# The Expanded Small Scale Physical Model



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### **Presentation Overview**

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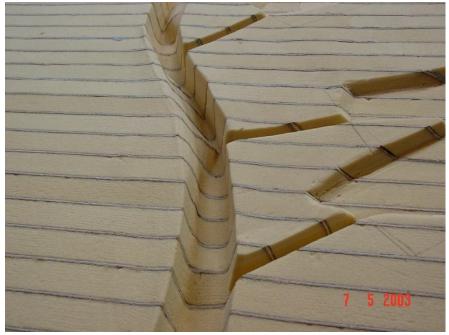


- Designed by CPRA (LDNR) in 2002
  - Design contracted to BCG Engineering
- Constructed and Calibrated in 2003
  - Originally constructed at Sogreah Facility (France)
  - Disassembled, shipped, and reassembled at LSU
- Initial Model Program performed in 2003/2004
- Total Cost: ~\$840,000
  - Includes Engineering, Model Construction, and Model Facility.



2002-2003: Construction and Initial Calibration (France)







2002-2003: Construction and Initial Calibration (France) cont'd







2003-2004: Model Reassembly and Operations (LSU)

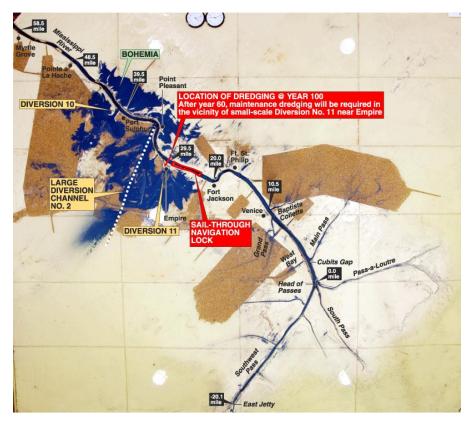






2003-2004: Model Reassembly and Operations (LSU) cont'd

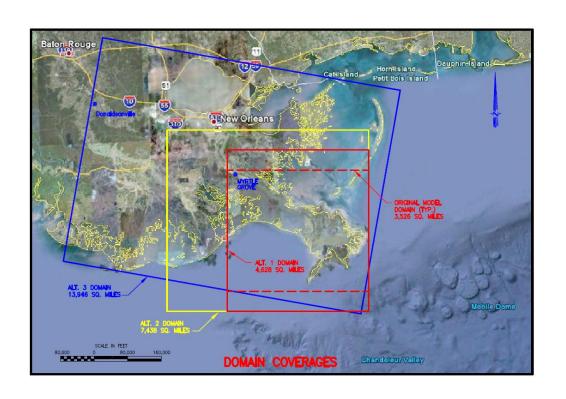






- In June 2010 LSU reported that the Current SSPM was reaching the end of its useful life
- In December 2010 CPRA tasked BCG to assist in the investigation of the SSPM's future
- In February 2011 BCG reported that 11 of 24 SSPM panels needed to be replaced
- CPRA initiated a full Feasibility Study on Rehabilitation, Modification, or Expansion of the SSPM

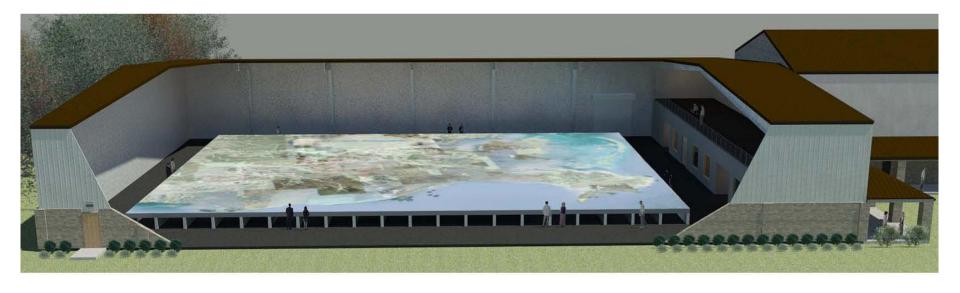
### **2011: Initial Expansion Plan**







2011: Initial Expansion Plan cont'd





### SSPM vs ESSPM



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### **Scaling**

Geometric

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Horizontal - 1:12,000 versus 1:6000
Vertical - 1:500 versus 1:400
Distortion - 24 versus 15
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- Froude scaling
- Shield Scaling / Incipient Motion
- Re scaling (For conditions with suspended sediment)
- 3000 5000 versus 7000 12,000

