

Utilizing Vessel Based
Mobile LiDAR &
Bathymetry Survey Techniques
for
Survey of Four Southern
California Breakwaters

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#### Innovations for the detection of pipelines

- Diver-deployed hand-held devices
  - Detect pipelines in up to 10' water depth
  - Send signal down the pipeline from shore (shore)
  - Theoretically detect and depth of burial up to 10'





#### Seabed crawler devices

Tracked ROV drives the subsea line



#### 5 W's and H



#### Who?

- USACE LA District
- Fugro

#### What?

4 breakwater surveys in Southern California

#### Where?

Dana Point Harbor and Port of Los Angeles/Port of Long Beach

#### When?

3 separate programs between 2009 and 2010

#### Why?

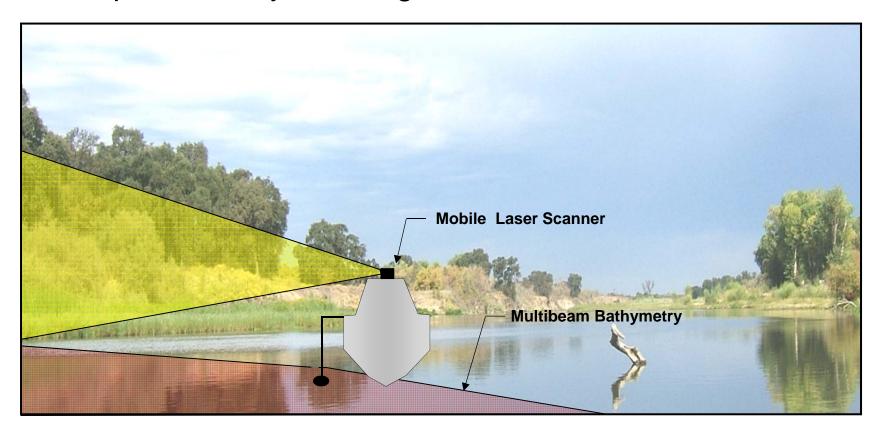
Several benefits in terms of safety, efficiency and detail

#### How?...



Integrate bathymetry with a topographic data to close the gap between surface and underwater topography.

Complete survey crossing the water/land interface.



### LiDAR Scanner and Multibeam Echosounder Integration









#### **Key Components:**

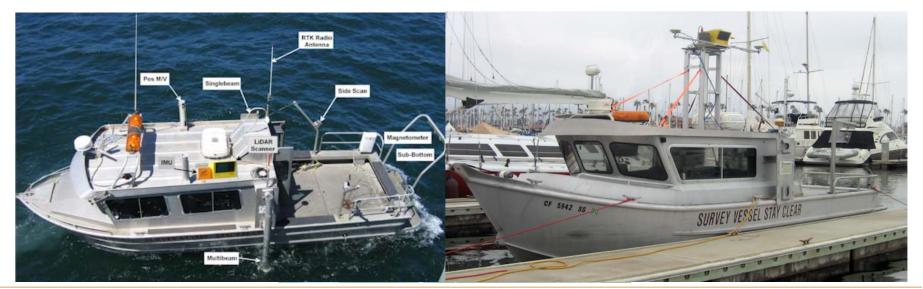
- 1. GPS (GNSS) Positioning
- 2. Inertial Navigation (IMU)
- 3. Laser Scanner (LiDAR) (Topography)
- 4. Multibeam Bathymetric Echosounder (MBES) (Underwater)
- Side-Scan Sonar (Underwater Imaging)

## Fugro BOAT-MAP Platform Integration



#### How it works:

- Use laser scanning (LiDAR) for above water survey
- Use sonar echosounding (multibeam) for underwater survey
- Uses GPS and Precision Inertial Navigation for Positioning
- Sonar Imaging also collected



## Bathymetric (seafloor) terrain surveys

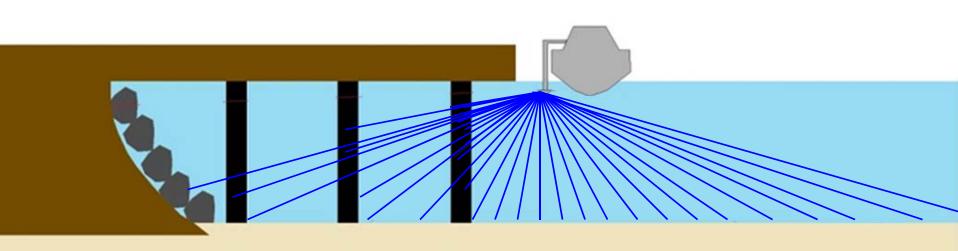


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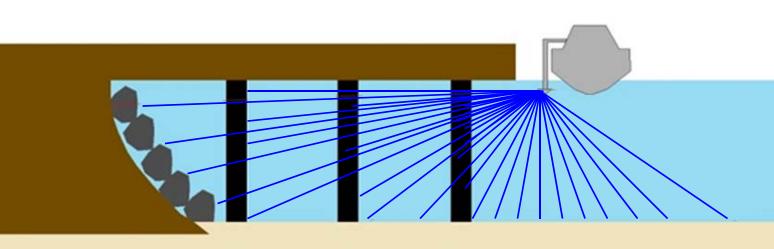


