



Northwest Association of Networked Ocean Observing Systems

The Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS)
Regional Association for the Pacific NW



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U.S. Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS)

- ***IOOS Vision:***

A fully integrated ocean observing system to provide service to the Nation through:

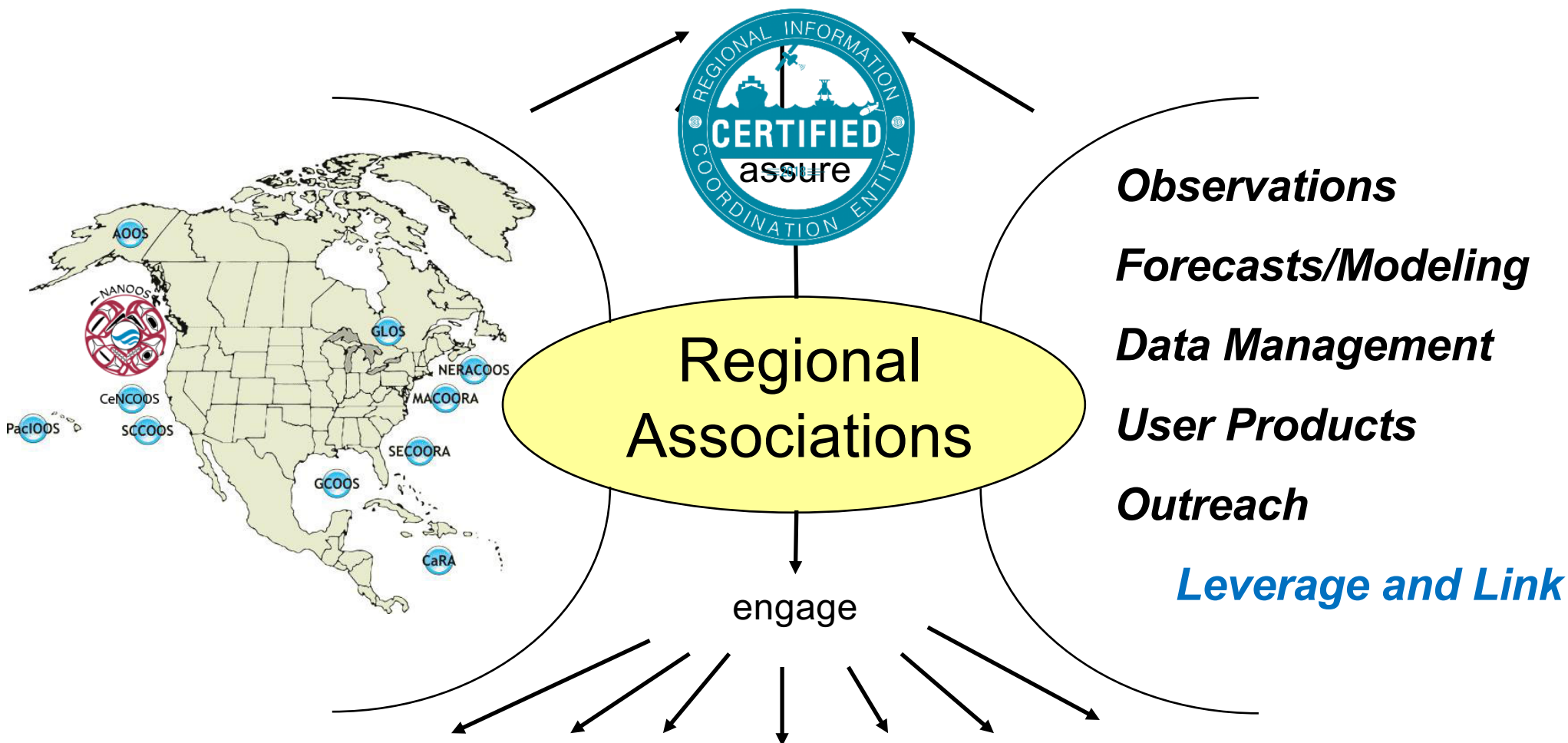
- improved ecosystem and climate understanding;
- sustained living marine resources;
- improved public health and safety;
- reduced impacts of natural hazards and environmental changes; and
- enhanced support for marine commerce and transportation.

- ***IOOS Mission:***

Lead the integration of ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes observing capabilities, in collaboration with Federal and non-Federal partners, to **maximize access to data** and **generation of information products**, *inform decision making*, and *promote economic, environmental, and social benefits to our Nation and the world.*



CONSISTENT NATIONAL CAPABILITY





**Started by defining the region,
the users, their needs:**

Coastal ocean:

Northern extent of California Current
Winds, topography, freshwater input, ENSO & other climate cycles

Major inland basins:

Puget Sound-Georgia Basin, Columbia River
Urban centers, nearshore development, climate variation

Coastal estuaries:

Willapa Bay, Grays Harbor, Yaquina Bay, Coos Bay, +20
Resource extraction, development, climate

Shorelines:

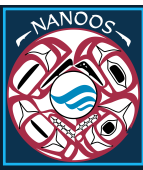
Rocky to sandy, dynamic: storms, erosion
Winds, development, climate

Major rivers:

Columbia River (~75% FW input to Pacific from US WC)
many rivers (e.g., Fraser, Skagit) via Strait Juan de Fuca
Dredging, water regulation, climate change

NANOOS Region User Groups:

Maritime: shipping, oil transport/spill remediation
Fisheries: salmon, shellfish, crab, groundfish, aquaculture
Environmental management: HABs, hypoxia
Shoreline: erosion, inundation
Hazards: Search and rescue, national security
Educators: formal, informal, research
Marine recreation: boating, surfing, diving



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NANOOS Stakeholder Priorities

The NANOOS Governing Council selected five areas from results of numerous regional workshops as the highest regional priorities because “these issues represent those having the greatest impact on PNW citizenry and ecosystems and, we believe, are amenable to being substantively improved with the development of a PNW Regional Coastal Ocean Observing System:”

- **Maritime Operations**
- **Ecosystem Assessment**
- **Fisheries and Biodiversity**
- **Coastal Hazards**
- **Climate**



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Effort:

- Observations
- Modeling/forecasts
- Data management and communication
- Tailored user-driven products
- Outreach, Engagement, Education



