

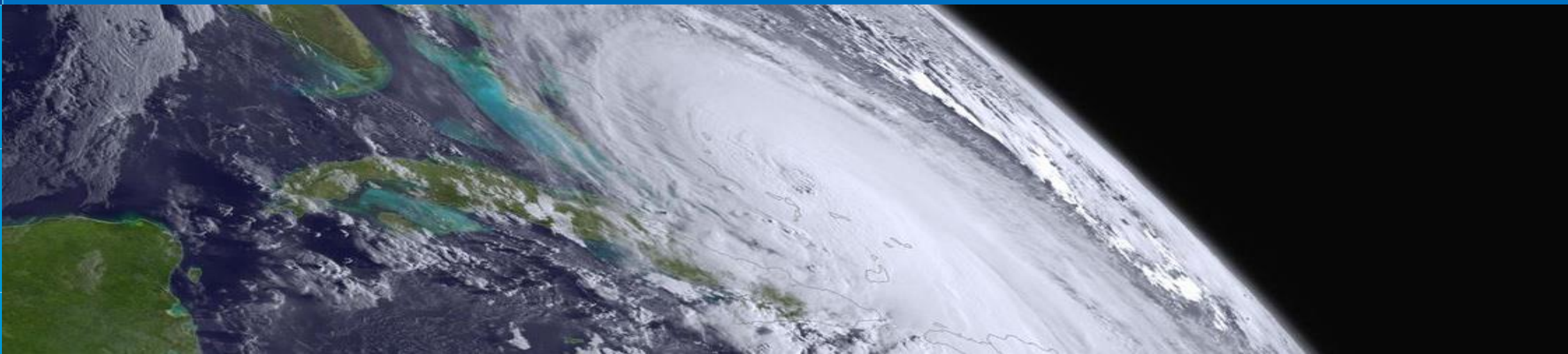
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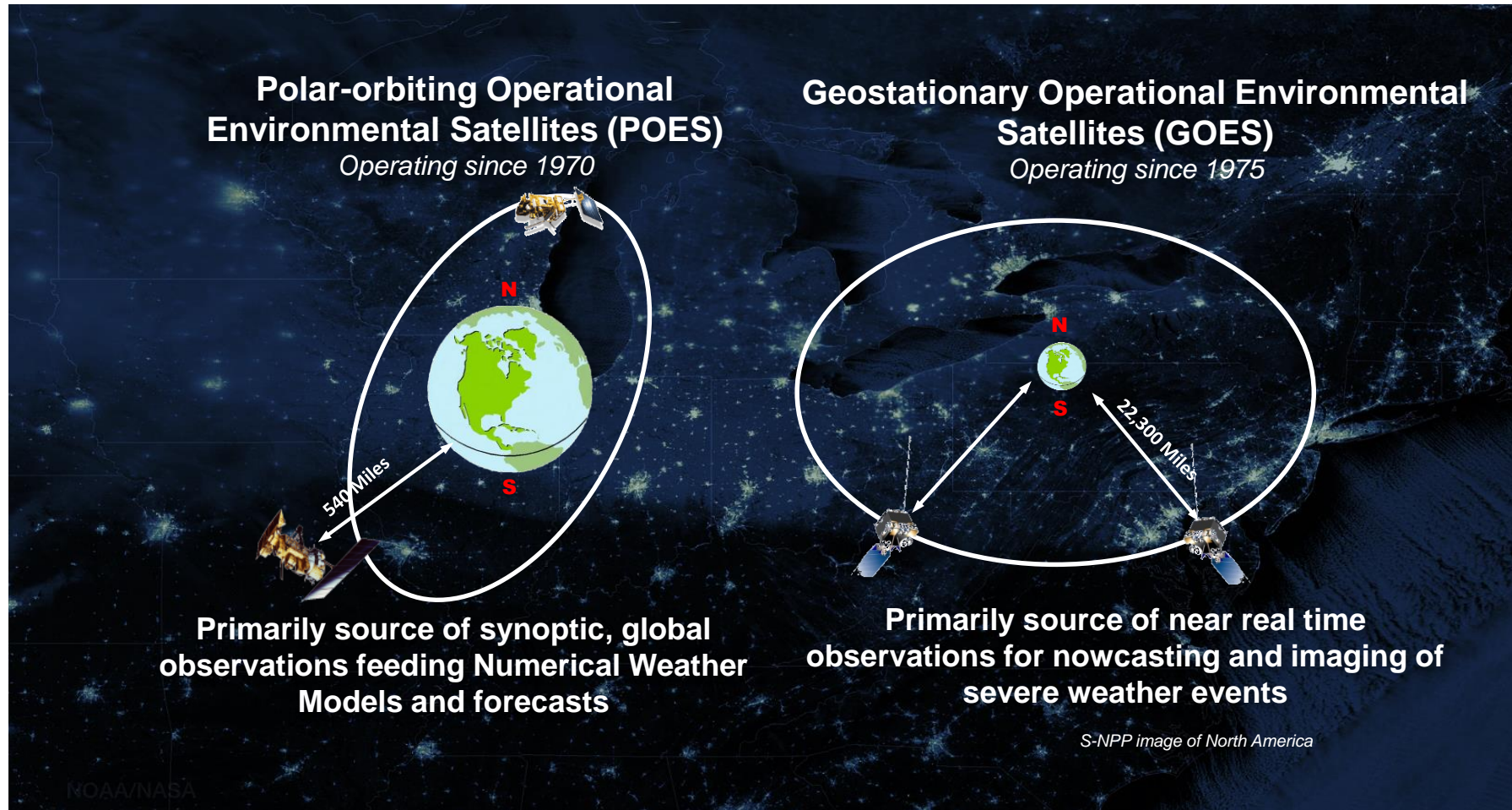
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# The Use of International and Chinese Satellites to Support Critical Applications in the Belt and Road Region

Dr. Mitch Goldberg,  
NOAA Chief Scientist for Low Earth Orbiting Satellites



# NOAA, CMA and EUMETSAT have the same important strategy: Operational Weather Polar and Geostationary Orbiting Satellites



We work together to support our user communities through direct access of critical satellite data and through training

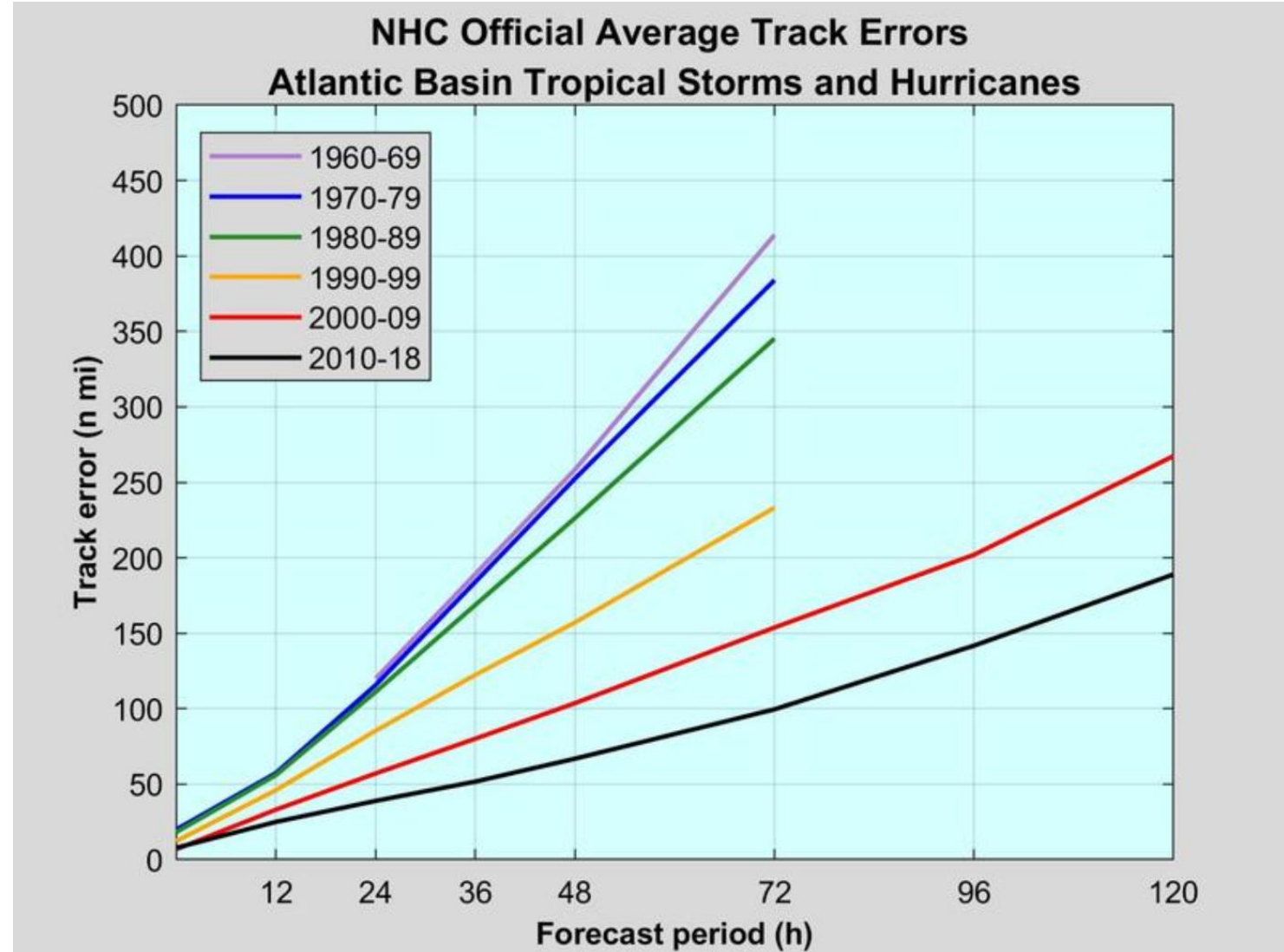
# This approach has produced great returns over the years

- **Significant Improvements in 3 – 7 day weather forecasts**

Hurricane track errors significantly reduced

- **Improved severe storm warnings & alerts**

Tornado warning lead time from 3 to 14 minutes since 1980



# GOES-R Series: The Future of Forecasting



## 3X MORE CHANNELS



Improves every product from current GOES Imager and will offer new products for severe weather forecasting, fire and smoke monitoring, volcanic ash advisories, and more.

## 4X BETTER RESOLUTION



The GOES-R series of satellites will offer images with greater clarity and 4x better resolution than earlier GOES satellites.

## 5X FASTER SCANS



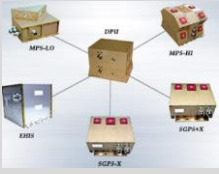





Faster scans every 30 seconds of severe weather events and can scan the entire full disk of the Earth 5x faster than before.





# GOES-R Series Payload Capability

	<i>GOES-R Series Instruments</i>		<i>Measurements &amp; Products</i>	<i>Vendor</i>
Earth-Observing		<b>ABI</b> – Advanced Baseline Imager	Provides Earth weather, climate, ocean, and environment imagery, 4x spatial resolution, 5x faster	Harris
		<b>GLM</b> – Geostationary Lightning Mapper	Maps in-cloud and cloud-to-ground lightning activity	Lockheed Martin
Solar-Observing		<b>SEISS</b> – Space Environment In-Situ Suite	Monitors proton, electron, and heavy ion fluxes	ATC
		<b>Magnetometer</b>	Measures space environment magnetic field	Lockheed Martin
		<b>EXIS</b> – Extreme Ultraviolet and X-Ray Irradiance Sensors	Monitors solar flares and solar variations	LASP
		<b>SUVI</b> – Solar Ultraviolet Imager	Observes coronal holes, solar flares, and coronal mass ejections	Lockheed Martin