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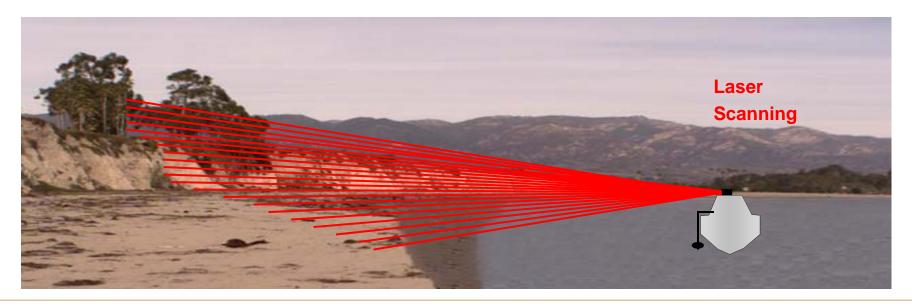
Rotated Multibeam Sensor for surveying laterally to the waterline

## Mobile Laser Scanning (MLS) from a Vessel



#### MLS similar to multibeam (and airborne LiDAR)

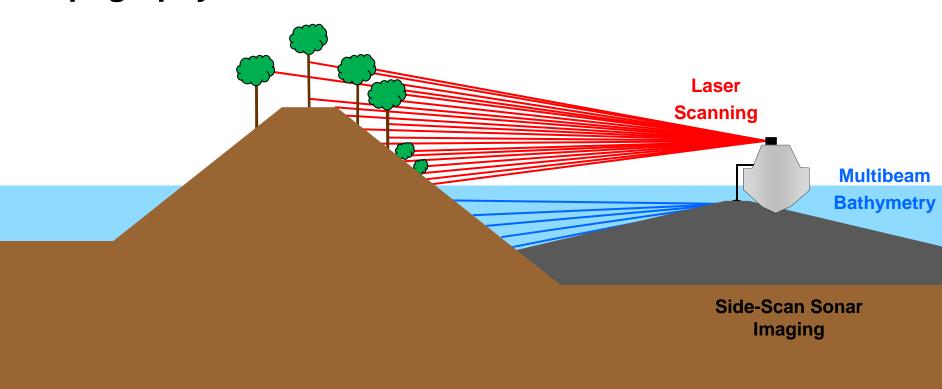
- Use lasers for ranging
- Often longer ranging laser required, especially in dangerous waters
- Some projects require supplementing capture from land



#### Integrated Data Collection from Vessel Platform



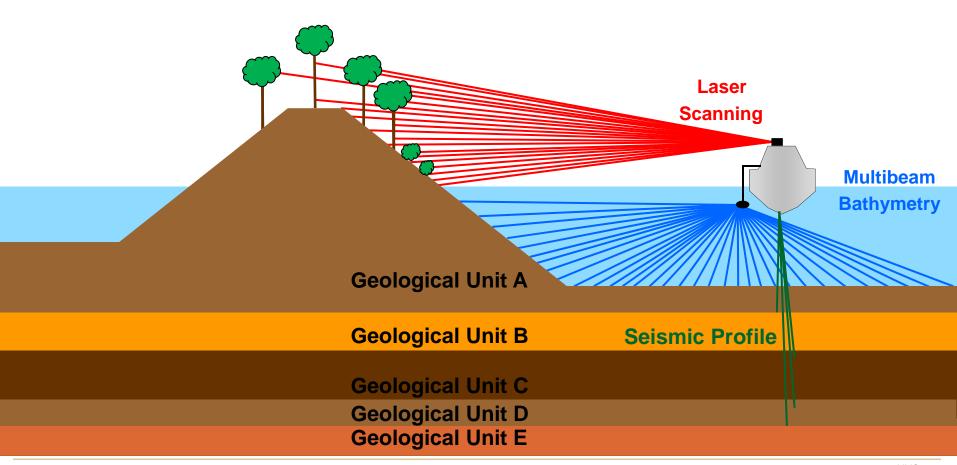
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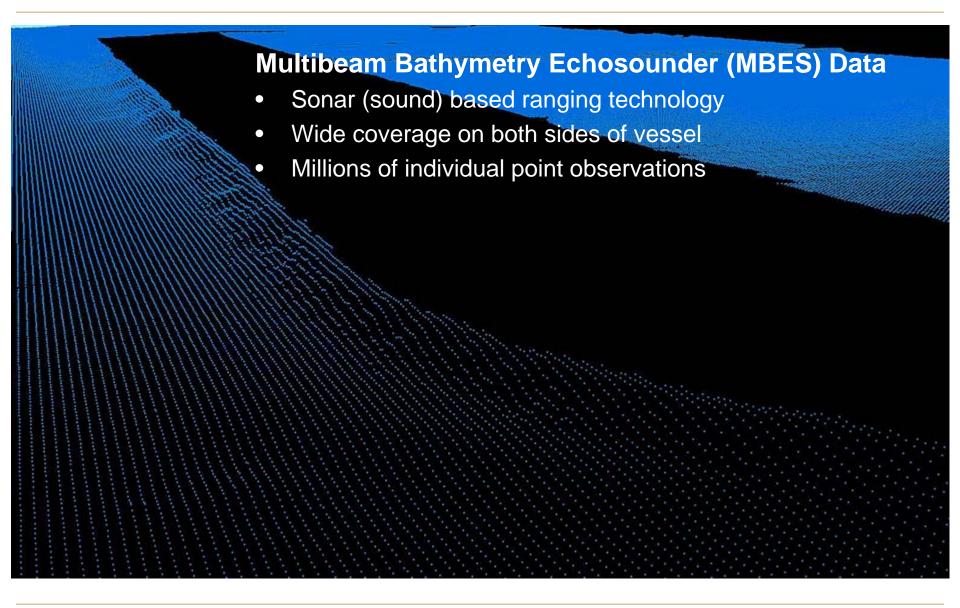