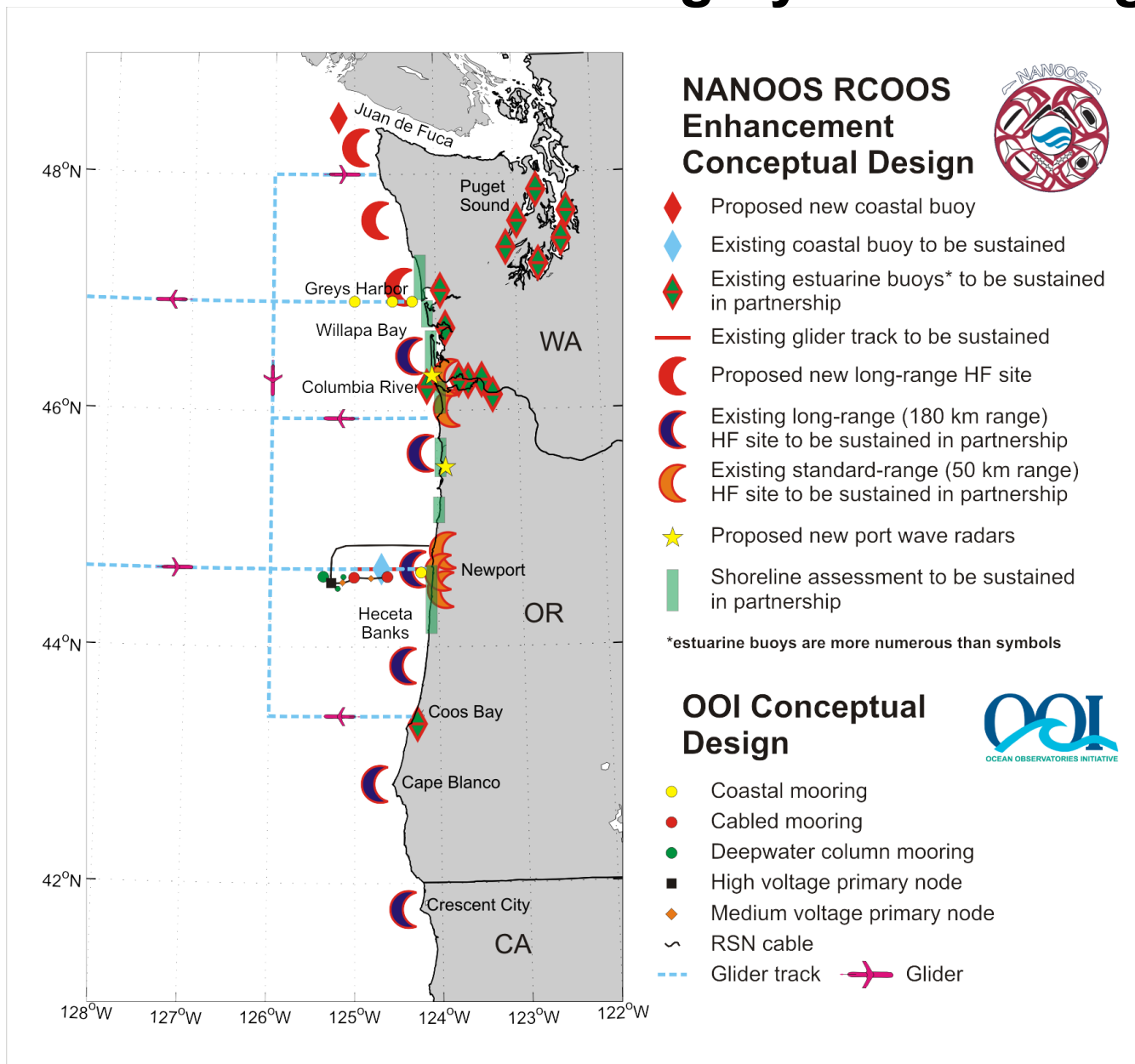
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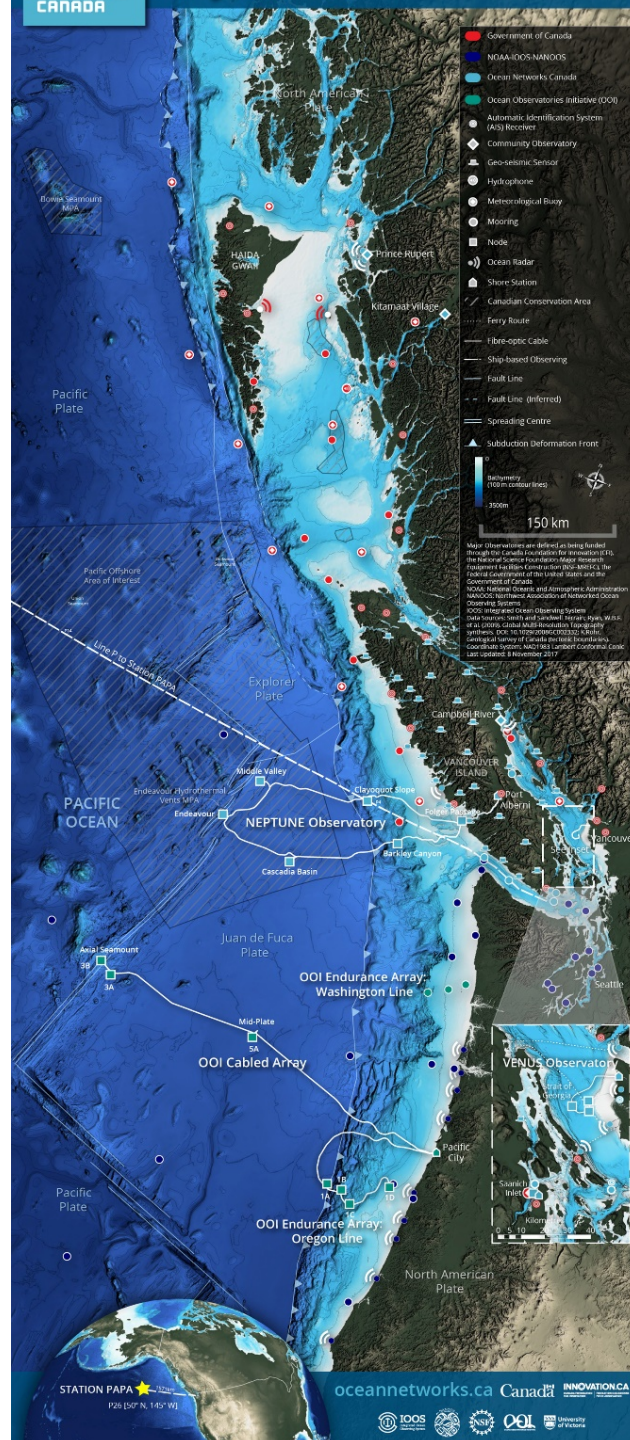
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PNW Ocean Observing Systems Design



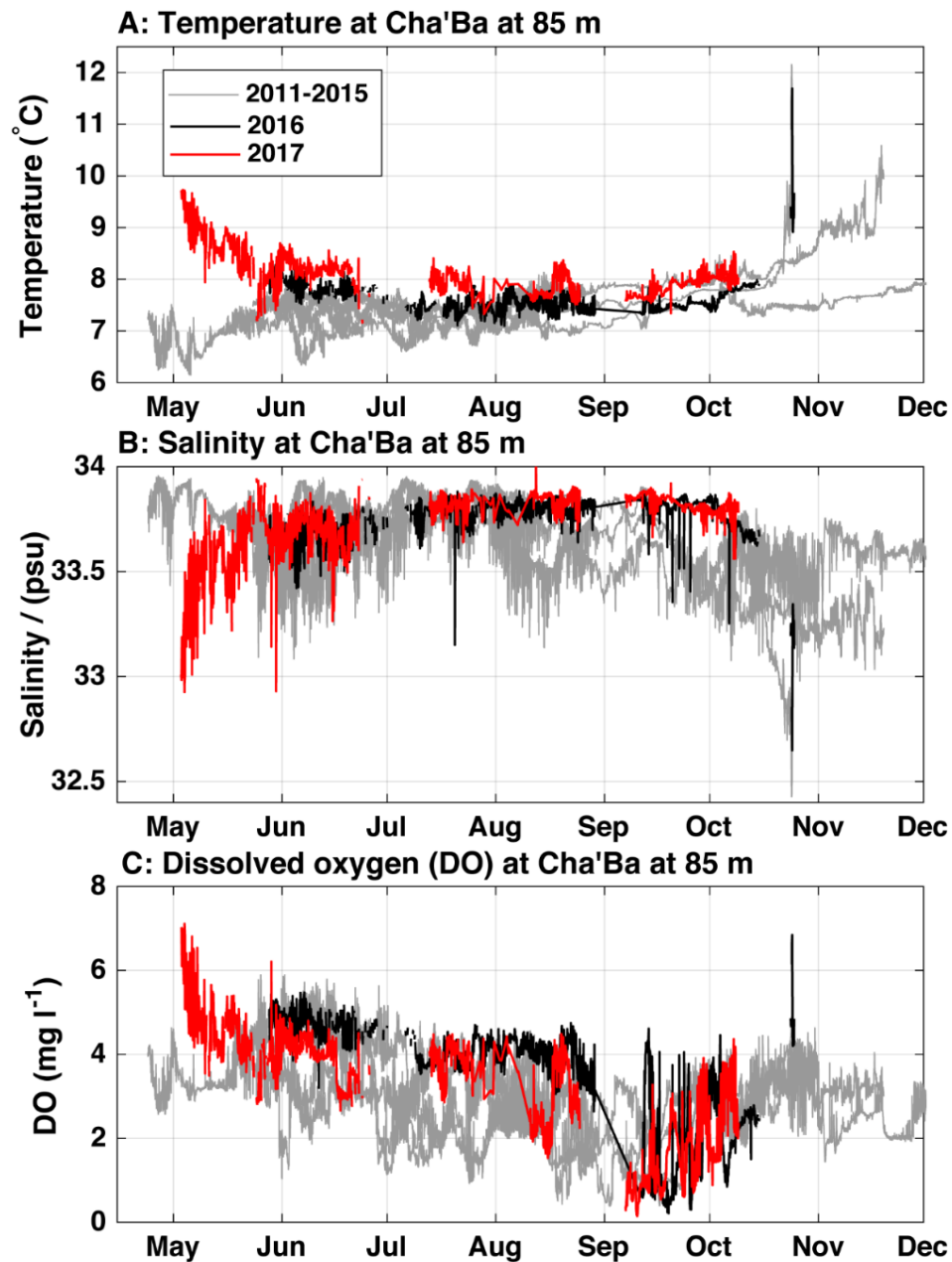


NANOOS Objectives for FY2017

- 1) Maintain **NANOOS** as the U.S. IOOS PNW Regional Association
- 2) Maintain **surface current and wave mapping** capability.
- 3) Sustain **existing buoys and gliders in the PNW coastal ocean**, in coordination with national programs.
- 4) Maintain **observation capabilities in PNW estuaries**, in coordination with local and regional programs.
- 5) Maintain **core elements of beach and shoreline observing** programs.
- 6) Provide sustained support to a **community of complementary regional numerical models**.
- 7) Maintain NANOOS' Data Management and Communications (DMAC) system for **routine operational distribution of data and information**.
- 8) Continue to **deliver existing and, to the extent possible, create innovative and transformative user-defined products and services** for PNW stakeholders.
- 9) Sustain **NANOOS outreach, engagement, and education**.



La Push Deep Water Properties



Local winds measured by Cha'ba suggest that steady upwelling conditions did not set in until late June 2017, compared to April-May in previous years; however, a relatively steady decrease in deep (85 m) temperature and increase in deep salinity and nitrate was observed in early May from the start of the deployment. This trend continued until about mid-September when downwelling conditions began to take over.

