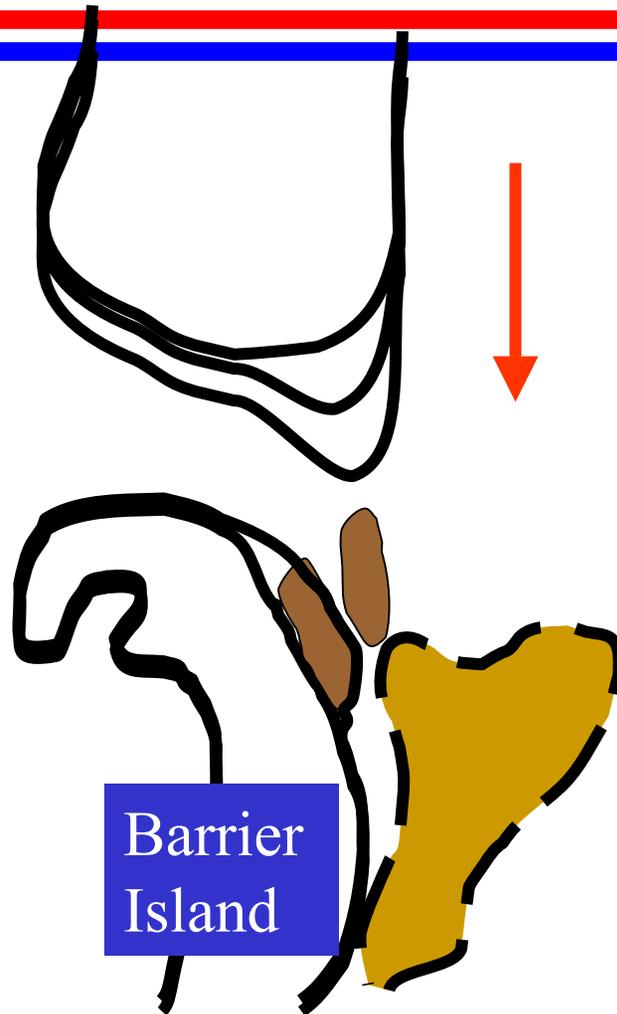
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2. Transport into and out of inlet by tidal currents

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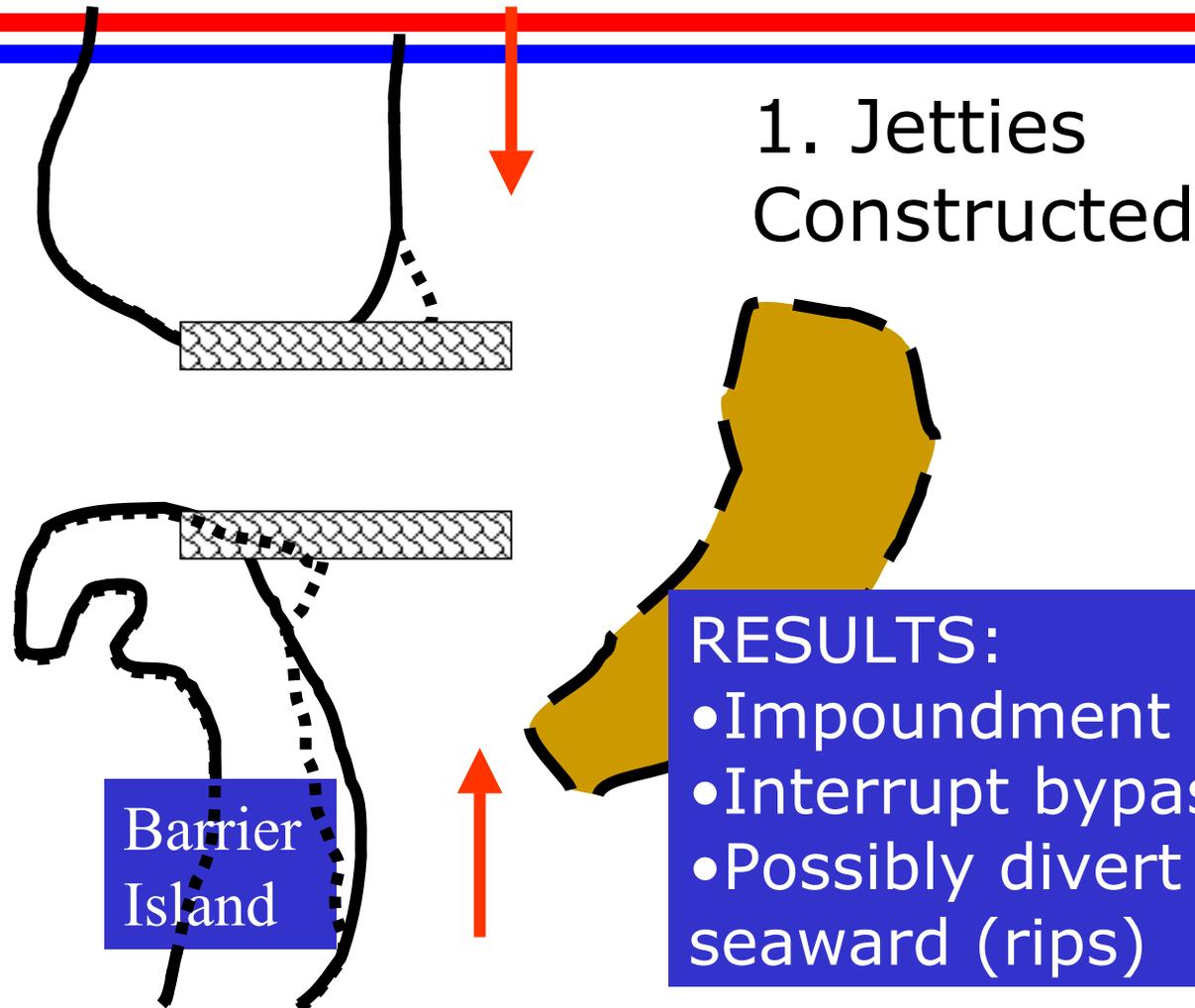
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3. Migration of channels and bars

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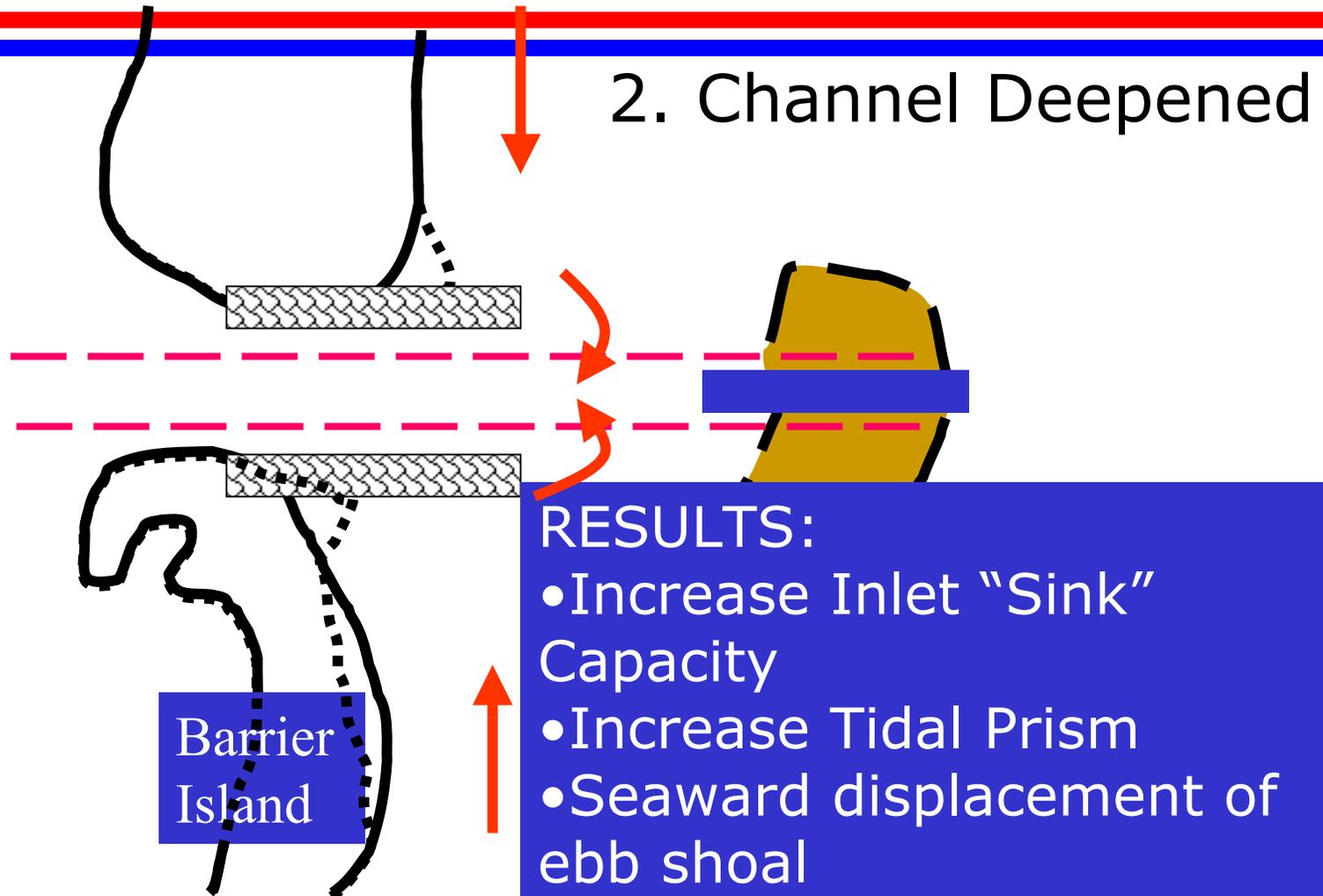
Inlet Stabilization



RESULTS:

- Impoundment at jetties
- Interrupt bypassing
- Possibly divert sediment seaward (rips)

Inlet Stabilization



Approach



- **Perform historical analysis**
- **Understand sediment pathways**
- **Select best strategy to manage sediment**

Ebb Shoal, Channel, and Shoreline Evolution



Ed Hands



Based on US Corps of Engineers Quasi-Annual
Hydrographic and Shoreline Surveys

Strategies



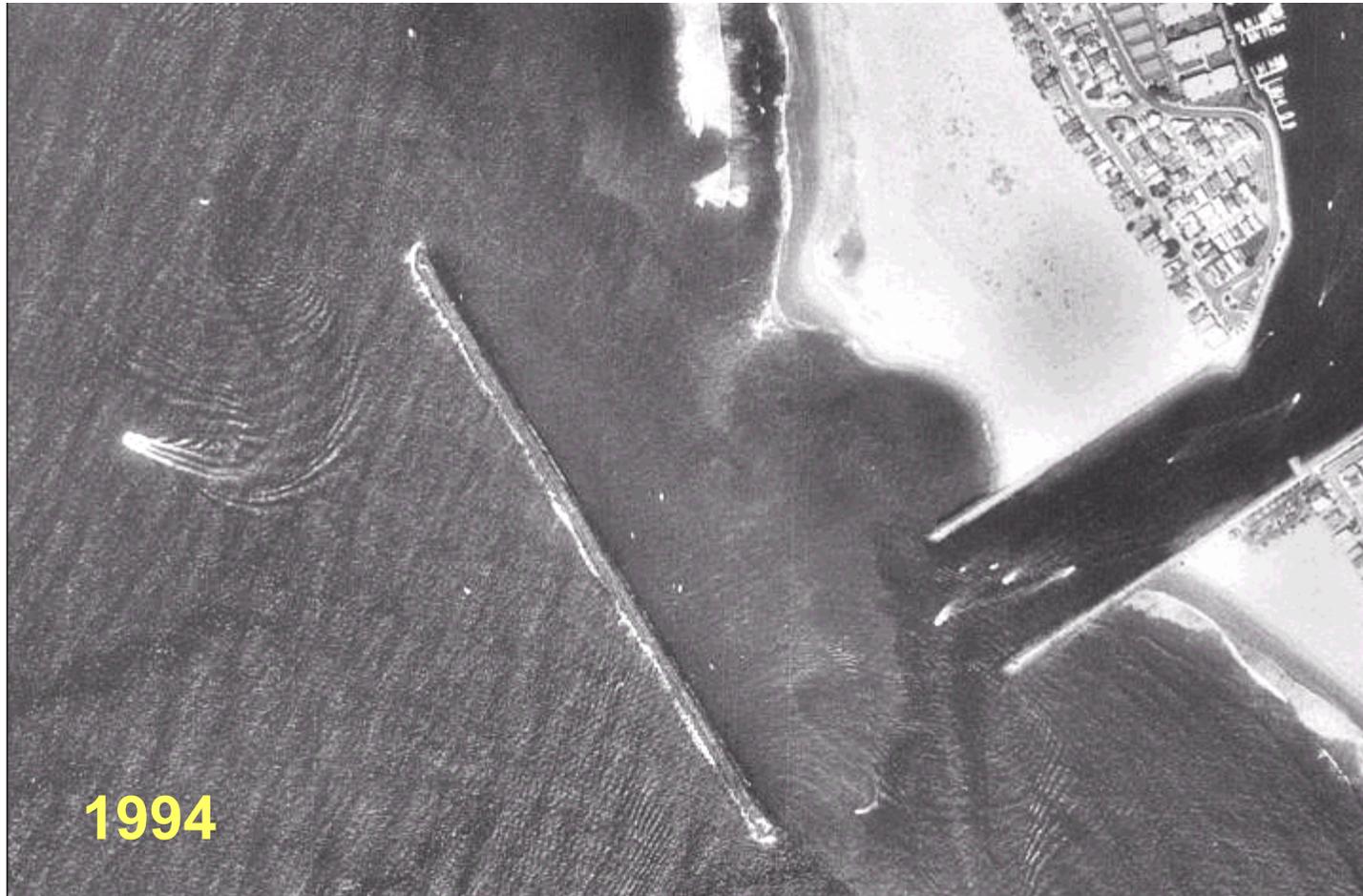
- **Naturally bypass (most likely, in your dreams)**
- **Dredge channel and bypass**
- **Actively intercept the sand and bypass**
 - **Jet pump system (Rudee Inlet, VA)**
 - **Fixed plant, (e.g., South Lake Worth Inlet, FL)**

Strategies (continued)



- **Provide storage area**
 - **Deposition basin in channel (Jupiter Inlet, FL)**
 - **Deposition basin w/ weir jetty (many examples)**
 - **Fillet adjacent to jetty**
 - **Offshore breakwater**
- **Divert**
 - **Use jetty spurs to keep sand on beach**