# Although not used here, some applications require investigation of the subsurface using seismic profiling.



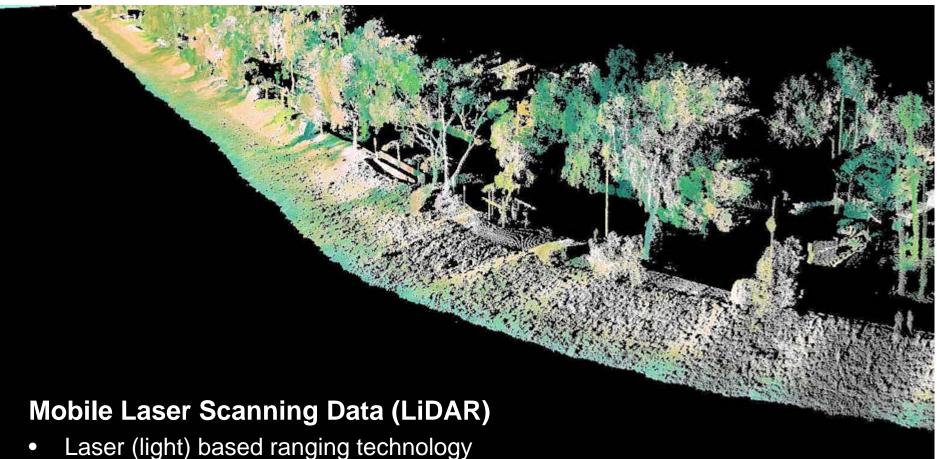
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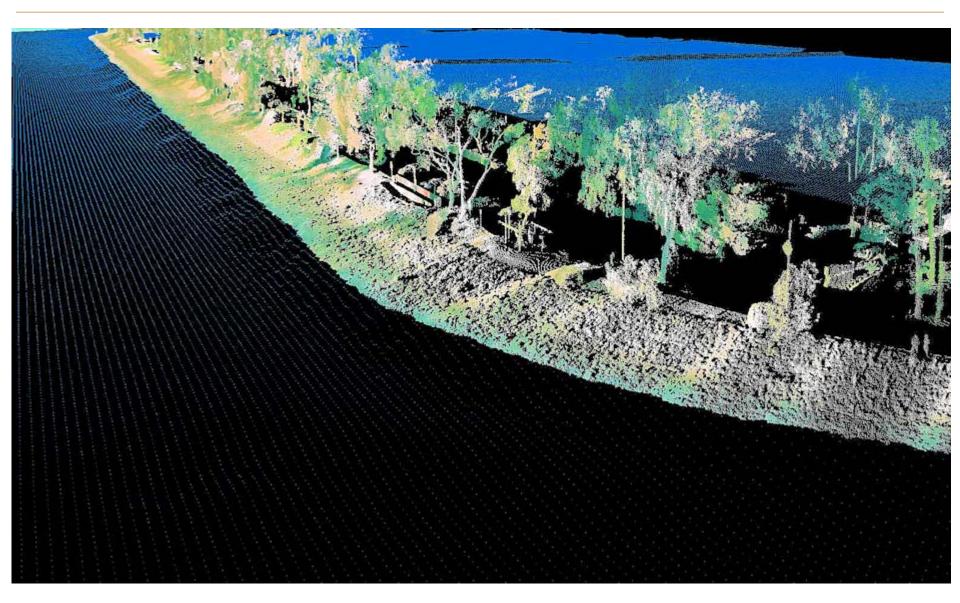




- Scan land and features beside vessel
- Millions of individual point observations

# Integrating Bathymetry and Laser Scanning





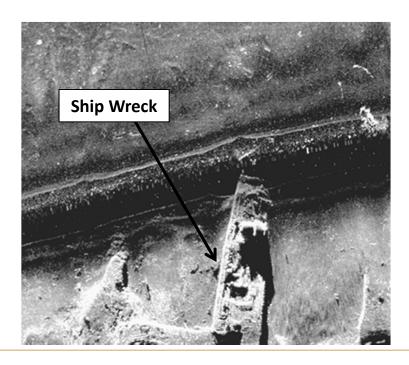
## Sonar Backscatter Imaging (Side-Scan or Snippets)

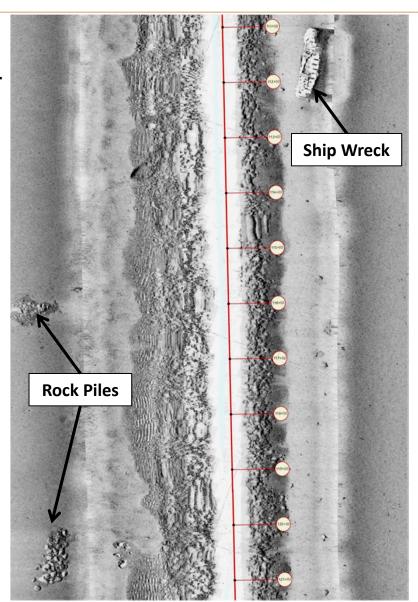




Side-scan sonar (or snippets) can be utilized for creating an image of the floor of the water body/water course.