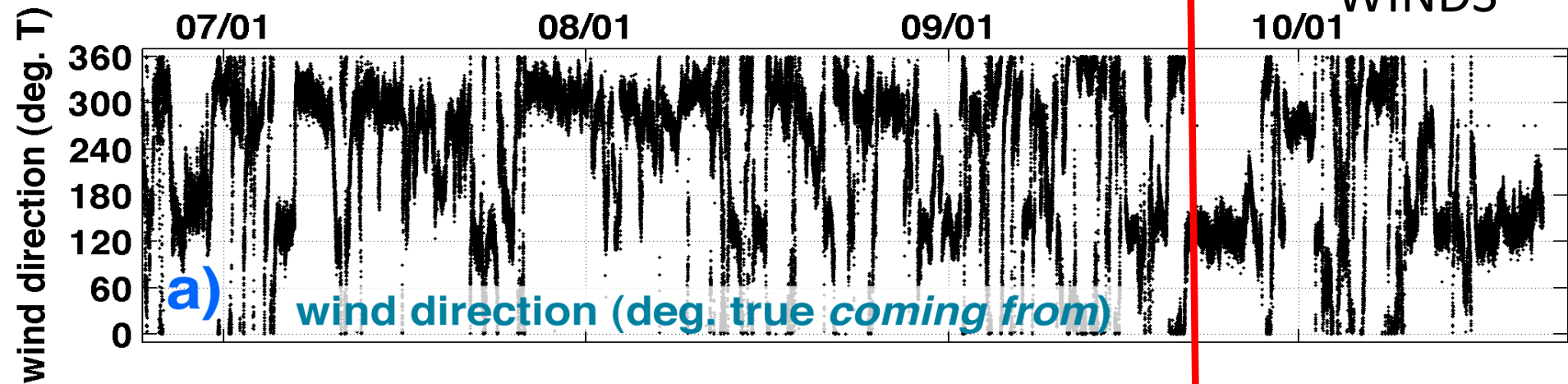
Early season deep salinity was lower than previous spring observations, potentially in response to record rainfall over the winter and spring of 2017, but rapidly increased in May with the onset of intermittent upwelling conditions.

Deep dissolved oxygen showed a relatively steady, slow decrease until late August when it dropped rapidly to hypoxic levels with the onset of downwelling conditions. This rapid drop is likely a consequence of wind-shifts bringing low-DO water from the south to this location as reported in previous PSEMP reports. The seasonal trend of the relatively steady decrease in DO was similar to 2016 observations, but is not a consistent seasonal pattern. In 2014 and 2015 for example, upwelling season peaks in deep salinity and nitrate and minima in deep temperature occurred in June and July and were linked to periods of the strongest upwelling winds.

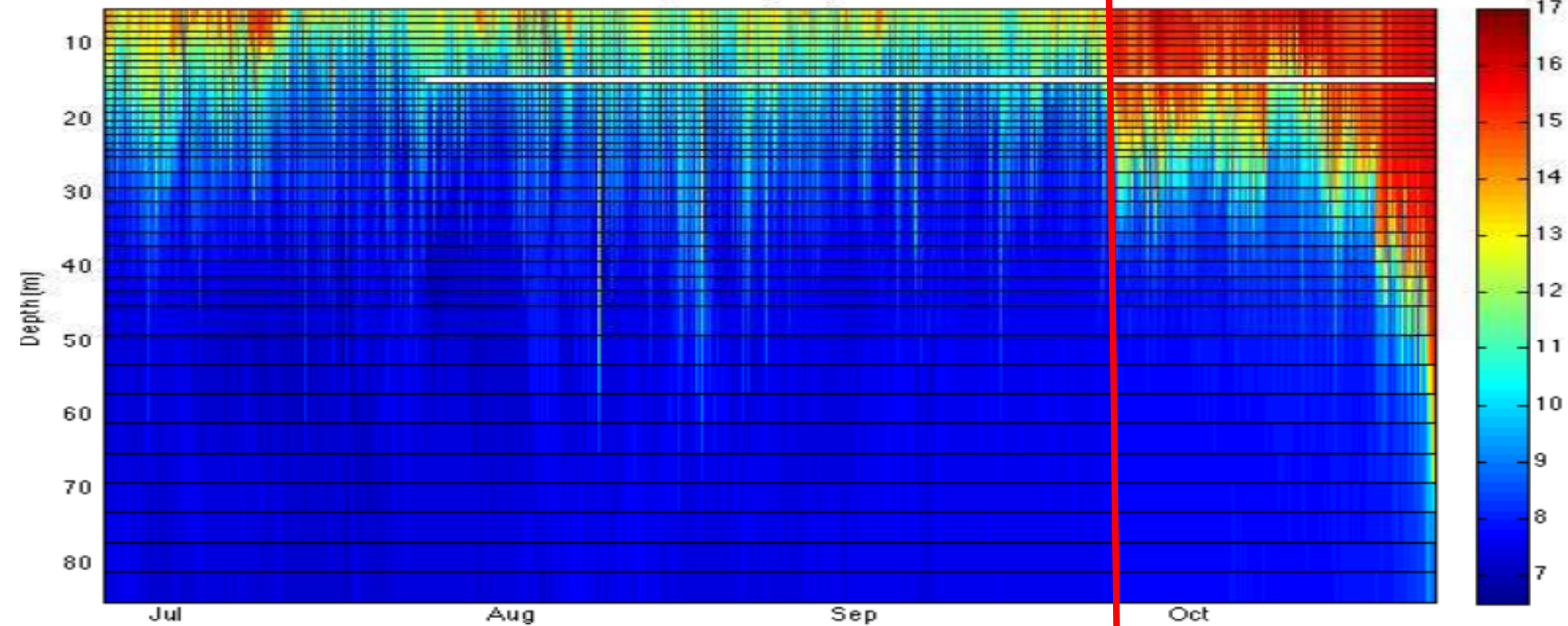
La Push 2014

UPWELLING WINDS

DOWNWELLING
WINDS

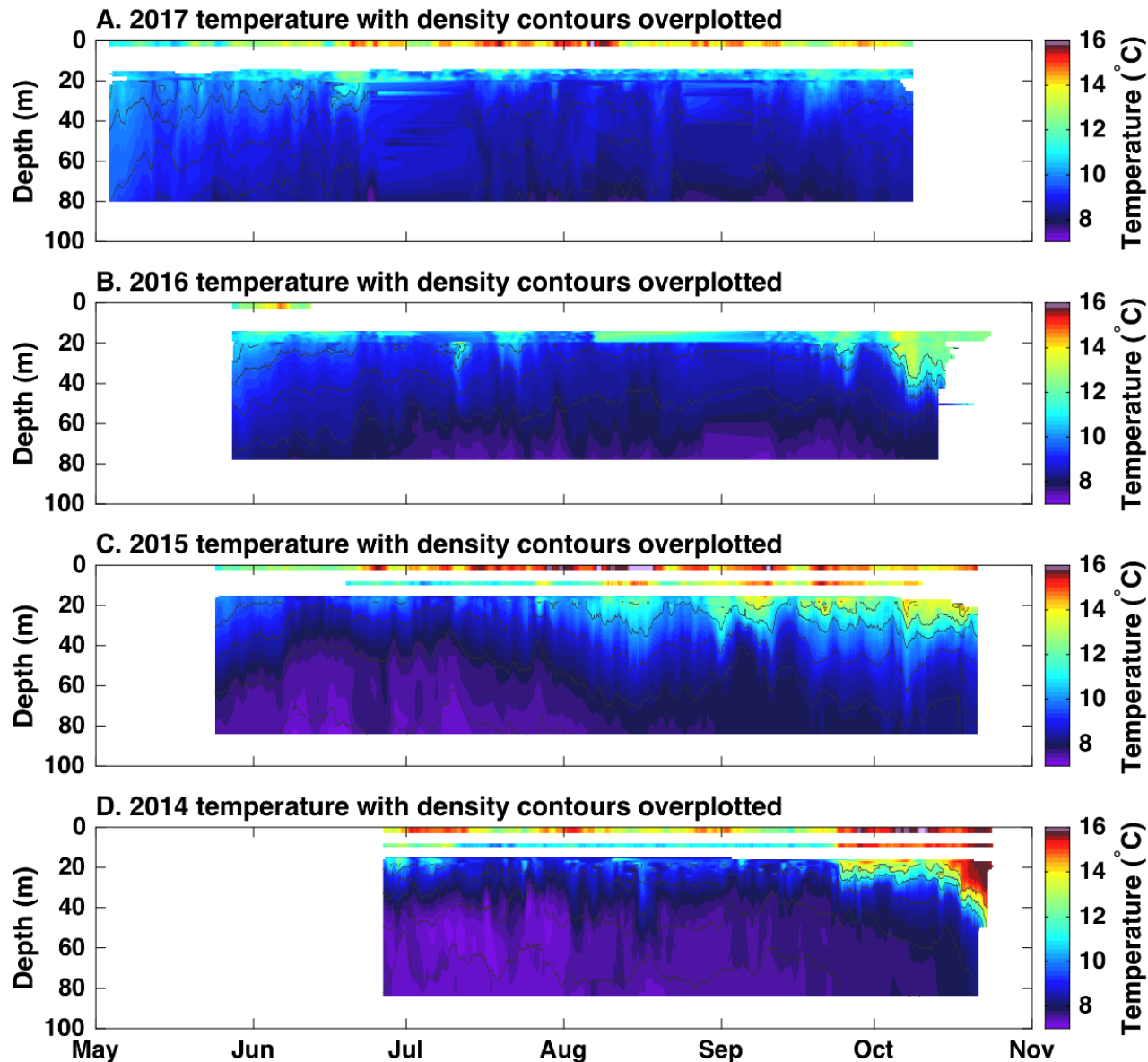


ChaBa 2014 Temperature [°C] 6/25-10/23



Mickett & Newton, 2015

La Push Cha'ba Temperature Profiles



For most of the 2017 record, deep waters (i.e., water below about 40-50 m depth in 100 m total water depth) were on-average warmer ($\sim 0.8^{\circ}\text{C}$) than previous years at this site.