### **Domain**

- Myrtle Grove to GOM versus Donaldsonville to GOM
- 4600 Sq. mi versus 14,000 Sq. mi



### SSPM vs ESSPM

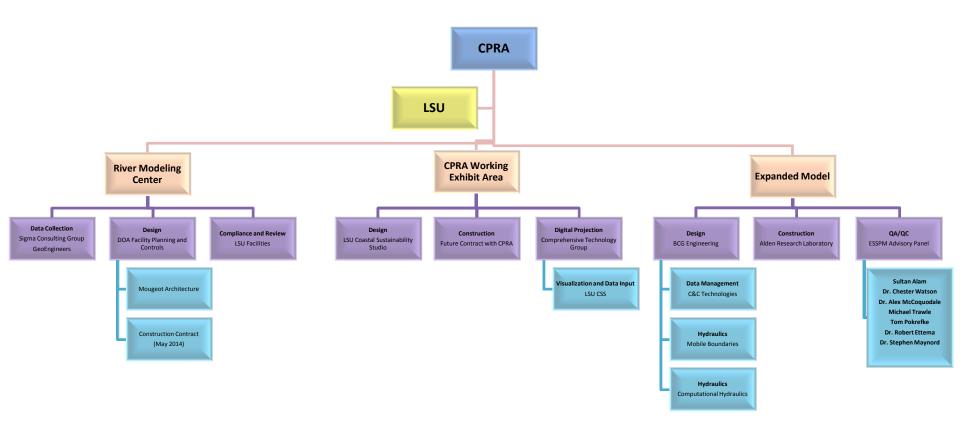
- Construction Methodology
- Modifications to Model Bed
  - Overhead gantry crane
- Testing Program:
  - Automated Sediment Injection
  - Automated Flow Control
  - Water Level/Flow Recording



## **Components of the ESSPM**



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### **Three Main Design Components:**

- River Modeling Center
- Working Exhibit Area
- Expanded Model



# **River Modeling Center**

### **Project Initiation - 2012**

- Primary design contract with Mougeot Architecture (through Facility Planning and Controls)
  - DOA Architectural Selection Process

- Design began in Summer 2012
  - Facility was to be constructed adjacent/around existing SSPM on LSU's campus



### **LSU Campus**





### **Baton Rouge Water Campus**

- Facility site moved to Baton Rouge Water Campus
  - First building to be constructed on The Water Campus
- Re-Design began in Fall 2013; overhauled 70% of original building design
  - Included new site surveys, foundation design
  - Involved a complete re-design of floor plan since existing buildings were no longer an issue

### Design Details:

- Exhibit/Front Office Area = 9,900 SF
- River Model Area = 25,000 SF
- Additional Offices Area = 5,000 SF
- Additional Laboratory/Storage Area = 4,000 SF

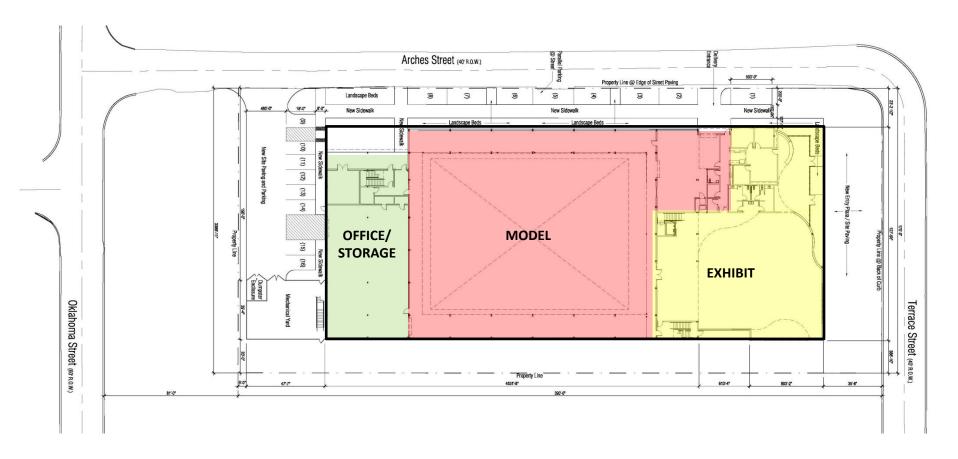


### **Baton Rouge Water Campus**





### **Facility Floor Plan**





### **Exterior Rendering**





**Interior Rendering - Model Area** 





# **CPRA** Working Exhibit

 Design and Development work contracted to LSU Coastal Sustainability Studio

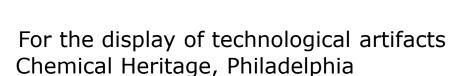
 Exhibit Construction to be performed under separate contract to be issued after completion of River Modeling Center