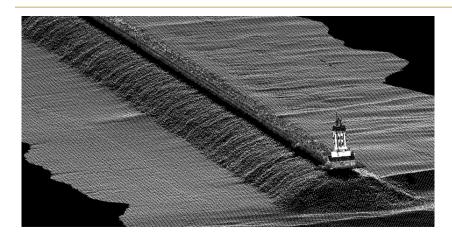
Data collected can help identify the composition and texture of the seabed/lakebed/riverbed.



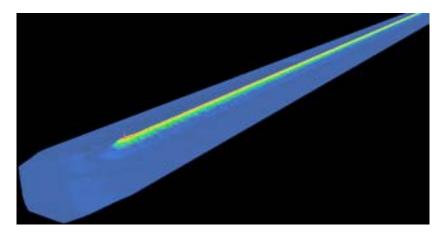


#### Four Breakwaters, Two Sites

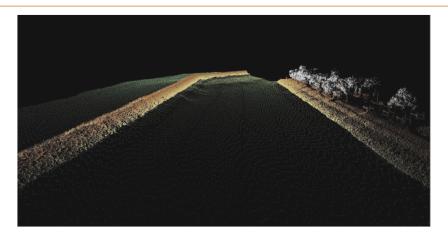




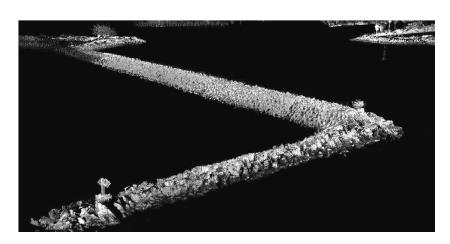
San Pedro Breakwater



**LA/LB Middle Breakwater** 



**Dana Point West Breakwater** 



**Dana Point East Breakwater** 

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## Four Breakwaters, Three Sites





#### Port Facilities, Harbors & Break Waters

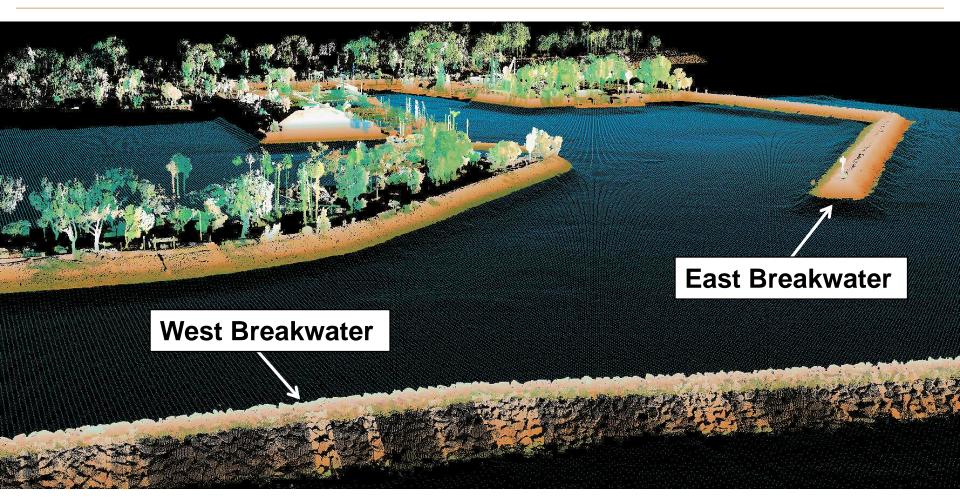


#### **Evaluate:**

- Channel depth and shoal risks
- Sediment scour and deposits
- Breakwater integrity
- Port/Harbor charts
- Profiles/cross-sections
- Hydro modeling

## Harbor & Breakwater Survey: Dana Point





Data density: Scanner:

Horizontal = 0.10m

Vertical = 0.05 m

Survey speed = 2.5 - 3.5 knt

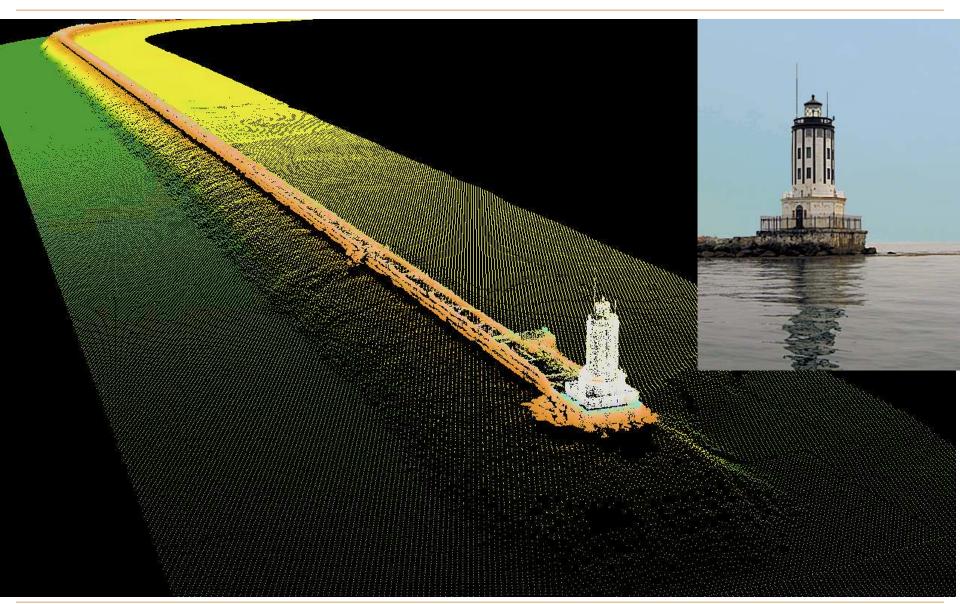
Multibeam:

**Horizontal Resolution = 1m** 

Survey speed = 4.5 knt

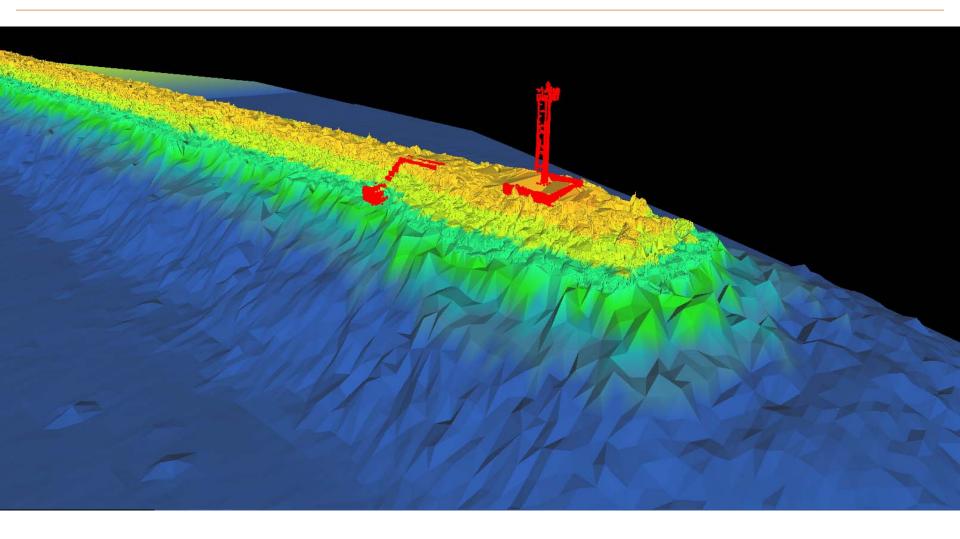
# Breakwater Survey: San Pedro, California





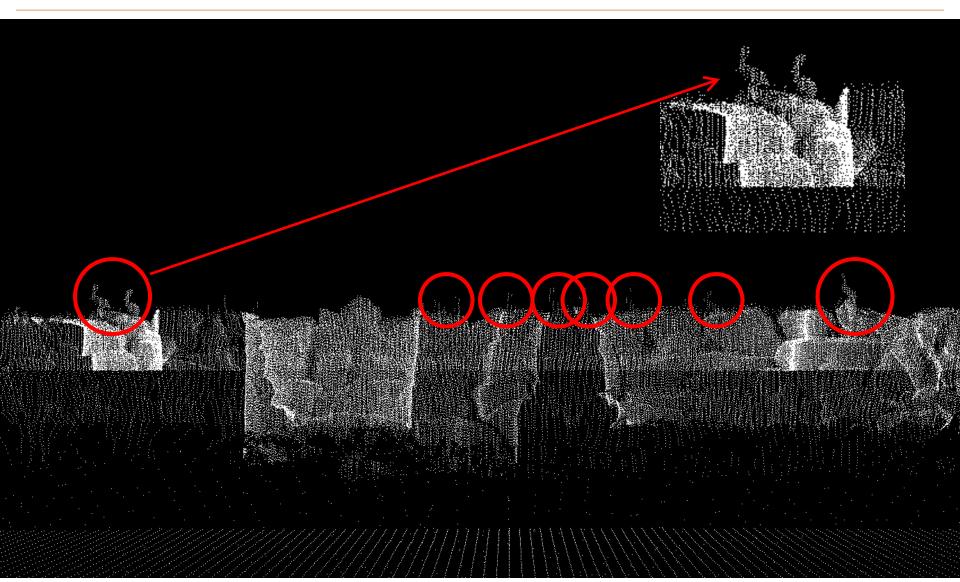
# Breakwater Survey: Middle Breakwater





## Editing Point Cloud to Create the Surface







# Pretty pictures but how is this data applied?

#### Deliverables



- Point Cloud Files (X,Y,Z) for entire survey
- Back-scatter image mosaics
- Contour models
- High-resolution profile extraction at any frequency along water channel
- Gridded surface model for easy use in ESRI ArcGIS
- Render and/or fly through data