This could be the delayed signature of the 2014-2016 North Pacific marine heat wave (aka “the Blob”), characterized by a warmer mixed layer (Bond et al. 2015), slowly subducting or mixing downward to reach upwelling source water depths.

Mickett & Newton, 2018

NANOOS: UW-NOAA OAP

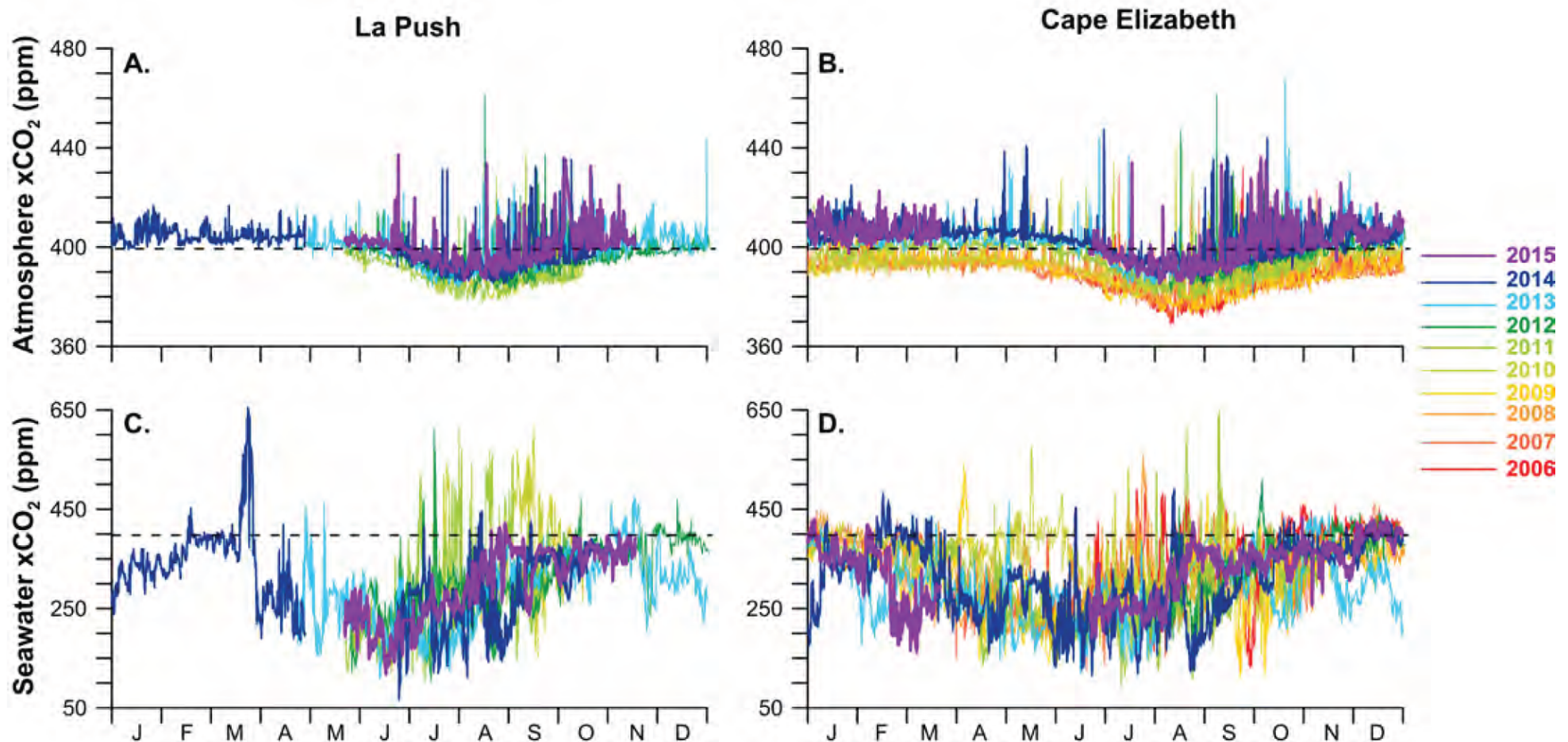
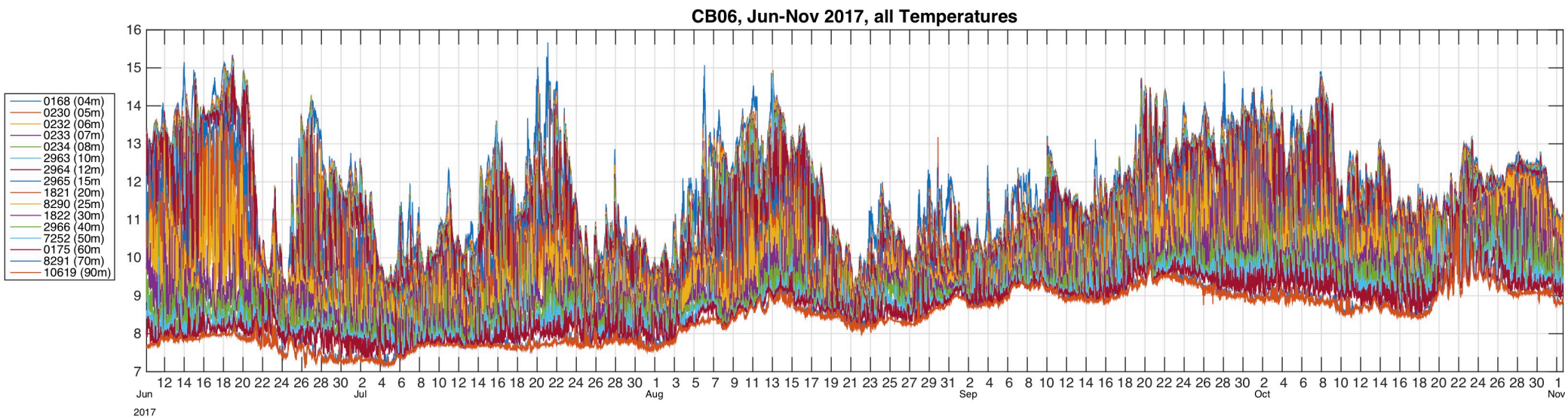


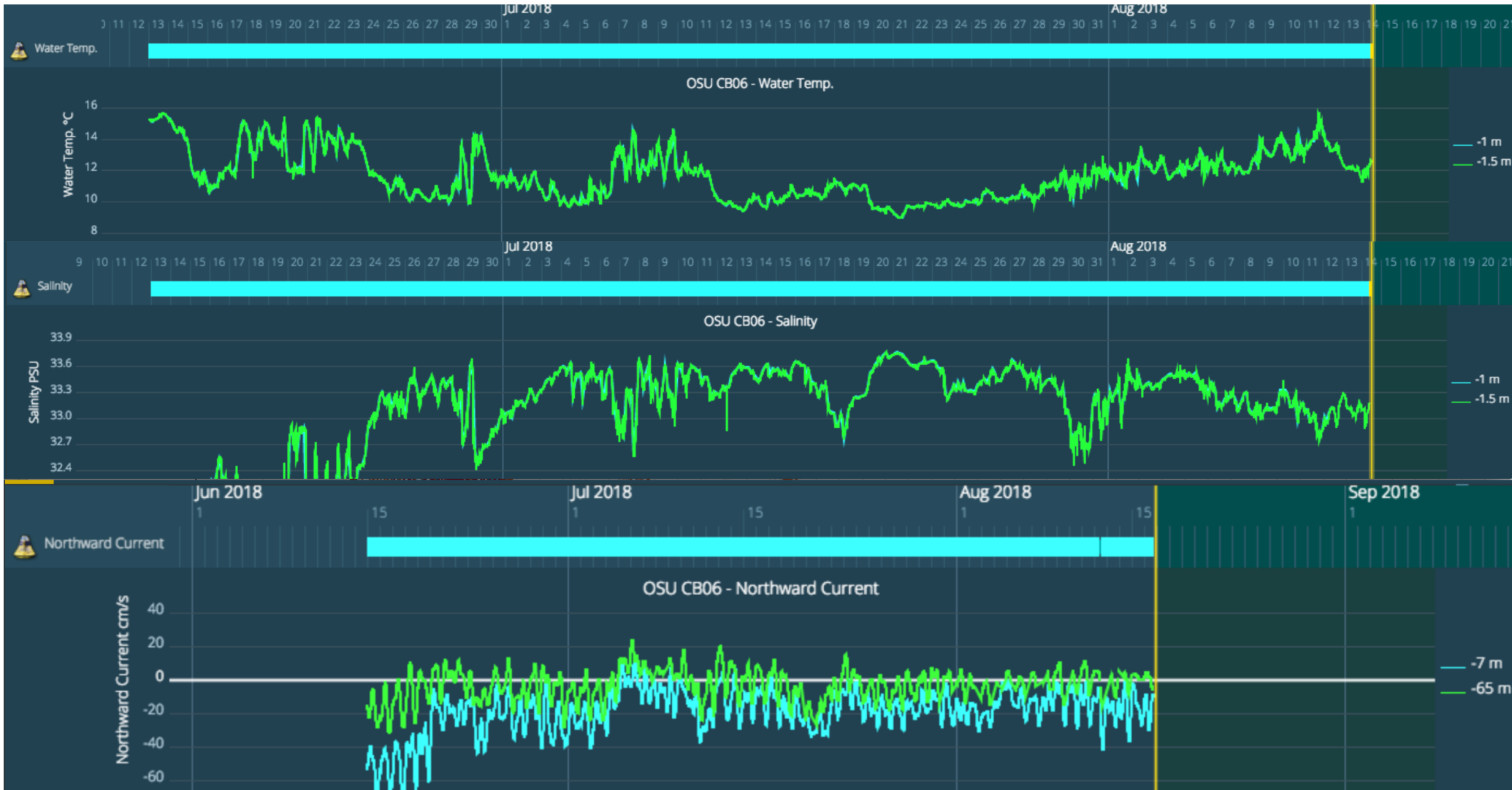
Figure 9. The mole fraction of carbon dioxide ($x\text{CO}_2$) in air at 1.5 m above seawater and in surface seawater at 0.5 m depth on the surface Chá Bă mooring off La Push, WA, and on the NDBC mooring 46041 off Cape Elizabeth, WA. Globally averaged marine surface air 2015 annual mean $x\text{CO}_2$ value of 399 ppm is indicated with a dashed line in each panel. Typical uncertainty associated with quality-controlled measurements from these systems is < 2 ppm for the range 100–600 ppm.