# **CPRA** Working Exhibit

- Engage visitors with three programmatic ideas, each with increasing levels of engagement with CPRA work:
  - **1. View**: display of digital and physical artifacts *Artifacts*, equipment, digital and printed displays of CPRA work
  - **2. Assemble**: built-in sloped seating for presentations and meeting Large digital presentation capabilities to accommodate groups of people
  - **3. Study:** work area for researchers *Areas for individuals and small groups for access to CPRA data*

# **CPRA** Working Exhibit

For the display of natural artifacts Hall of Biodiversity, New York



For the display of graphic digital data IBM 100: Think, New York







### **Design Overview**

- Model Design BCG Engineering Team:
  - C&C Technologies
  - Mobile Boundary Hydraulics
  - Computational Hydraulics
  - Eustis Engineering
  - Dewberry
- Design substantially completed in January 2013
- Alden Research Laboratory was contracted in March 2013
  - Consultation on remain design and constructability
  - Labor for actual construction

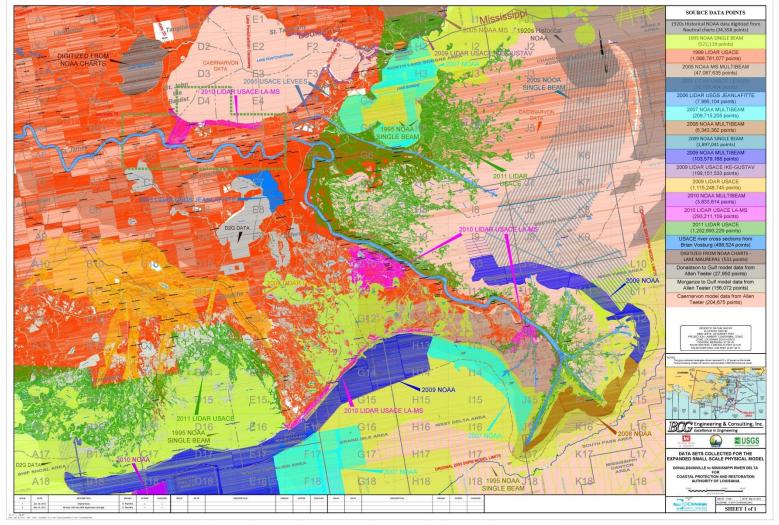


### **Design Overview**

- Model domain covers over 14,000 Sq. miles of Coastal Louisiana:
  - RM 179 to the GOM
  - Includes Lake Pontchartrain; Barataria Basin; most of Terrebonne Basin
- 3D model surface created using multiple datasets:
  - USACE Hydrographic Surveys
  - CPRA MR Multi-Beam Data
  - LIDAR
  - NOAA Nautical Charts
- 216 5 ft. X 10 ft. High Density Foam Panels
  - Dimensionally stable closed cell material
  - Easy to machine; durable
  - Density = 20 lb/cu. ft.; Weight = 1000 lbs per panel



### **Dataset Coverage**





### **Construction Overview**

- Model bed to be constructed using CNC Router
- Additional equipment:
  - Vacuum/air handling system
  - Jack supports frame bed
  - Laser Scanner/Optical Level
  - GeoMagic Software
- 'Guinea Pig' Model
  - Seven panel test model
  - Domain from Bonne Carre Spillway to New Orlean East
  - Results will be compared to actual 2011 Bonne Carre data