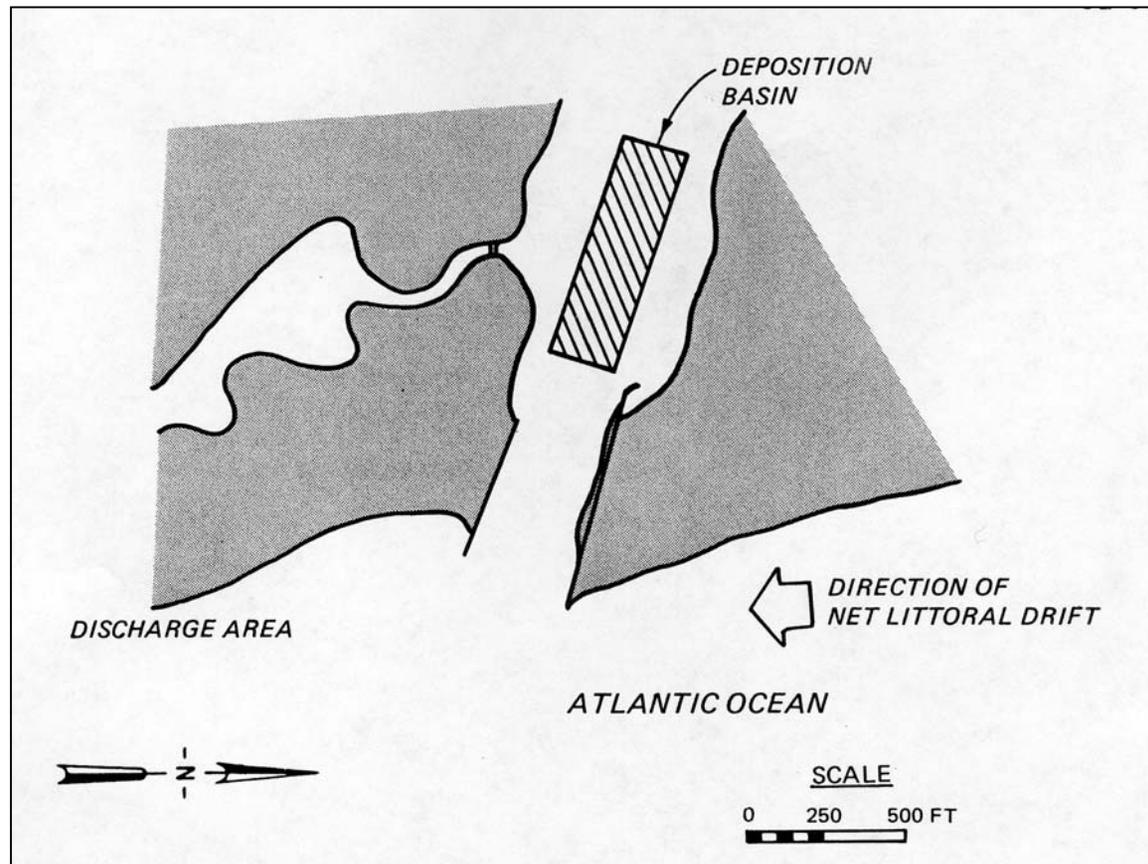
Offshore Breakwater Channel Islands Harbor, CA



Jetty Spurs at Suislaw River, OR



Jupiter Inlet, FL Deposition Basin in Channel



Structure Orientation to Aid Natural Bypassing

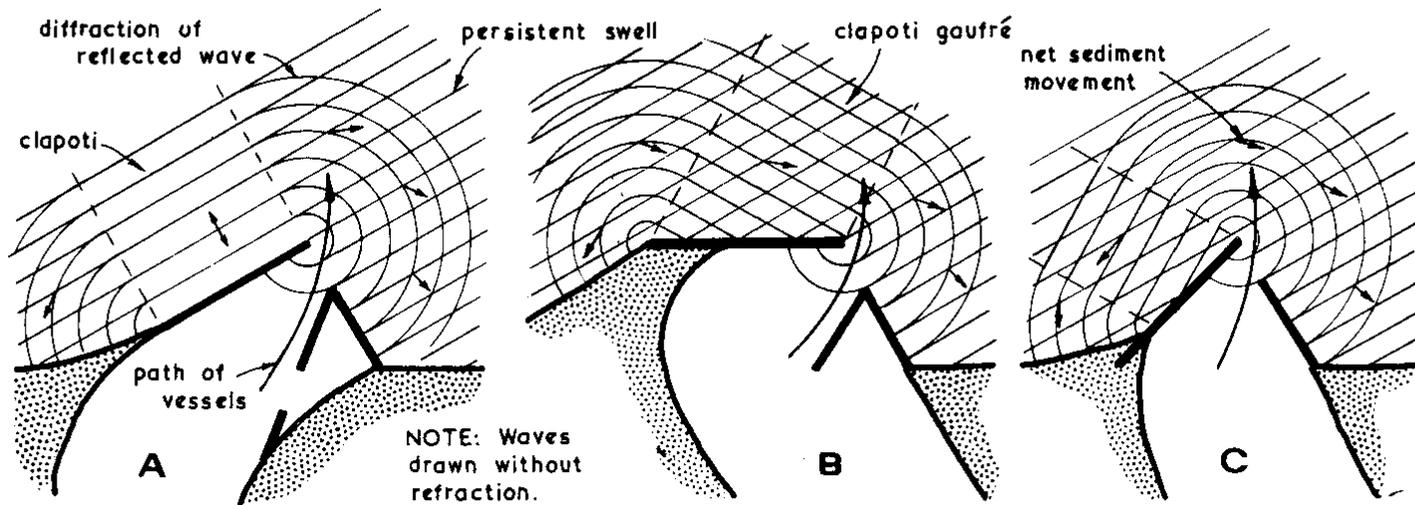
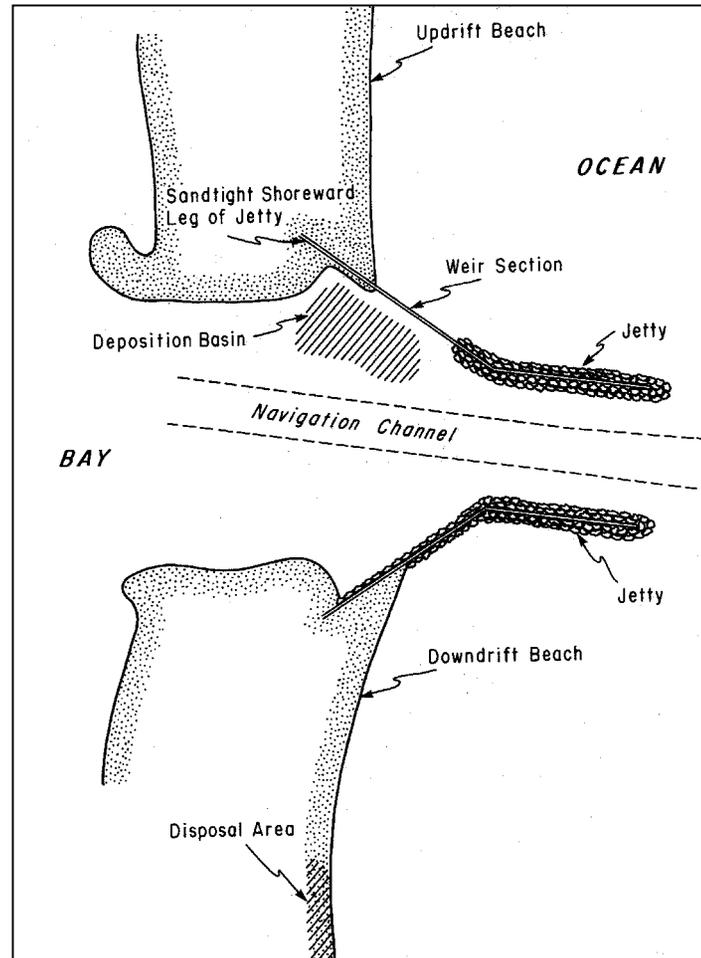


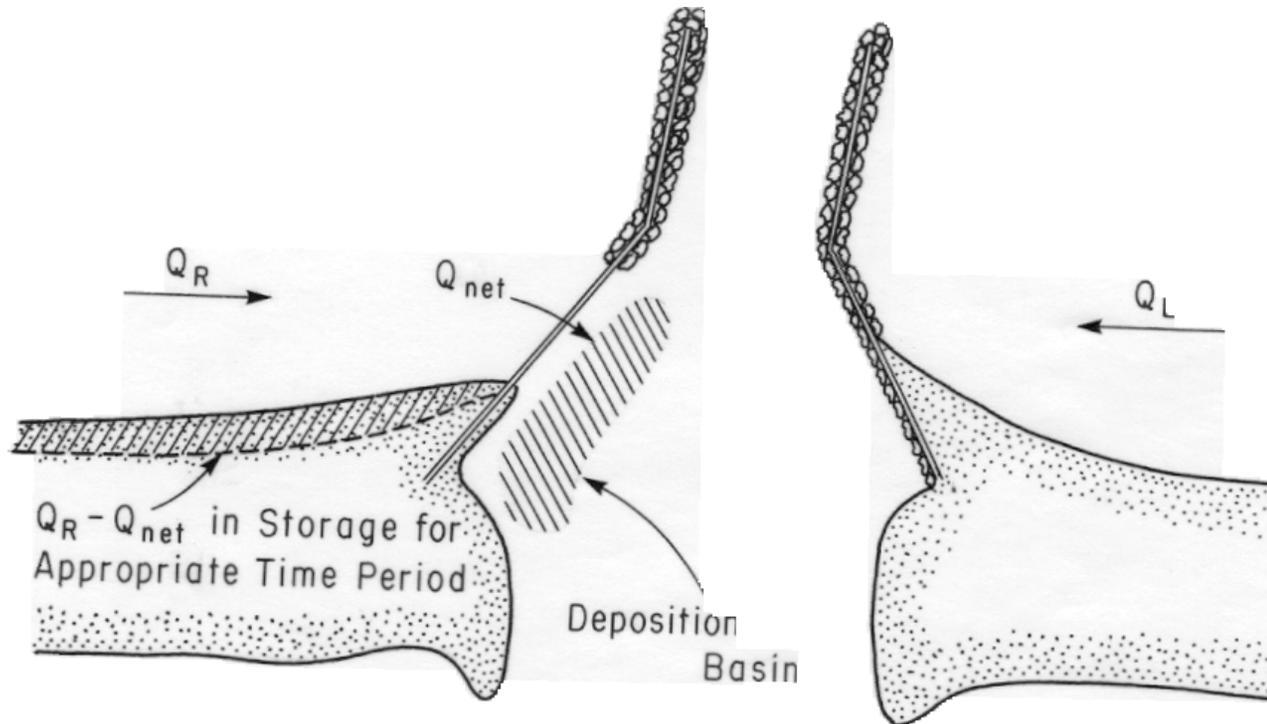
Fig. 3-5. Reflecting breakwaters for re-applying wave energy to sea-bed to expedite sediment transport.

From R. Silvester, 1974

Key Elements of a Typical Weir Jetty System



Performance of an Ideal Weir Jetty System



**Table 1
Weir Jetty Projects Specifications**

Location	Weir Elevation, ft mlw	Length of weir ft	Length of weir jetty ft	Orientation of weir ¹ degrees	Weir material	Gross Longshore Transport Rate Estimates cu yd/year
Boca Raton, FL	0 ft (N.G.V.D.)	65	North jetty 650	90	Concrete bags	Net rate 120,000 to S
Charleston, SC	-13	6,000	15,400 N 19,100 S	70	Rubble mound	-
Colorado River Mouth, TX	0.0	1,000	East jetty 2,650	90	Rubble stone	300,000
East Pass Channel, FL	-0.5	1,000	West jetty 4,850	45	Concrete sheet pile	195,000
Hillsboro Inlet, FL	Varying +0.5 - +3.5	260	North jetty 485	0	Natural rock	120,000
Masonboro, NC	+2.0	1,100	North jetty 3,639	85	Concrete sheet pile	340,000
Murrells Inlet, SC	+2.2	1,350	North jetty 3,455	30	Rubble mound	250,000
Perdido Pass, AL/FL	-0.5	1,000	East jetty 1,800	45	Concrete sheet pile	195,000
Ponce DeLeon, FL	0.0 +4.0	1,500 300	North jetty 4,050	60	King piles and adjustable concrete beams	700,000
Rudee Inlet, VI	+2.15	452	South jetty 815	90	Timber	600,000
St. Lucie, FL	0.0	900	North jetty 3,975	90	Rubble mound	260,000

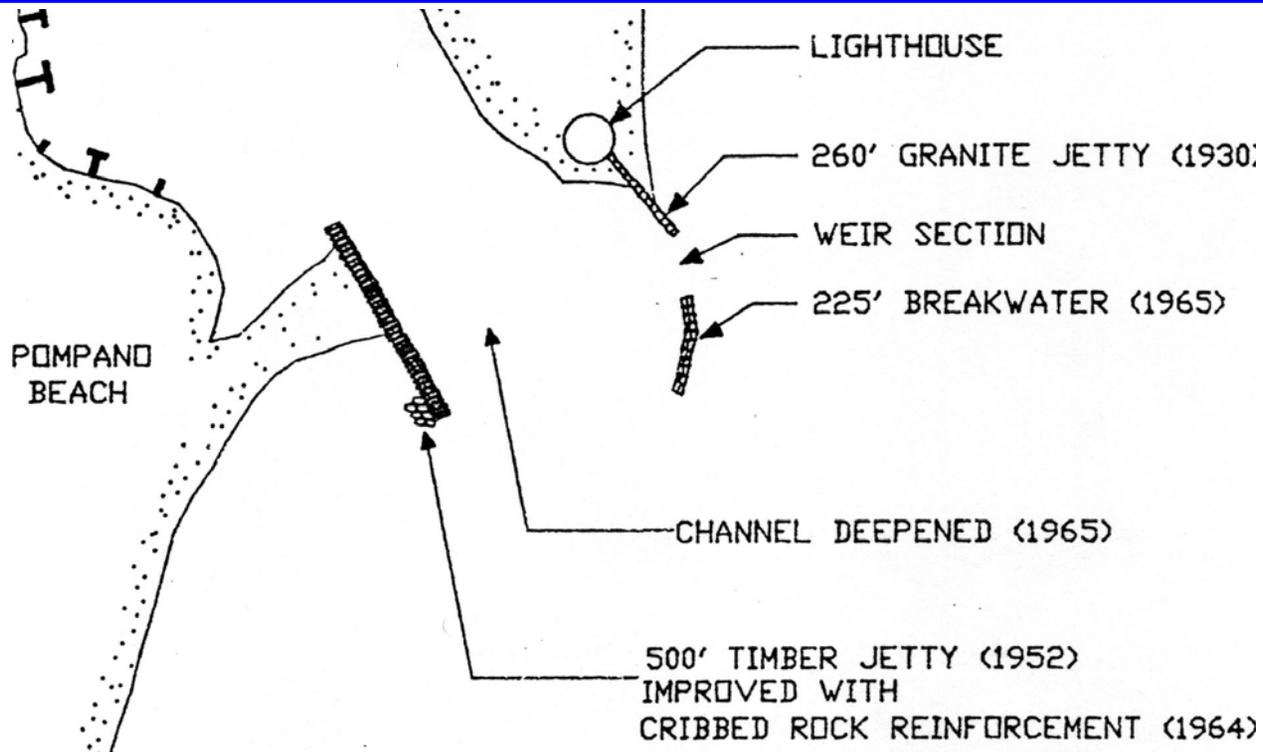
1. Angle from general trend of shoreline measured on the channel side.



