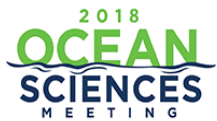


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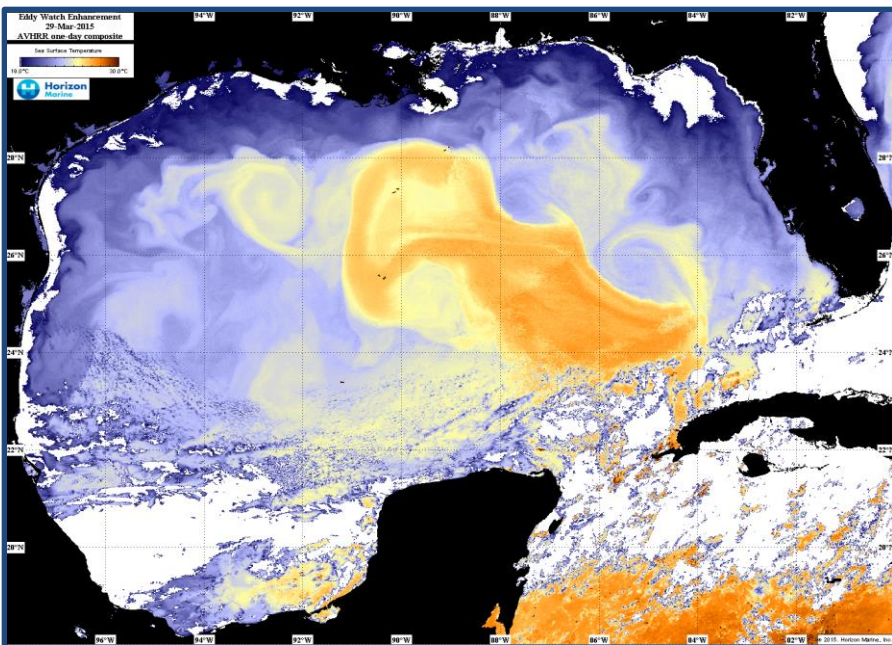
Town Hall Event

Loop Current System (LCS) dynamics are fundamental to the Gulf of Mexico's complex oceanographic processes: deep Gulf physics, eddy migration, hurricane interactions, and Gulf ecosystem connectivity. Targeted observations, time-series monitoring, new technologies, & improved hydrodynamic models, could improve knowledge of the LCS and Gulf of Mexico oceanographic processes.

The Town Hall will kick off with the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine Gulf Research Program unveiling their recommendations and next steps towards improving characterization of the LCS.

Following the presentation will be an expert panel discussion on why the Loop Current and associated eddies continue to challenge monitoring and modeling efforts.

Refreshments will be provided.



Refreshments • Research
Discussion • Networking

KEY NOTE SPEAKER

Kelly Oskvig

National Academies of Sciences,
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EXPERT PANEL DISCUSSION

Rick Spinrad

Former NOAA Chief Scientist

Steve DiMarco

Texas A&M University

Pat Hogan

Naval Research Lab

Barb Kirkpatrick

Gulf of Mexico Coast
Ocean Observation System (GCOOS)

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