

# Regional and Nearshore Bathymetry of American Samoa:

Implications for Tsunami Run-Up and Public Awareness



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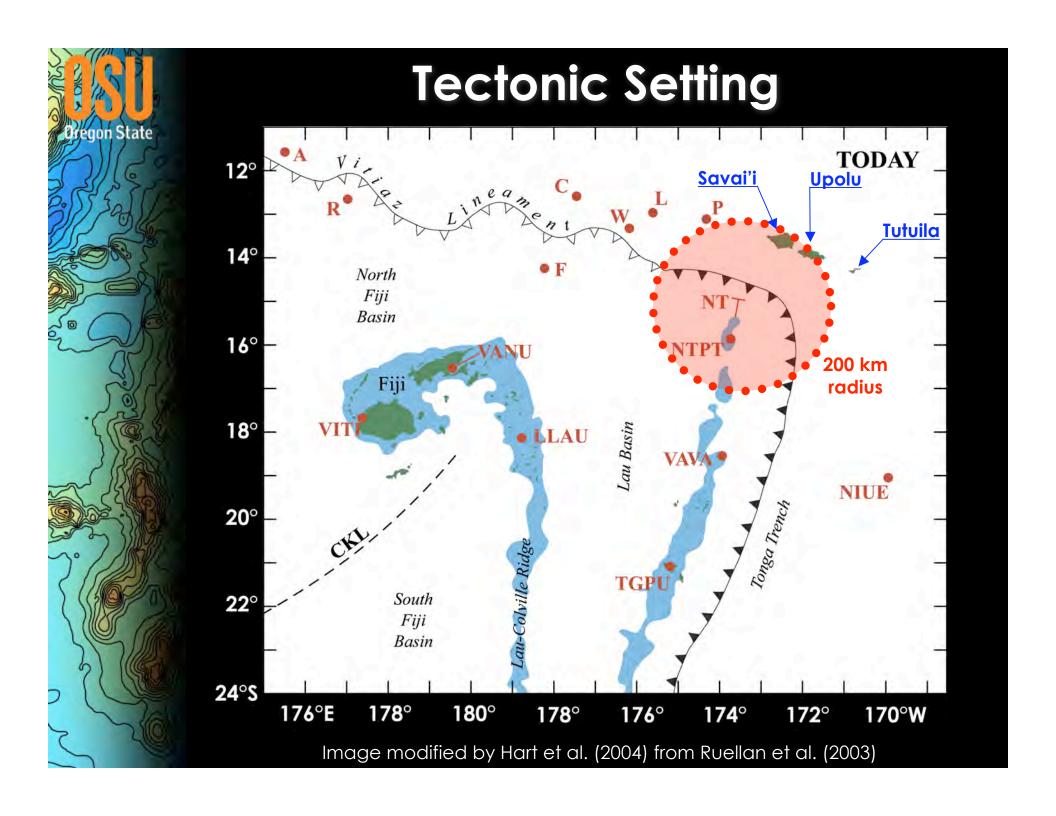
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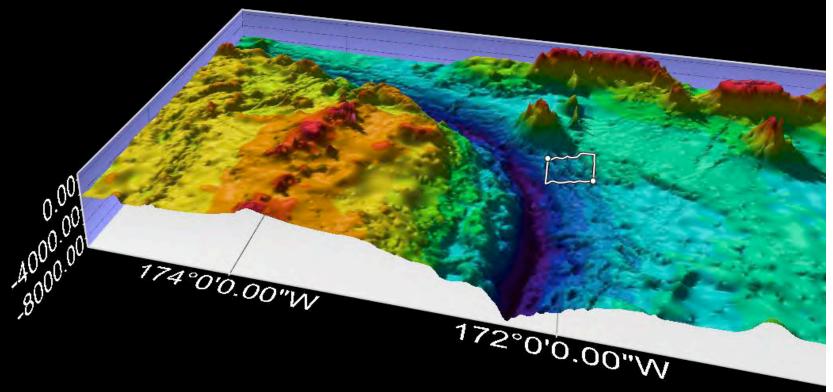
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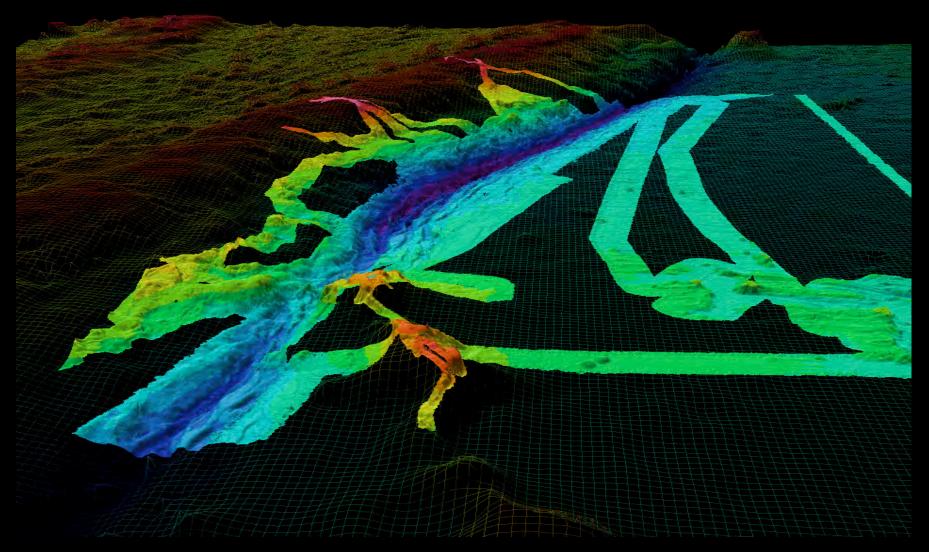