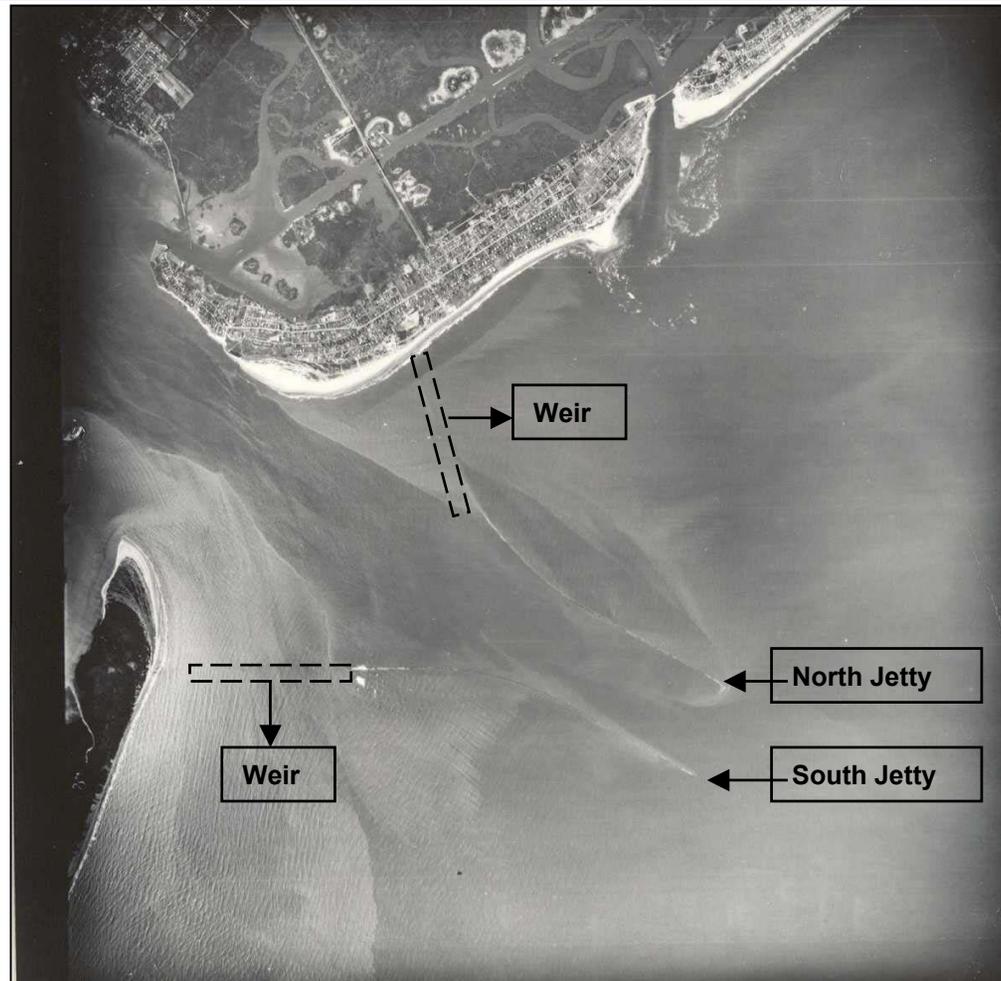
Hillsboro Inlet, FL, 1 September 1995



Hillsboro Inlet Plan View

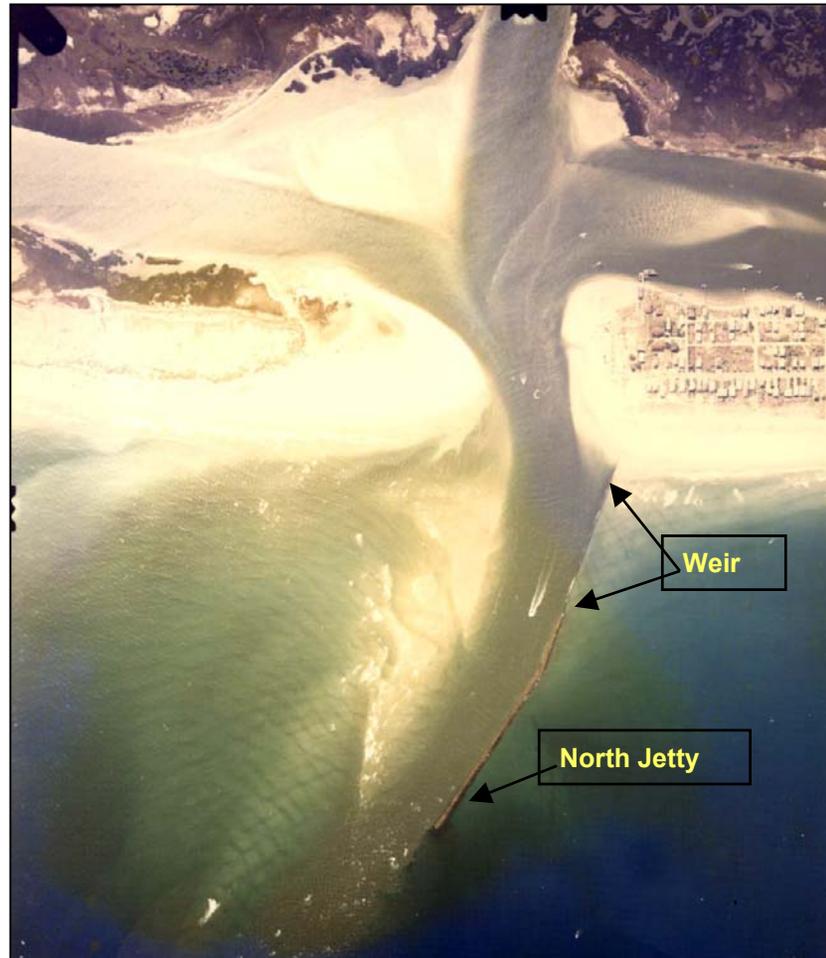


Charleston Harbor, SC, 1968



Masonboro Inlet, NC

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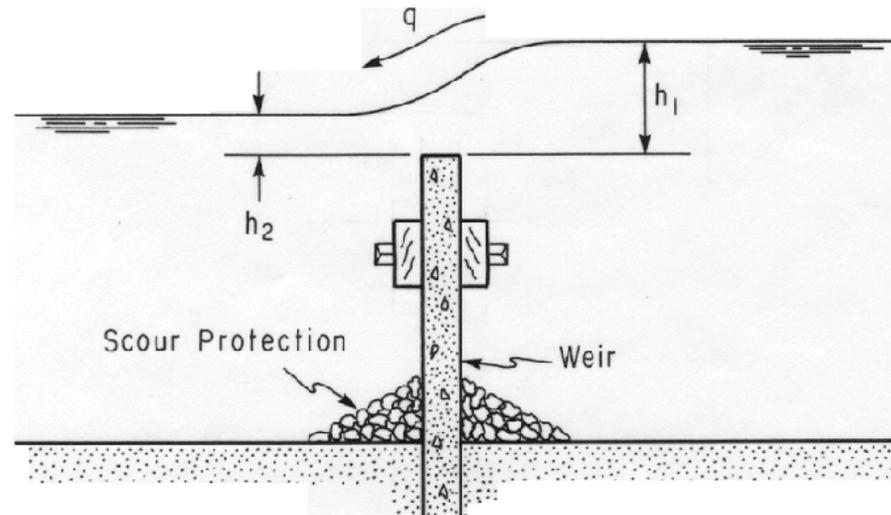


Sheetpile Weir at Masonboro Inlet



CHANNEL SIDE

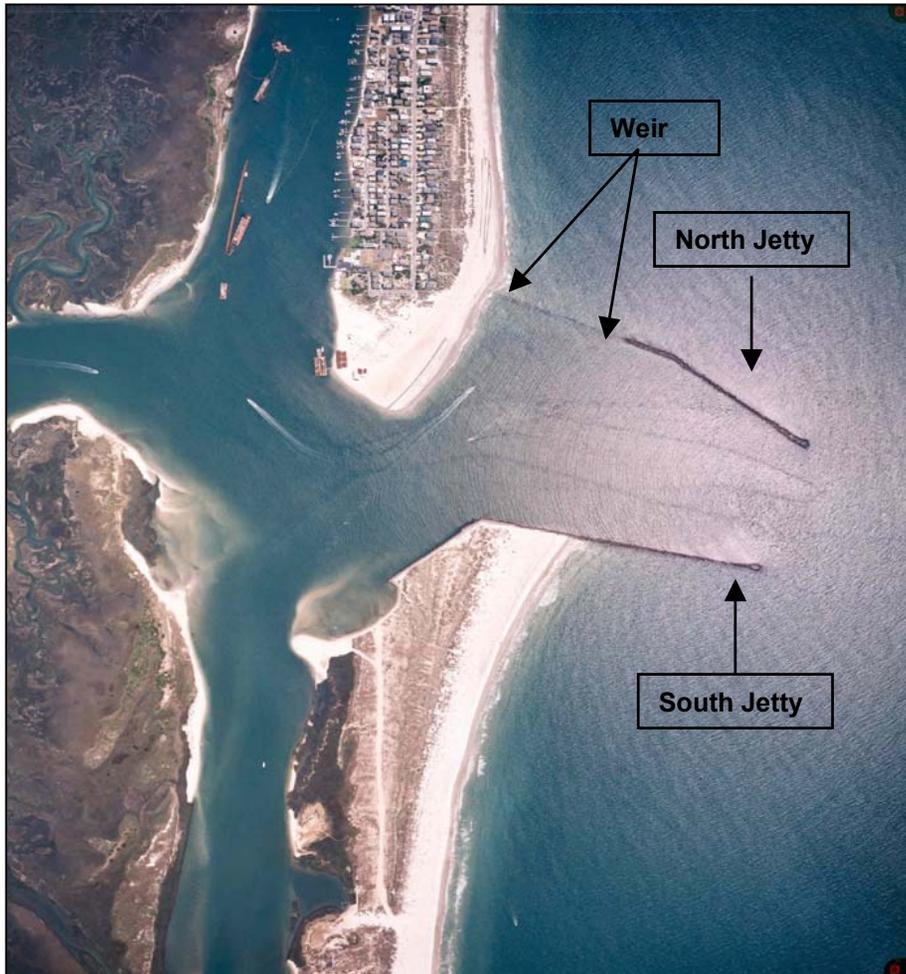
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Submerged Weir During Floodflow