Coos Bay CB-06 Temperature



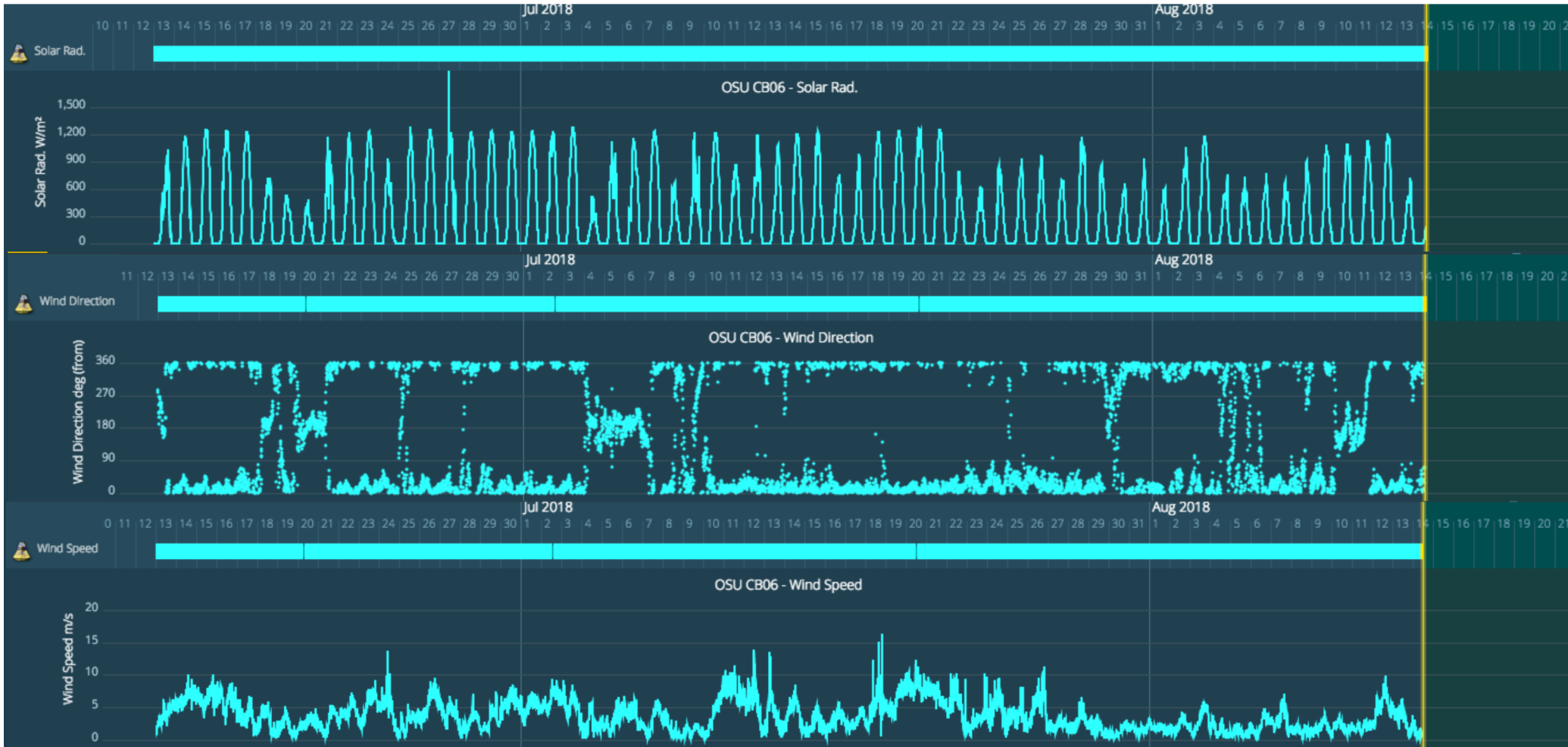
Coos Bay CB-06

Surface T, Surface S, northward Current



Coos Bay CB-06

Meteorological Data: Solar Insolation, Wind Direction & Speed



Coos Bay CB-06

Biogeochemical: Air CO₂, Water CO₂, pH



Missions 2014-Present

Type: Seaglider

Provider: OSU CEOAS GRG

Contact: Jack Barth

Temperature

Salinity

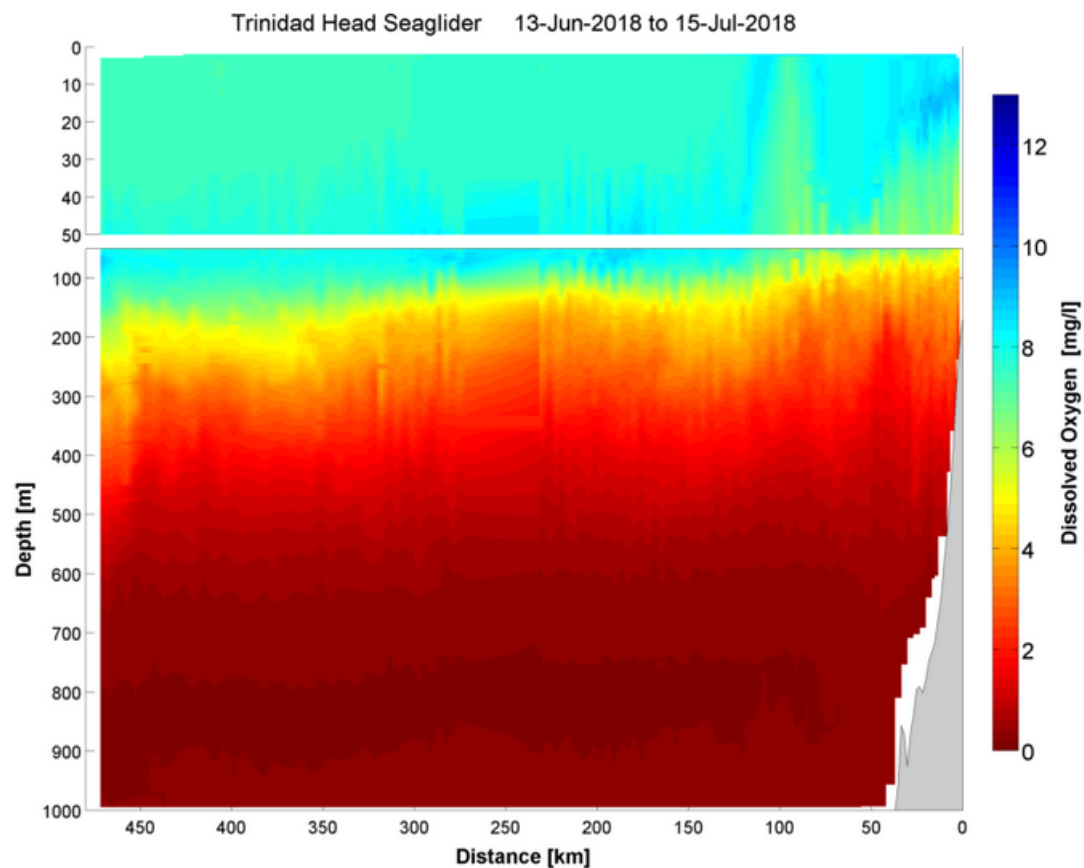
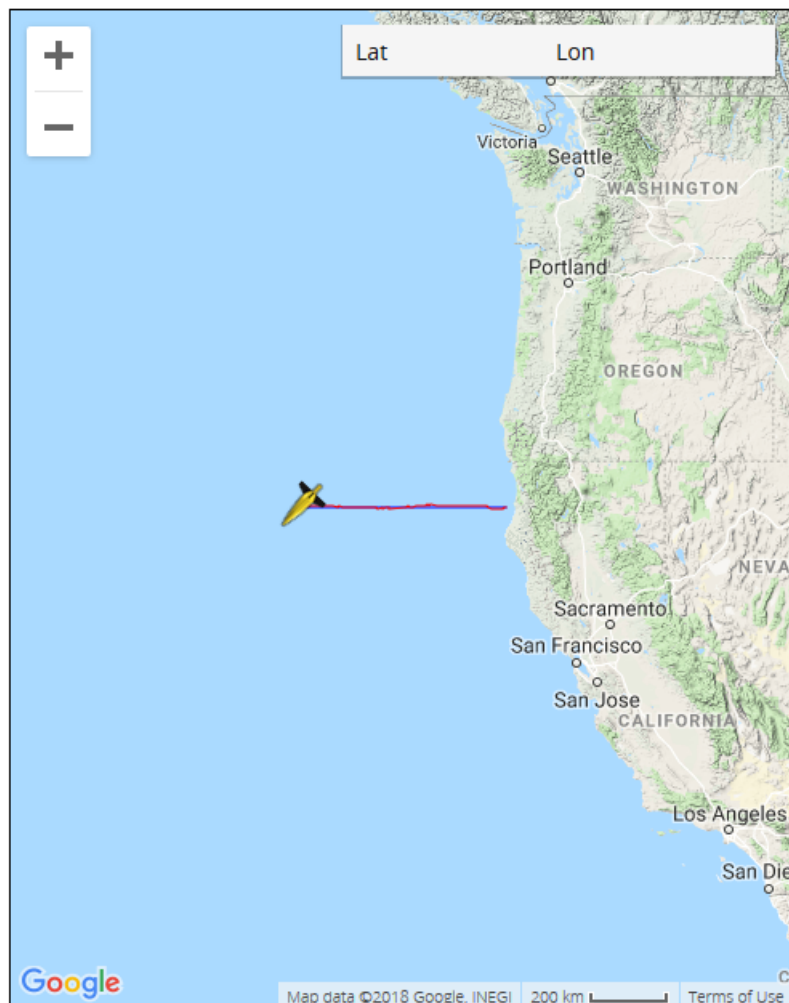
Density