#### September 29 Quake & Tsunami



Bathymetry of Sandwell & Smith, Global Topo v. 12.1 and Wright et al. (2000), ve = 6

# Only 5-10% of global seafloor charted with ships - "We need ~125 more years!..." \*



\*Sandwell et al. (2003), Eos, Transactions AGU; Image courtesy of Steve Miller, Scripps GDC



#### Primary Data Acquisition: "Deep"

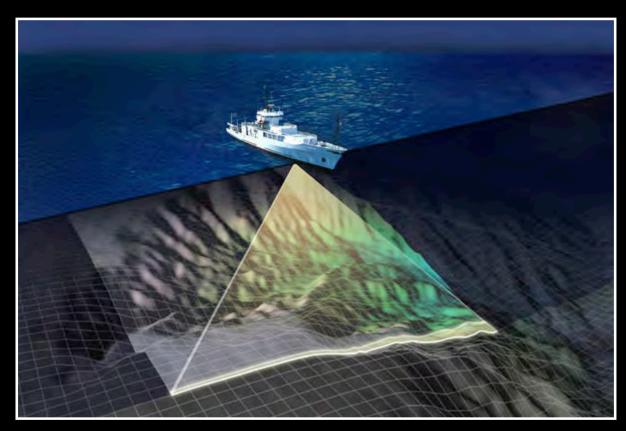


Image from Lost City Expedition (2003)

Multibeam sonar, regional scale, 200 m and deeper



#### Primary Data Acquisition: "Shallow"



R/V Acoustic Habitat Investigator w/ RESON 8101



Portable, pole-mounted EM3000



Ikonos satellite (Image from SatMagazine)

Multibeam sonar, 200 m and shallower lkonos, shoreline to 15 m



#### Data Description

Multiple datasets collected during separate research cruises (1984-2006)

Surveys operated by numerous institutions with a variety of scientific objectives

Data collected by various shipboard multibeam sonar systems with differing quality