# Dana Point Harbor w/ Multibeam and Scanner Data

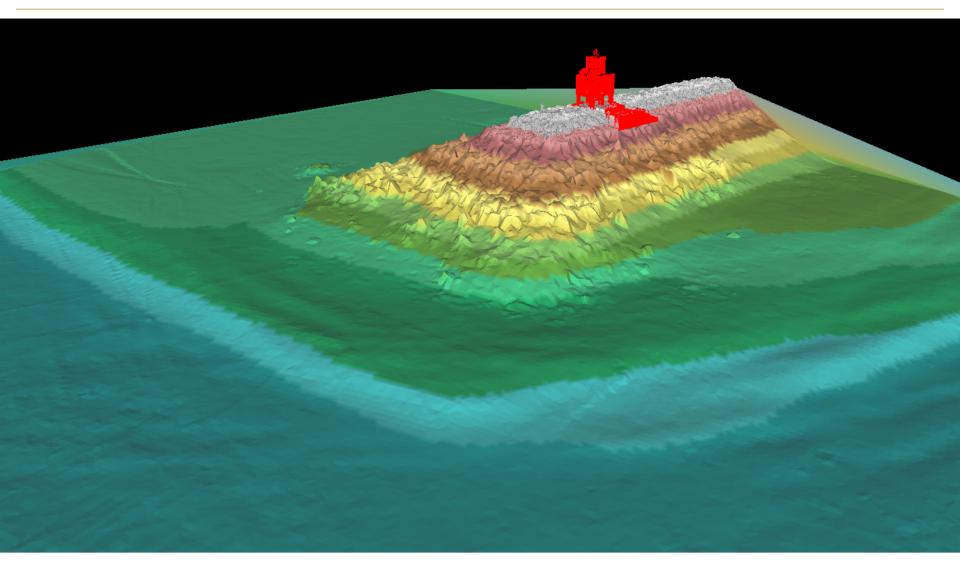






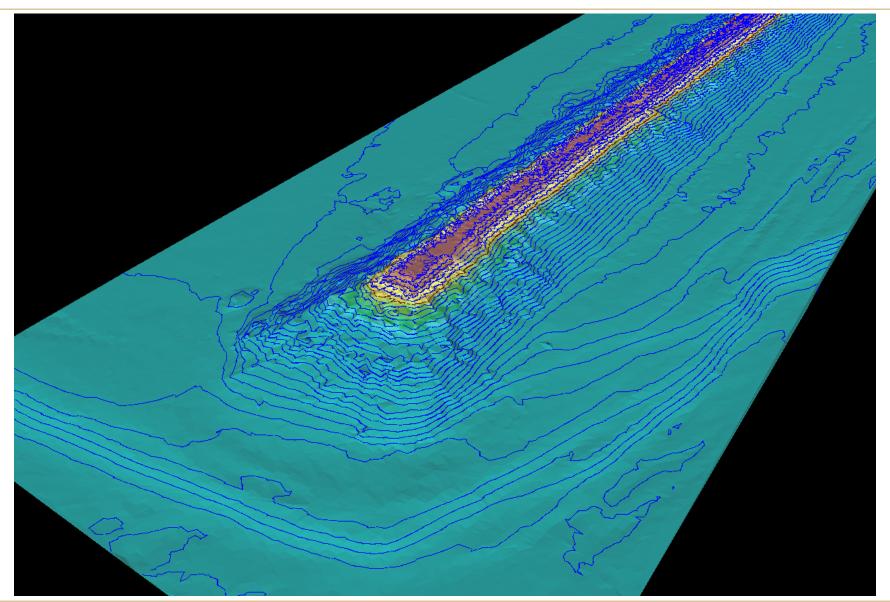
## **Breakwater Surface Model**





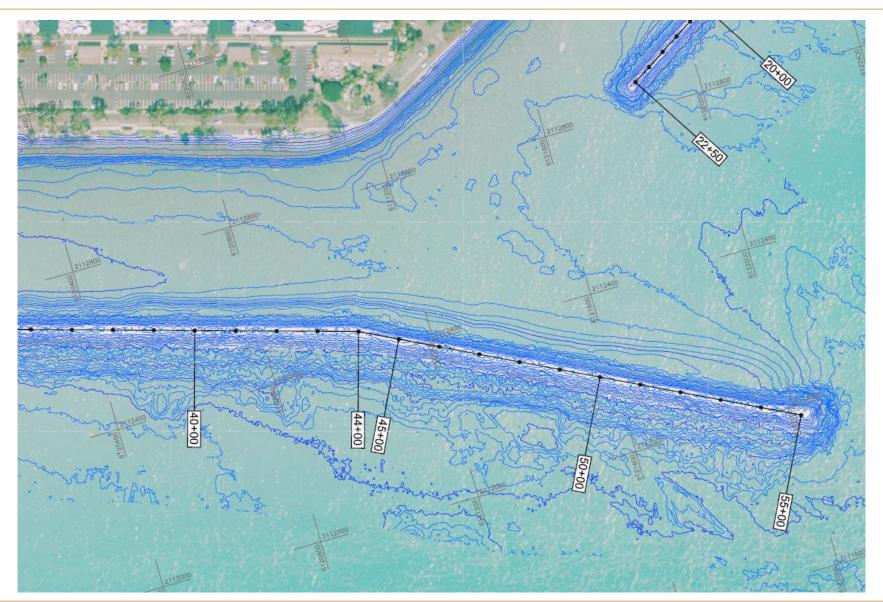
# Breakwater Contours (3-foot / 1-meter)