$$q = C\sqrt{2g(h_1 - h_2)} \left\{ \frac{2}{3}h_1 + \frac{1}{3}h_2 \right\}$$

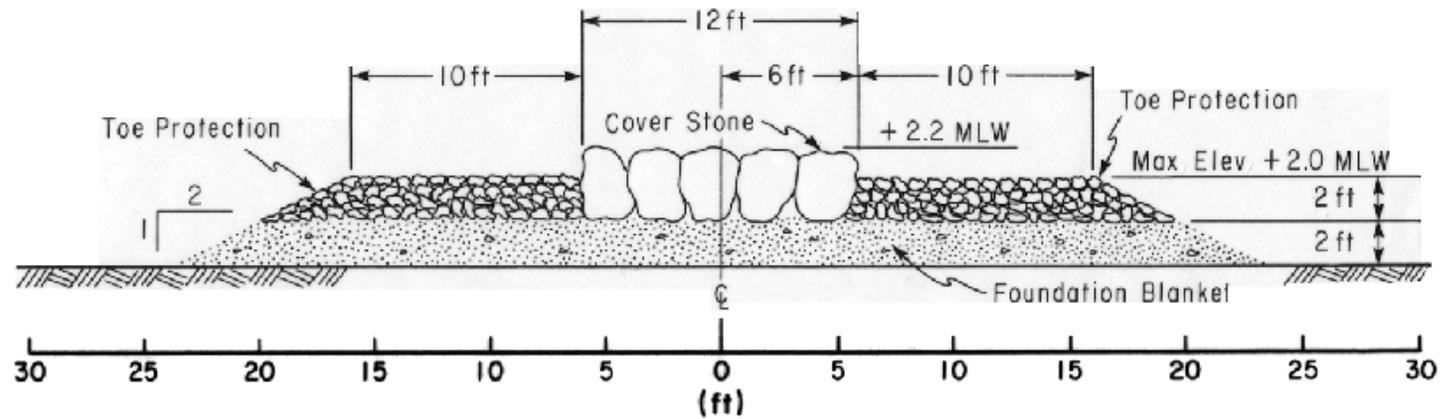
Masonboro Inlet, NC, 16 May 2002



Murrells Inlet, SC, 14 January 1982

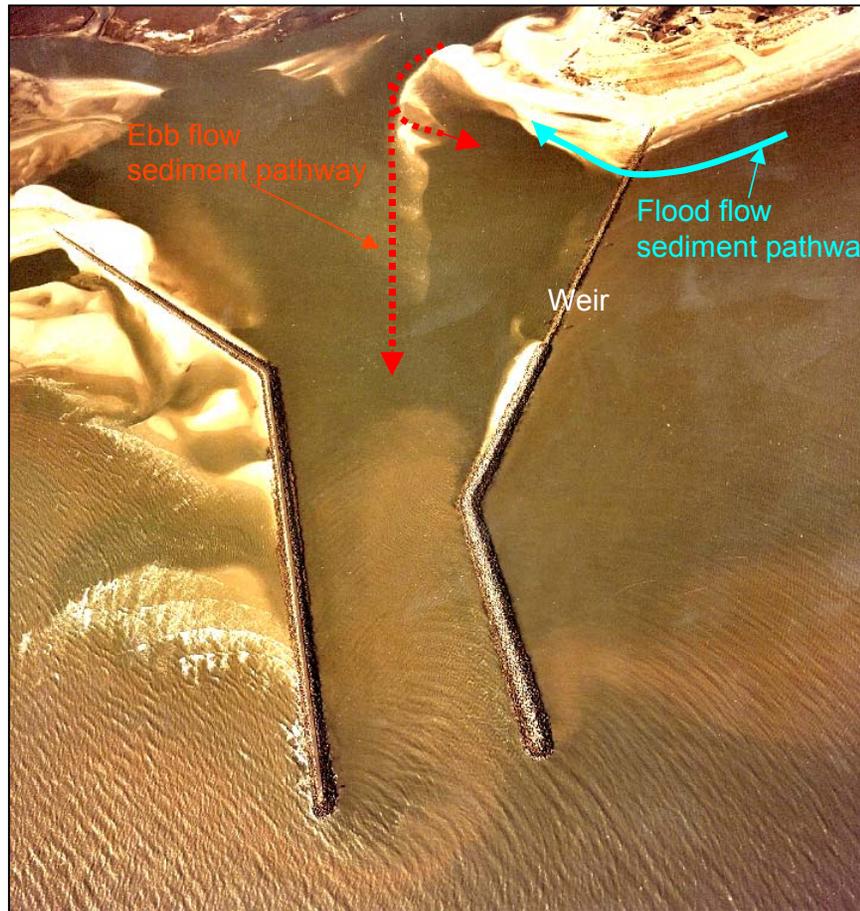


Rubble-mound Weir



Note Dimensions and Stone Size will
Vary with Local Conditions

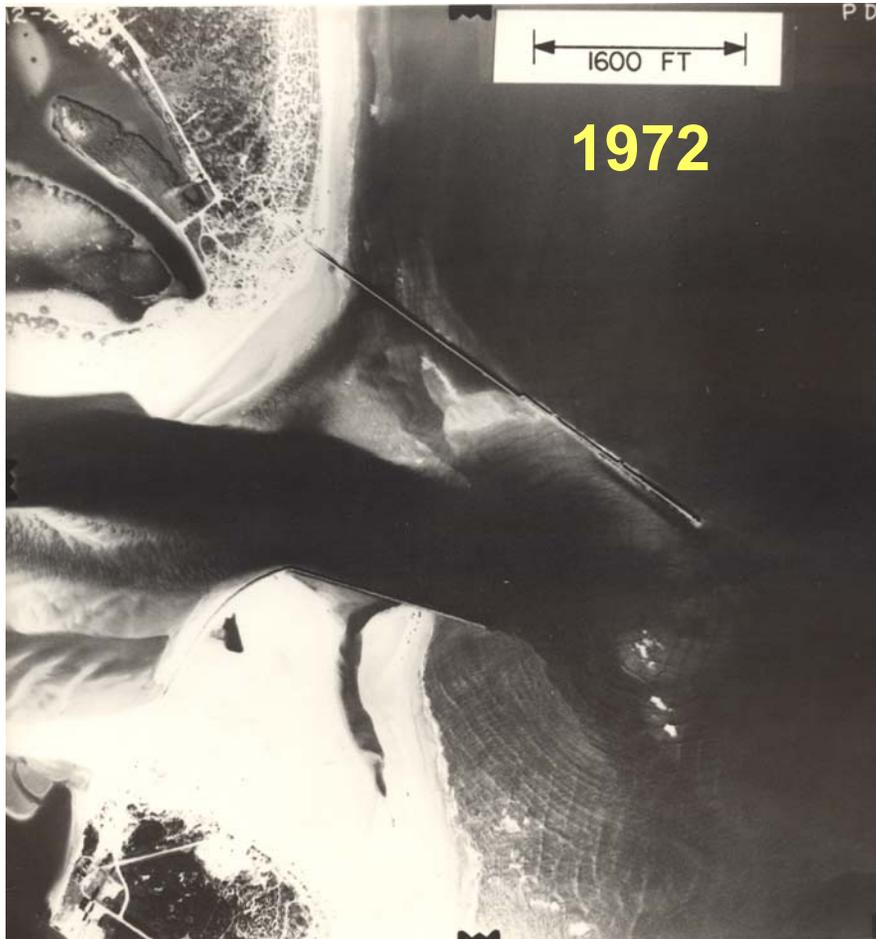
Sediment Pathway for Average Wave Conditions at Murrells Inlet, SC



Little River Inlet, SC 1984



Ponce De Leon, FL



Ponce De Leon, FL, 13 December 1995 (Weir Closed)



South Jetty

North Jetty

Rudee Inlet, Virginia, February 2002



Rudee Inlet , VA

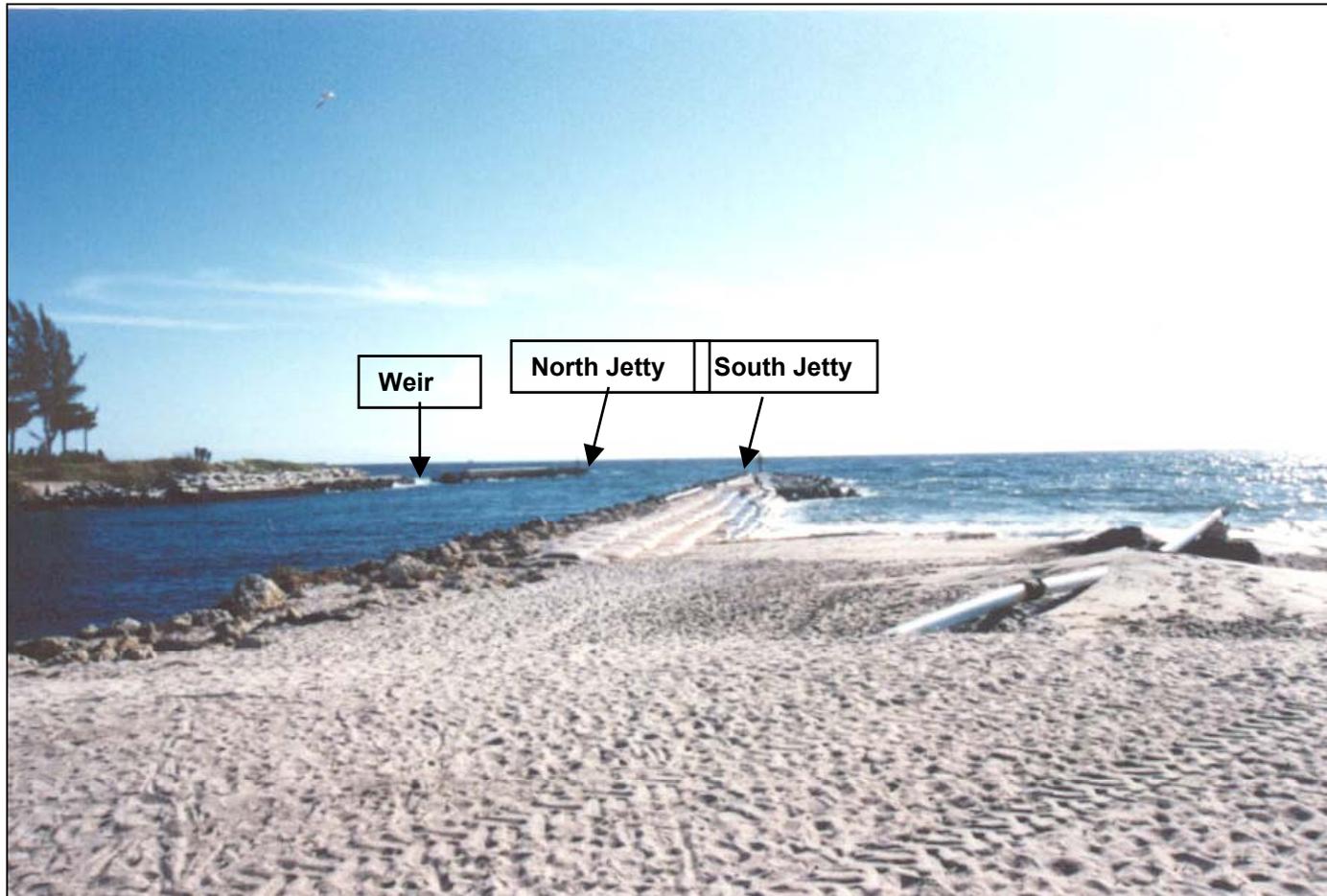
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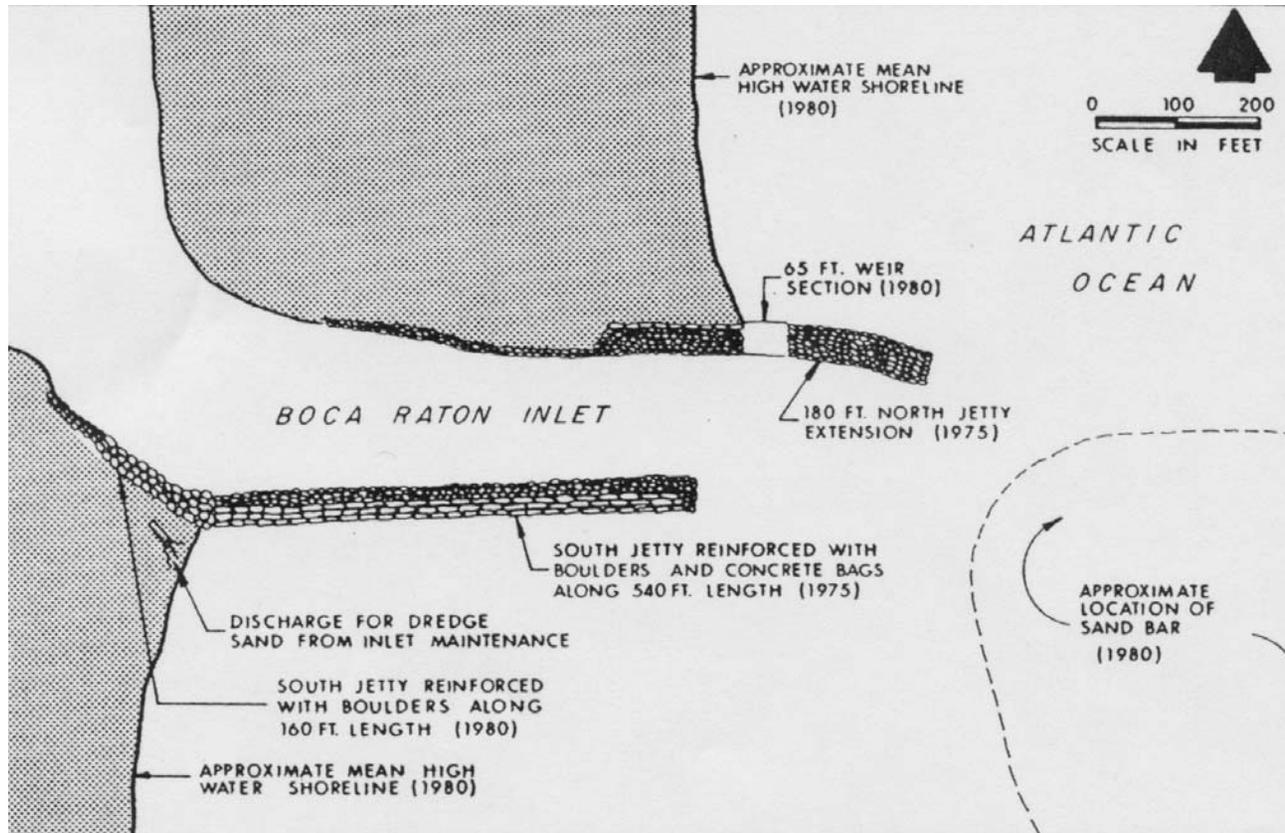
St. Lucie, FL, 23 November 1996



Boca Raton Inlet, FL, 1996



Weir Jetty System, Boca Raton Inlet, FL



East Pass Channel, FL, 1973



Perdido Pass, AL/FL



Colorado River Navigation Channel, TX



January 1954



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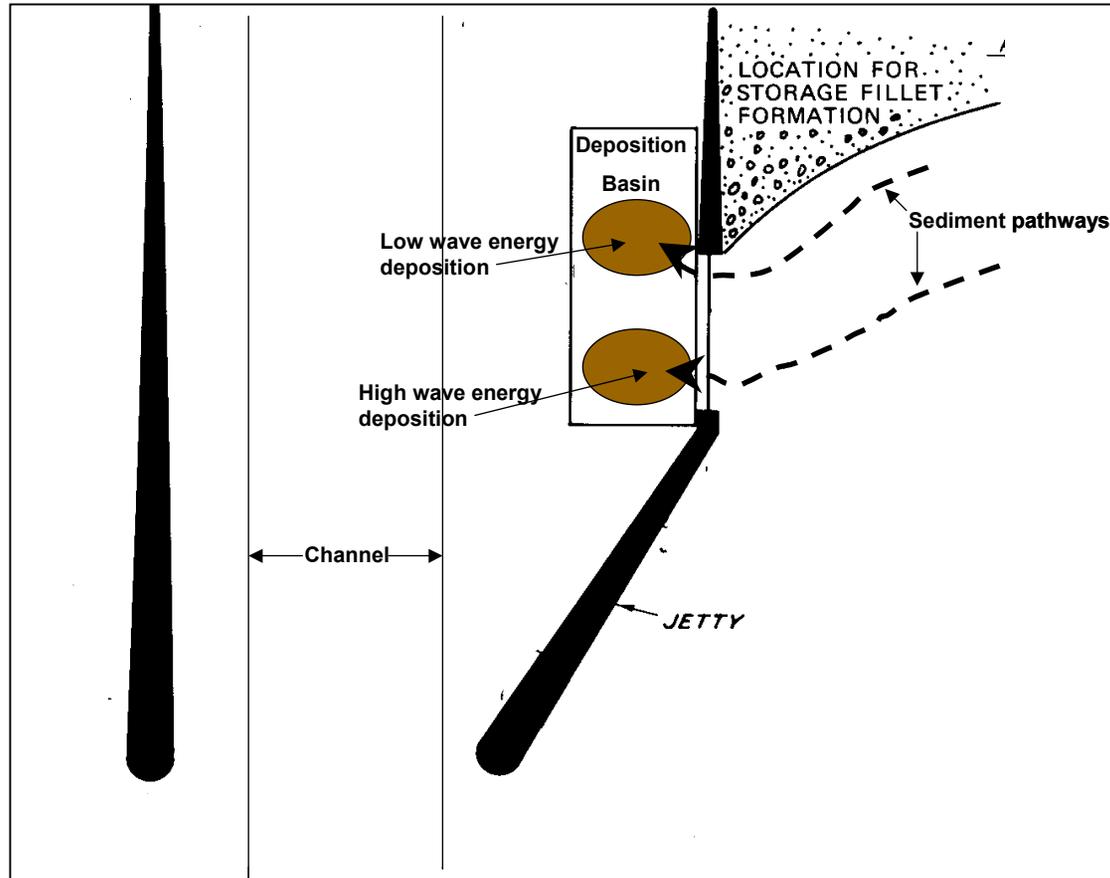


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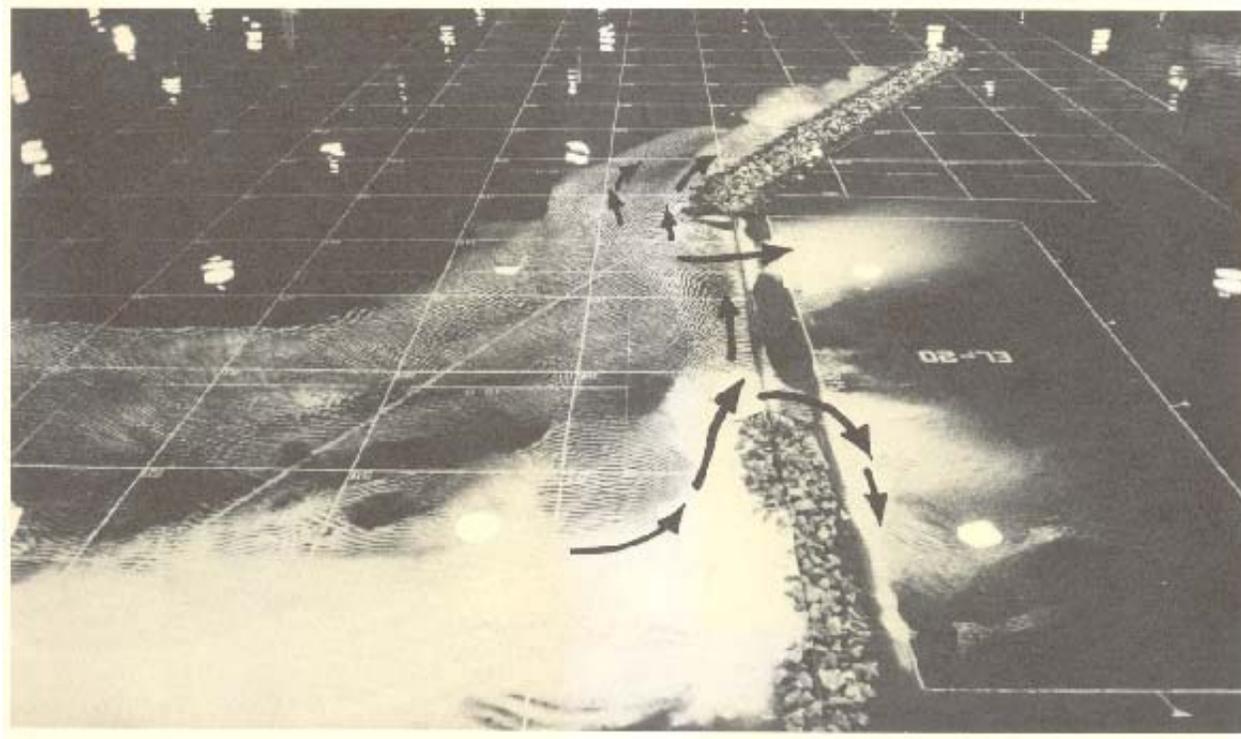