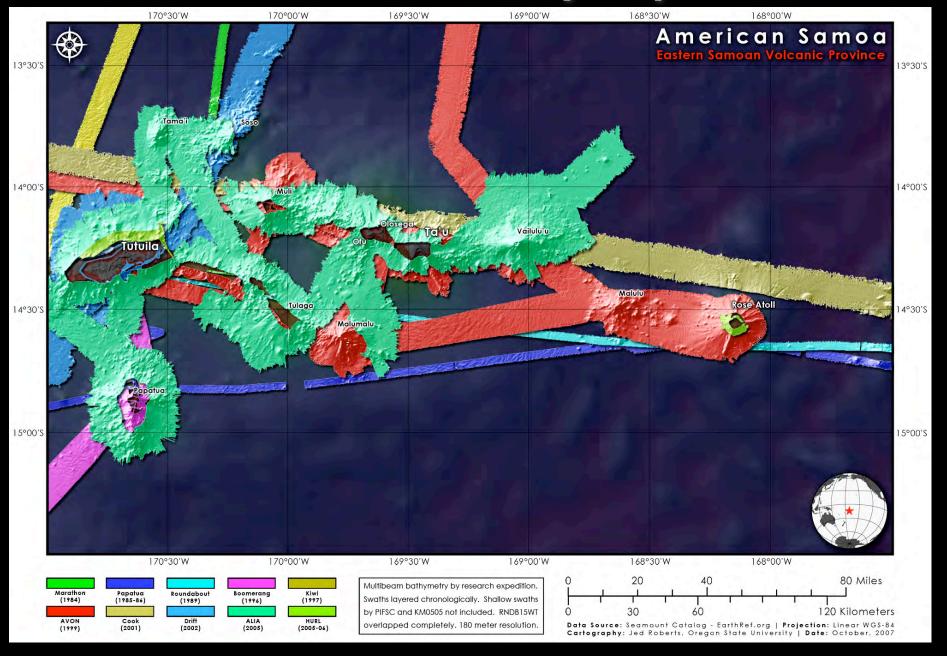
Regional data merged at a resolution of 200 m, covering an area of 28,446 km<sup>2</sup>



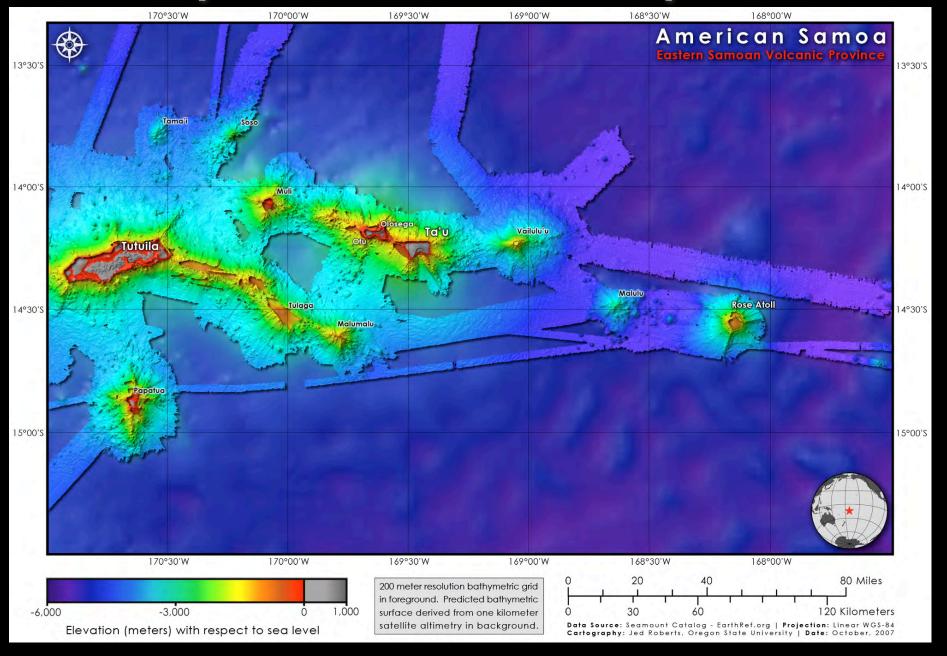
#### Deep Multibeam by Expedition

Expedition	Year	Institution(s)	Vessel
Marathon	1984	Scripps Institution of Oceanography	R/V Thomas Washington
Papatua	1985-86	Scripps Institution of Oceanography	R/V Thomas Washington
Roundabout	1989	Scripps Institution of Oceanography	R/V Thomas Washington
Boomerang	1996	Oregon State University, Scripps Institution of Oceanography	R/V Melville
Kiwi	1997	Scripps Institution of Oceanography	R/V Revelle
AVON	1999	Scripps Institution of Oceanography, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution	R/V Melville
Cook	2001	University of Rhode Island	R/V Melville
Drift	2002	Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of South Florida	R/V Revelle
ALIA	2005	Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution	R/V Kilo Moana
HURL	2005-06	Hawaii Undersea Research Lab	R/V Ka'imikai-O-Kanaloa