Dissolved Oxygen

Fluorescence

CDOM

Backscatter



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2014

2015

2016

2017

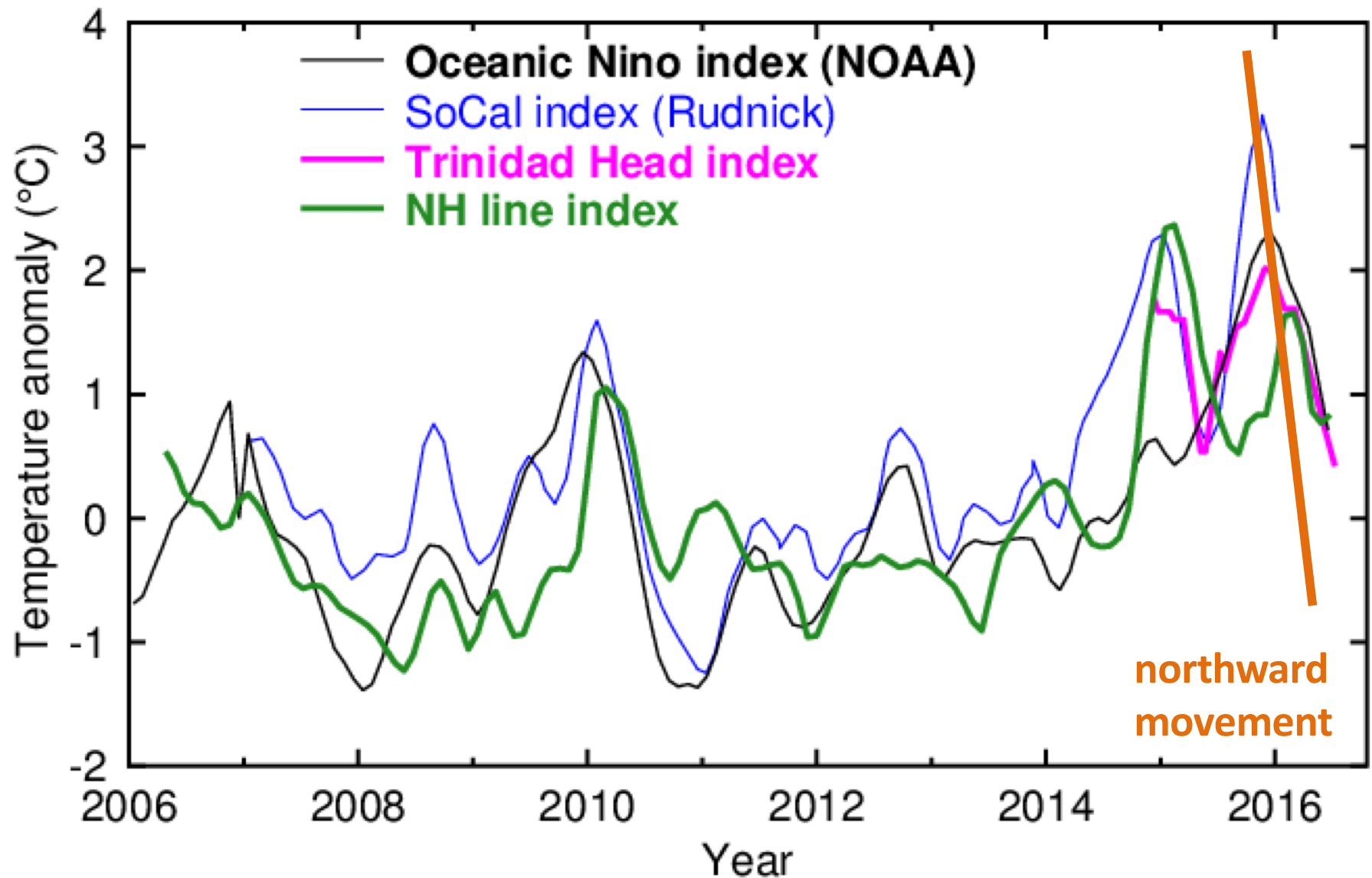
2018

2019

2014-Present



50-m temperature anomaly averaged within 200 km of the coast (ala Rudnick)