#### Produce Breakwater and Harbor Chart





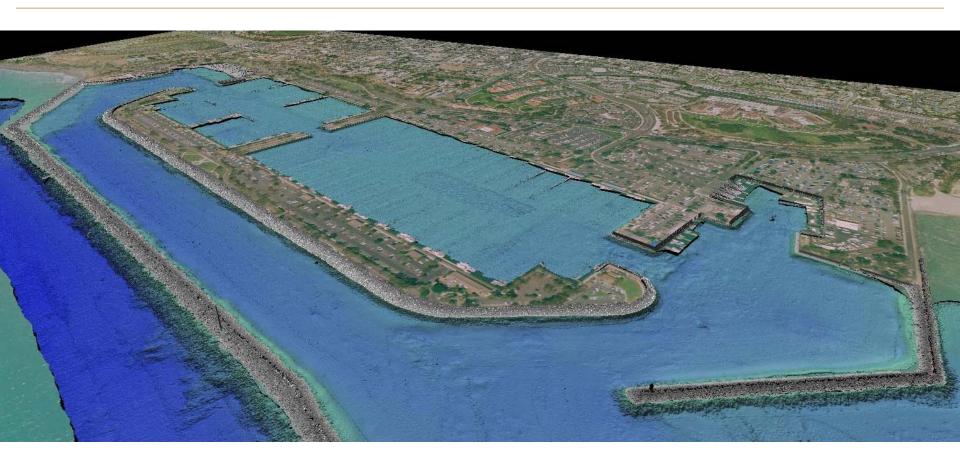
# Backscatter Sonar Image Mosaic





## **BOAT-MAP** Data merged with Aerial Imagery





**Integrated Data:** 

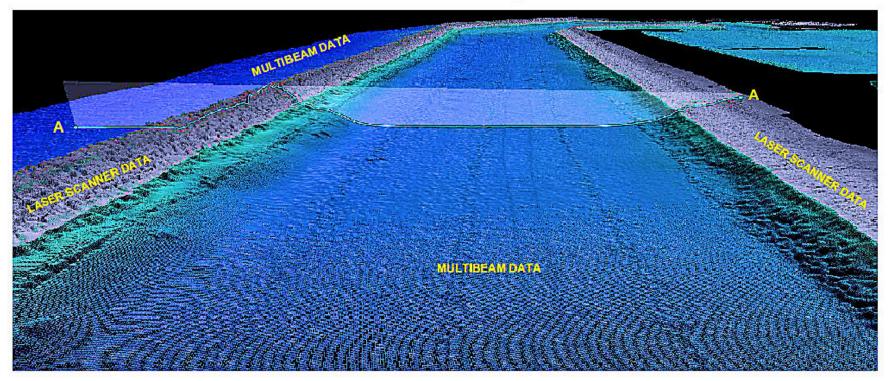
- Mobile Laser Scanning
- Multibeam Bathymetry
- Aerial Imagery

# Cross-Section Extraction: at any interval/frequency



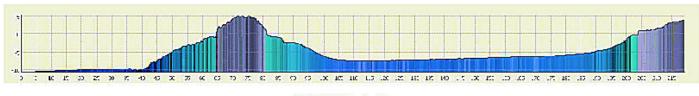


#### Dana Point - Cross Section Through Main Channel



#### Notes:

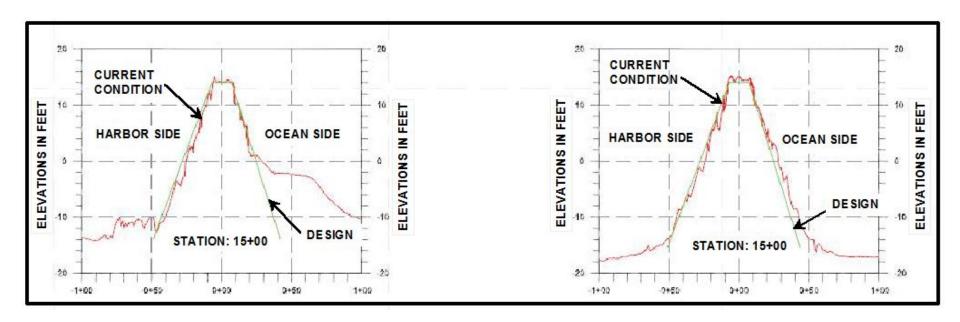
- 1. Elevations in meters
- 2. Vertical datum: MLLW
- 3. Distances in meters



SECTION A-A'