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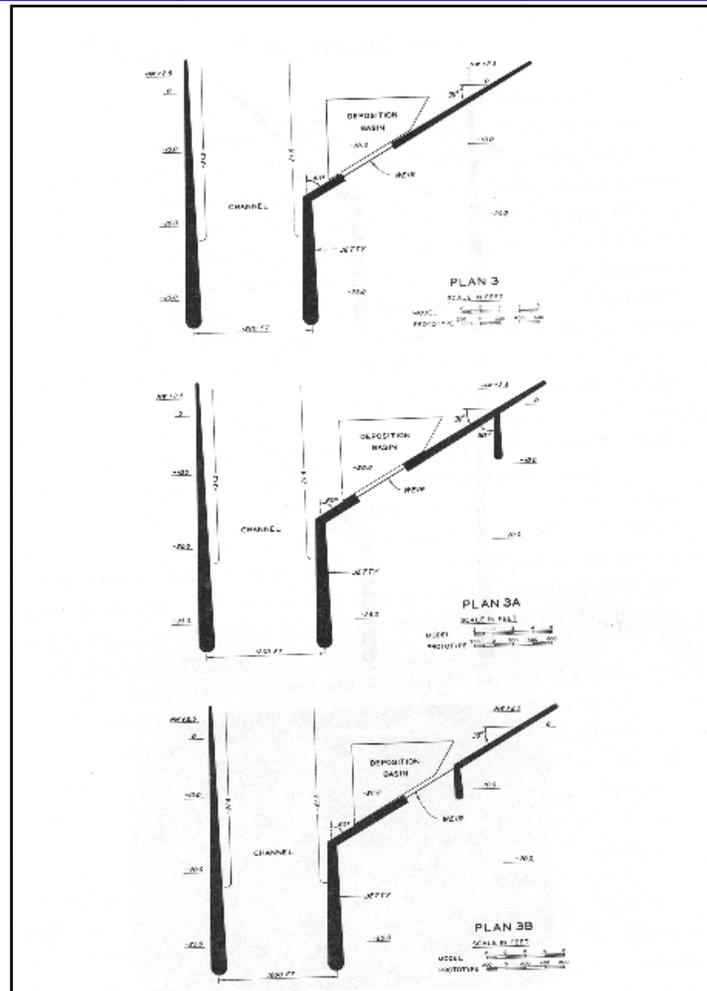
Sediment Pathways Over Weir for Low and High Wave Conditions



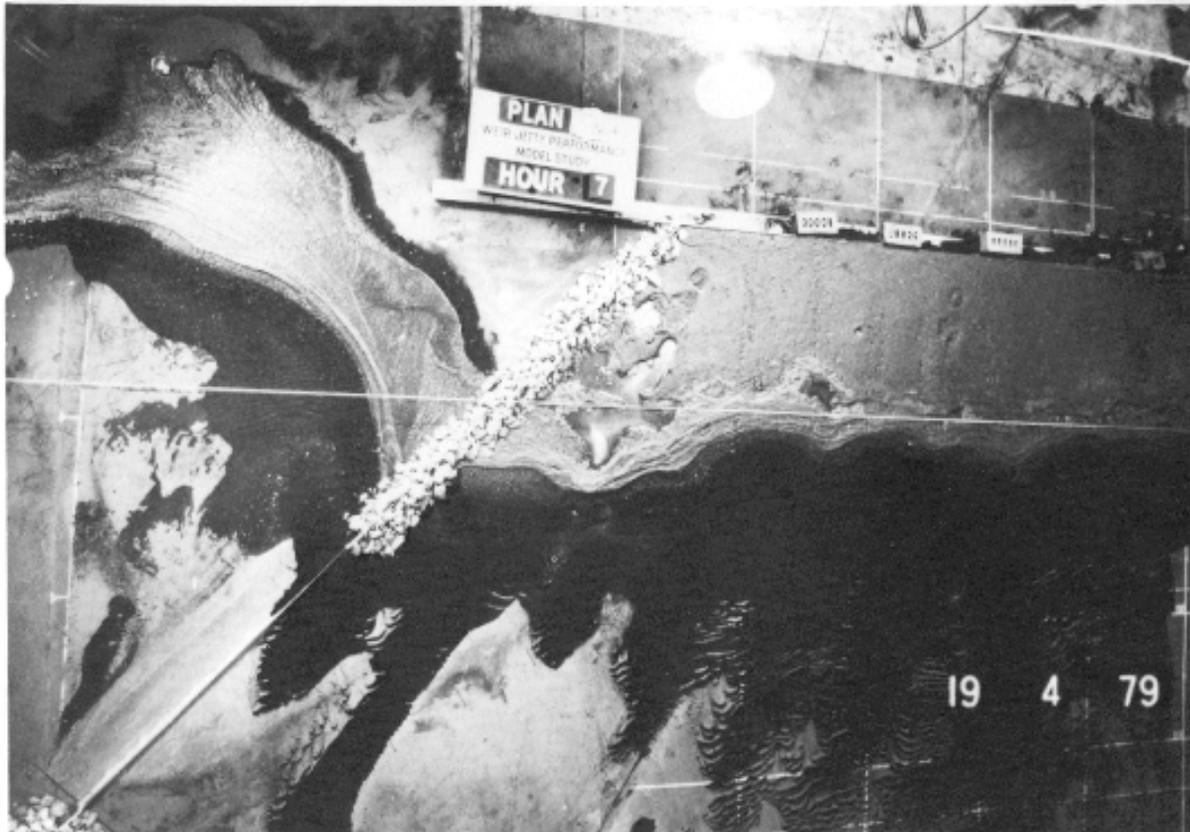
Typical Sediment Movement Over Weir Section



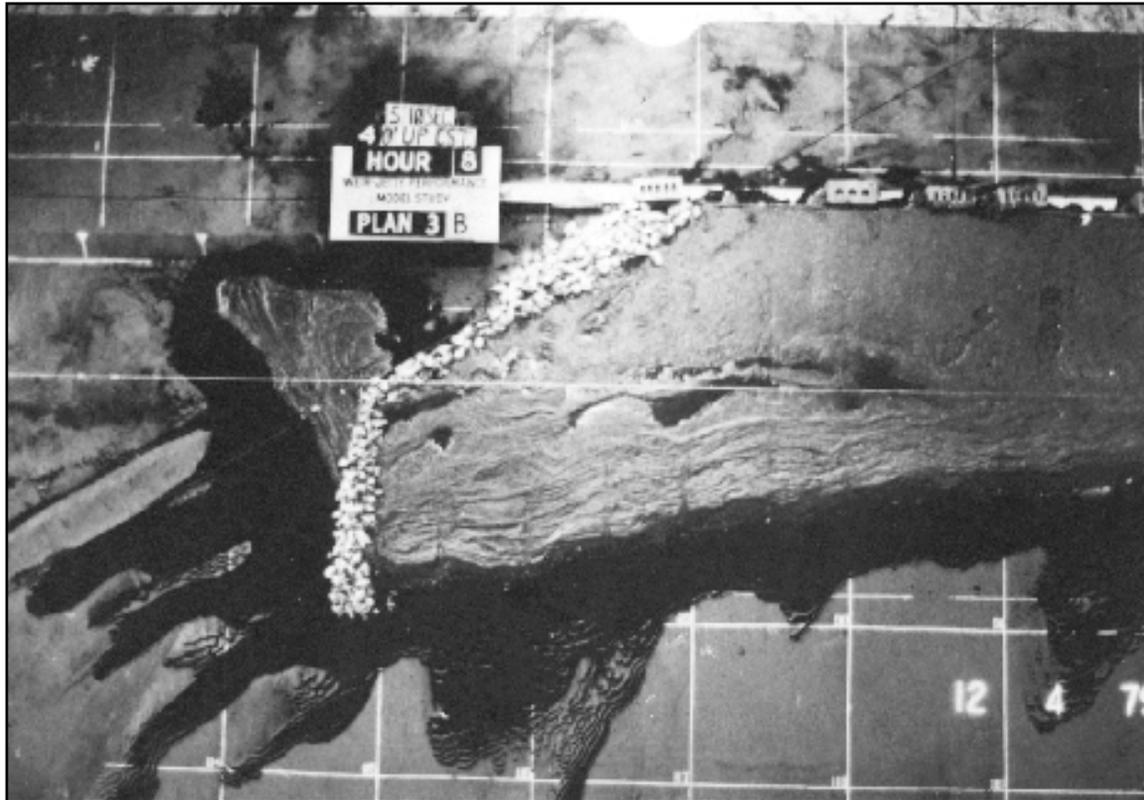
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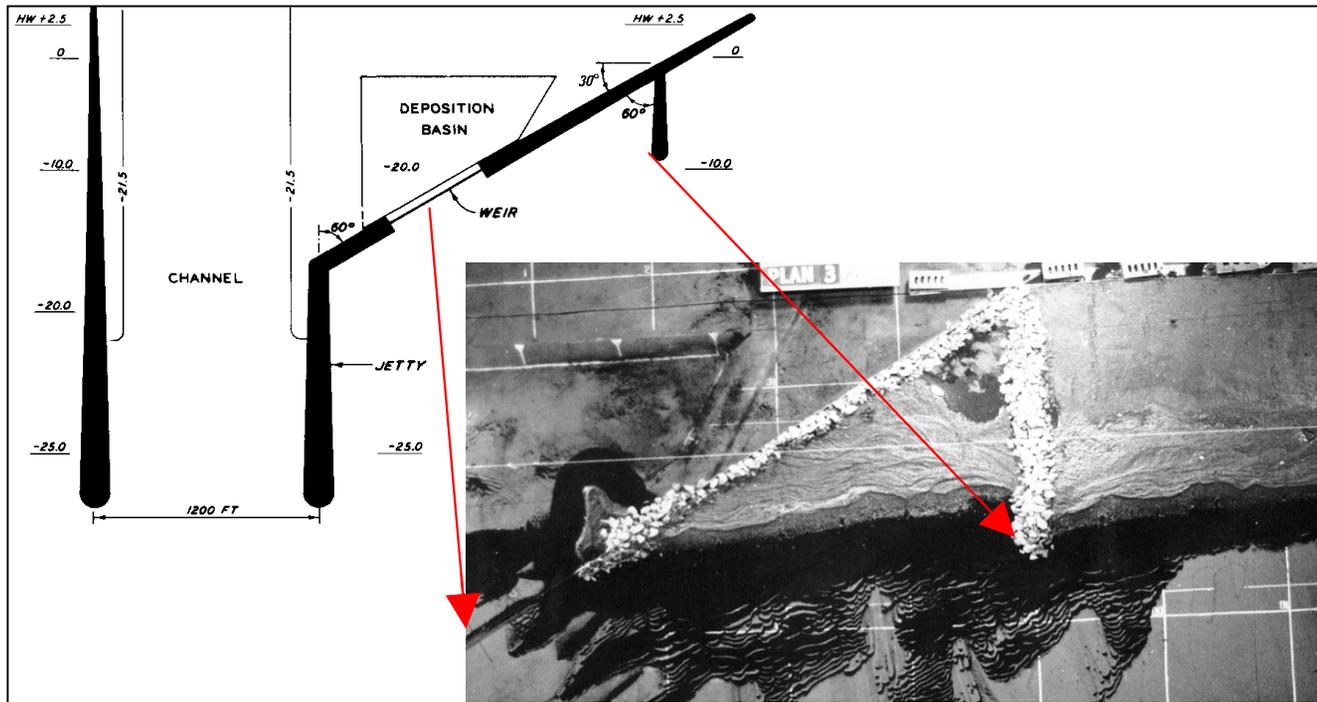
Basic Weir Jetty



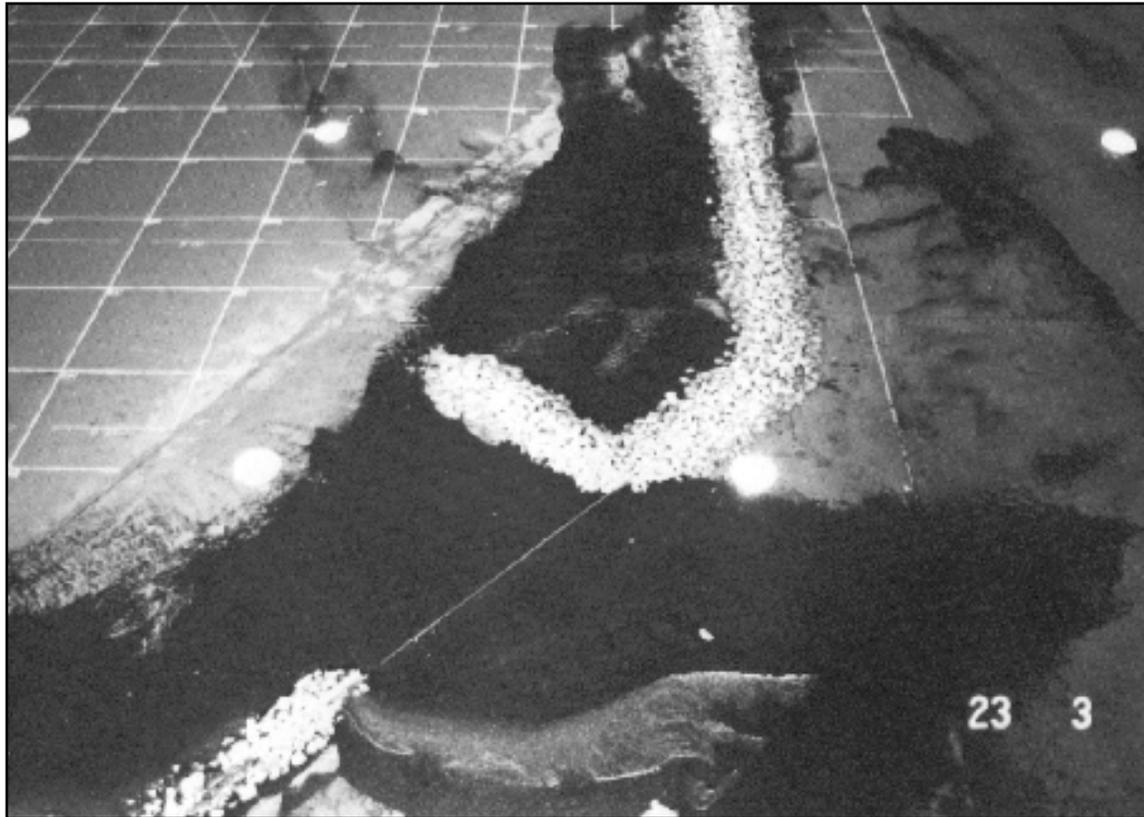
Terminal Groin at Weir



Terminal Groin upcoast of Weir Jetty to Aid in Capturing Only Net Sediment Volume in Deposition Basin