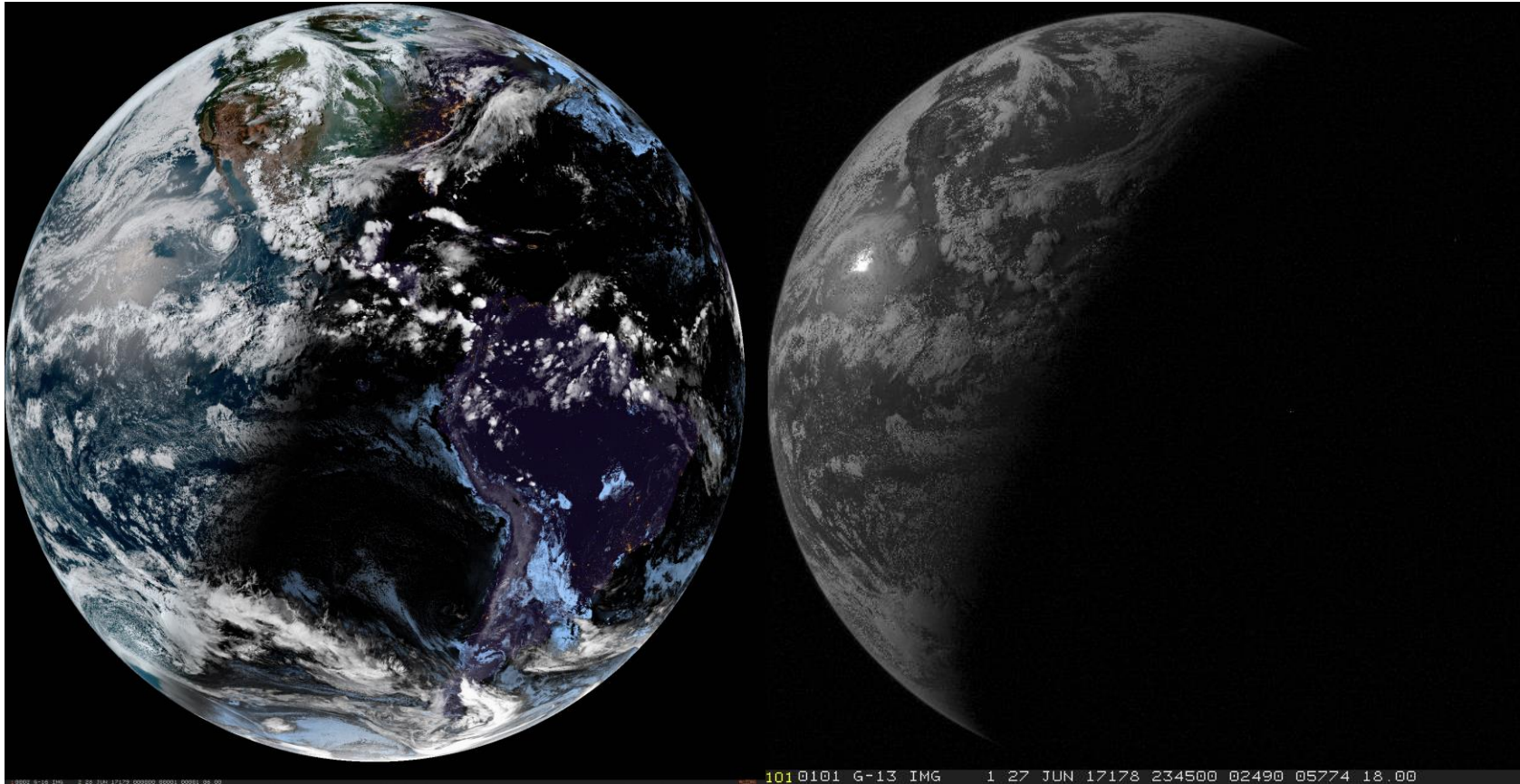


# Full Disk Imagery Increased From 8X to 96X per Day



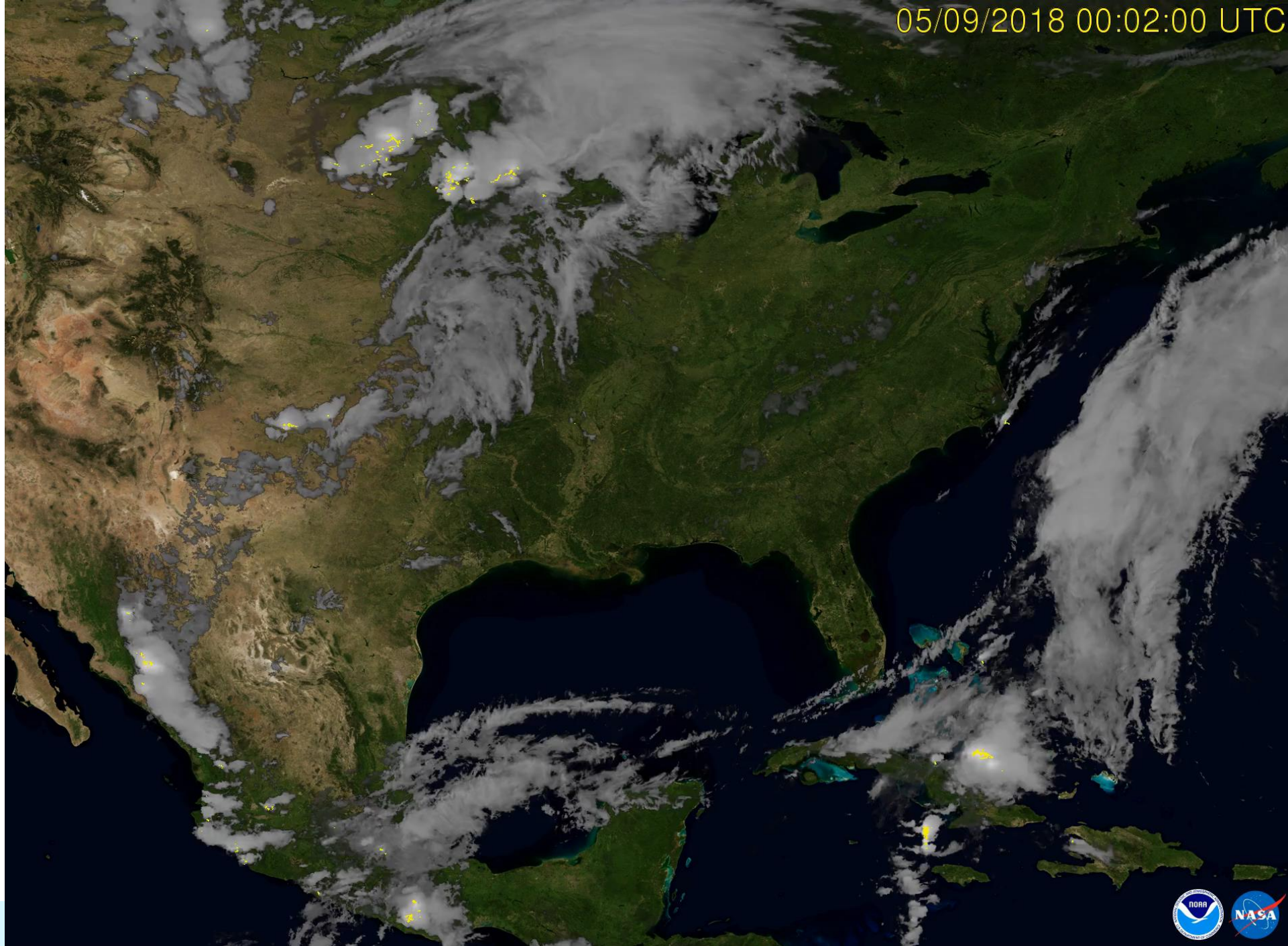
GOES-16 every 15 minutes

GOES-13 every 3 hours



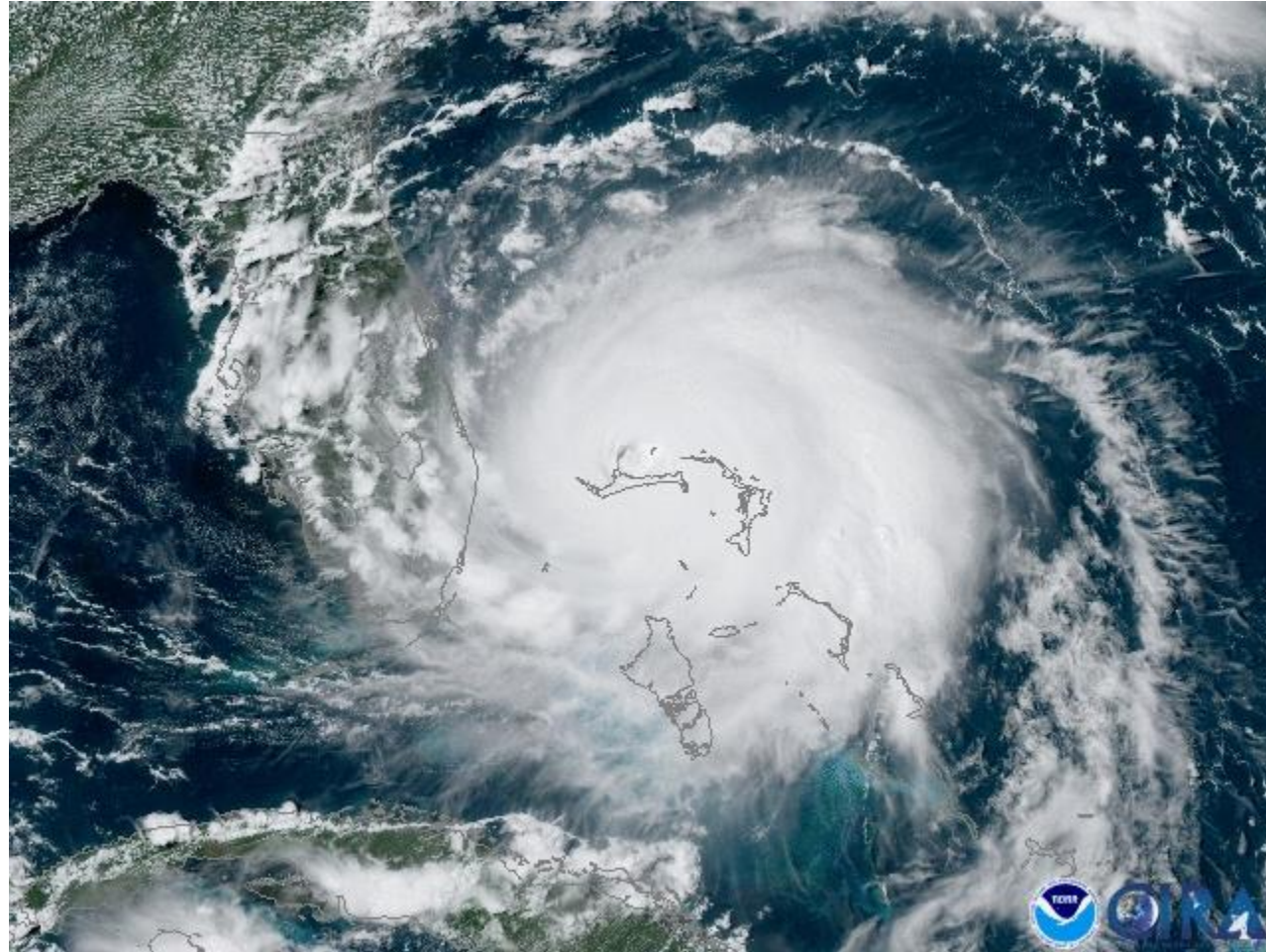
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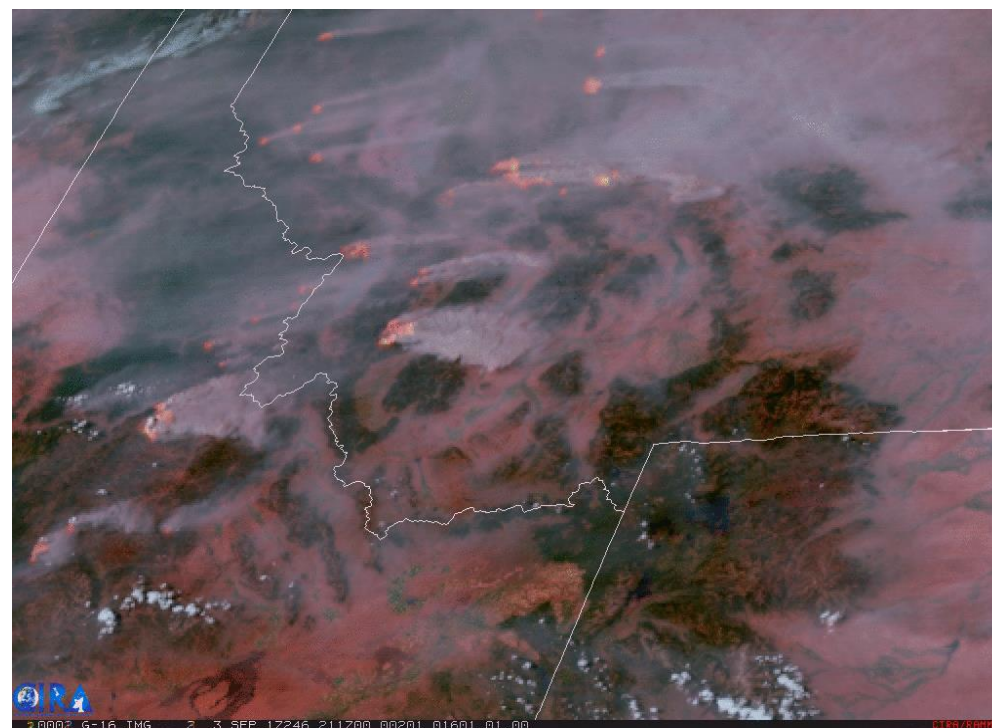
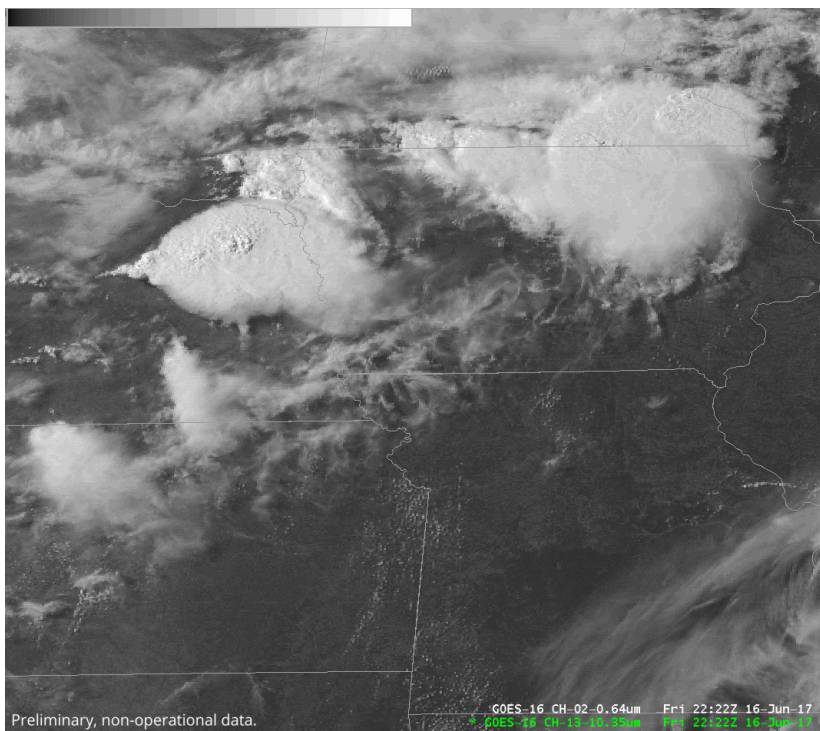
# Sentinel in the Sky - Watching Hurricane Dorian







# GOES-16 Not Just Weather



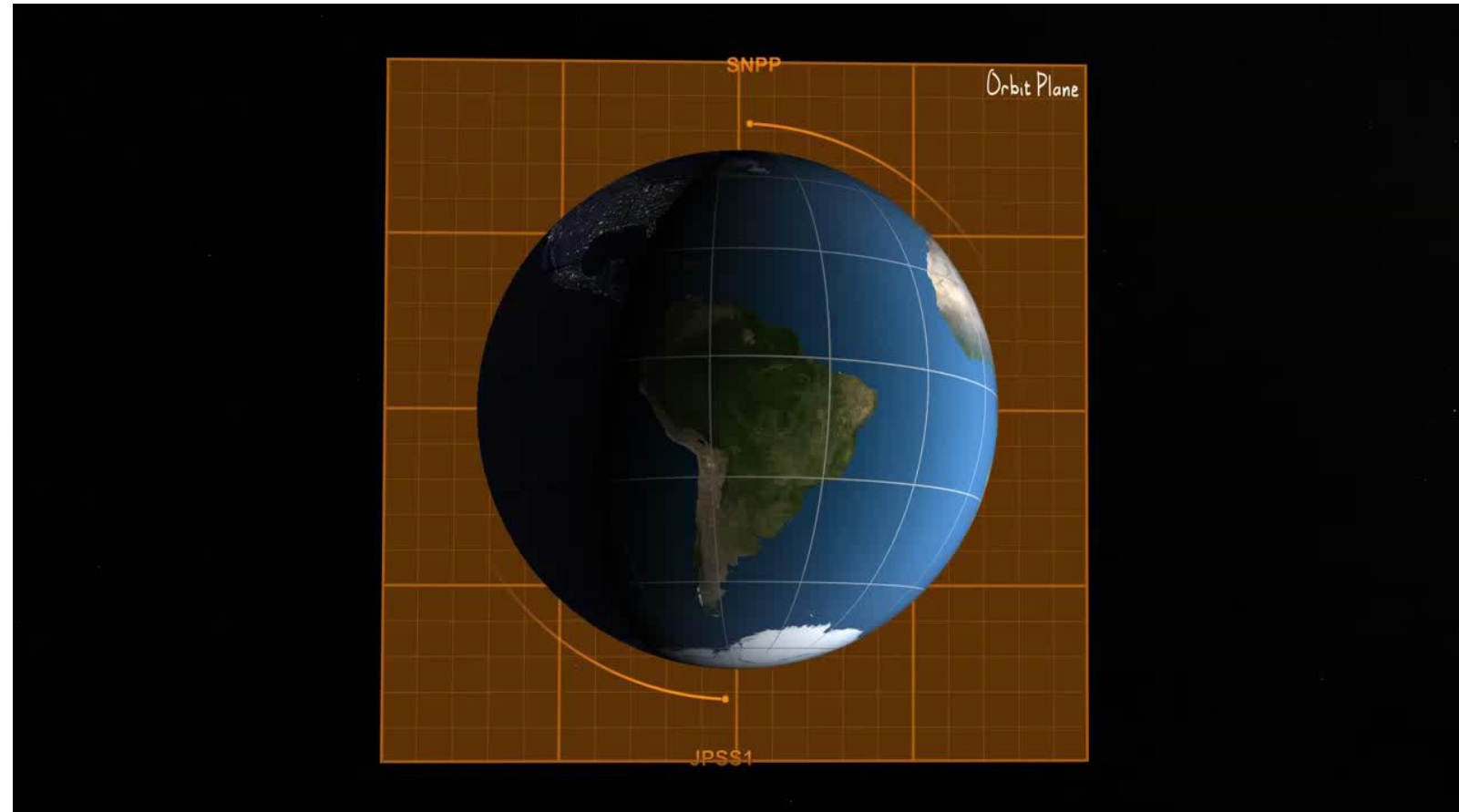
GOES-16 – Fire Temp. RGB + GeoColor – 3 Sept. 2017

# Improving Forecast Accuracy & Timeliness



## JPSS satellites:






- Circle the Earth from pole-to-pole and cross the equator 14 times daily in the afternoon orbit—providing full global coverage twice a day.
- Provide critical data to the numerical forecast models that produce 3- to 7-day mid-range forecasts.
- Provide support for zero to 3-day operational forecasting in Polar Regions





# JPSS Payload Capability



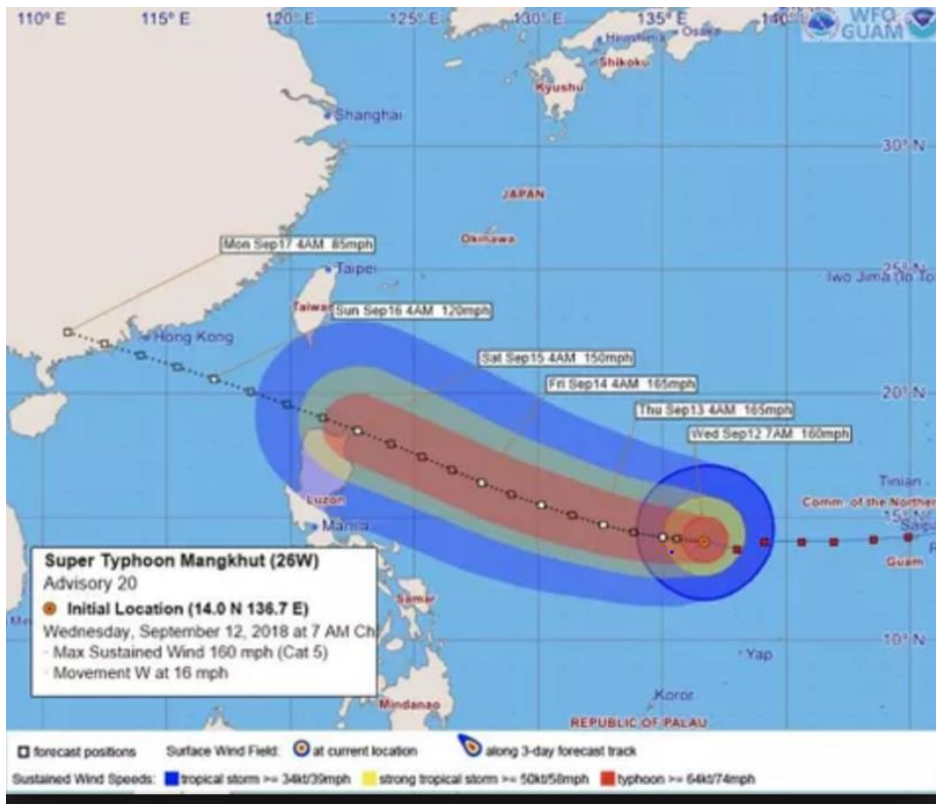
<i>JPSS Instruments</i>		<i>Measurements &amp; Products</i>	<i>Vendor</i>
	<b>ATMS</b> – Advanced Technology Microwave Sounder	High vertical resolution temperature and water vapor information critical for forecasting extreme weather events, 5 to 7 days in advance	NGES
	<b>CrIS</b> – Cross-track Infrared Sounder		Harris
	<b>VIIRS</b> – Visible Infrared Imaging Radiometer Suite	Critical Imagery products, including snow/ice cover, clouds, fog, aerosols, fire smoke plume, vegetation health, phytoplankton abundance/chlorophyll	Raytheon
	<b>OMPS</b> – Ozone Mapping Profiler Suite (Nadir Mapper, Nadir Profiler, Limb - S-NPP, JPSS-2+)	Ozone spectrometers for monitoring ozone hole health, recovery of stratospheric ozone, and for UV index forecast	Ball Aerospace
	<b>CERES</b> – Clouds and the Earth's Radiant Energy System (S-NPP & JPSS-1) <b>New procurement</b> (JPSS-3, 4)	Scanning radiometer that supports studies of Earth Radiation	CERES – NGAS



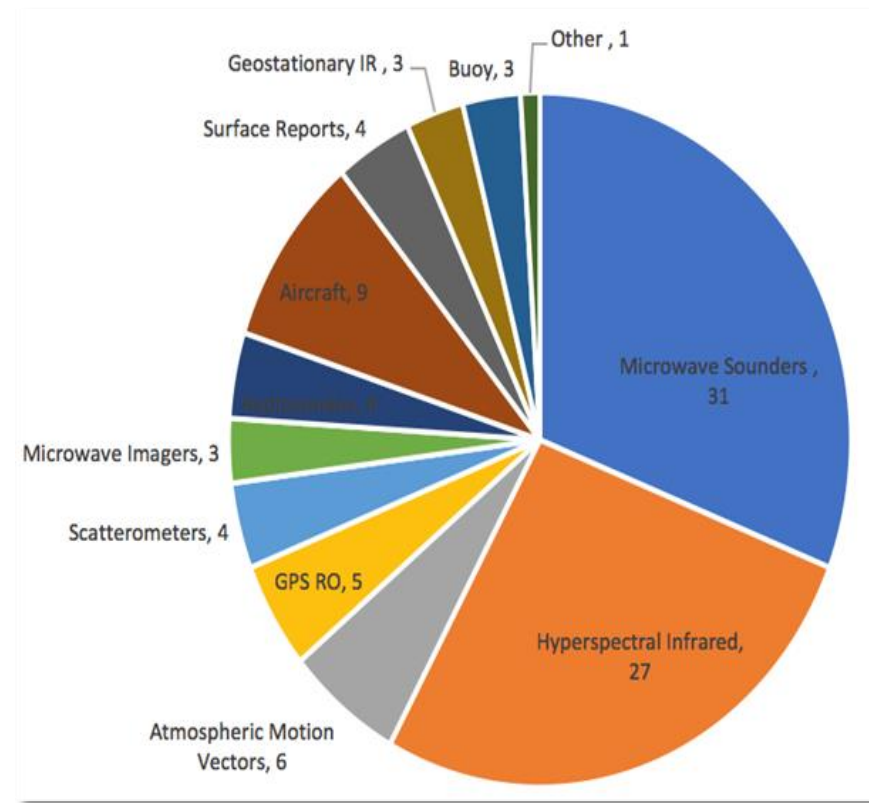
# Sounders are a Core Component of the Weather Forecast Enterprise



85% of all data used in forecast models are from polar-orbiting satellites and attribute to nearly 60% of the reduction in forecast error.