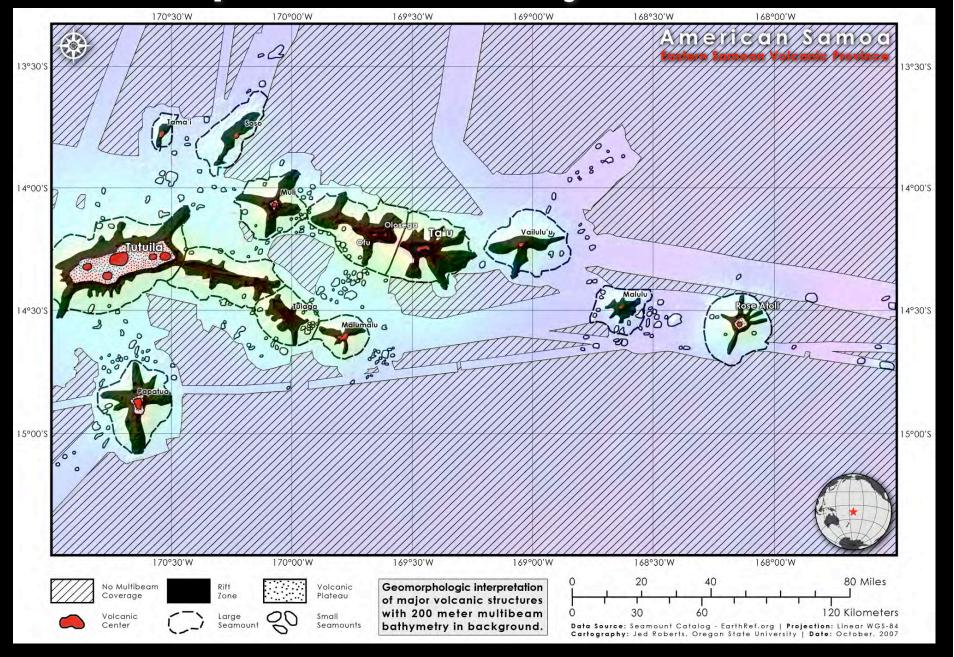
#### Multibeam Swaths by Expedition



#### Deeper Multibeam Compilation

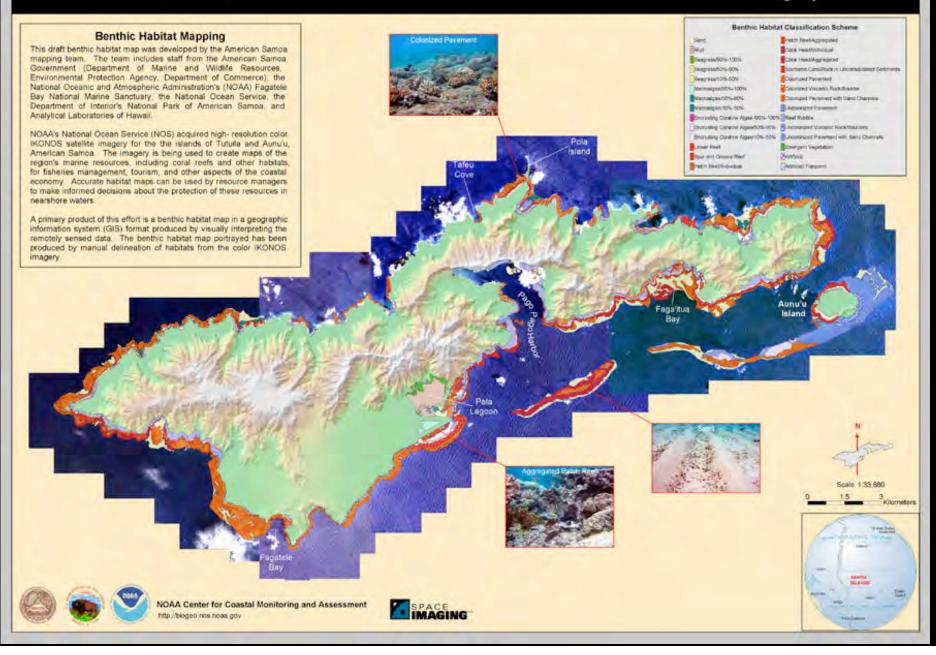


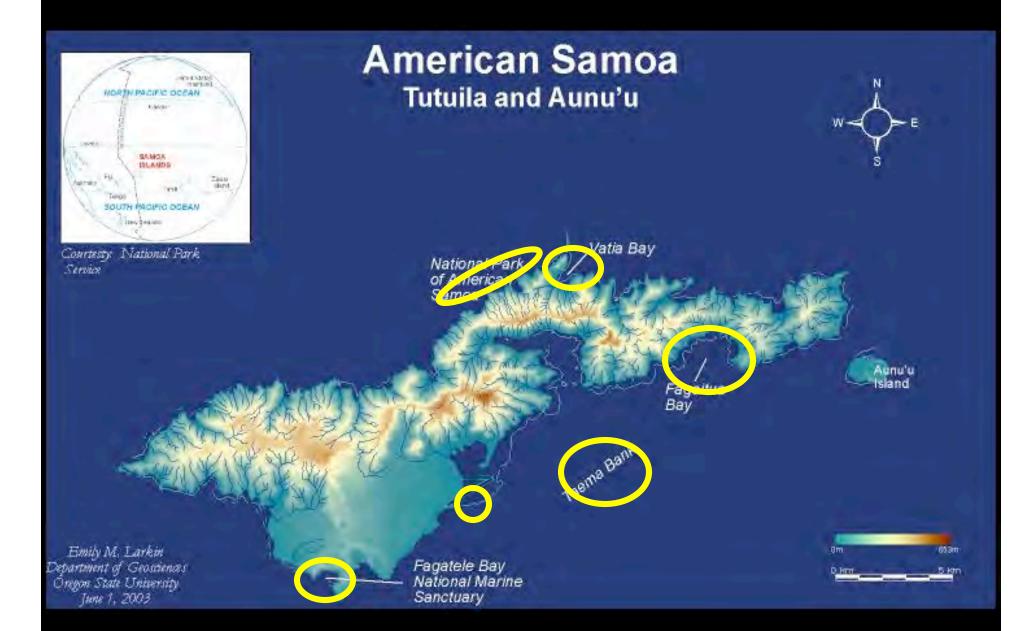