Groin Seaward of Weir

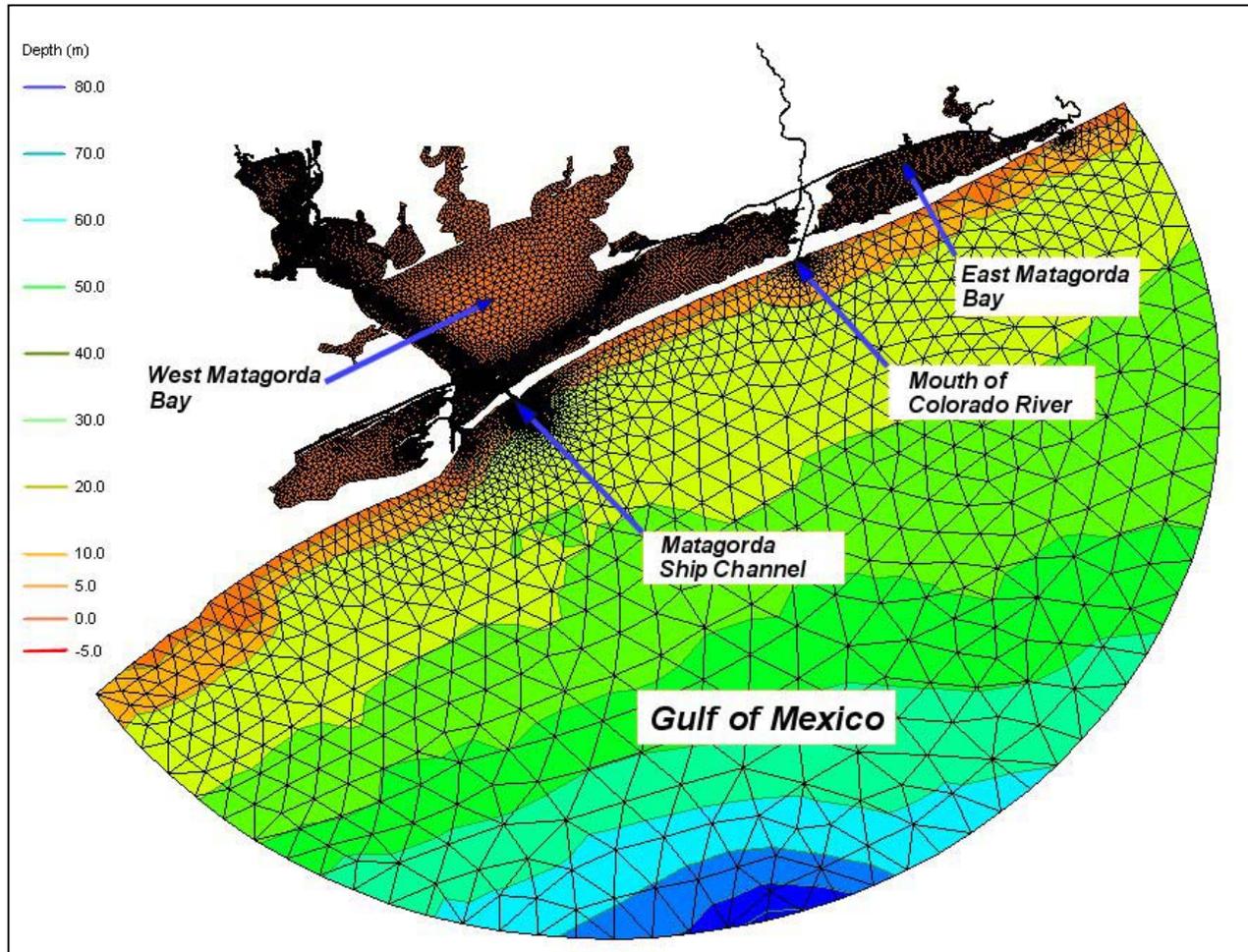


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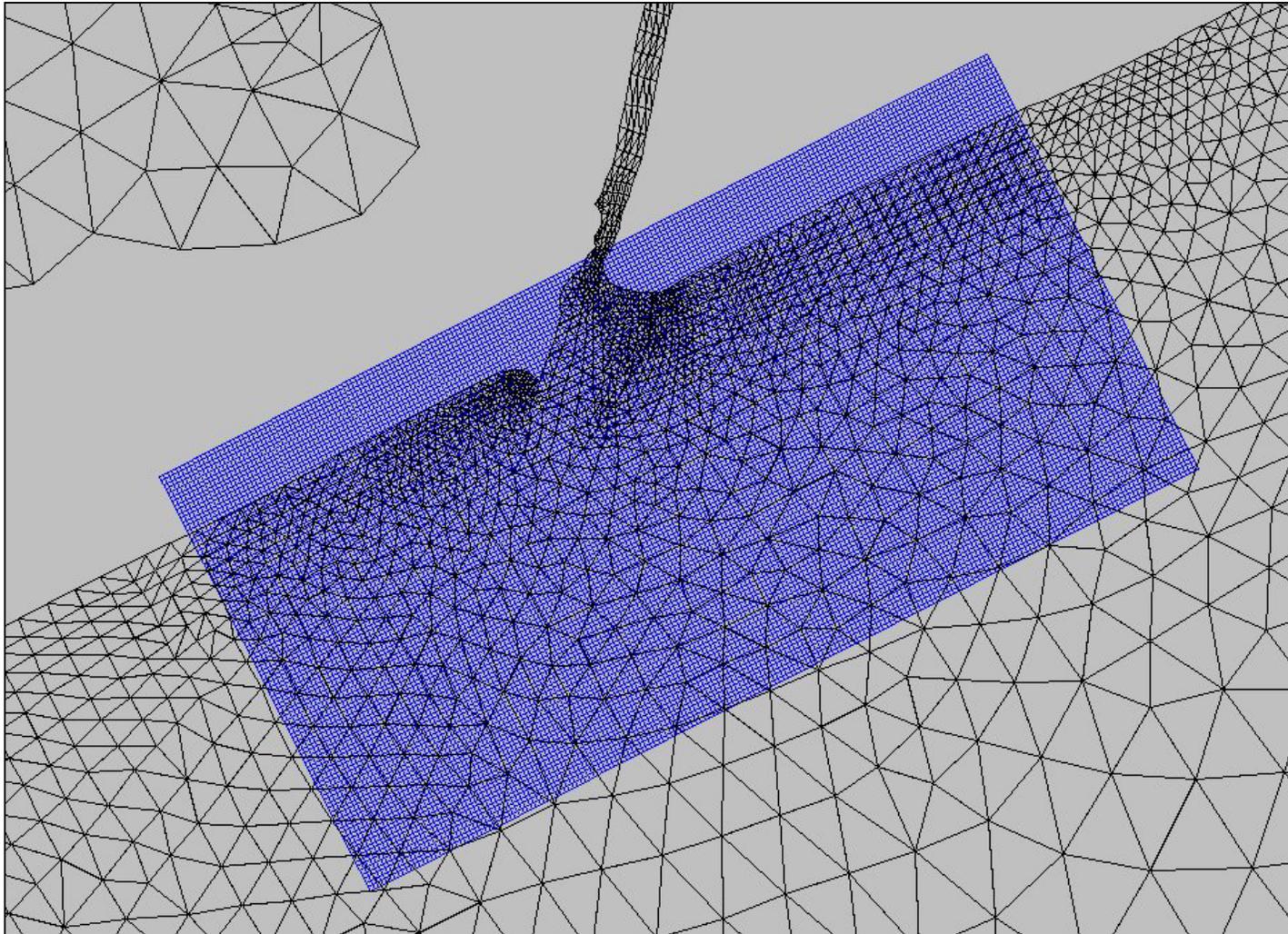


**Examples Provided by
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Regional ADCIRC Grid for Tidal Currents



STWAVE Grid for Wave-Driven Currents



Morphologic Evolution of the Mouth of the Colorado River



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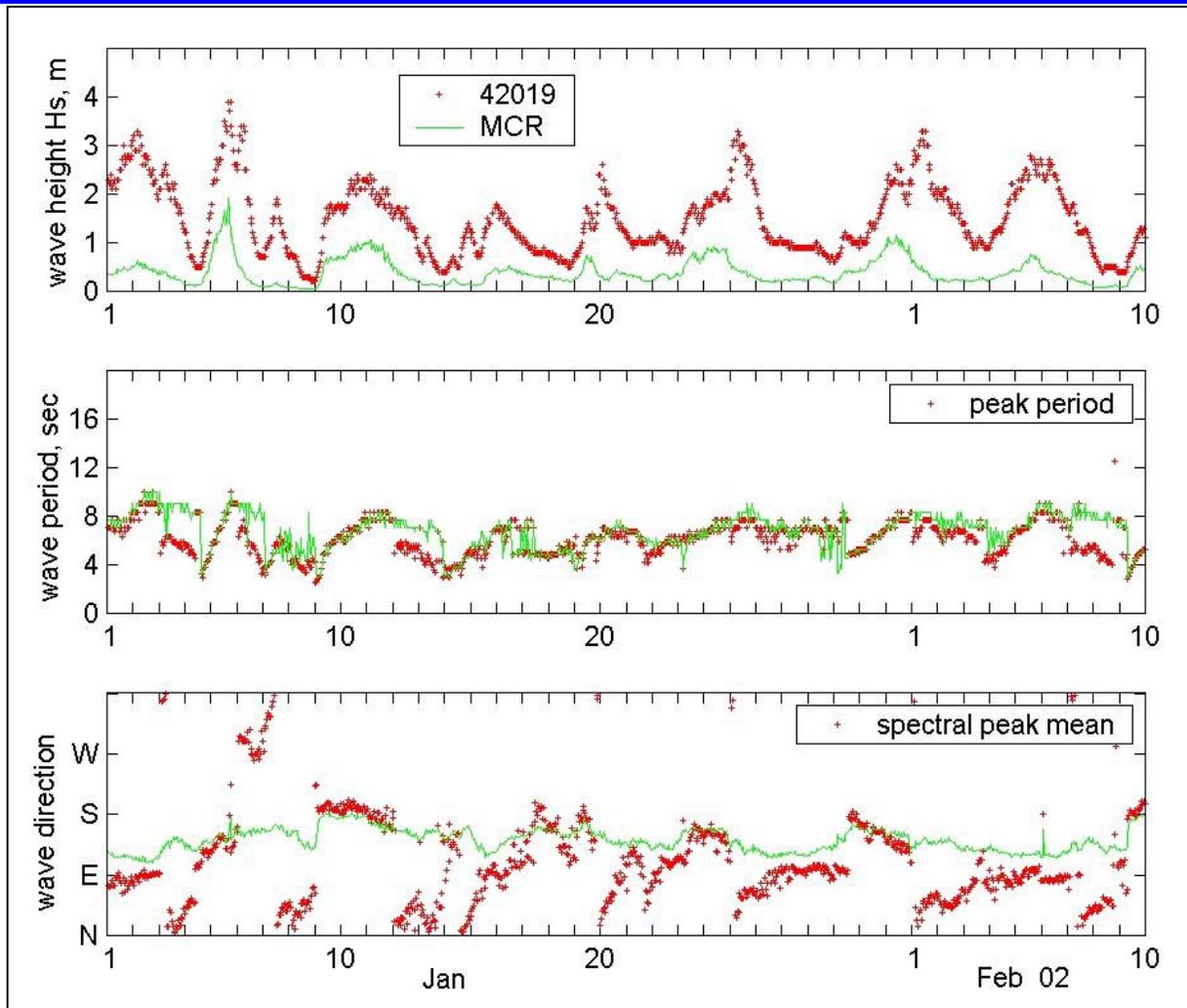