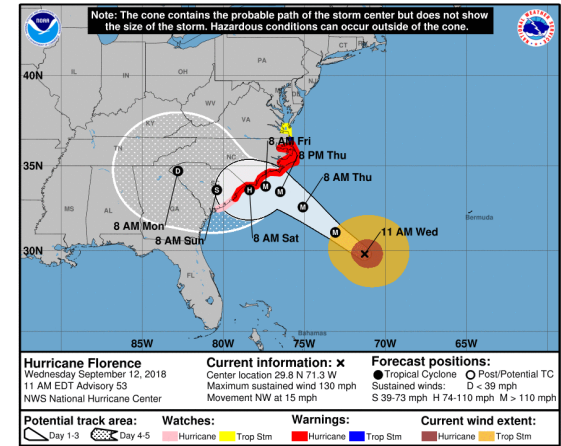
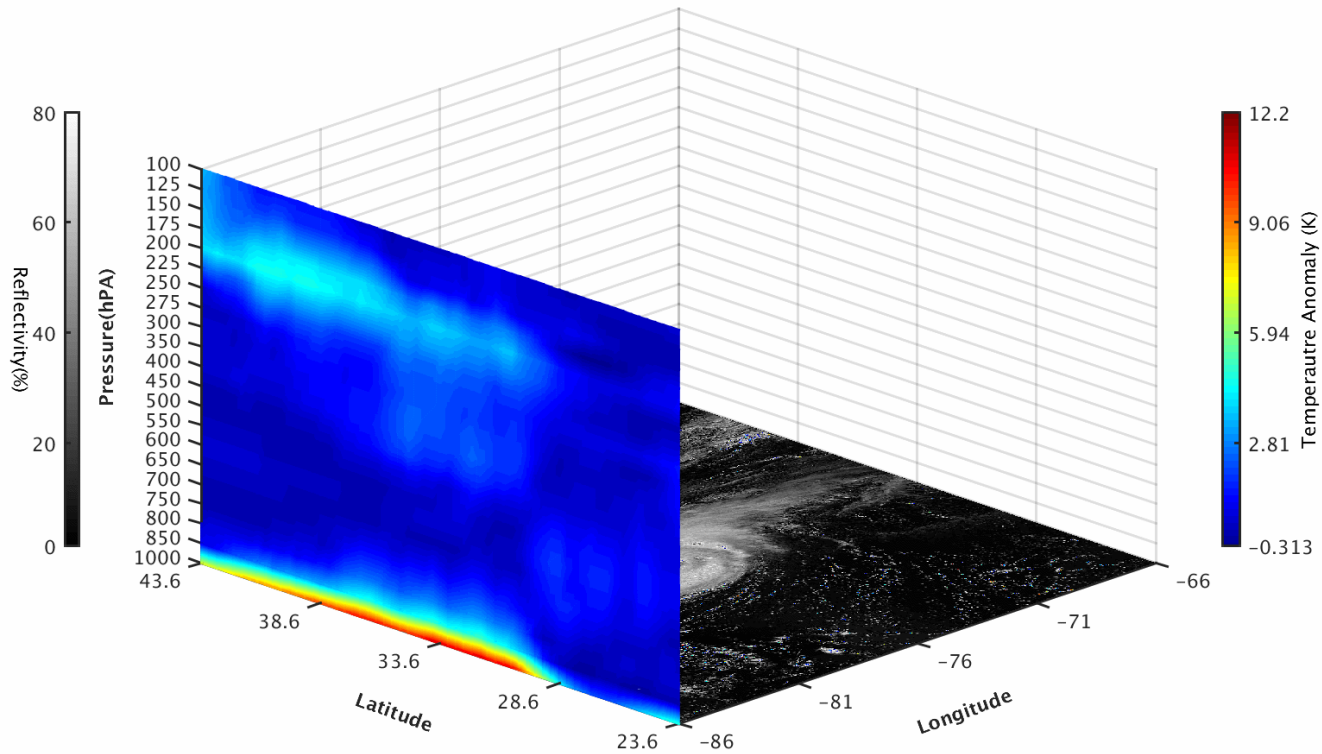
Observation type attributed to forecast error reduction



Derived from ECMWF data



FLORENCE 2018-09-13



Vertical temperature slices from ATMS soundings - warm core temperature anomaly can clearly be seen.

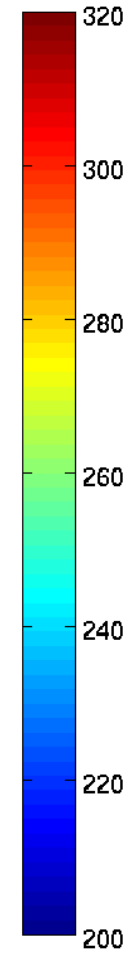
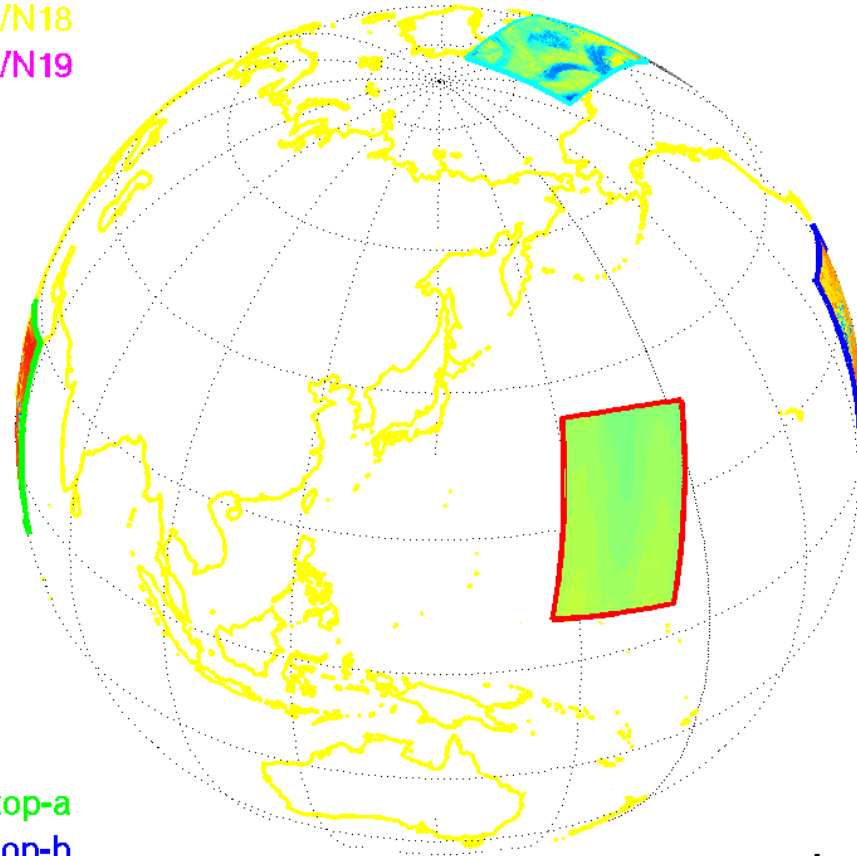
# Constellation of LEO satellites vital for better temporal refresh.

7 Satellite example from 2014 -- In the 2020's we will have 3 CMA, 3 NOAA, 3 EUMETSAT and possibly more



Tb (K) at 10.9  $\mu\text{m}$  or 52.8 GHz

AMSU-A/N15  
AMSU-A/N18  
AMSU-A/N19



IASI/Metop-a  
IASI/Metop-b  
CrIS/SNPP  
AIRS/Aqua

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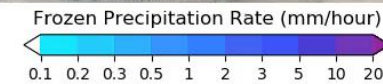
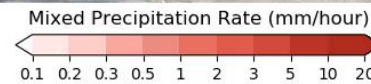
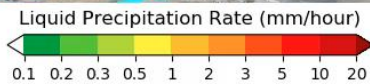
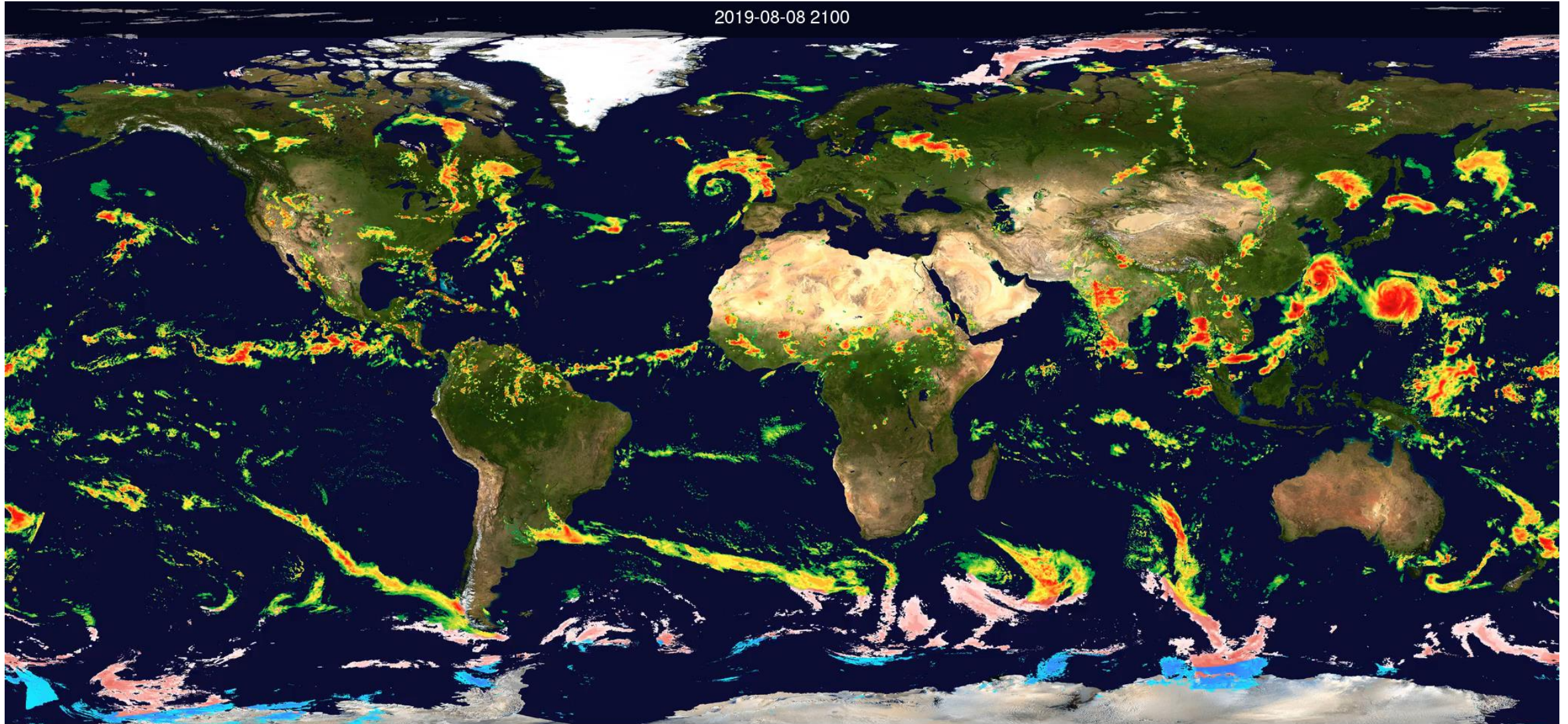
# Together we measure critical variables for many applications



- Atmosphere
  - Temperature
  - Water Vapor
  - Ozone
  - Clouds
  - Lightning
  - Precipitation
  - Aerosols, Ash
  - Wind
  - CO, SO<sub>2</sub>, .....
- Land
  - Temperature
  - Soil moisture
  - Vegetation
  - Ice
  - Snow
  - Fires
  - Floods
  - Burnscars
- Ocean
  - Temperature
  - Ocean/Coastal Water quality
  - Sediments
  - Wind
  - Salinity