Platforms



Routes

Filters

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Legend




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 Aragonite Saturation


NO₃ Nitrate Concentration

O₂ Oxygen Concentration

pH

 Phytoplankton Salinity Water Temperature

N. Amer. Mesoscale (NAM)

 Air Temperature

Barometric Pressure


Relative Humidity

 Wind Gust


 Winds


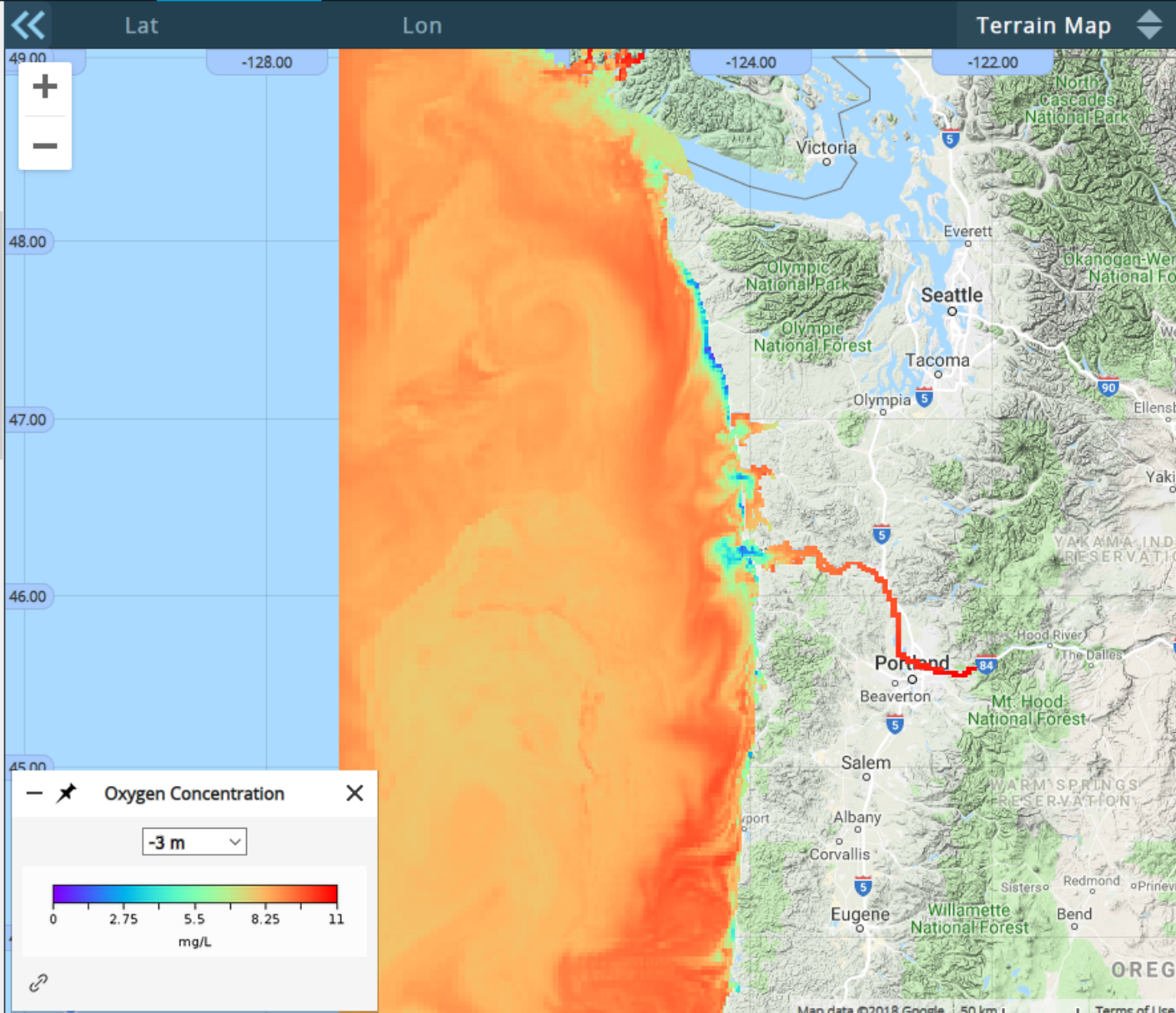
NOS/CO-OPS Tides

NW WRF Forecasts

 Air Temperature

Barometric Pressure

 Specific Humidity

 Winds



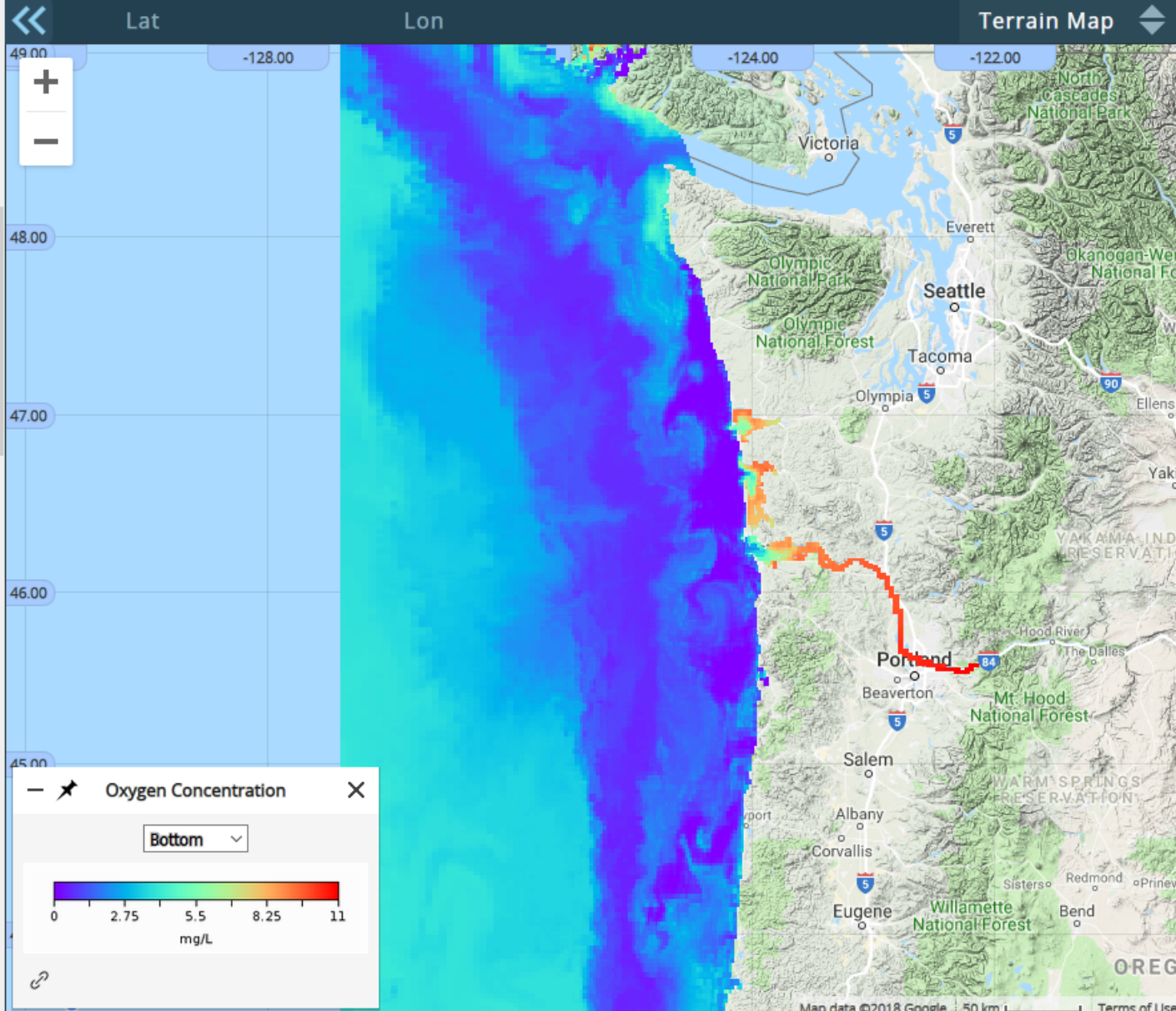
Layers

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LiveOcean

- ☐ Aragonite Saturation
- ☐ Nitrate Concentration
- ☒ Oxygen Concentration
- ☐ pH
- ☐ Phytoplankton
- ☐ Salinity
- ☐ Water Temperature

N. Amer. Mesoscale (NAM)

- ☐ Air Temperature
- ☐ Barometric Pressure
- ☐ Relative Humidity
- ☐ Wind Gust
- ☐ Winds

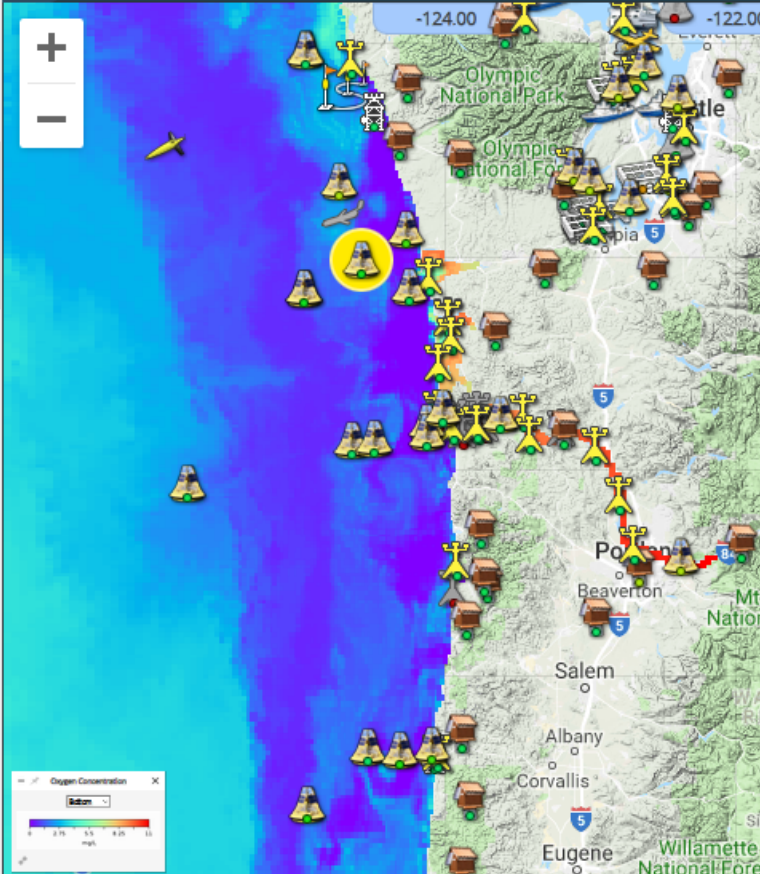
NOS/CO-OPS Tides

NW WRF Forecasts



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WA Shelf Surface Mooring

Observations Forecasts Comparator Details History

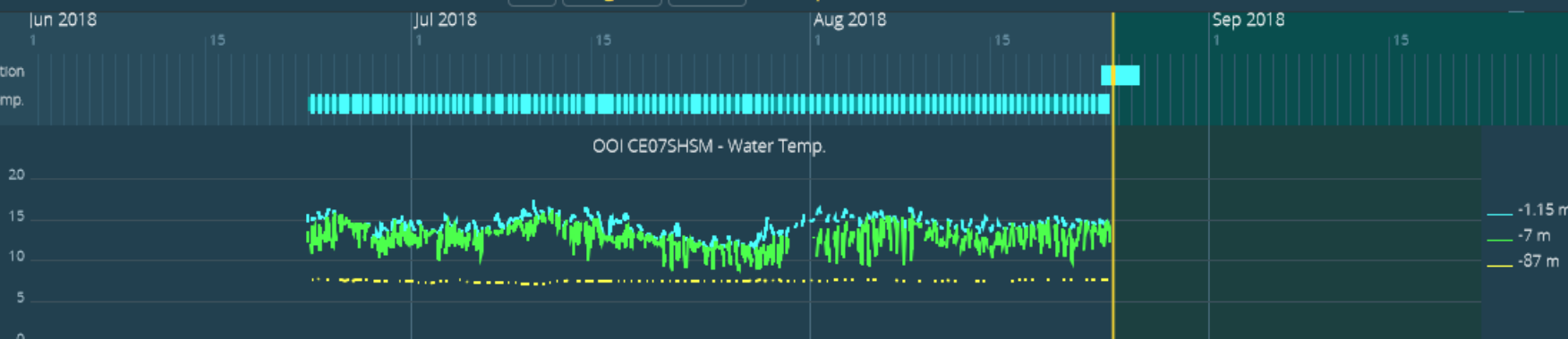
	Avg. Wave Period (0 m)	6.3 sec		
	Dom. Wave Period (0 m)	8.3 sec		
	Oxygen Conc. (-87 m)	0.7 mg/L		
Pressure				
	(-7 m)	7.1 dbar		
	(-87 m)	87 dbar		
Salinity				
	(-1.15 m)	32.7 PSU		
	(-7 m)	32.7 PSU		
	(-87 m)	33.9 PSU		
Water Temperature				
	(-1.15 m)	14.5 °C		
	(-7 m)	12.1 °C		
	(-87 m)	7.7 °C		
	Wave Height (0 m)	1.8 m		
	Wave Mean Dir. (0 m)	282 deg (from)		

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- ☒ Oxygen Concentration
- ☐ Water Temp.