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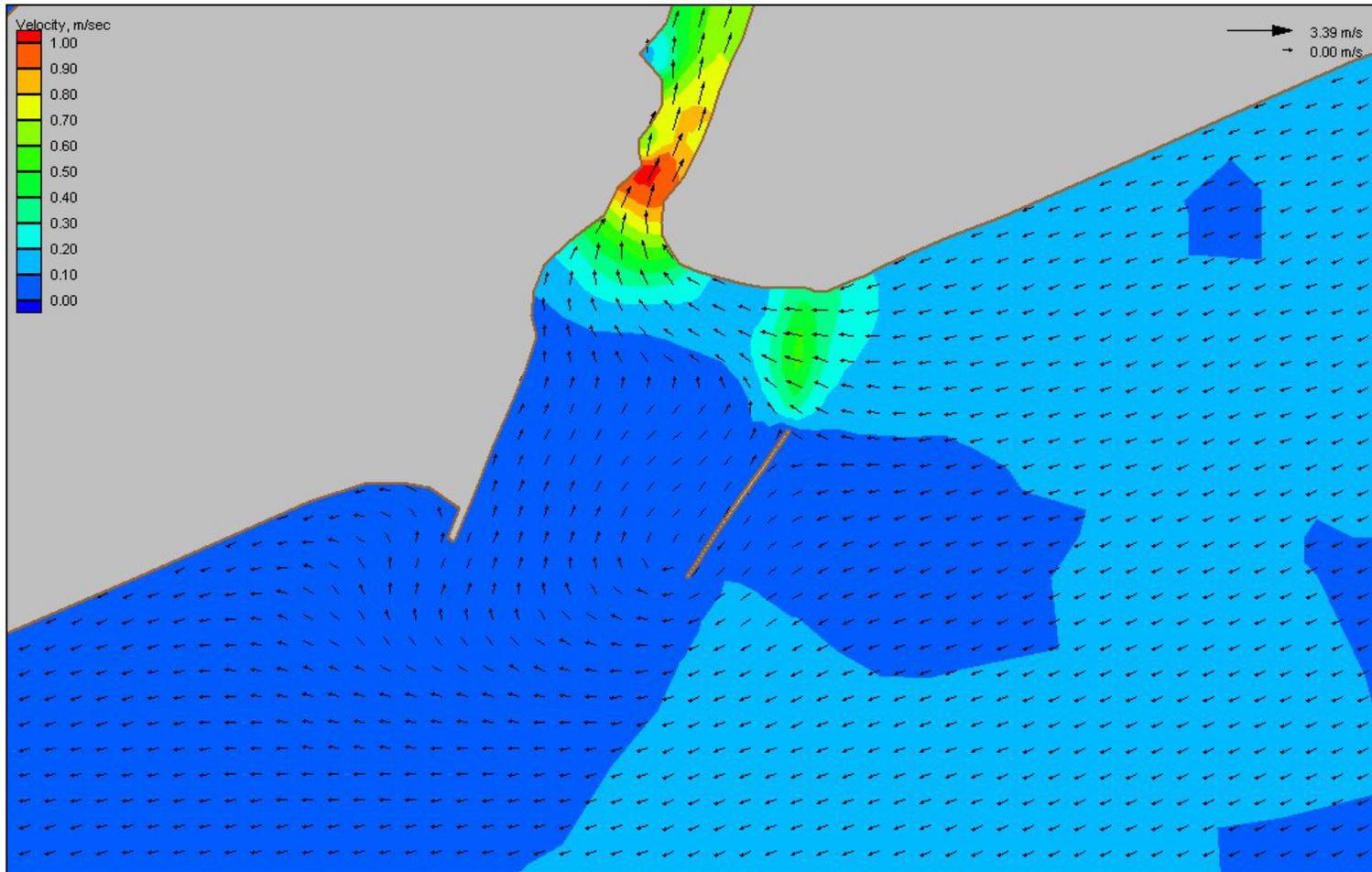
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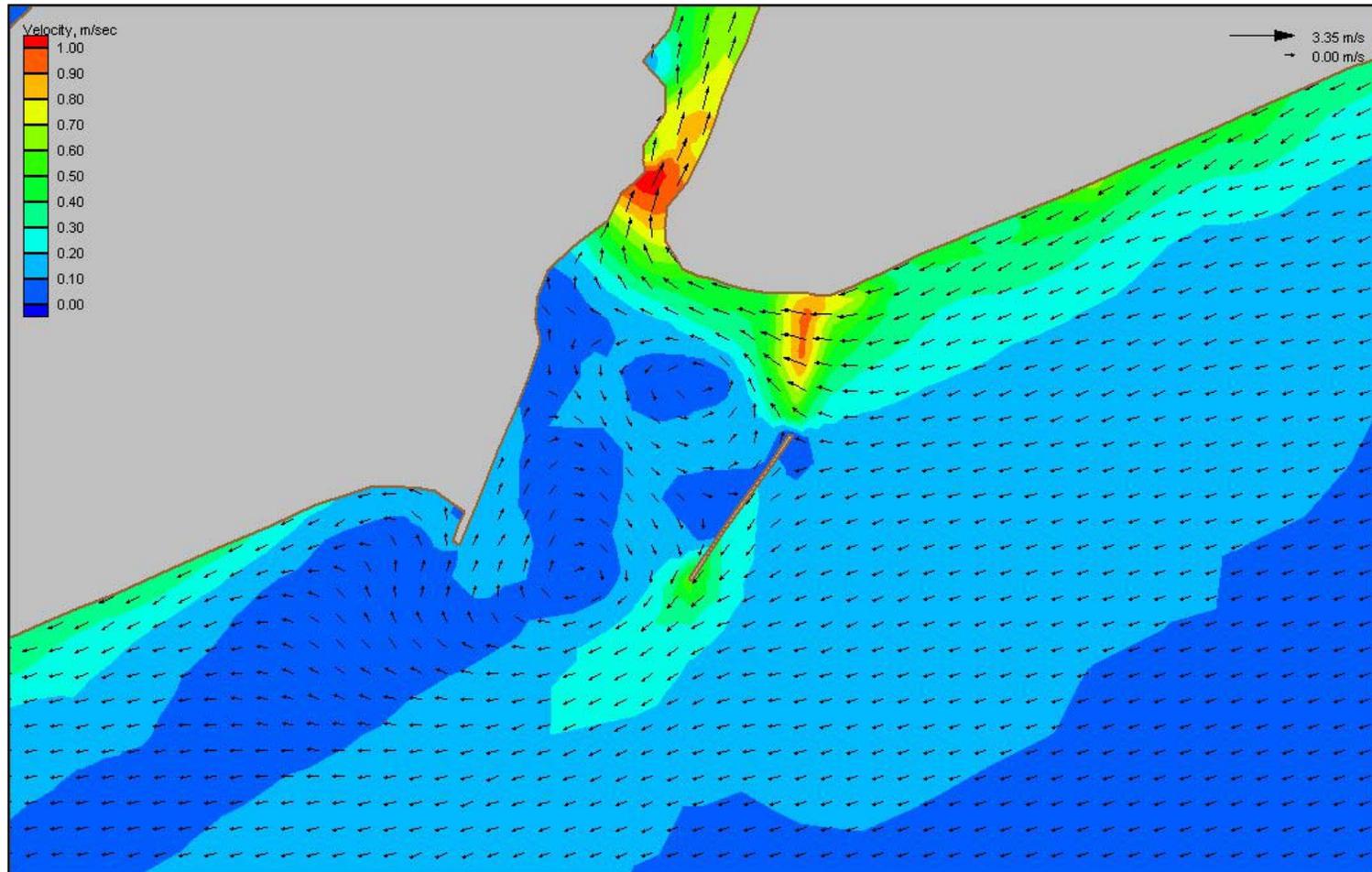
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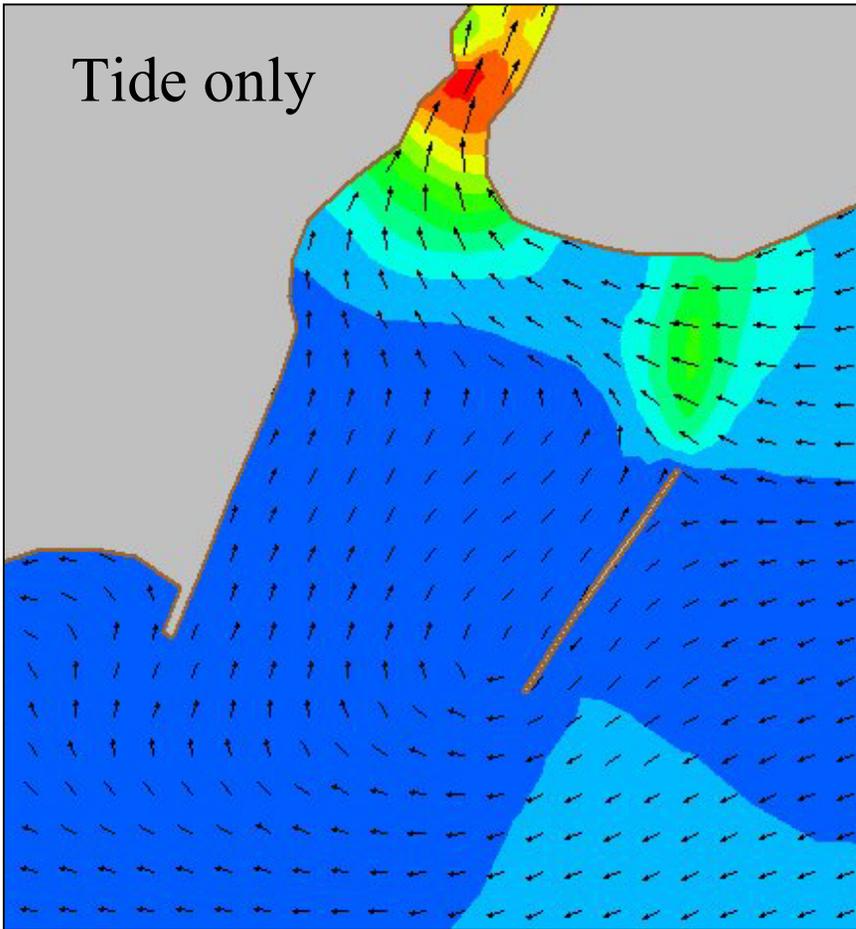
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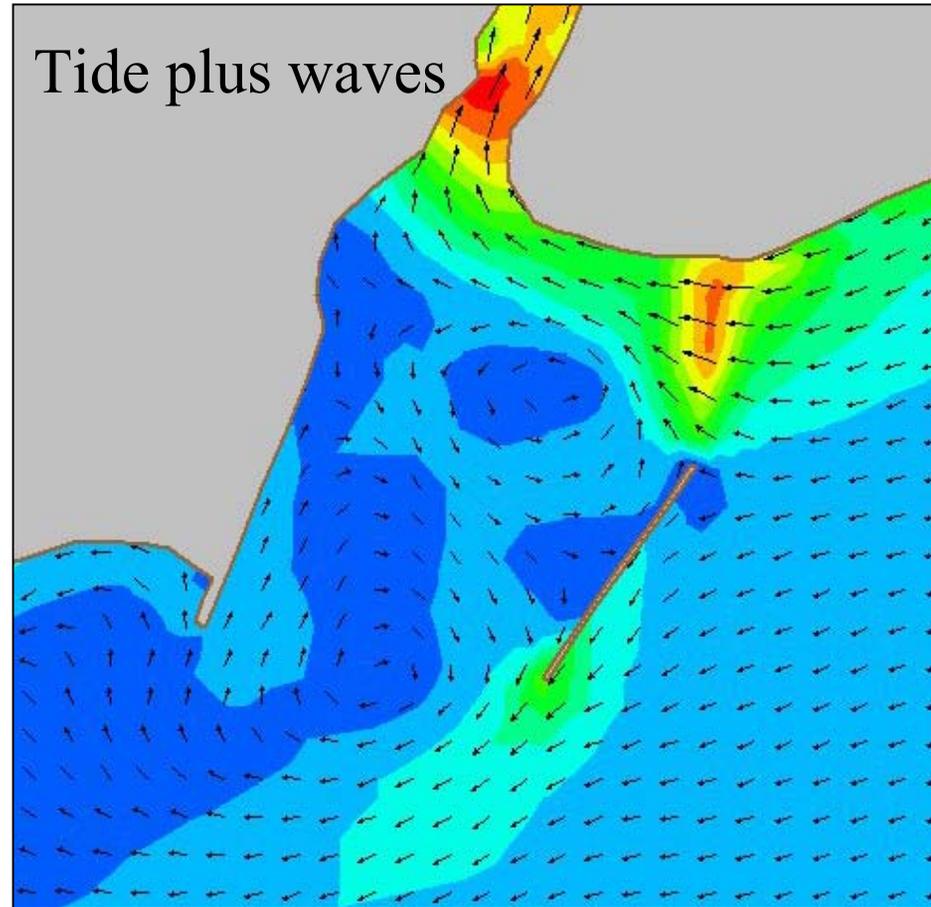
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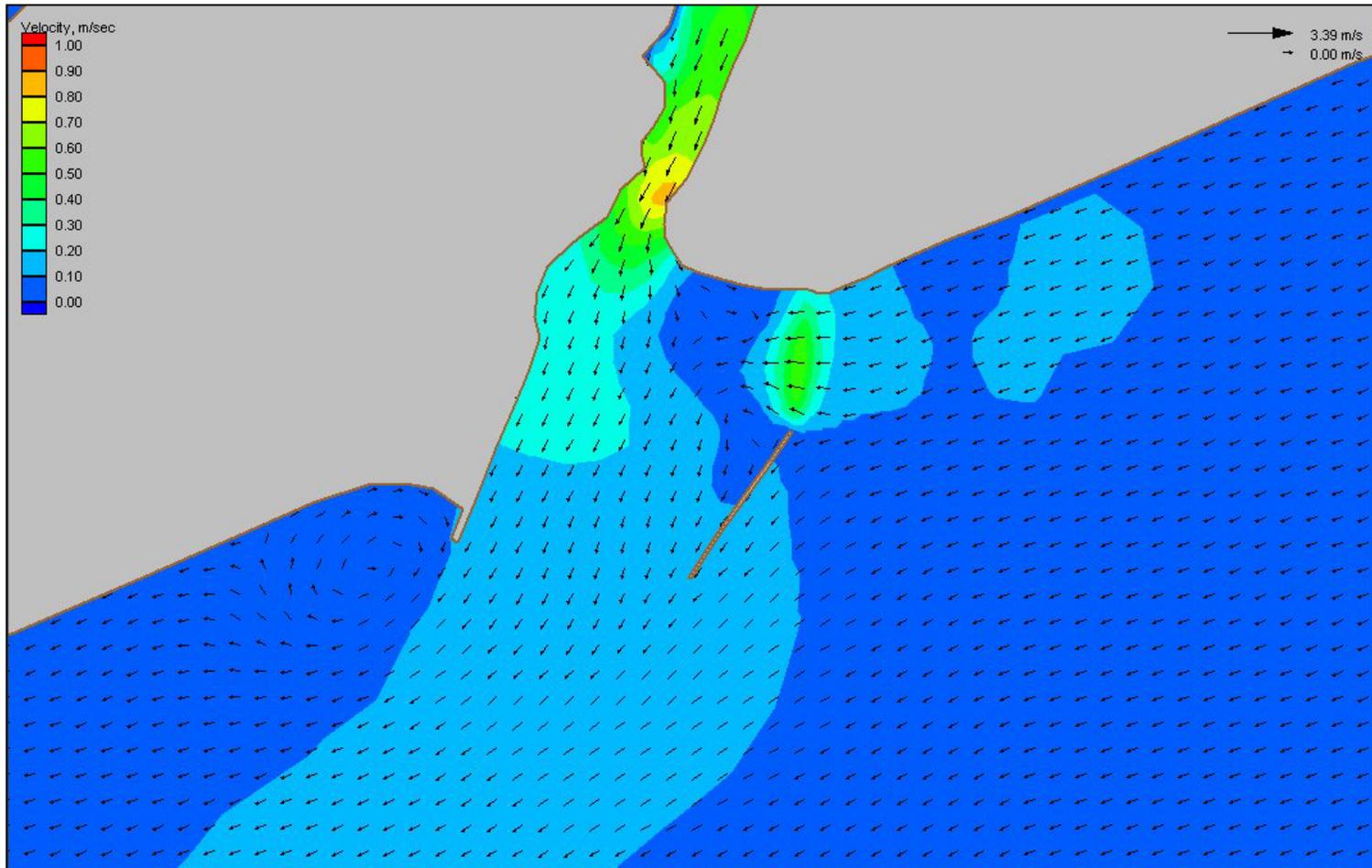
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Tide plus waves