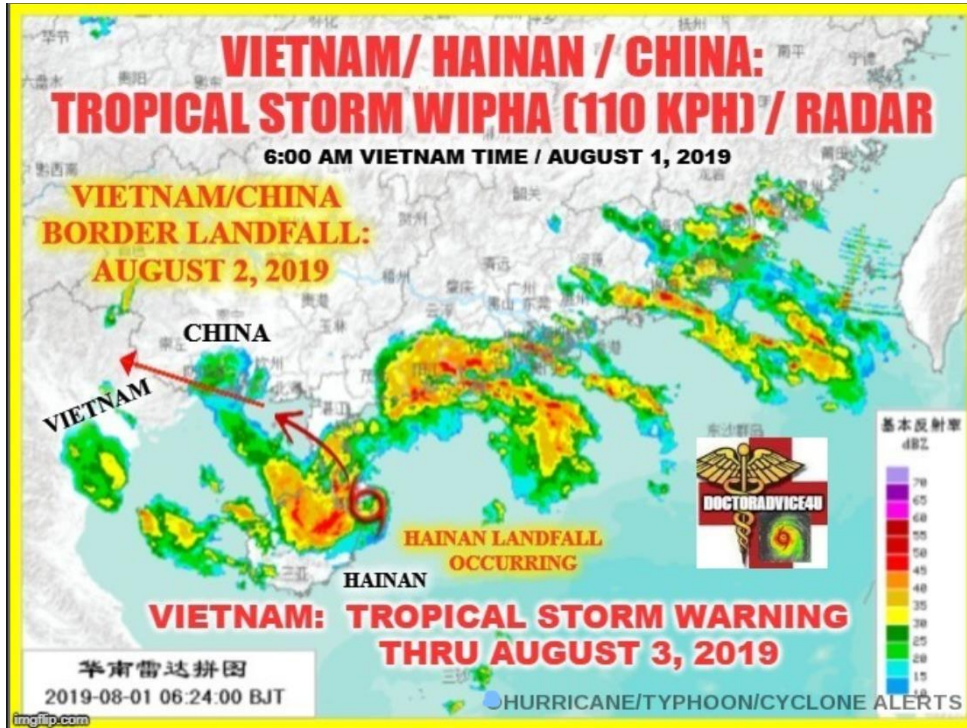


# Data Fusion - 5 GEO and 12 LEO satellites – providing 30 minute temporal precipitation rates



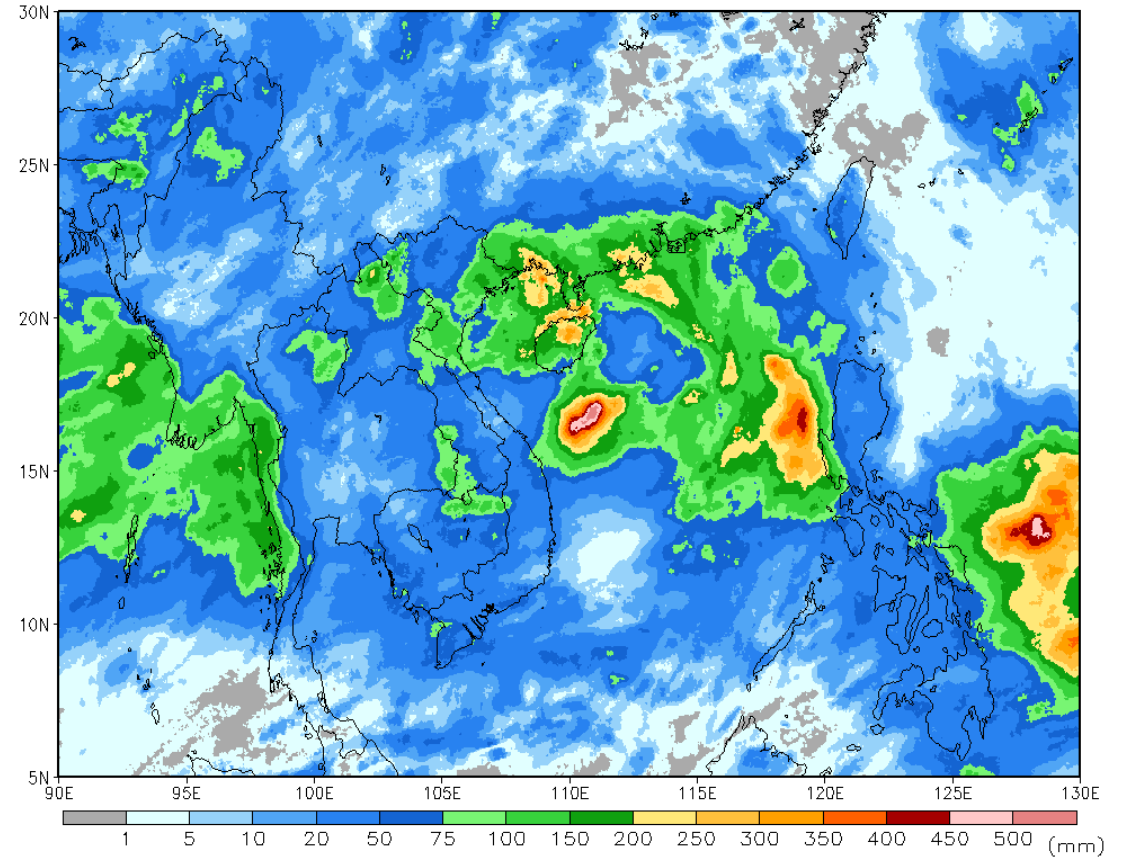


# Tropical Storm Wipha



CMORPH-2 Precipitation Accumulation

2019.07.30 00:00Z ~ 2019.08.02 23:59Z



# Connecting with Users through Satellite Proving Grounds

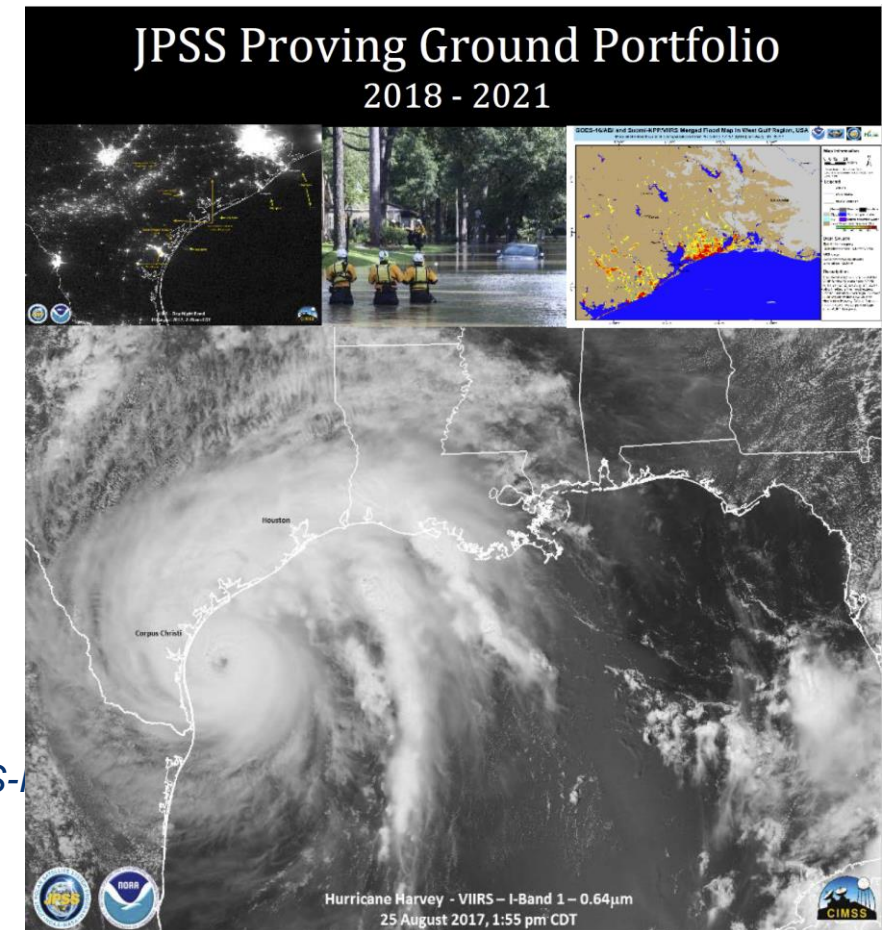
## What is a proving ground??

- “An environment that serves to demonstrate whether something, such as a theory or product, really works” Oxford Dictionary
- The environment is usually at the service provider facility (e.g. Weather Forecast Office, National Marine Fisheries Lab)
- Service provider is the gateway to stakeholders (public, state and local governments, businesses, etc.)

# The Initiatives

The initiatives comprise of a team of developers and users working together to improve an application in a testbed environment providing assessments of utility from the users and feedback to the developers.

- Arctic
- Aviation
- Fire and Smoke - *will include GOES-R in 2018*
- Hurricanes and Tropical Storms
- Hydrology
- NWP
- Oceans and Coasts - *includes Sentinel 3*
- River Ice and Flooding - *includes GOES-R since 2017*
- Sounding - *includes EUMETSAT MeTOP*
- Training
- Volcanic Hazards - *new and includes both JPSS and GOES-R*





## CMA – NOAA Flood Monitoring Partnership



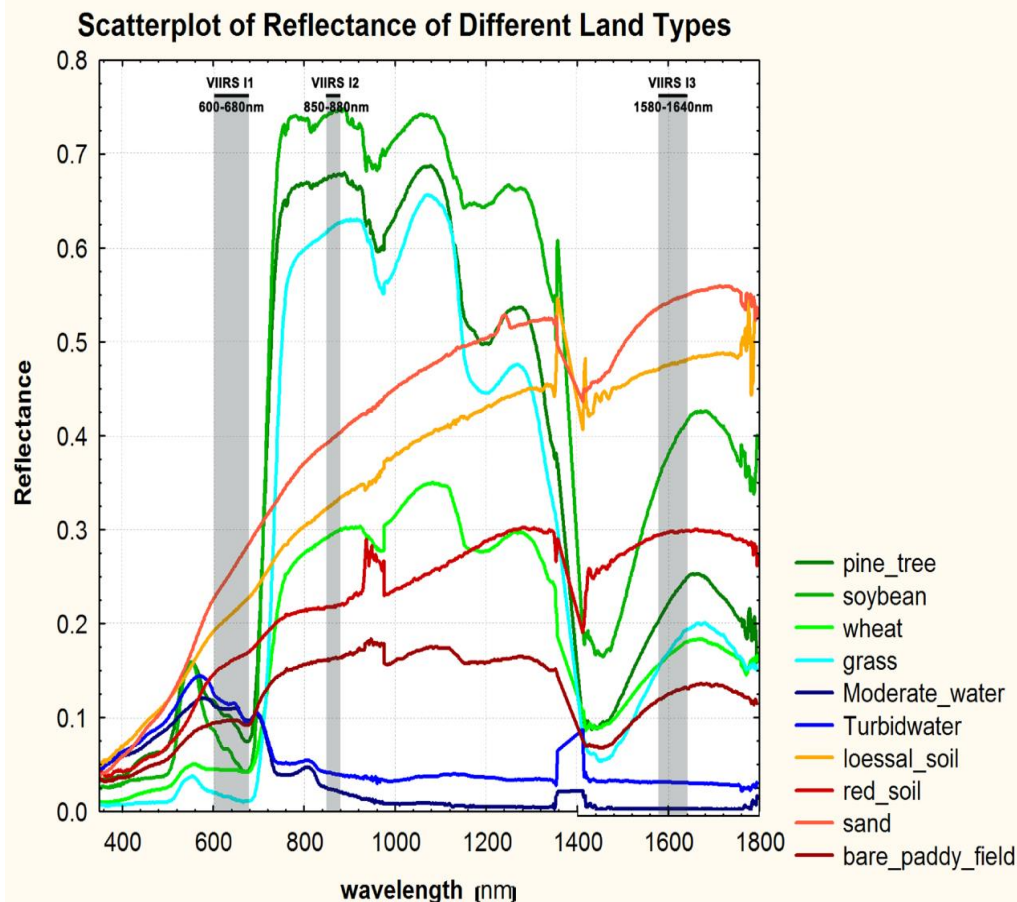
- Floods events have the highest frequency and most damaging impact of all natural disasters.
- New operational weather satellites such as JPSS, GOES-R, HIMAWARI, FY3D, FY4A for the very first time have the spectral bands for inundation mapping and large geographic and temporal coverage.
- These satellites have real-time distribution capabilities allowing fast generation and utilization of disaster products for critical decision making.
- The operational polar satellites have direct broadcast and the geostationary satellites have direct broadcast, rebroadcast, and/or cloud services for immediate access to data.



# JPSS VIIRS True Color Imagery - Before and After Hurricane Harvey

Sept 1, 2017





- Decision-tree approach using the following variables:  $R_{Vis}$ ,  $R_{NIR}$ ,  $R_{SWIR}$ , NDVI, NDSI and NDWI based on different land cover types under different solar zenith angles.

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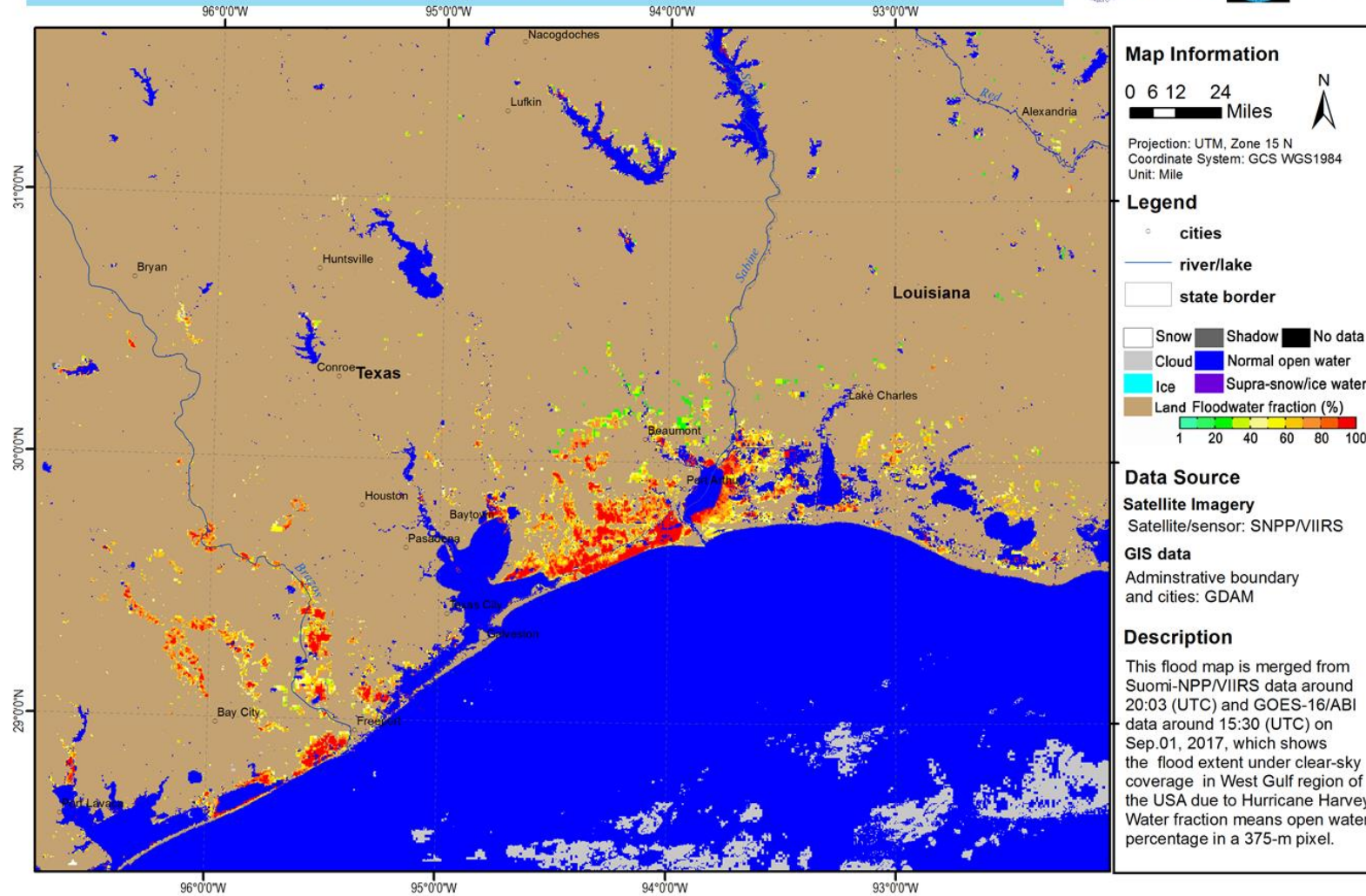
$$NDSI = \frac{R_{Vis} - R_{SWIR}}{R_{Vis} + R_{SWIR}}$$

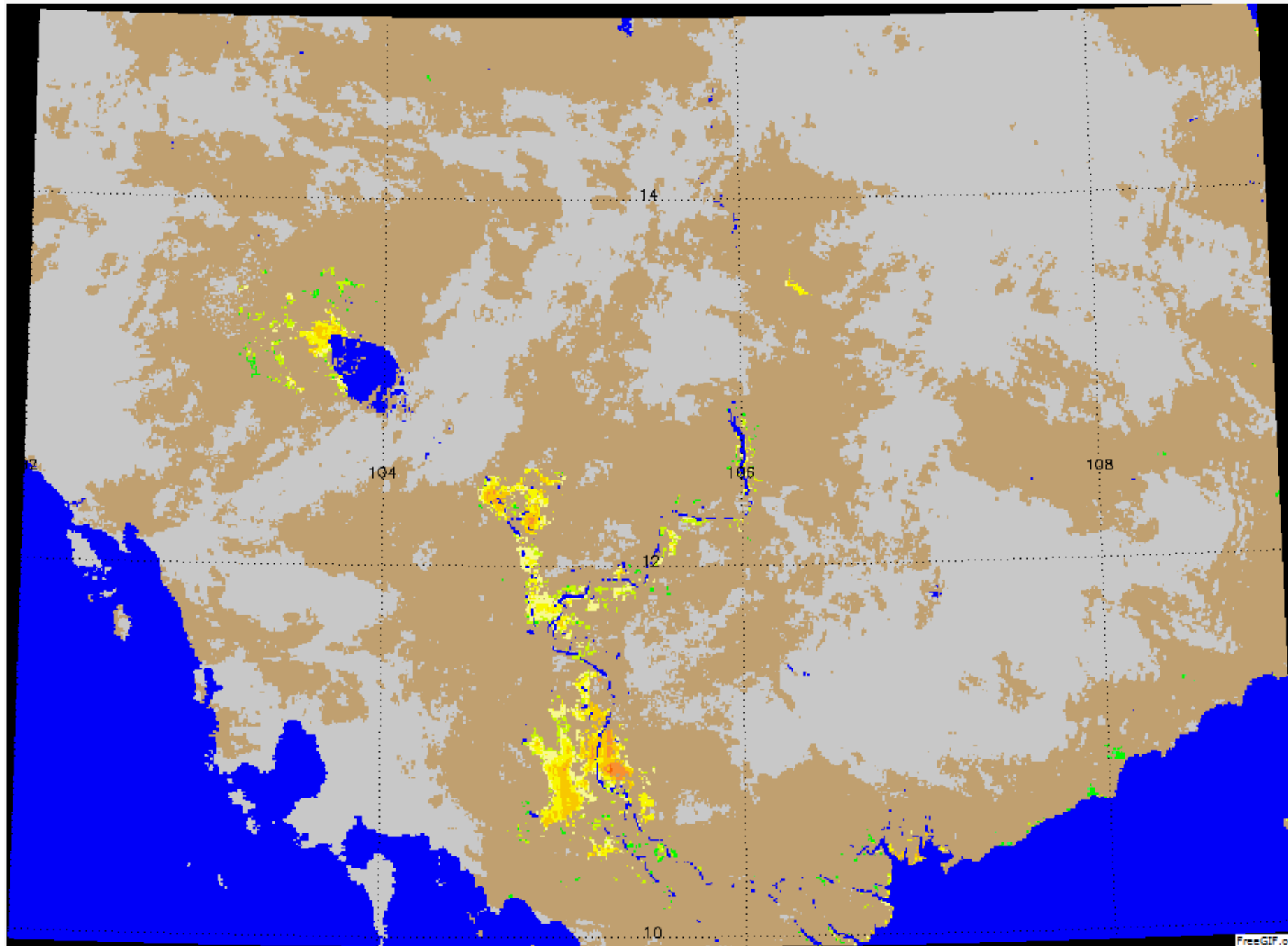
$$NDWI = \frac{R_{NIR} - R_{SWIR}}{R_{NIR} + R_{SWIR}}$$

$$R = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i * R_i \quad f_w = \frac{R_{ch\_land} - R_{ch\_mix}}{R_{ch\_land} - R_{ch\_water}}$$

# Flood maps

## GOES-16/ABI and Suomi-NPP/VIIRS Merged Flood Map in West Gulf Region, USA Merged Flood Extent from ABI and VIIRS on Sep.01, 2017