#### Interpretation of Major Features

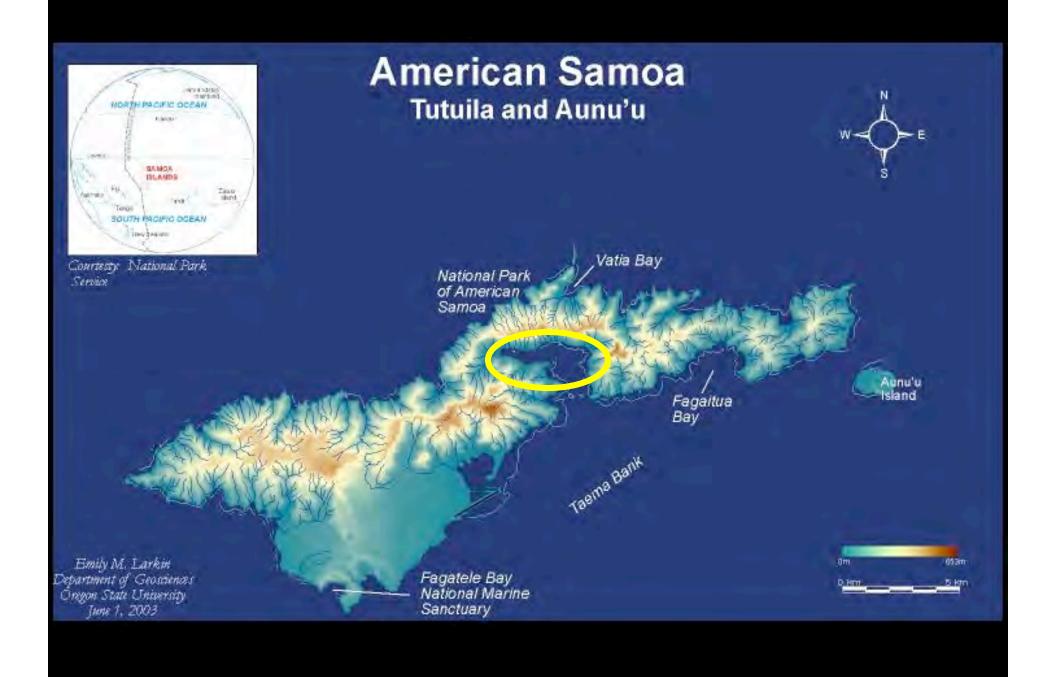


#### **Benthic Habitats of American Samoa**

Products Derived for Tutuila and Aunu'u