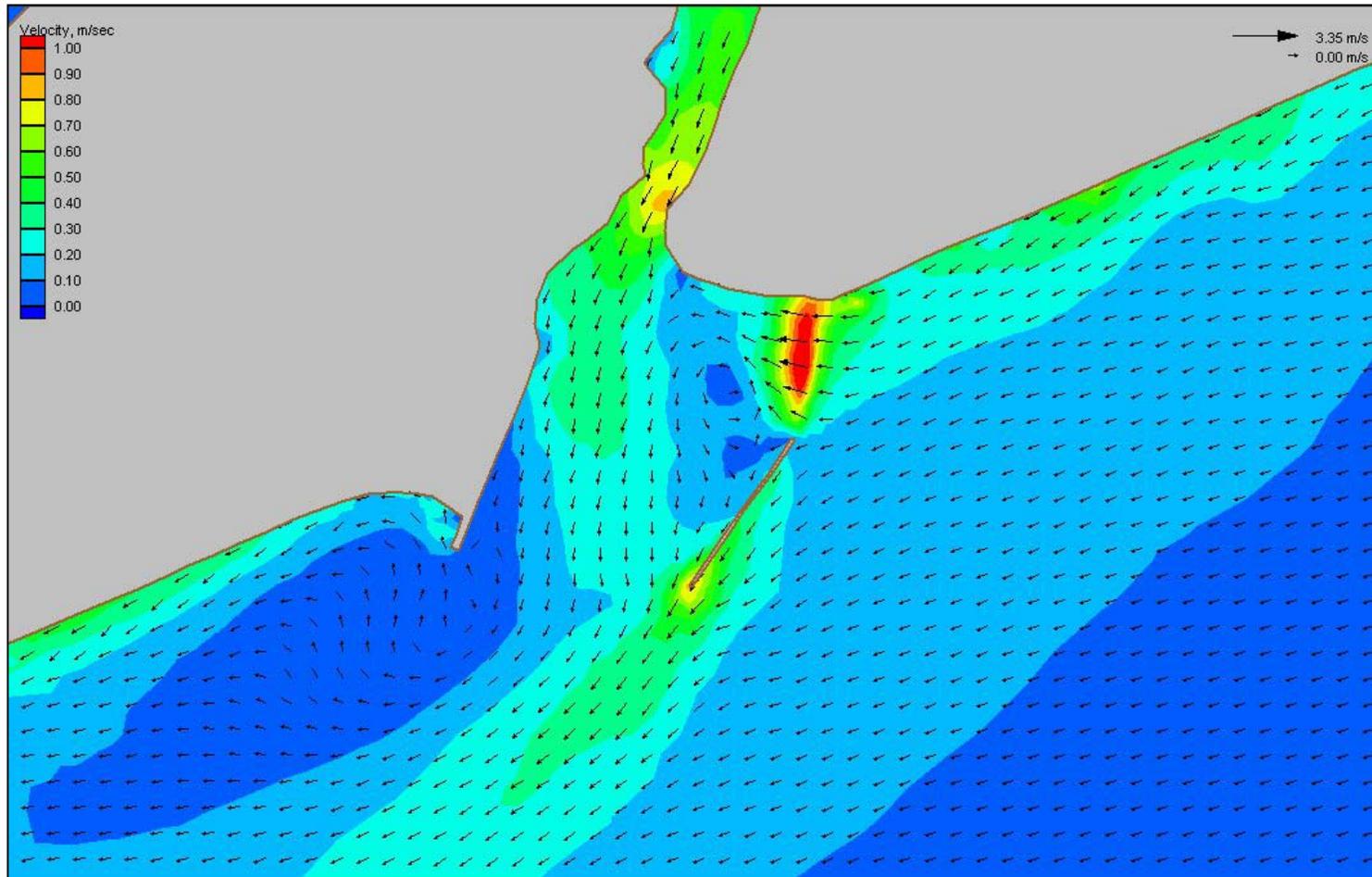


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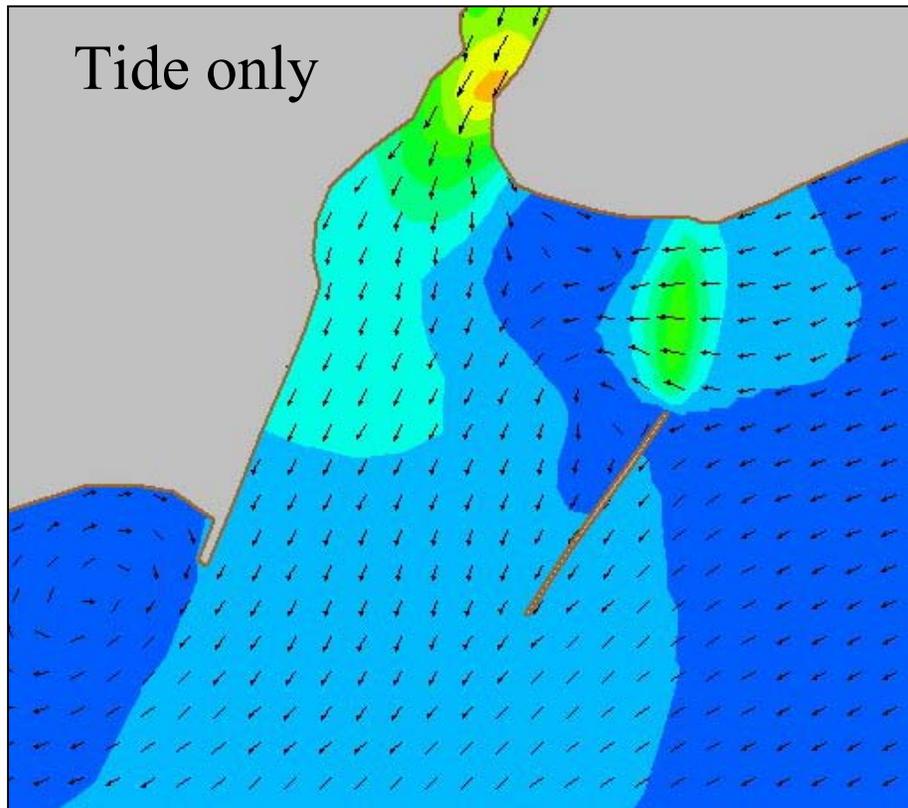
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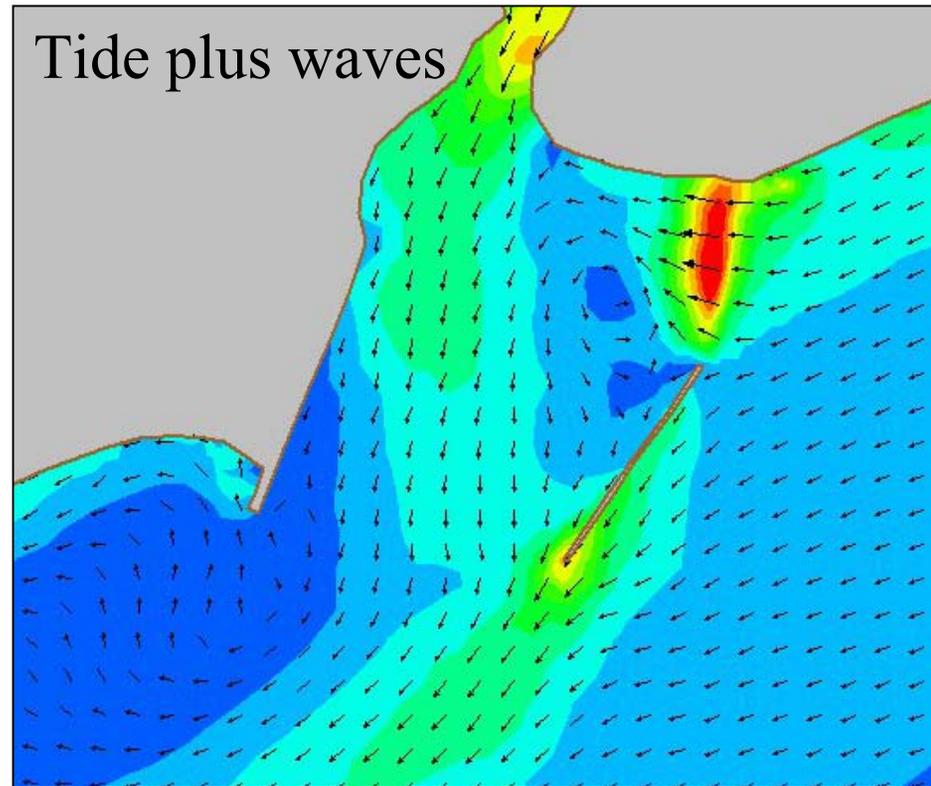


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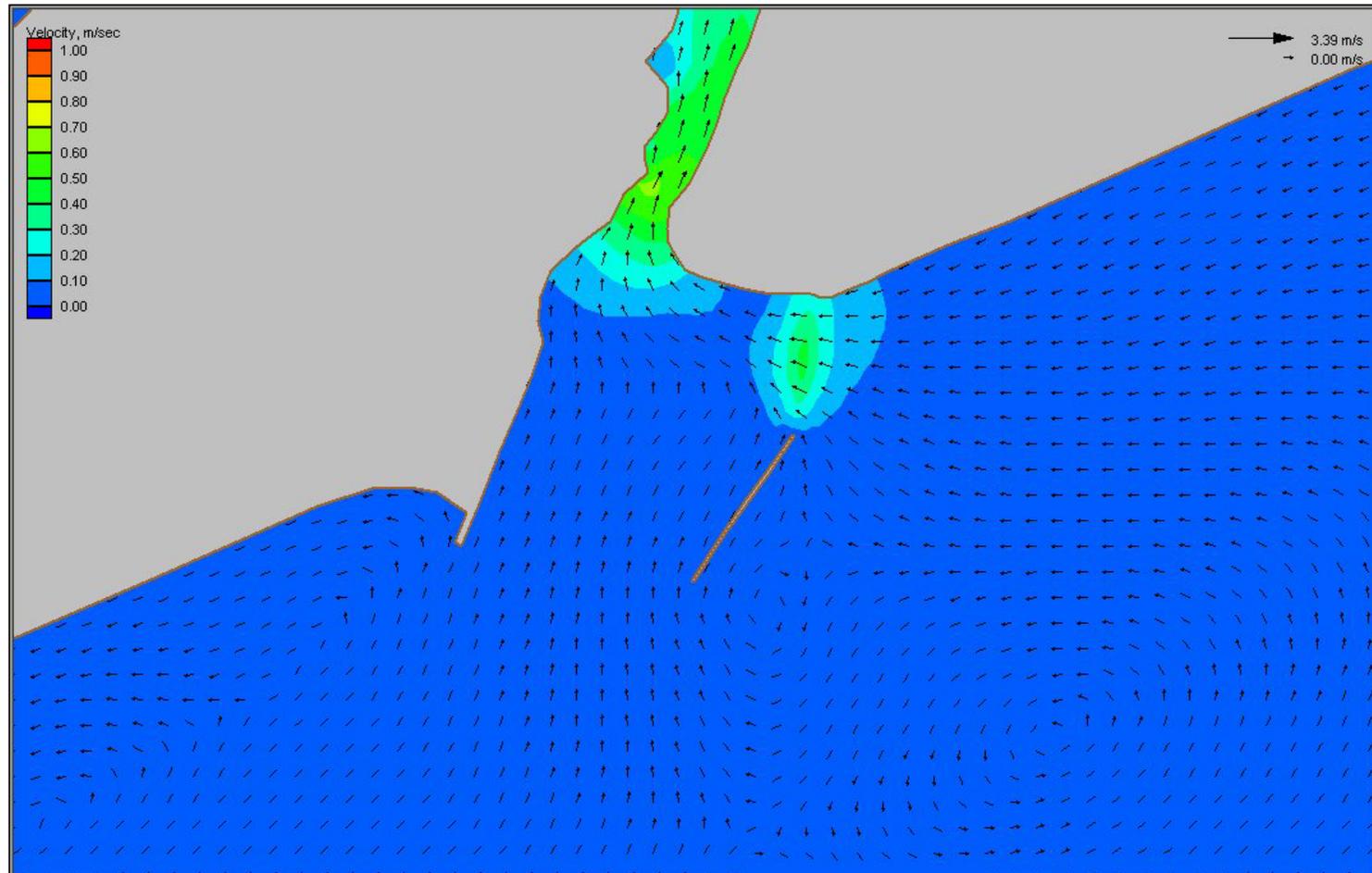
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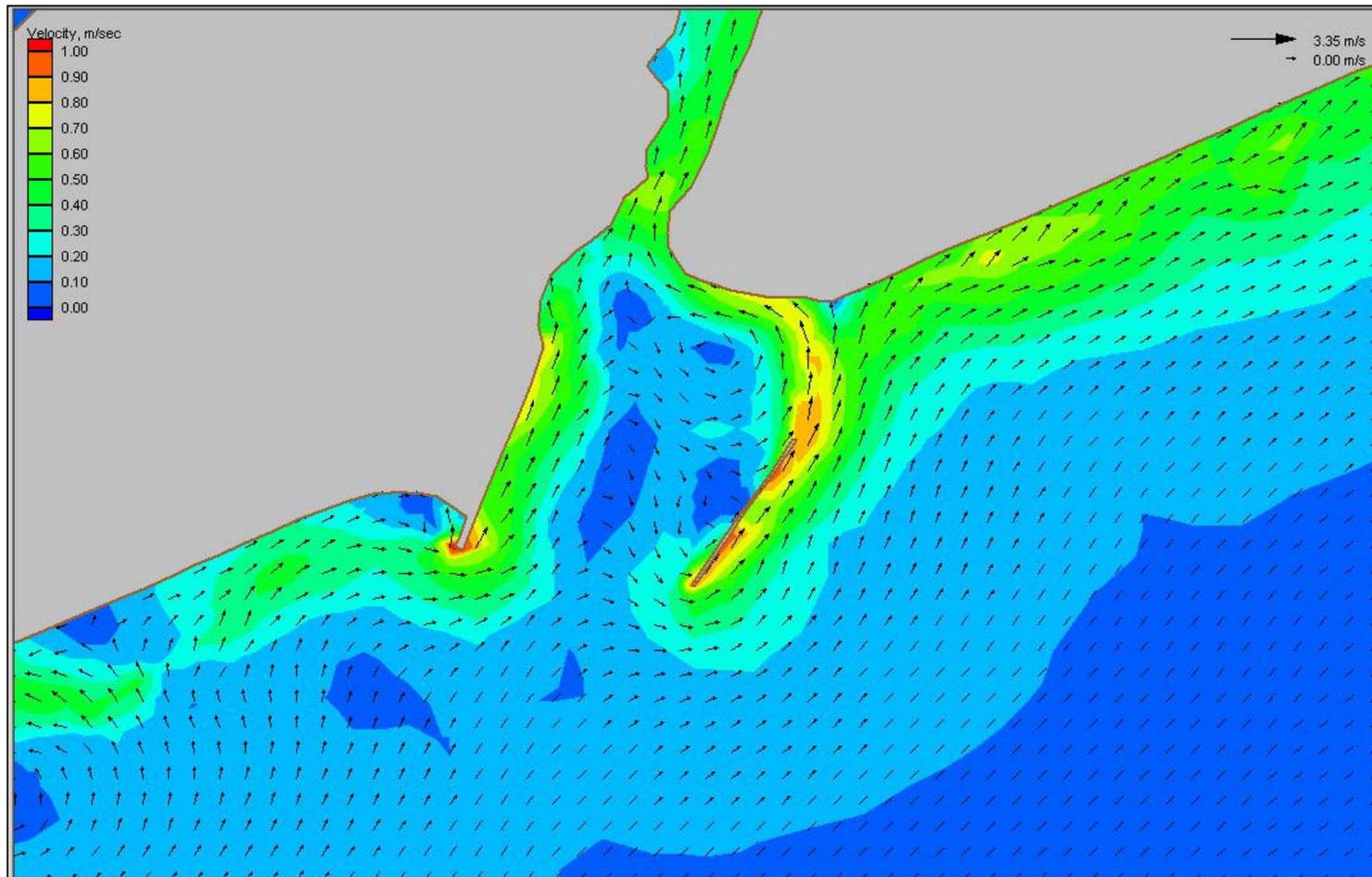


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Grays Harbor / Ocean Shores, WA Submerged Spur