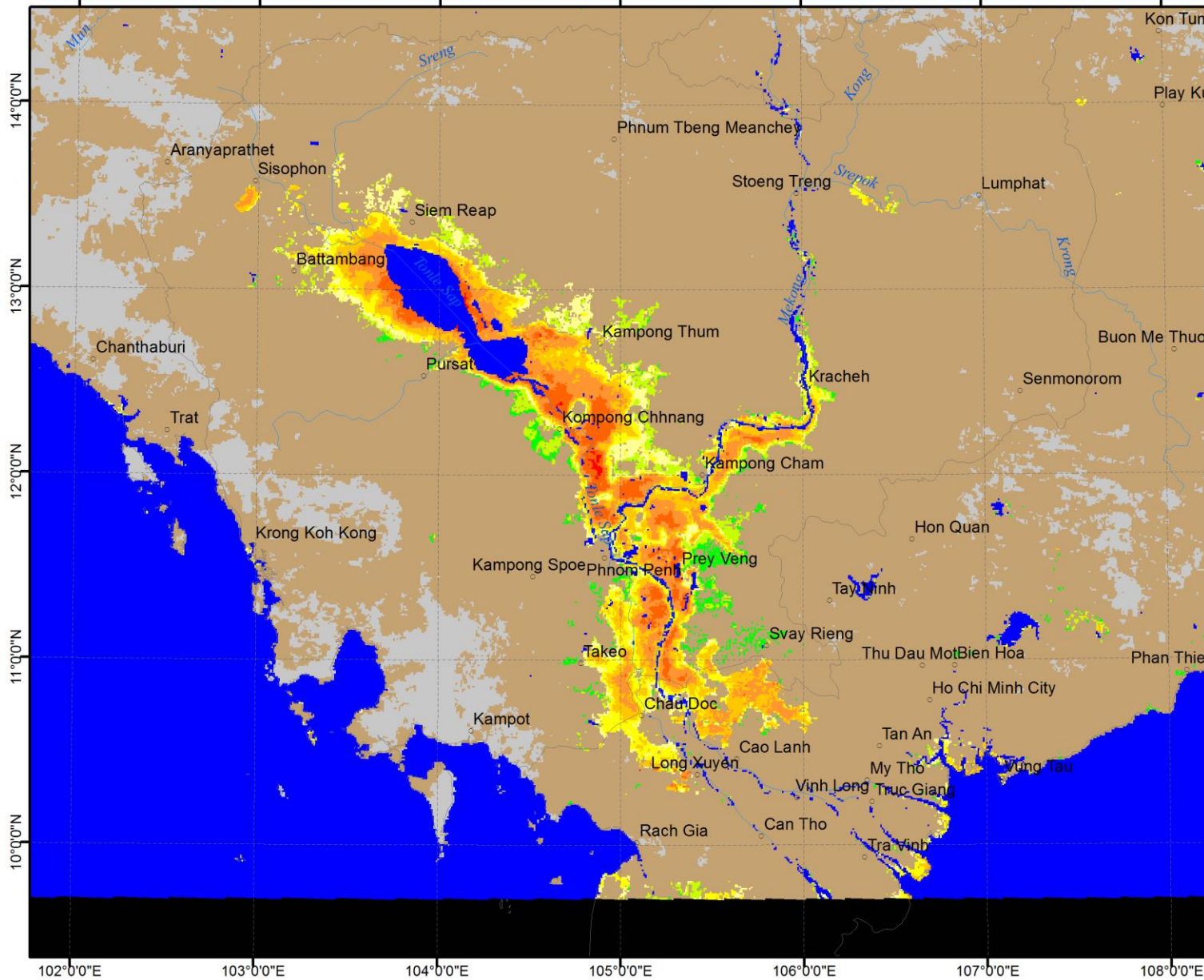






# FY4A/AGRI Daily Composited Flood Map in Cambodia

Daily composition from 00:34 to 09:30 (UTC) on Aug. 21, 2018



## Map Information

0 15 30 60 ml  
 Projection: UTM, Zone 46 N  
 Coordinate System: GCS WGS1984  
 Unit: meters

## Legend

- cities
  - rivers/lakes
  - countries
  - Snow
  - Cloud
  - Ice
  - Land Floodwater fraction (%)
  - Shadow
  - Normal open water
  - Supra-snow/ice water
  - No data
- 1 20 40 60 80 100

## Data Source

### Satellite Imagery

Satellite/sensor:  
 FY4A/AGRI

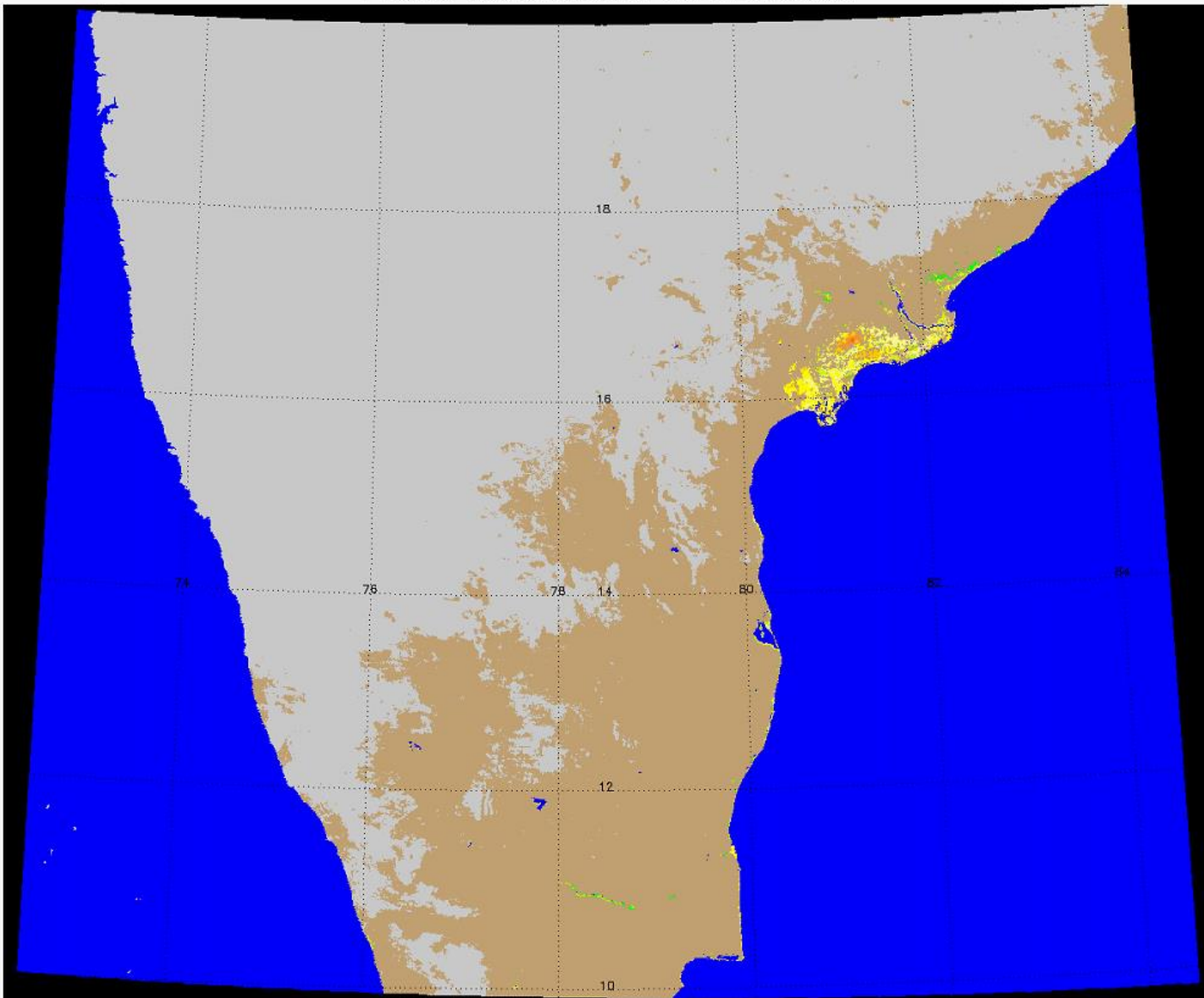
### GIS data

Administrative boundary  
 and cities: GADM

## Description

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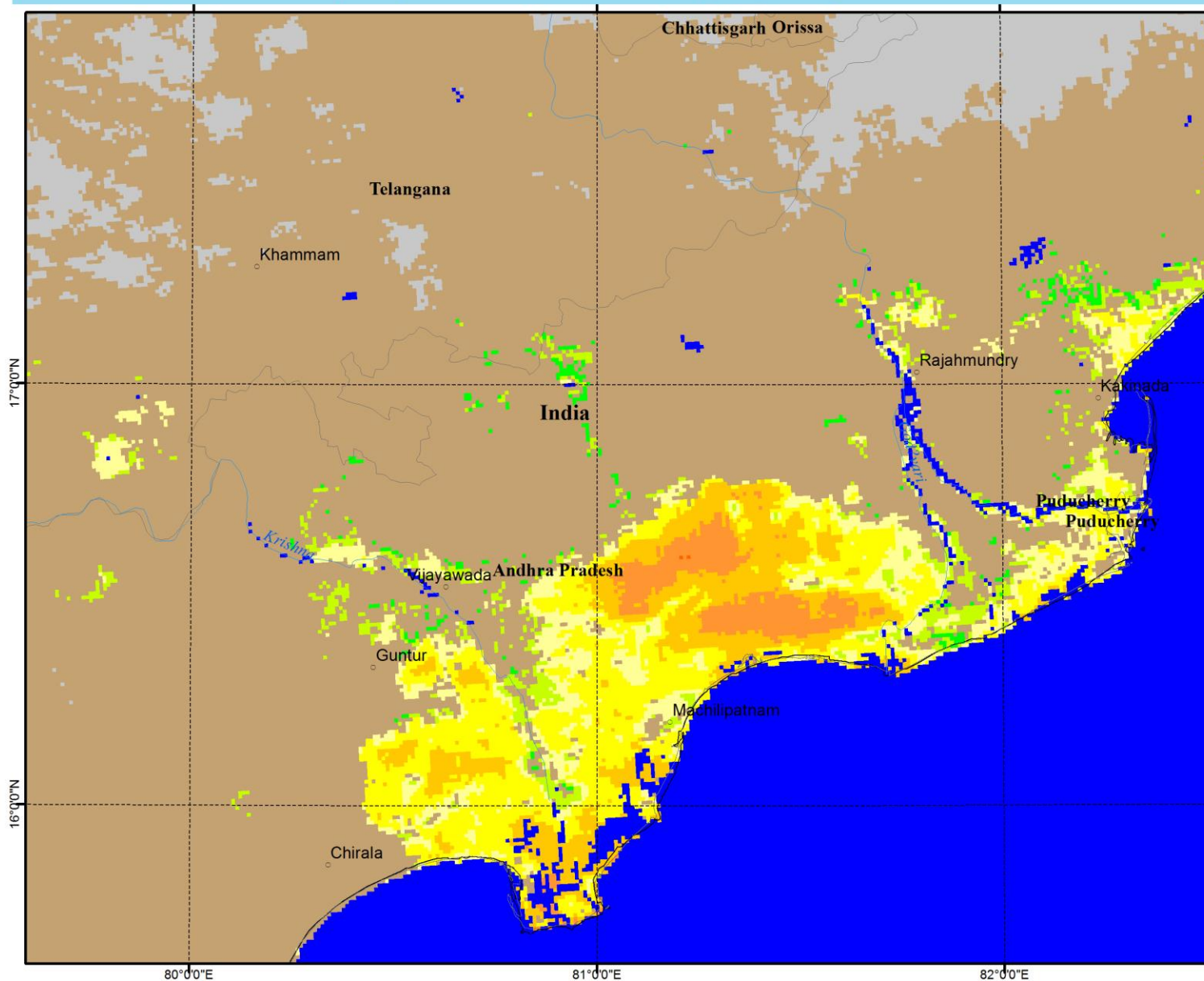






# FY4A/AGRI Daily Composited Flood Map in India

Daily Composition from 00:34 to 09:30 (UTC) on Aug. 21, 2018



### Map Information

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 Coordinate System: GCS WGS1984  
 Unit: meters

### Legend

- cities
- rivers/lakes
- province border
- country border
- Snow
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- Ice
- Land Floodwater fraction (%)
- Shadow
- Normal open water
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- No data

1 20 40 60 80 100

### Data Source

**Satellite Imagery**  
 Satellite/sensor: FY4A/AGRI

**GIS data**  
 Administrative boundary and cities: GADM

### Description

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# New Global Flood Mapping Website

**NOAA Satellite Proving Ground Global Flood Website**  
NRT NOAA global flood map products and information

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US Flood Products   Asia Oceania Flood Products   Global Flood Products

## Flood Products

VIIRS 5-day composite

- VIIRS flood product on SNPP & NOAA-20
- Composite of the previous 5 days
- Product updates once daily at ~0800 UTC
- RealEarth direct link

VIIRS 1-day composite

- VIIRS flood product on SNPP & NOAA-20
- Composite of the previous 1 day
- Product updates once daily at ~0800 UTC
- RealEarth direct link

VIIRS Flood Product: US (direct broadcast)

- VIIRS flood product on SNPP & NOAA-20
- Low latency direct broadcast data
- Two daily overpasses
- Product updates mid and late afternoon
- RealEarth direct link

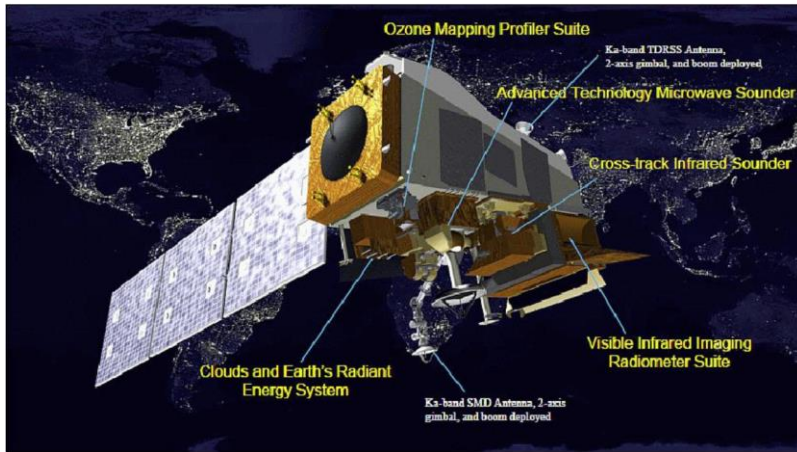
VIIRS Flood Product: Global

- VIIRS flood product on SNPP & NOAA-20
- Product updates continually
- Approximately 7 hour latency

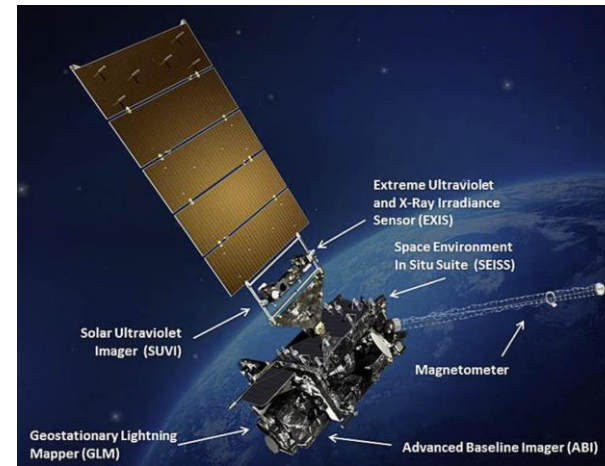
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# Fire & Smoke Initiative