Water Temp. °C





LiveOcean

- ☐ Aragonite Saturation
- ☐ Nitrate Concentration
- ☒ Oxygen Concentration
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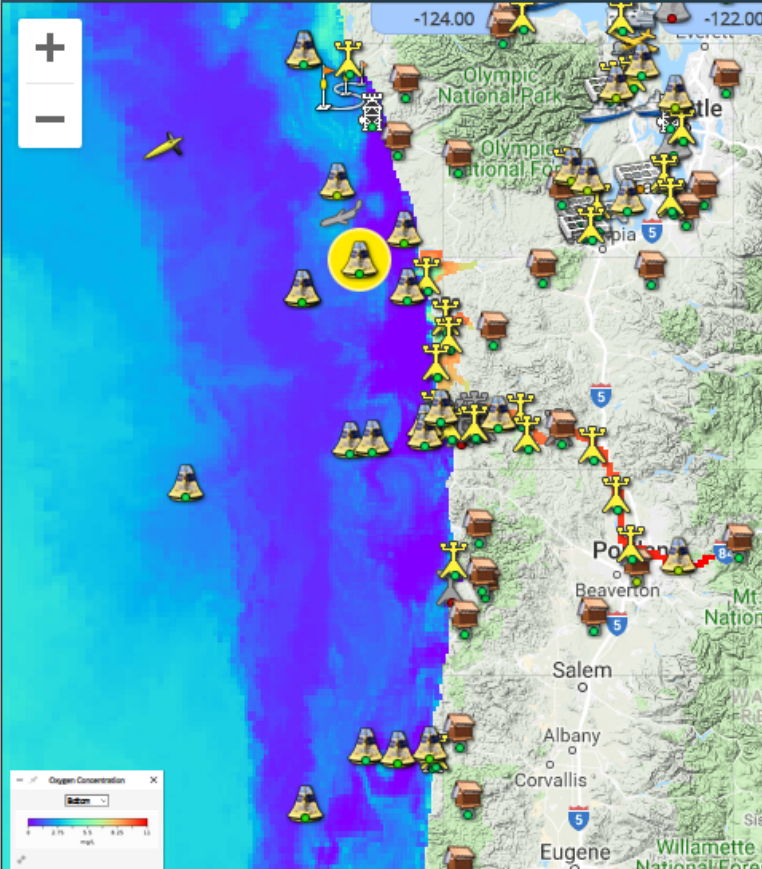
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NW WRF Forecasts



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Provider: CMG-UW Data Source: CMG-UW/MSAzure

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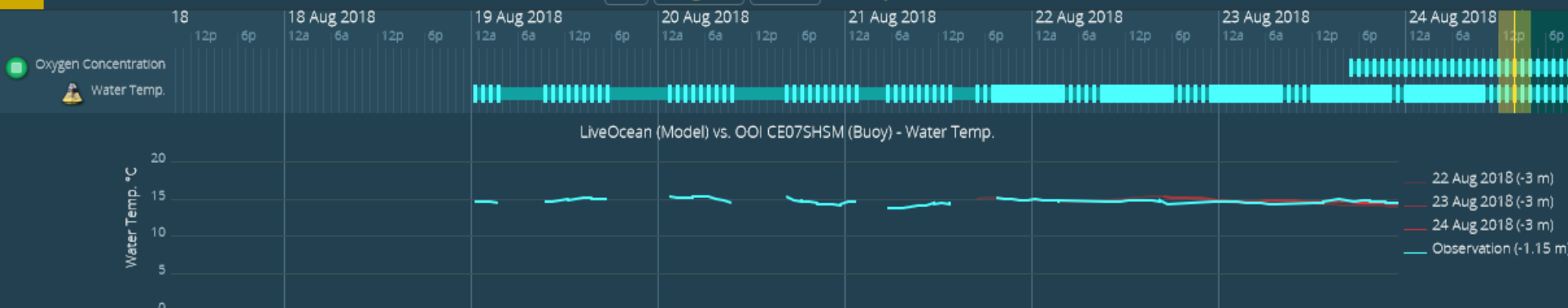
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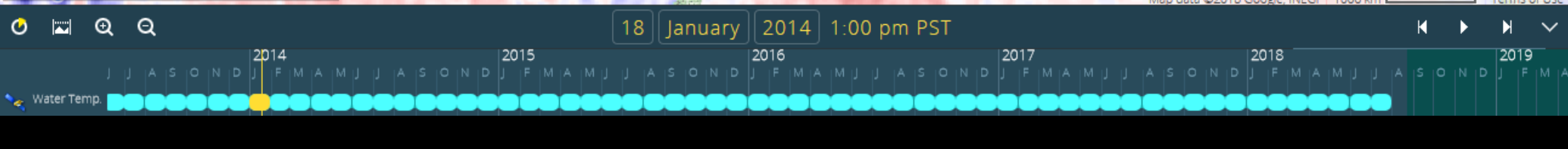
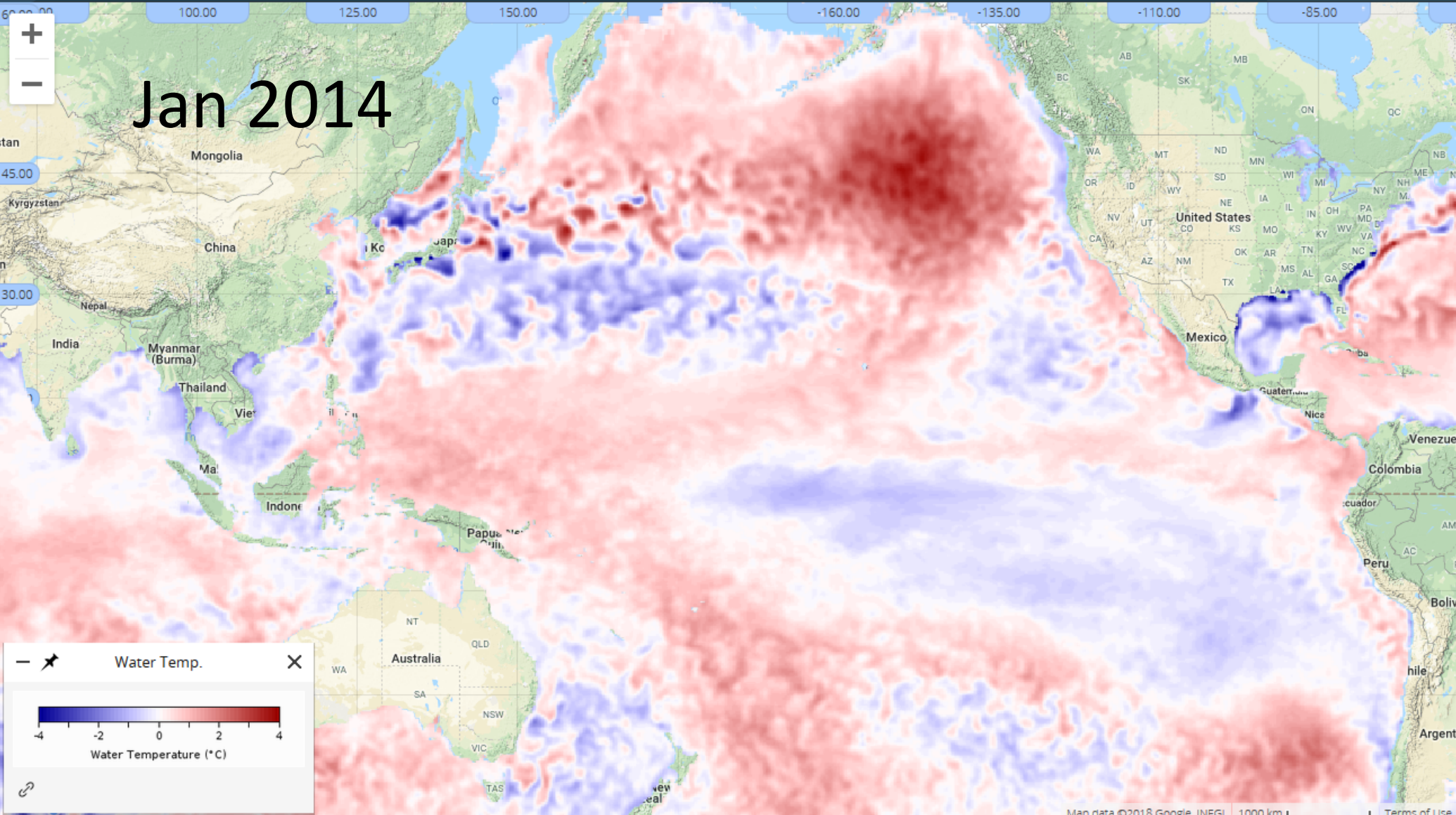
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