Islands from IKONOS Satellite Imagery

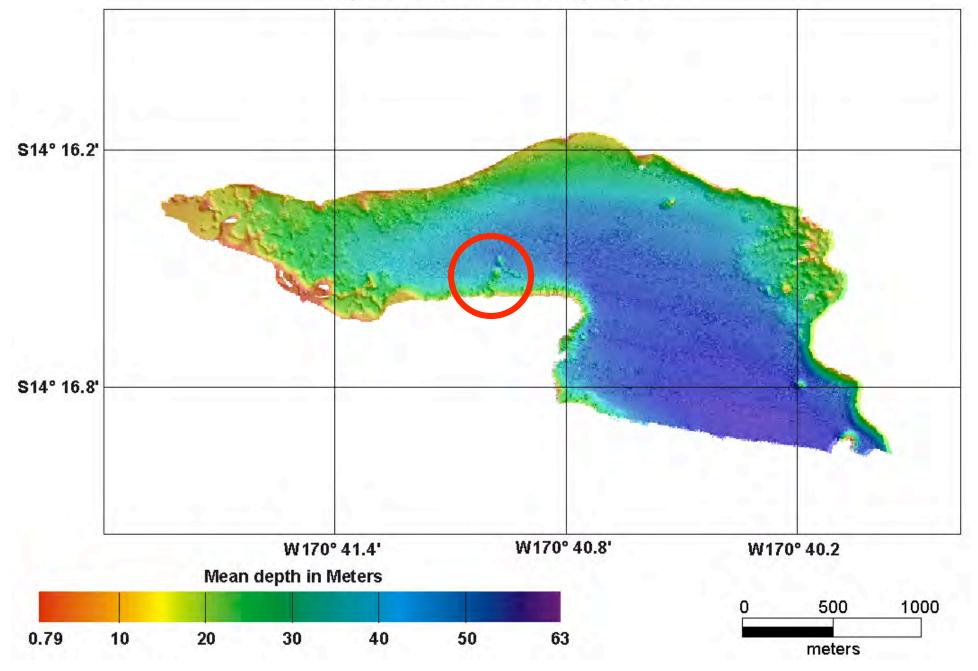




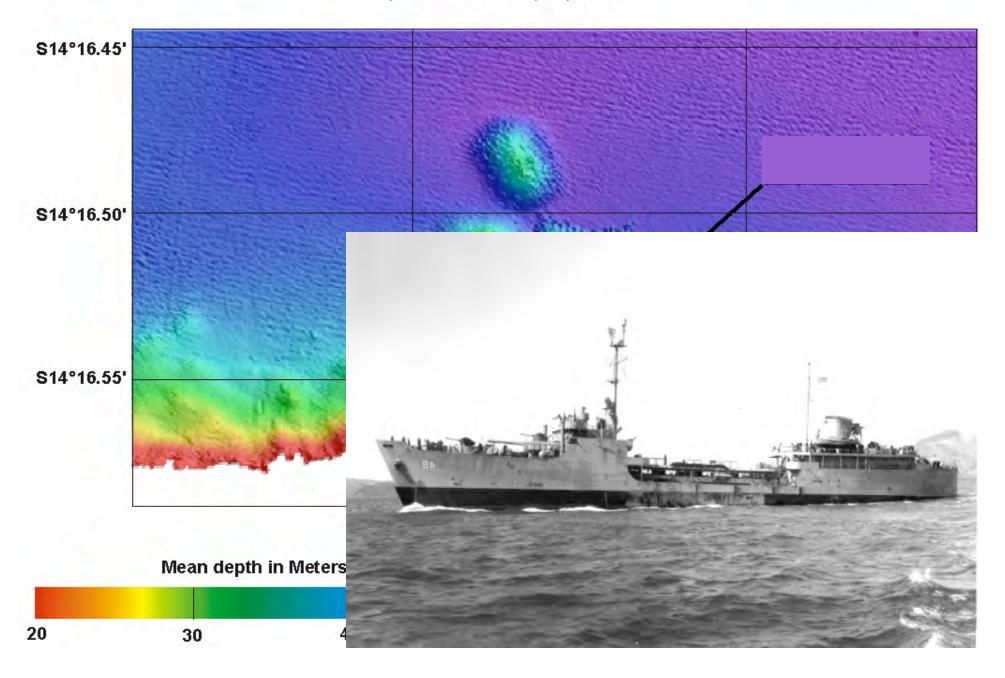


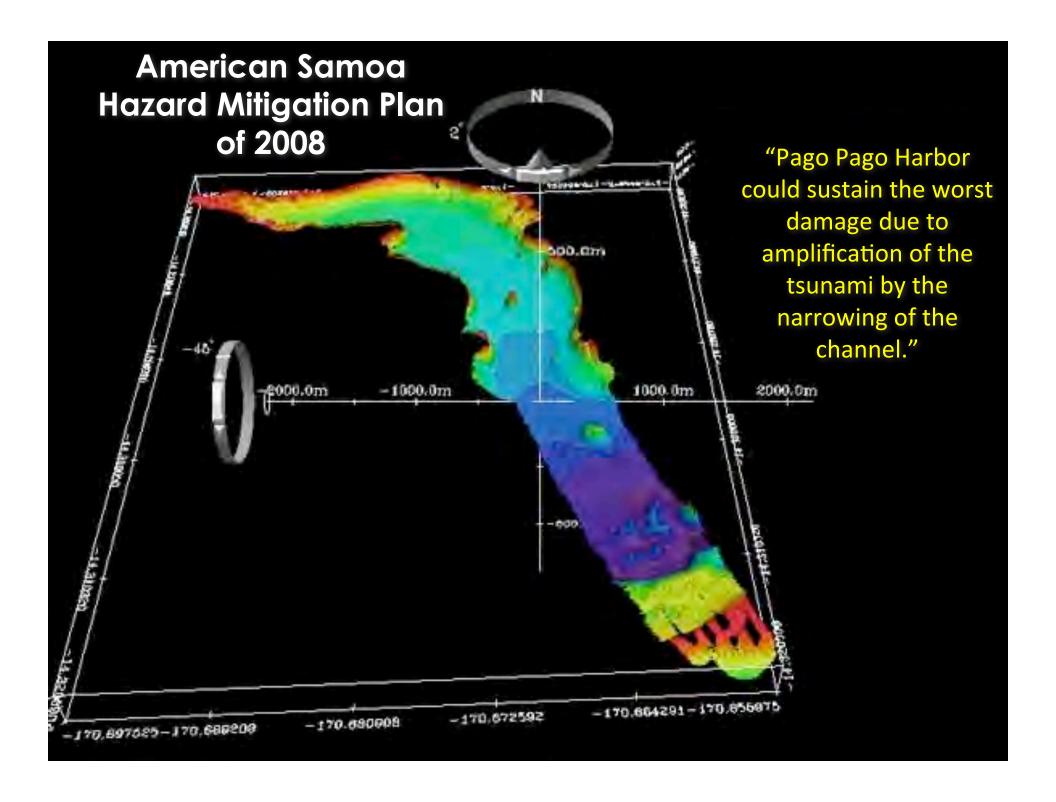
#### Pago Pago Harbor, American Samoa

processed at 1 meter per pixel



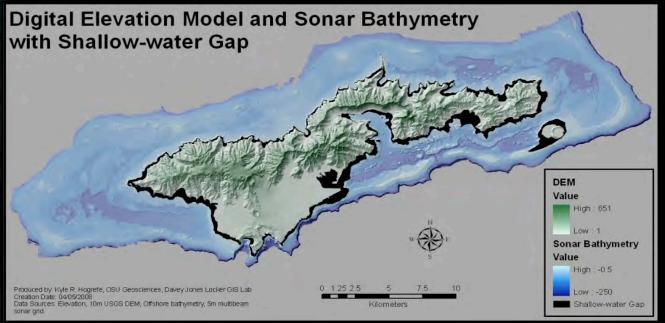
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#### Shallow Bathy w/Tutuila Island

