Products and benefits resulting from prior coordination workshops

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Overview

- General workshop goals
- Benefits to regional ecosystem management
- Review of specific workshop products
 - 2010
 - 2011

Overall Workshop Goals

- Coordinate hypoxia research
- Provide a forum to discuss latest findings
- Inform activities of Gulf Hypoxia Task Force and other regional ecosystem management efforts

Why these workshops are critical

An Adaptive Approach

Scientific Assessments and Research

Assessments, Impacts, Forecasts

Understanding

Assess Progress; Address Gaps

Management Plan

Action

Implementation

Regional Ecosystem Management

An Adaptive Approach

Full implementation will require \$ Billions \$

"Adaptive management does not postpone actions until "enough" is known about a managed ecosystem..... Adaptive management aims to enhance scientific knowledge and thereby reduce uncertainties."

Regional Coordination







- Focused on Gulf of Mexico
- Addressing nutrients and hypoxia
- Leveraging significant resources

Regional Coordination



Mississippi River Gulf of Mexico Watershed Nutrient Task Force







Hypoxia Workshop

- Matrices
- Synthesis Reports
- Discussion Topics



Improved Decisions





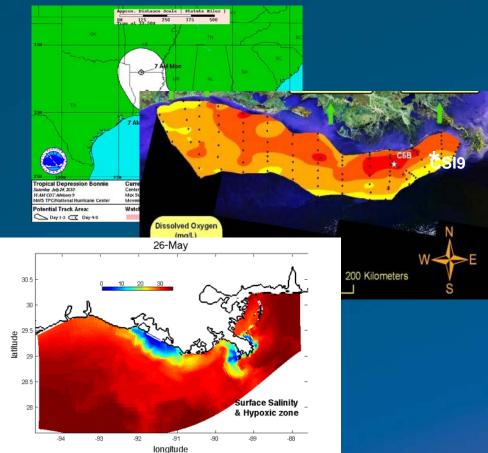
2010 Overview

- Focused on monitoring and fisheries
 - Fisheries coordination report
 - Matrix of current hypoxia monitoring activities
 - Monitoring Coordination Plan and Report
 - Hypoxia Outreach and Communications Plan
 - Data Management

Outputs posted on Gulf Hypoxic Zone Monitoring Stakeholders Committee website: http://www.ncddc.noaa.gov/activities/gulf-hypoxia-stakeholders/view

2010 Products

- Monitoring Coordination Report
 - Seasonal and synoptic perspective
 - Context to the mid-summer survey results
 - Improved ability to measure progress
 - 2011 Synthesis Report



2010 Products

- Primer on Gulf Hypoxia
 - Increases awareness
 - Increase engagement

Available at: http://www.gulfofmexicoalliance.org /community/pubs.html



A Primer on Gulf of Mexico Hypoxia

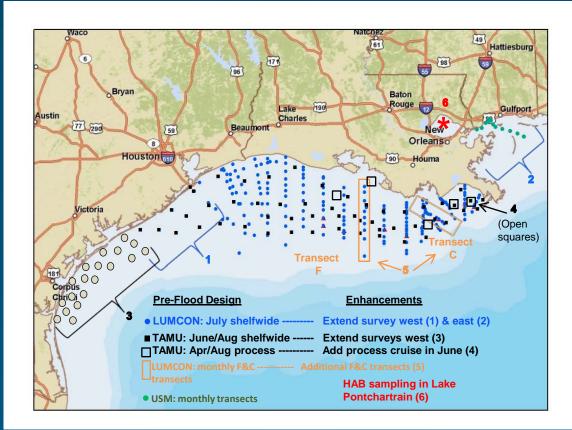
Common questions and answers for stakeholders, decision makers, coastal managers, and the education community.

2011 Overview

- Focused on monitoring and modeling
 - Synthesis Report (nearing completion)
 - Matrix of current hypoxia monitoring activities
 - Matrix of Gulf hypoxia modeling activities
 - Forecast coordination
 - Communication Plan update

2011 Products

Monitoring Matrix and Mississippi River Flood



2011 Products

- Modeling Matrix and Forecast Coordination
 - Alignment of modeling and forecasting capabilities
 - Coordinated timing of forecast release
 - Perhaps start of robust ensemble forecasts and transition to operations.

2011 Products

- Collaborations with Weather Service
 - Data products to facilitate short-term hypoxia forecasts
 - 2012 Spring Flood Outlook
 - Perhaps start of more robust forecasting collaboration?

Thanks!

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