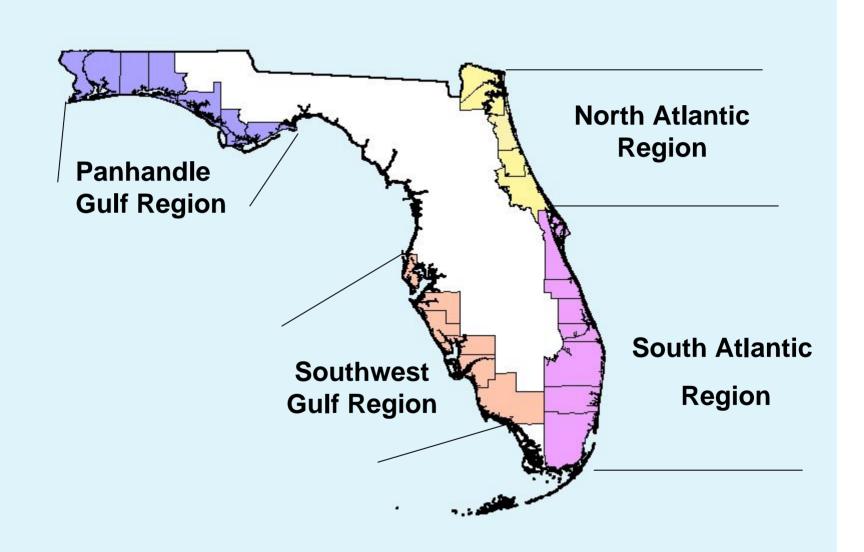
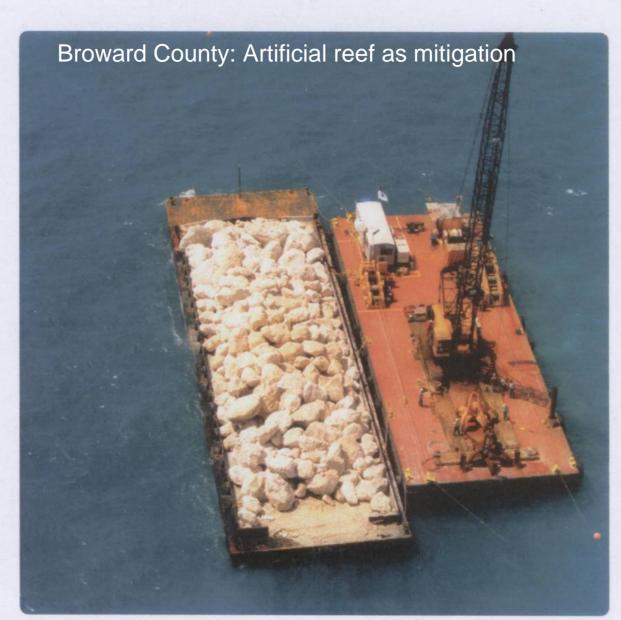
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# Reef Mitigation 'Gardens'