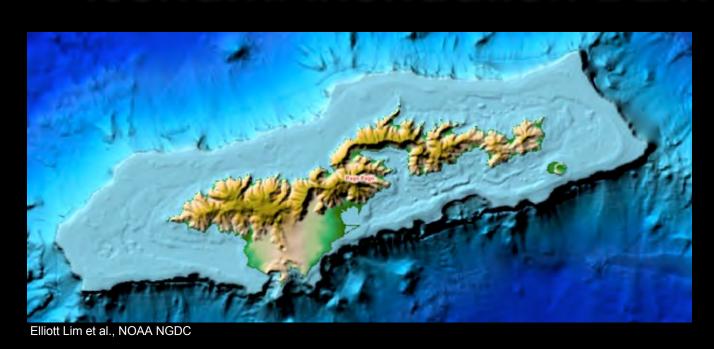


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### Community Engagement







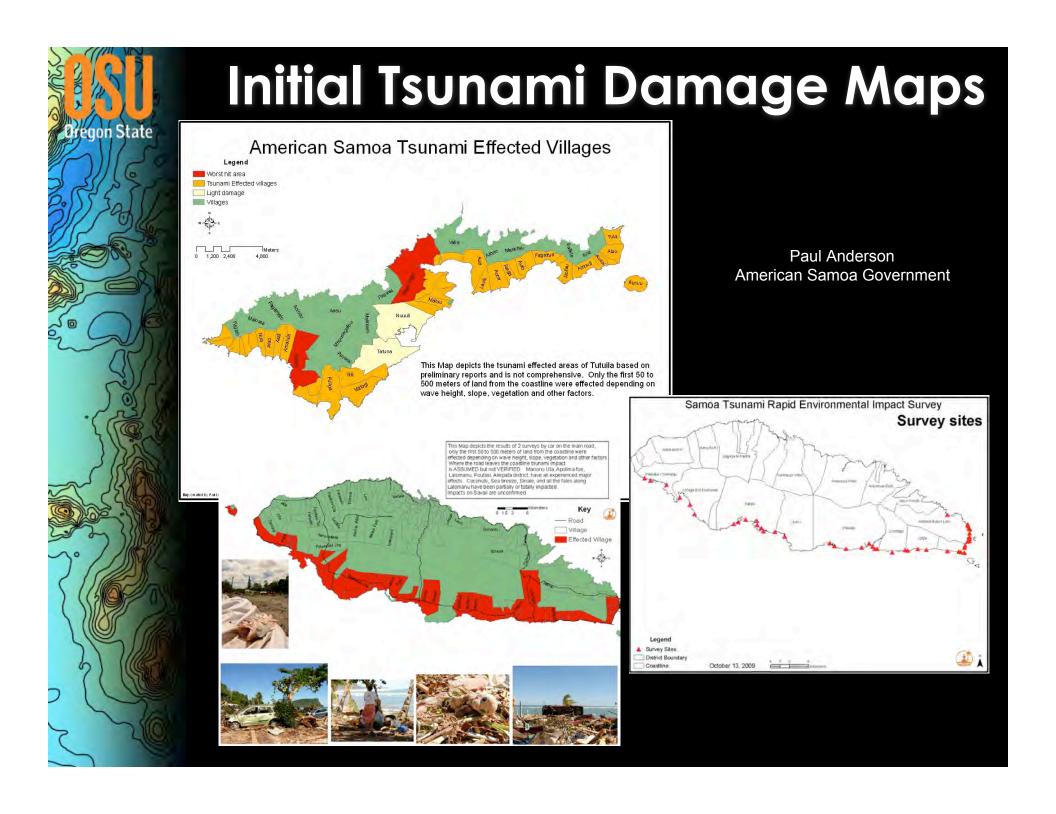
Fagatele Bay National Marine Sanctuary





- Dept of Marine & Wildlife Resources
- Dept of Public Works
- AS Power Authority
- National Park of AS
- AS Environmental Protection Agency
- AS Community College
- AS Historic Preservation Office







#### **Continuing Work Includes**

Ongoing collaborations with American Samoa Government agencies...

NOAA Coral Reef Ecosystem Division, NOAA
Biogeography, NGDC ...

Eastern Samoa Volcanic Province bathy compilation and seamount statistics paper to G-Cubed ...

HURL submersible dives proposed for 2011

Continued updates at dusk.geo.orst.edu/djl/samoa seafloormapping.net earthref.org/SBN

(Seamount Biogeosciences Network)