## Cross-Section Comparisons: Condition vs. Design





# BREAKWATER CROSS SECTION CURRENT CONDITION AND CONSTRUCTION DESIGN

# Cross-Section Comparisons: Present vs. Historical

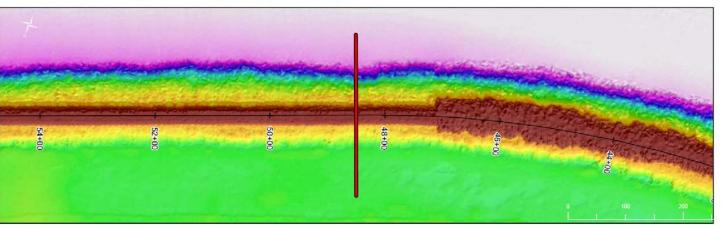


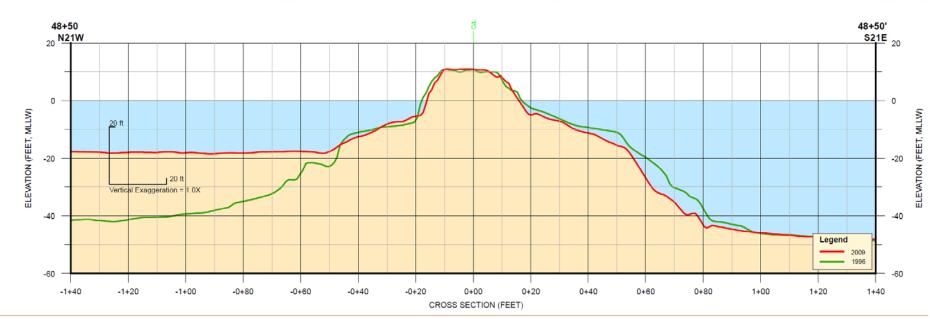


#### USACE SAN PEDRO BREAKWATER COMPREHENSIVE CONDITION SURVEY STATION NUMBER 48+50





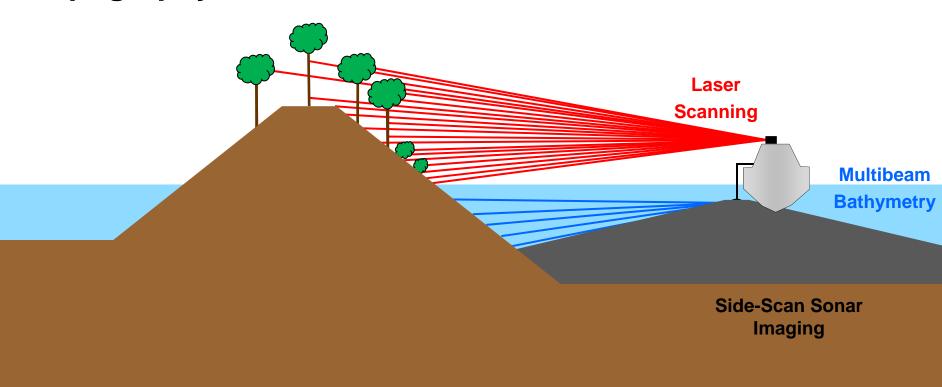




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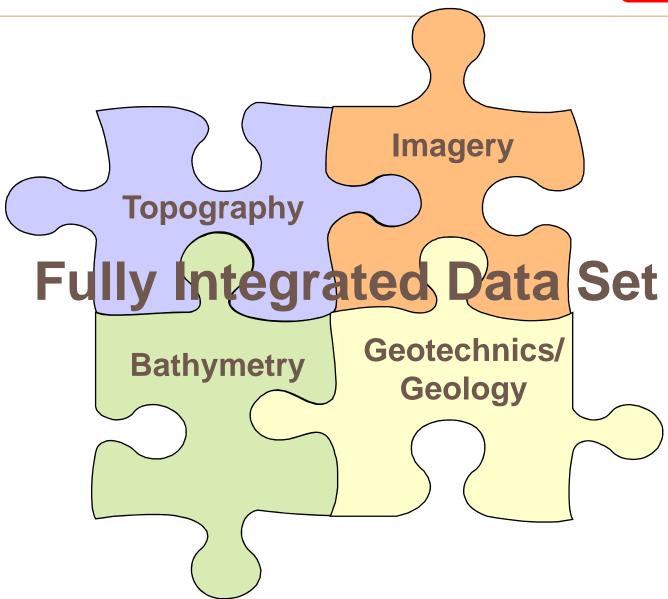


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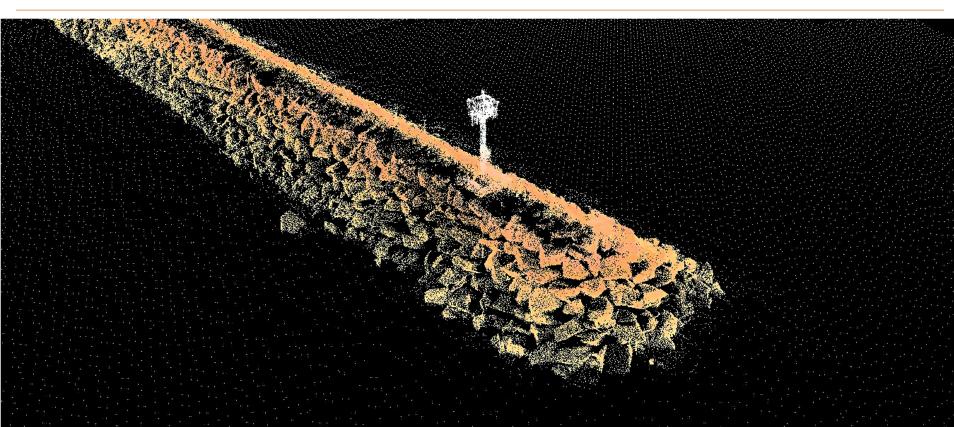


## **Data Integration Overview**









# **Thank-you for Your Time**

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