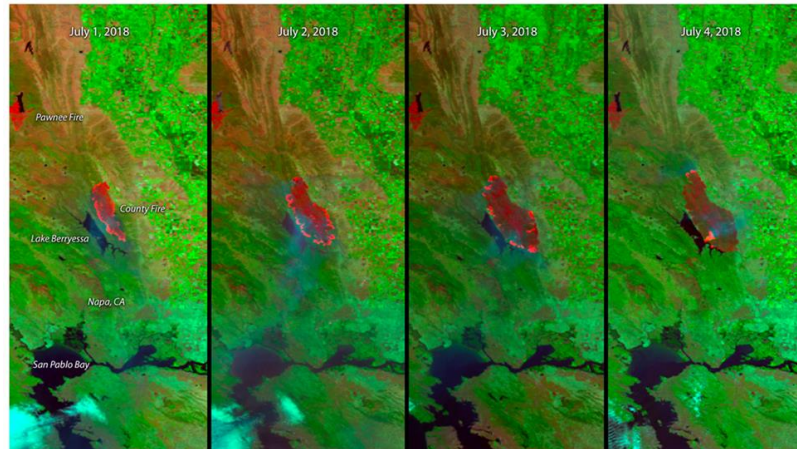
JPSS Program – Polar orbiting



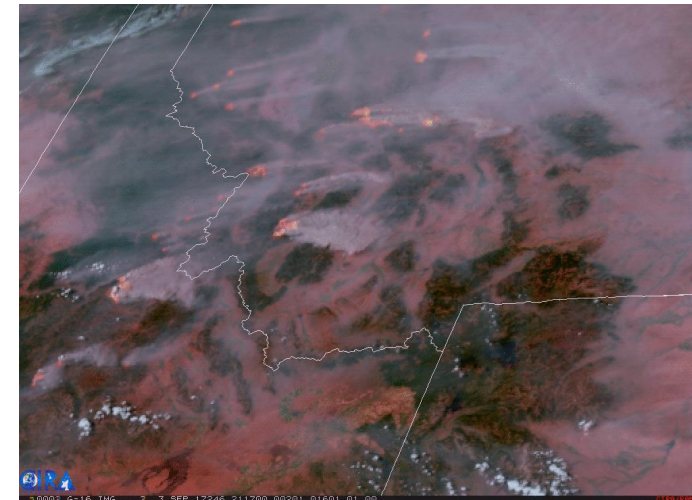
# GOES-R Series - Geostationary



## The Expanding County Fire in Northern California

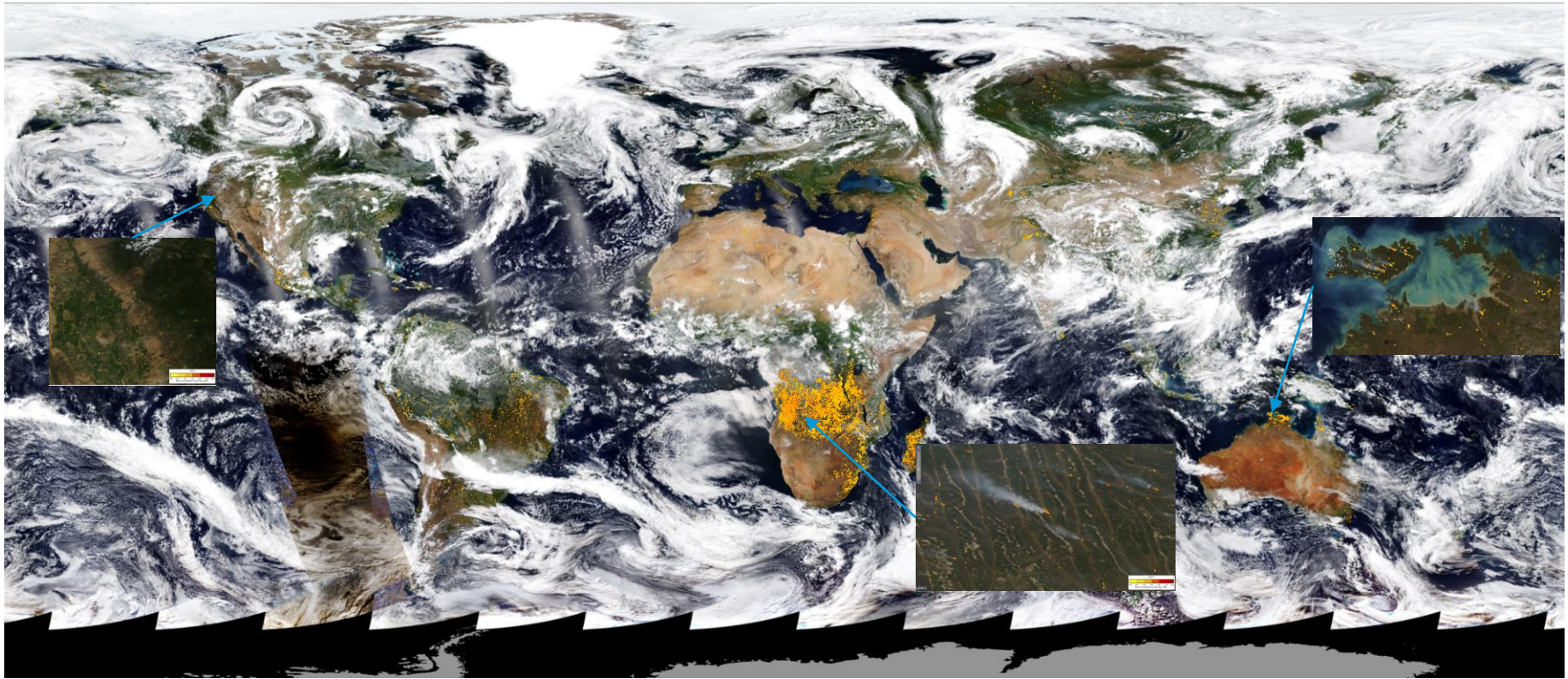


JPSS provides high spatial resolution ~ 375 m used for identifying fire perimeters and for input to smoke forecast models



GOES-R provides nearly continuous observations of fires at a 2-3 km resolution (function of latitude ~ 6 km in central Alaska)

# NOAA-20 VIIRS Global Fire Observations



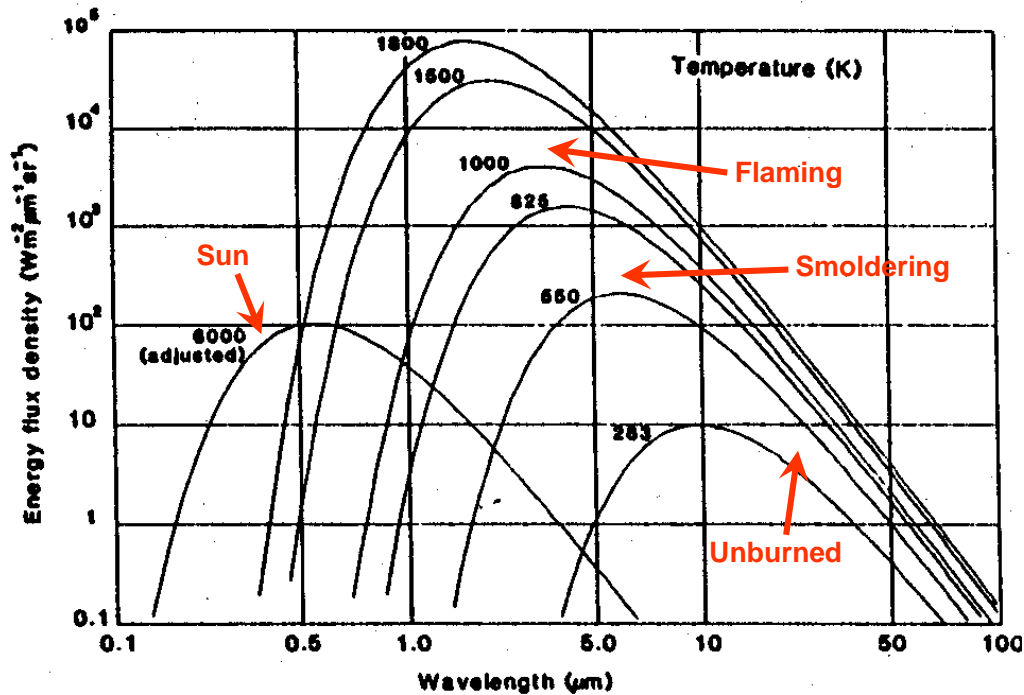
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*<https://www.star.nesdis.noaa.gov/jpss/mapper/>*



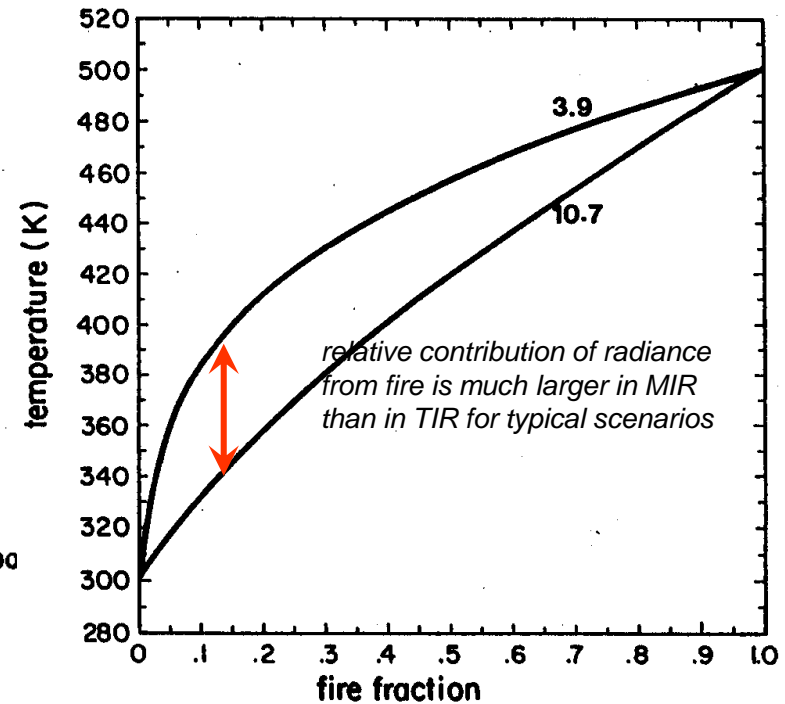
# Basic Fire Detection Science

## Reflected and Emitted Radiation - daytime



Robinson, 1991

## Dependence of Observed Brightness Temperature on Active Fire Fraction within the Satellite Pixel

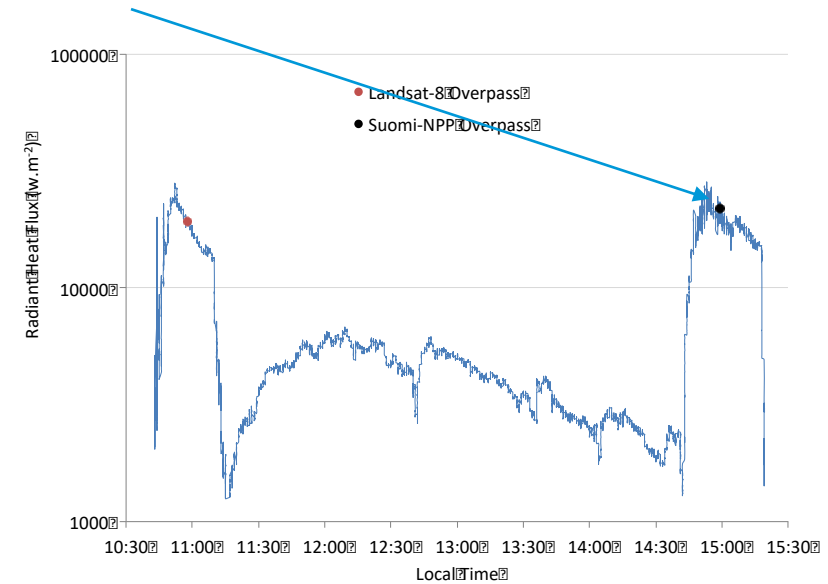


Purdom et al. 1985



# Active Fire Data Validation

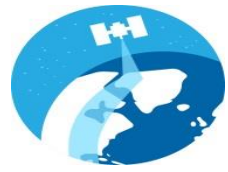
VIIRS can detect relatively small fires



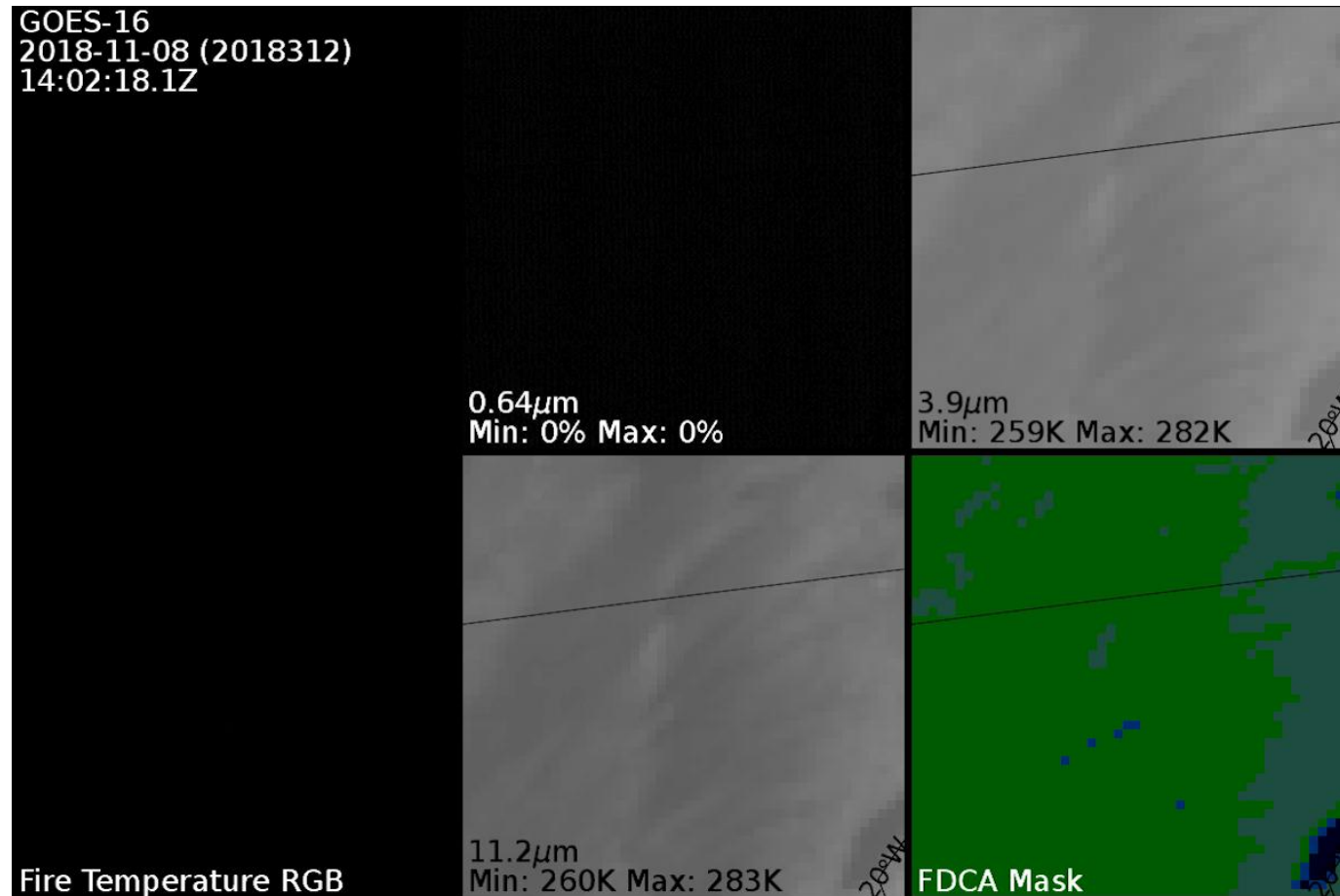
***A small experimental fire was implemented for the validation of same-day Landsat-8 and Suomi-NPP/VIIRS fire detection data in Brazil, January 2015. Tower-mounted radiometers provided 1Hz fire radiant flux data coincident with satellite overpasses.***

***W. Schroeder, OSPO***





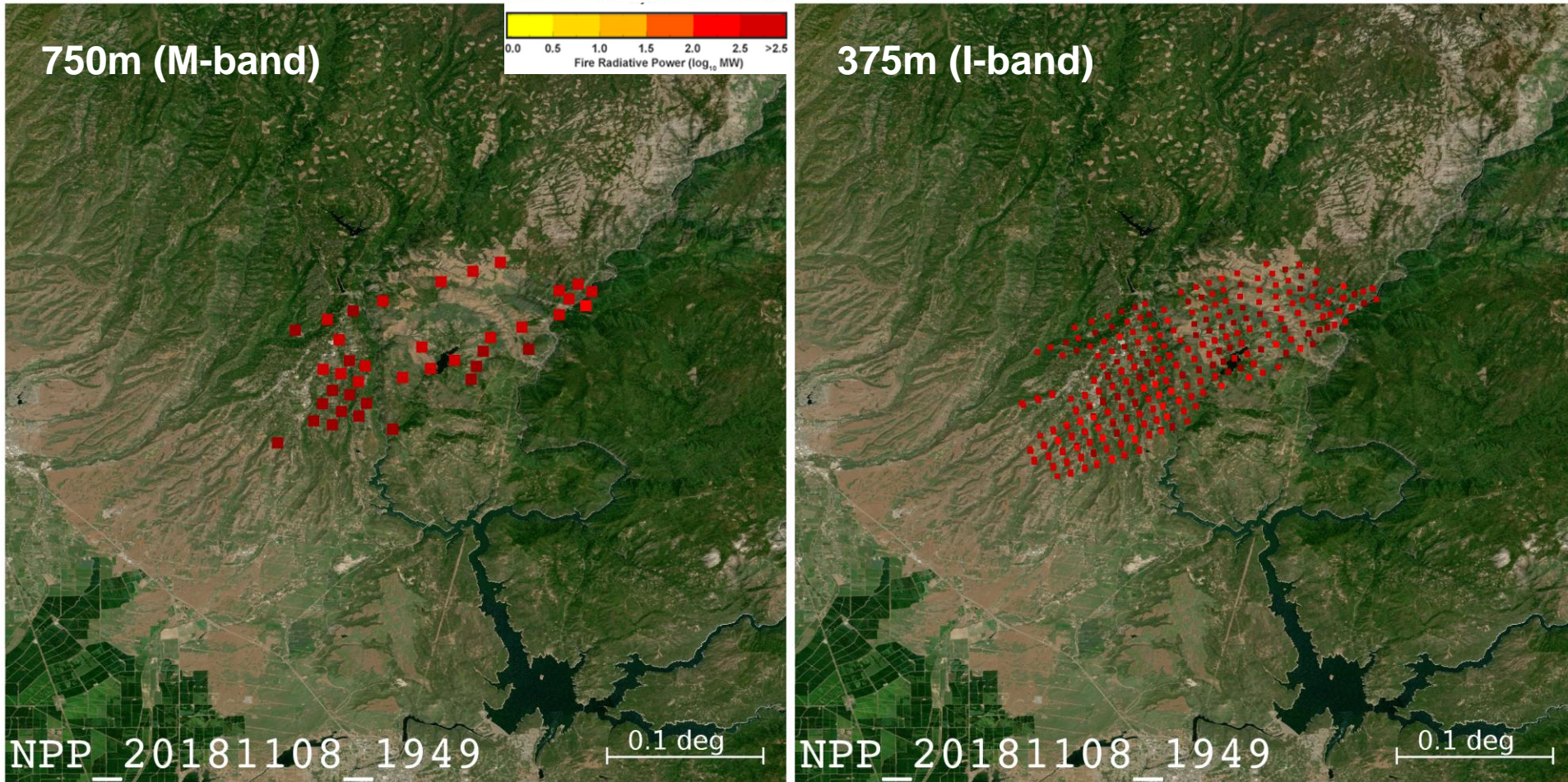
# The Camp Fire – November 2018



Loop of the early hours of the Camp Fire on 8 November 2018.