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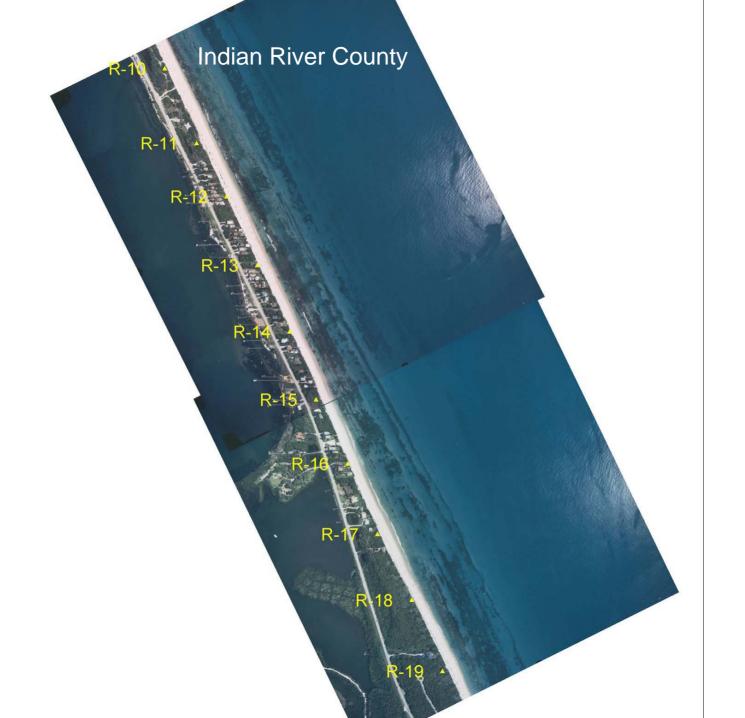
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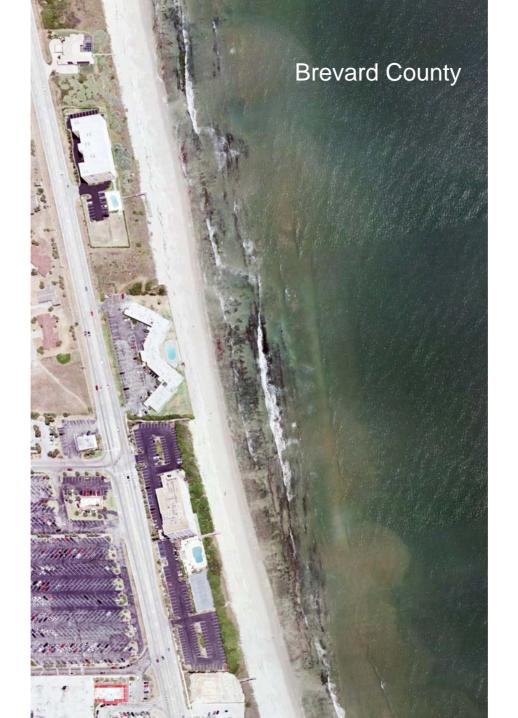




