# **WORKSHOP OVERVIEW**



6th Annual NOAA/NGI Hypoxia Research Coordination Workshop

Establishing a Cooperative Hypoxic Zone Monitoring Program

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# **GULF MONITORING SUMMIT (2007)**

Summit on Long-Term Monitoring of the Gulf of Mexico Hypoxic Zone:

Developing the Implementation Plan for an Operational Observation System



**Output:** Gulf Hypoxic Zone Monitoring Implementation Plan (2009, revised 2012)

## HYPOXIC ZONE MONITORING ACTIVITIES IN RECENT PAST

- Three shelfwide surveys (June, July, Aug)
- Monthly to bimonthly Transects F and C throughout year
- Continuous data from 4 Observing Systems



### TODAY

### • One shelfwide survey (July)



## WORKSHOP GOAL AND OUTPUTS

#### Goal:

 Identify and coordinate partner interests for establishing a cooperative monitoring program for the Gulf hypoxic zone that achieves management-driven objectives.

### **Outputs:**

- Workshop report identifying partners and mechanisms necessary to implement and sustain a Cooperative Hypoxic Zone Monitoring Program.
- Establishment of small teams of workshop attendees to advance implementation of key elements of Gulf monitoring identified at the workshop

## WORKSHOP INPUTS

- A pre-workshop monitoring strategy with current and proposed programmatic and financial requirements to inform workshop proceedings.
- An outline of activities of current monitoring programs in the Gulf of Mexico to facilitate partner-building during working sessions.



## **AGENDA STEPS**

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Refine minimal monitoring requirements to support 3D time variable hypoxia models

Identify synergies between hypoxic zone and other monitoring programs Identify partner opportunities and mechanisms to support key monitoring needs

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Working Session – 2

Construct Matrix of monitoring requirements, potential partners, and mechanisms for implementation of a Cooperative Hypoxia Monitoring program

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### **Working Session - 3**

Refine Matrix and identify steps for implementation