Early in the day, GOES-16 observed the start of the Camp Fire

# NOAA-20 and Suomi NPP VIIRS Detections of Camp Fire (CA) November 8-15, 2018

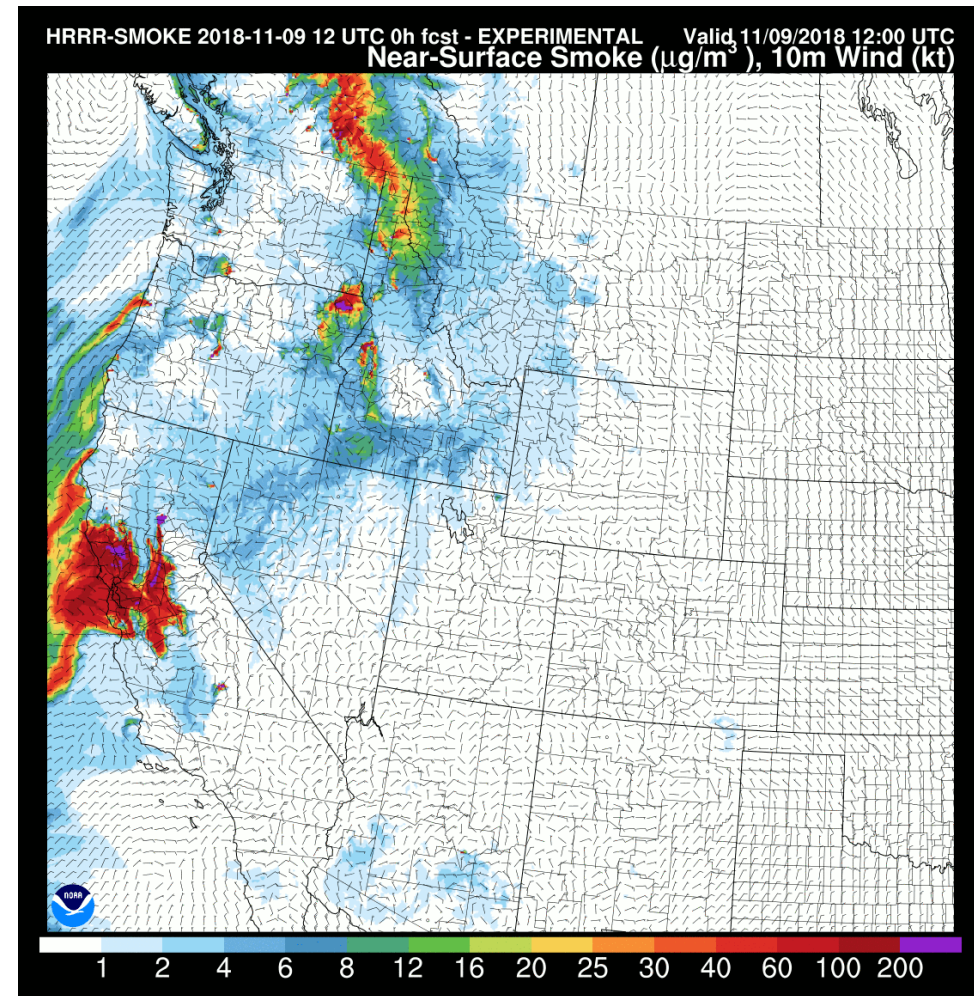
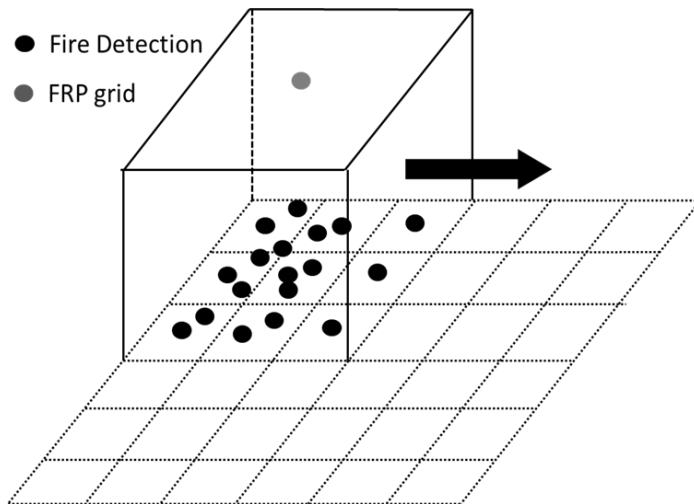


Later in the day, and for subsequent days, JPSS provided the relatively high spatial resolution needed for observing fire perimeters and smoke forecasting

# High Resolution Rapid Refresh (HRRR) Smoke Forecasts from the Camp Fire



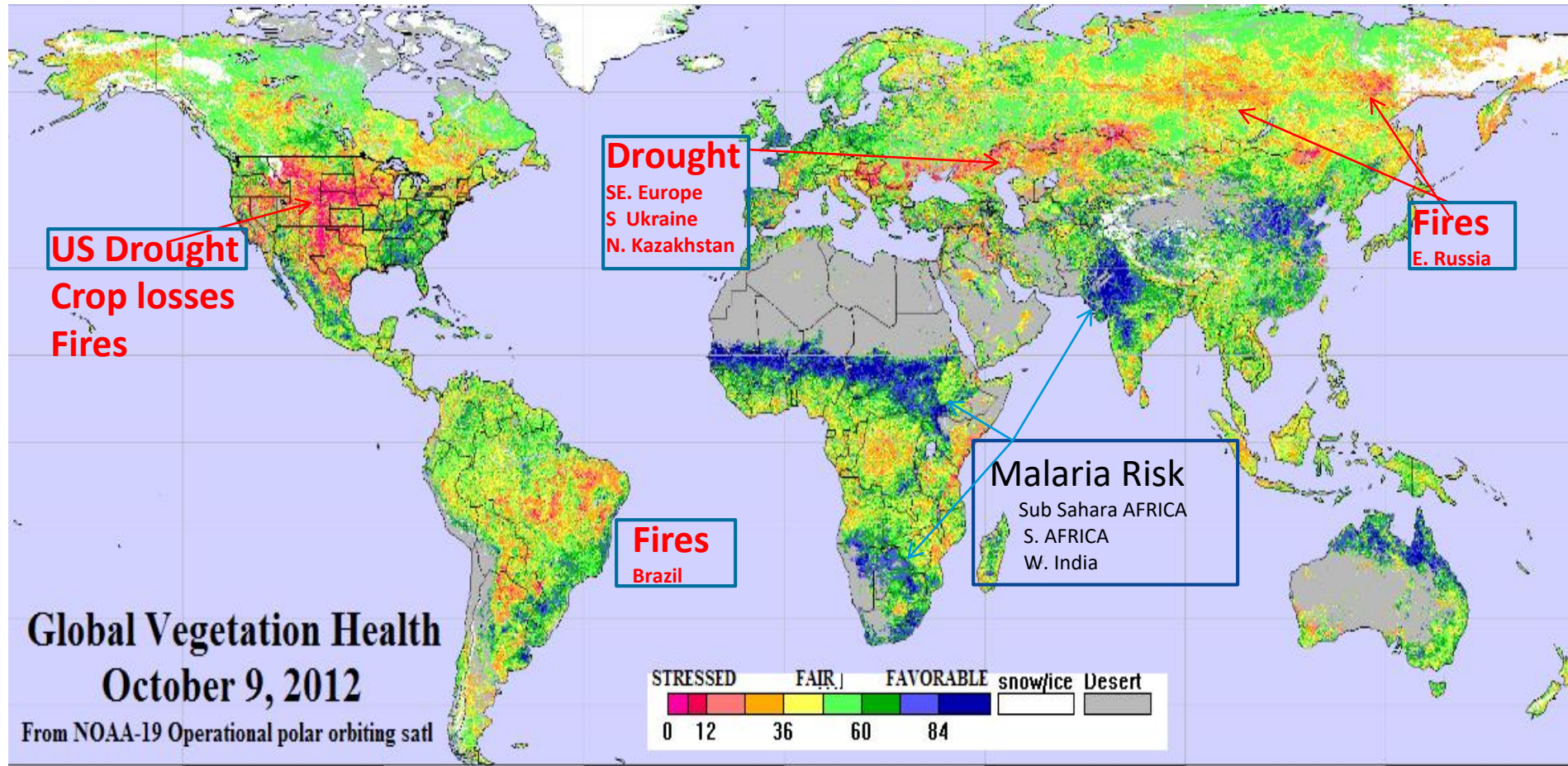
JPSS VIIRS higher spatial resolution fire radiative power observations are used in NOAA's HRRR model to provide smoke forecasts



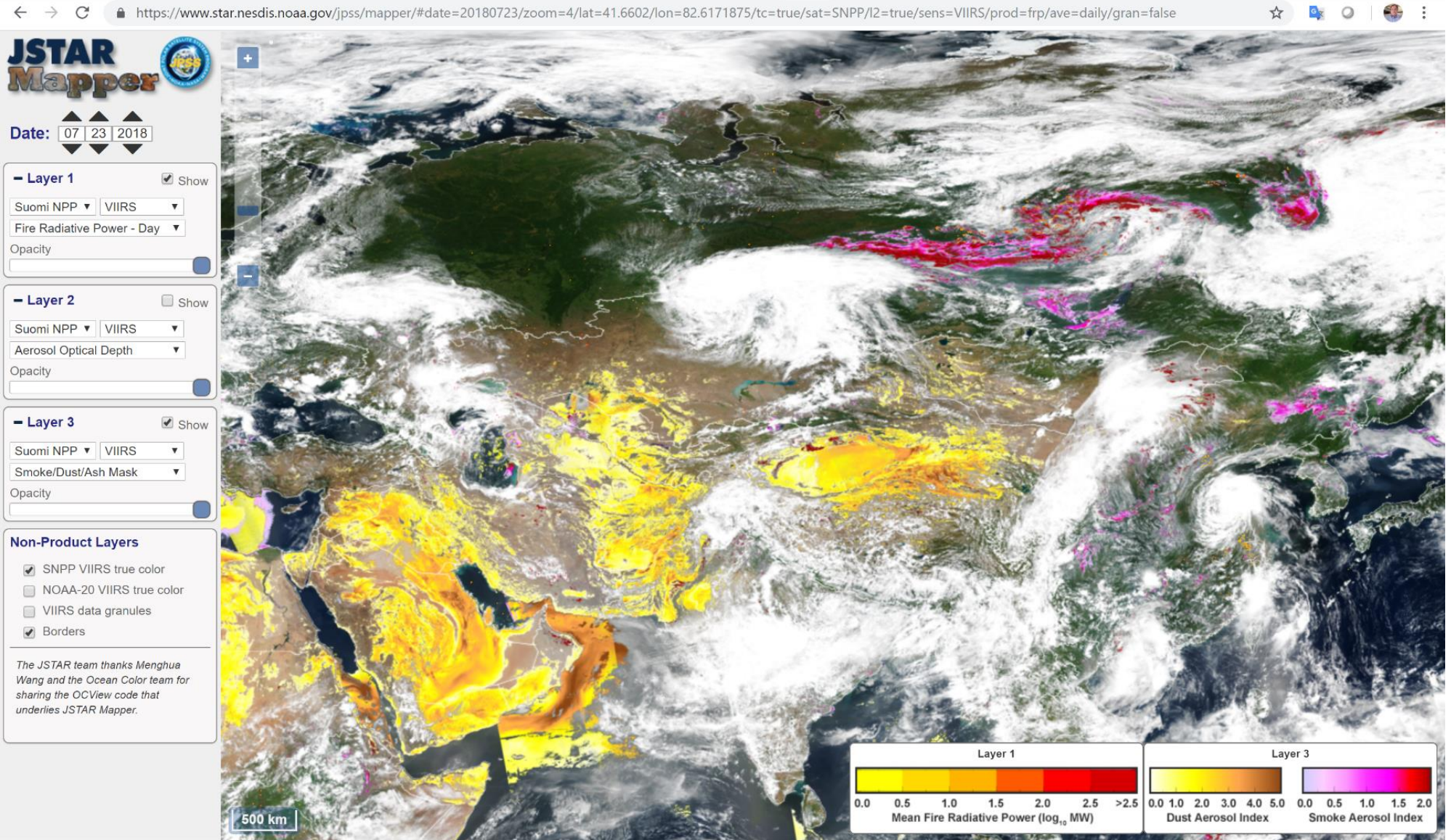
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# Global Vegetation Health (VH)

From AVHRR/NOAA-19 Operational Polar Orbiting Satellite

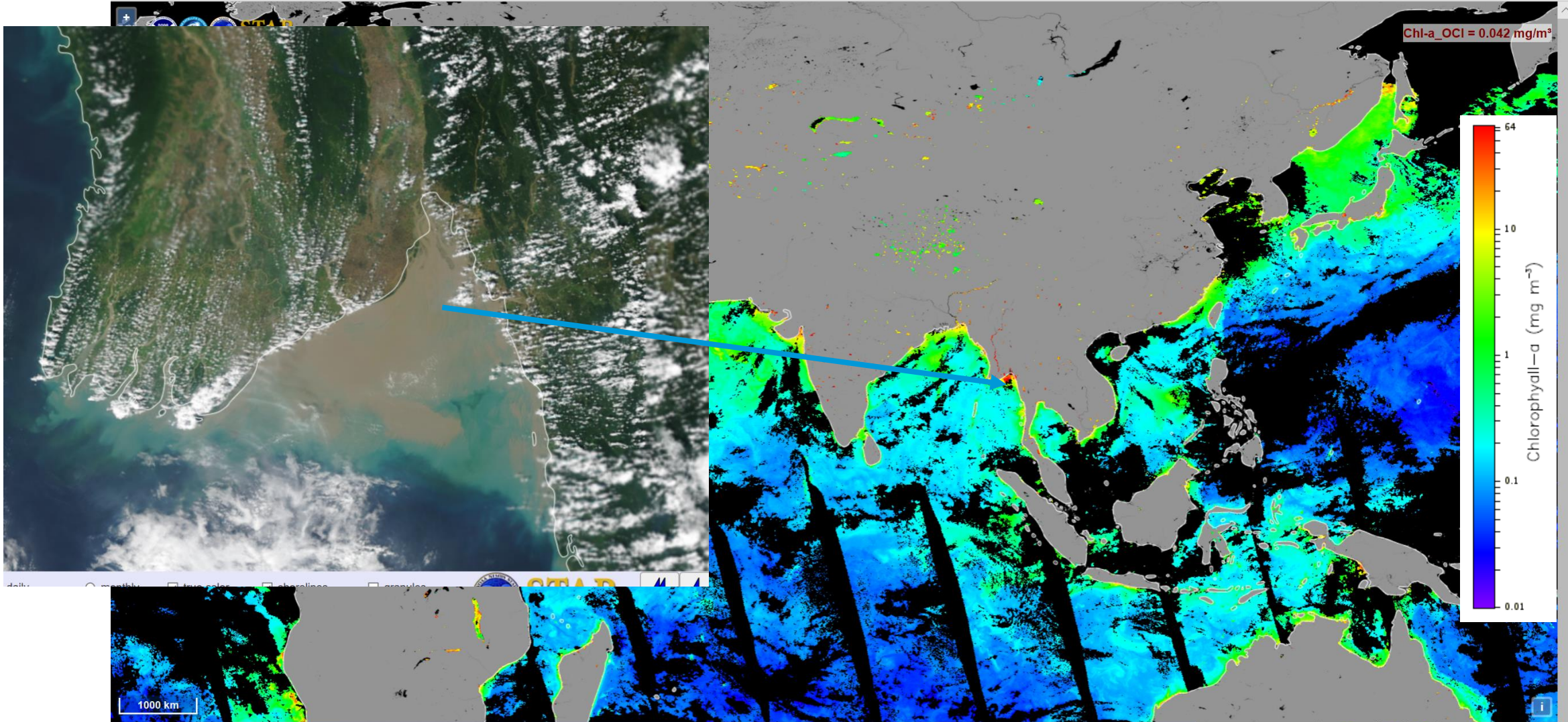


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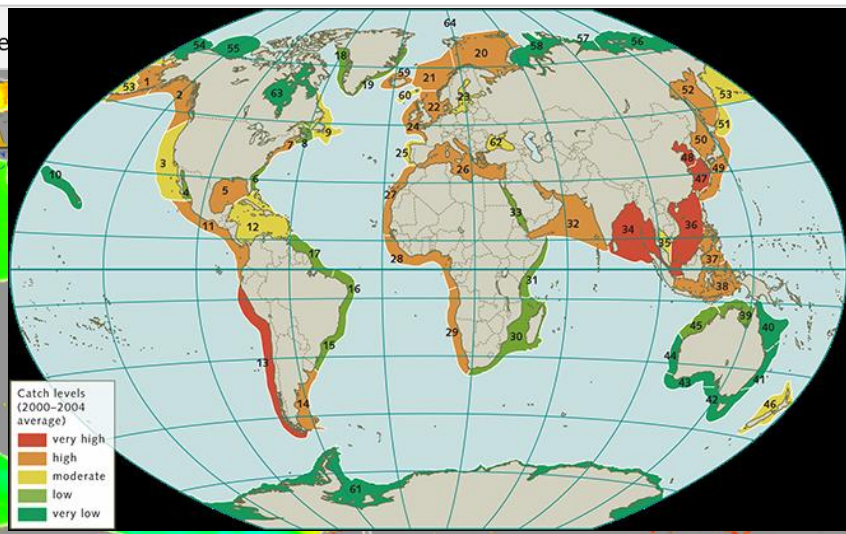
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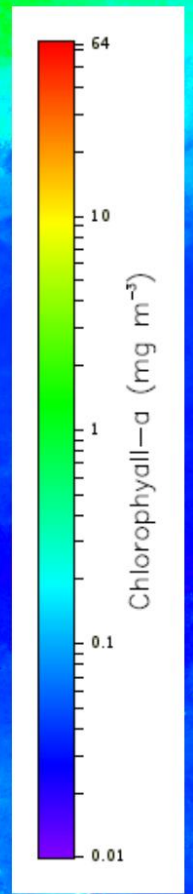
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2019-10-13: 45.8574° 54.2187°



1000 km

VIIRS NOAA-2   daily  monthly  true color  shorelines  granules  
 climatology  ocean color  gridlines  color bar



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# Summary

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- **CMA, NOAA and EUMETSAT through their constellations of LEO and GEO satellites and real-time data access:**
  - Provide many of the sustained observables needed to support a wide variety of critical applications and decisions impacting lives, property and the World's economy and security
  - Many opportunities to support the Belt and Road Region.
  - CMA has a major role in making real impact.