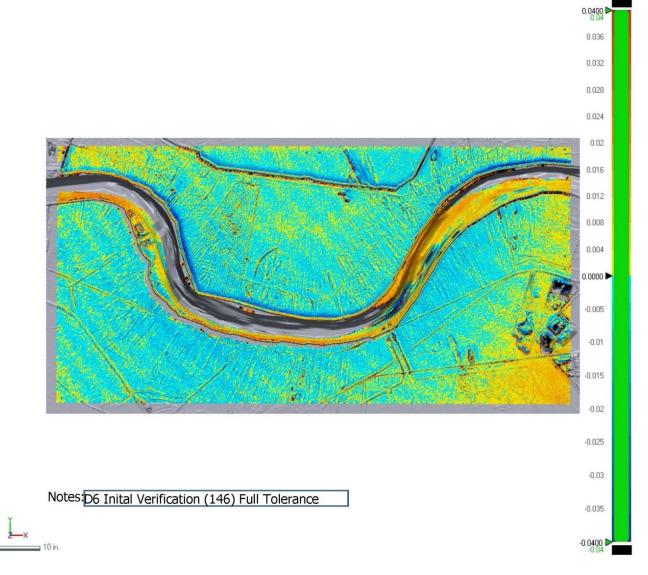


# 'Guinea Pig' Model



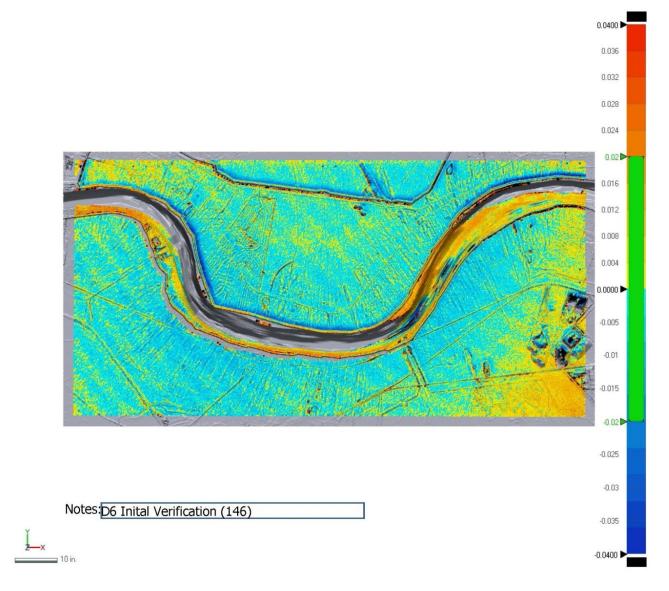


### **Laser Scan Verification**





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# 'Guinea Pig' Model





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# **Closing Remarks**

- Funding Source: 100% State; CIAP Grant
- Schedule:
  - Guinea Model Construction March 2014
  - Guinea Model Testing Spring/Summer 2014
  - Expanded Model Routing through RMC completion
  - River Model Center Bid Summer 2014
  - River Model Center Construction Summer 2015
  - Model Assembly Fall 2015
  - Model Operation Late 2015



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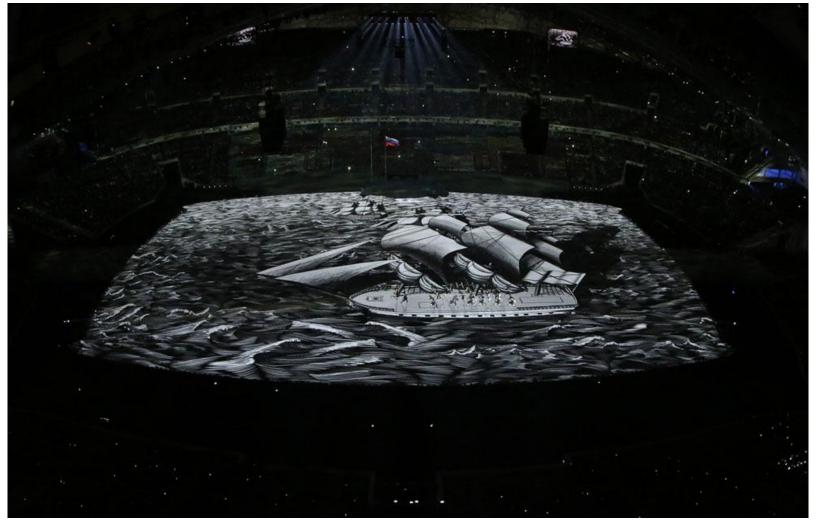
### **Digital Projections**





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### THANKS YOU!



# Questions