Thank you  
 Terima kasih  
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ありがとうございました  
 धन्यवाद  
 Спасибо

**Trip the Lights Fantastic**  
*A one year accumulation of VIIRS low light imaging data*

This map showcases the astonishing details of human activities visible from space at night. From spectacular lights of cities, hustling shipping lanes, boats fishing with heavy lights, to heat sources from gas flares, wildfires and industry.

Using multiband observations, VIIRS (Visible Infrared Imaging Radiometer Suite) made at night, we are able to see social and economical behaviors that cannot be seen by remote sensing in daytime.

This map employs annual data of Nighttime Lights from 2015, VIIRS Boat Detections from 2017, and VIIRS Nightfire from 2017.

- Legend**
- Nighttime Lights
  - VIIRS Nightfire (VNF)
  - VIIRS Boat Detection (VBD)

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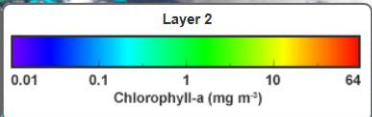
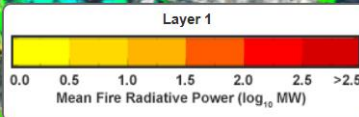
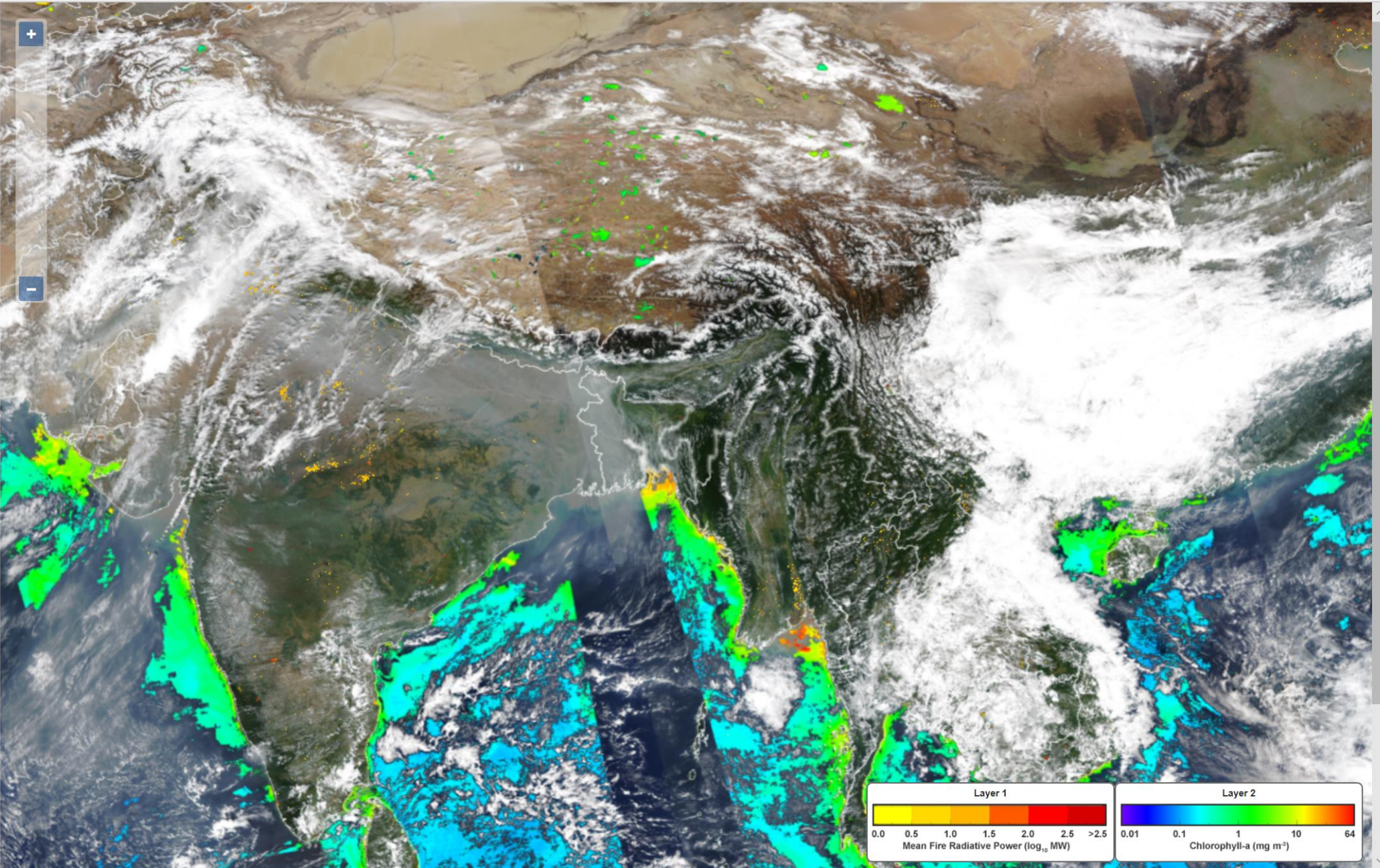
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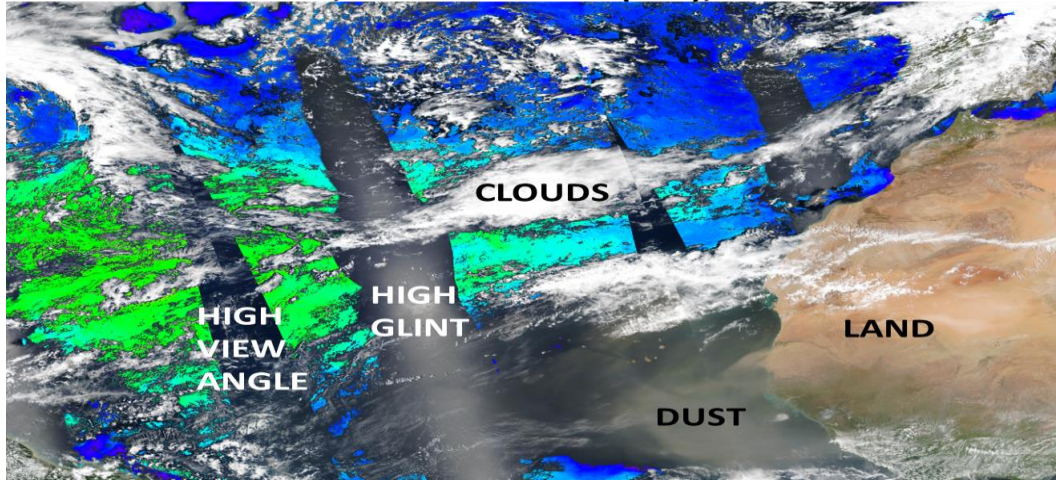
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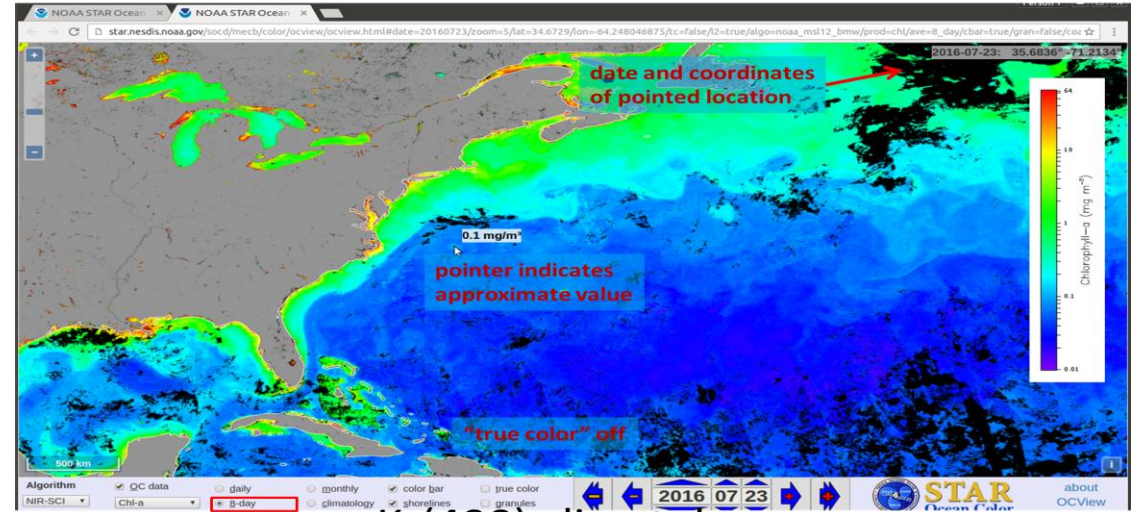
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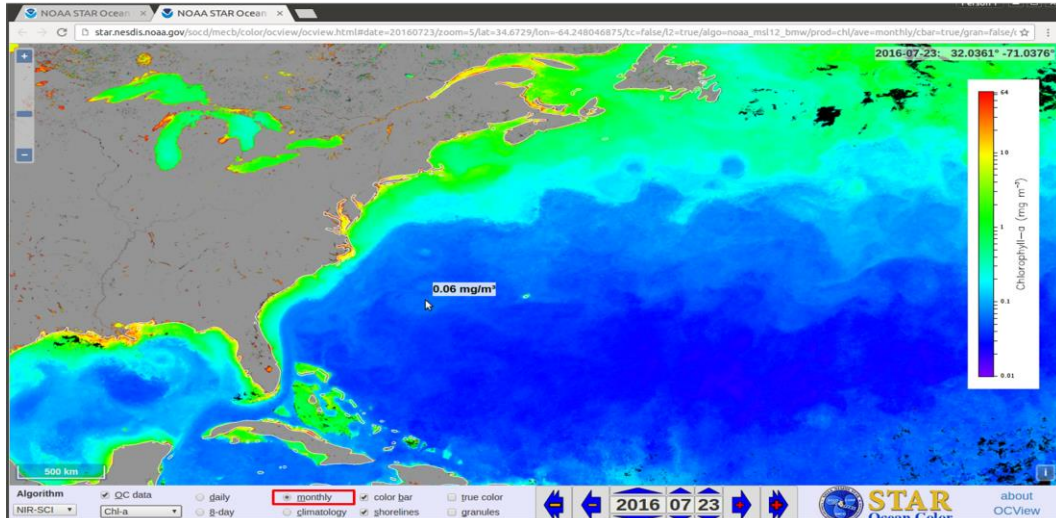
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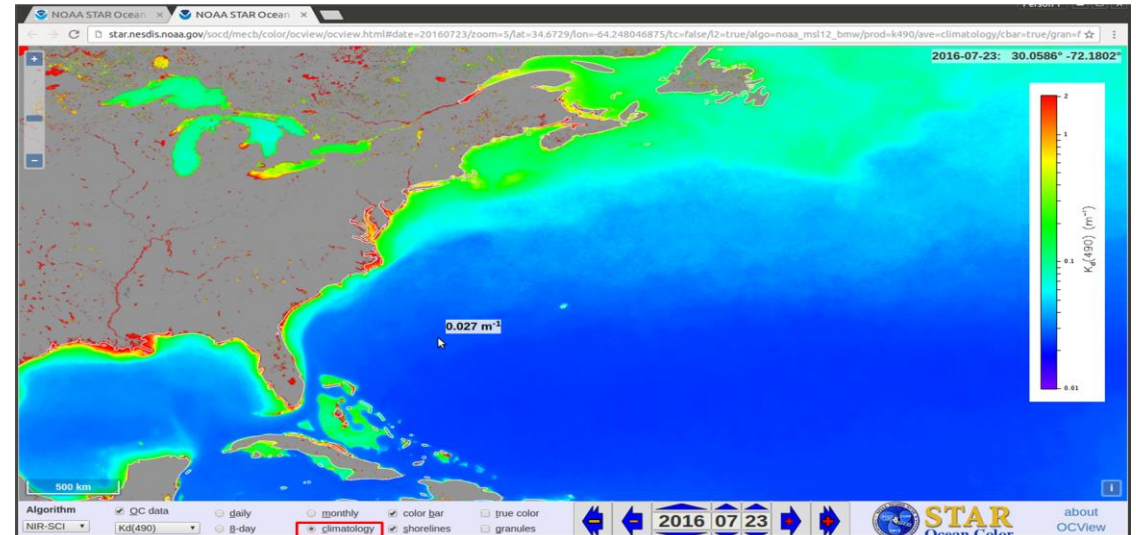
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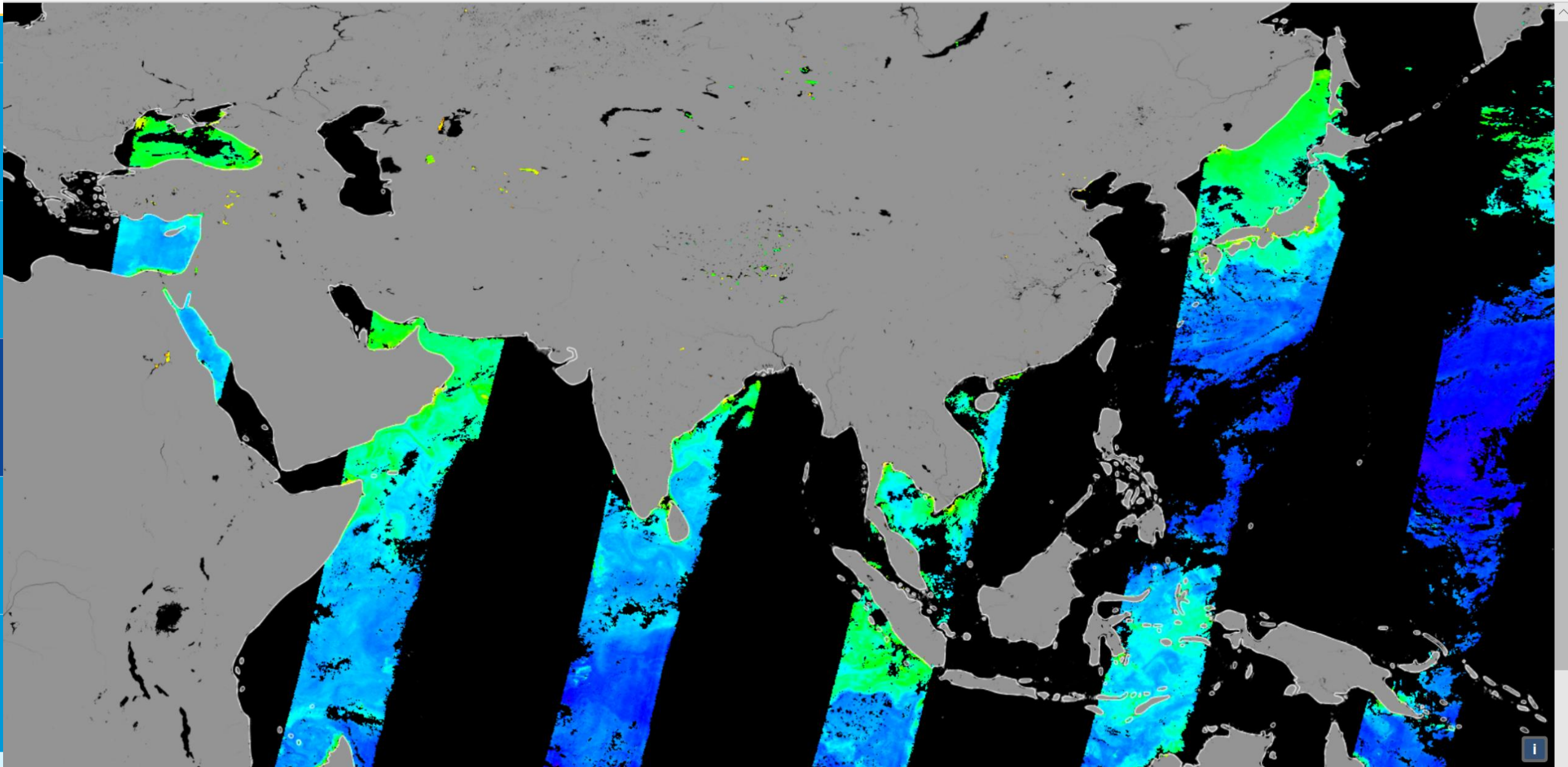
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