Anchored Crane Barge





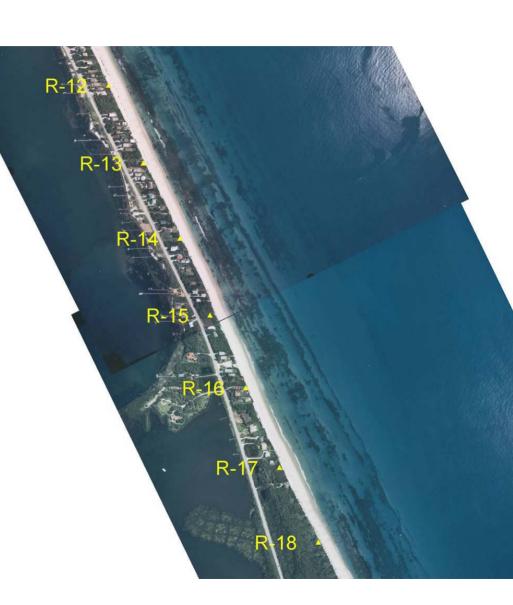


## Reef-Mitigation 'Gardens'

1. Identify areas where the natural rock is covered by only a thin veneer of sand.

2. Hydraulically dredge these areas using a 'gentle' suction-head.

3. Either a) construct a low-sill wall, or b) dredge a sacrificial buffer around the garden.

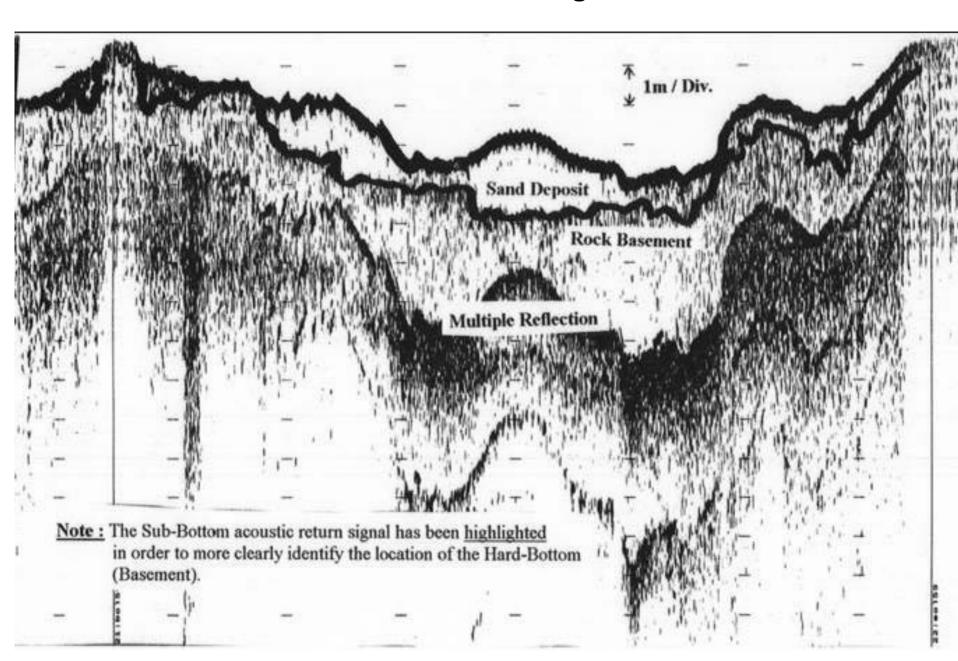


### Reef Garden Development Plan

#### Phase I

- 1. Locate and characterize potential reef liabilities.
- 2. Conduct sub-bottom investigations and identify potential garden sites.
- Identify/develop gentle dredging technology.\*\*\*\*\*
- 4. Liaison with permitting agencies.
- Select a suitable site based upon location & water depth, veneer thickness, likelihood of successful biological colonization, assessment of sill or buffer requirements, and agency input.

## **Sub-Bottom Investigation**



## Reef Garden Development Plan

#### Phase II

- 1. Development of sill structure design & construction concepts (if needed).\*\*\*
- 2. Engineering design of the sill structure (if needed).\*\*\*
- 3. Pre-condition biological assessment.
- 4. State & Federal permitting of the project.

## Reef Garden Development Plan

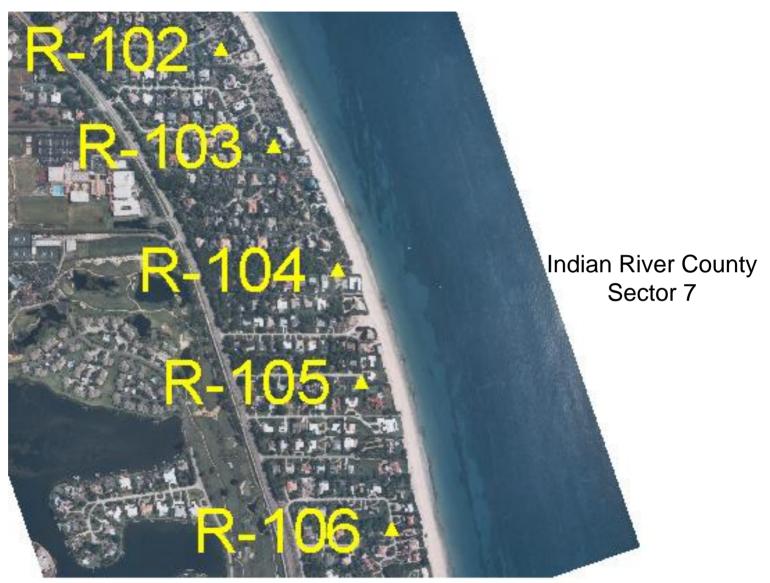
#### Phase III

- 1. Construct the garden.\*\*\*
- 2. Conduct comprehensive biological monitoring of the garden and of control sites.
- 3. Perform physical monitoring and garden maintenance.

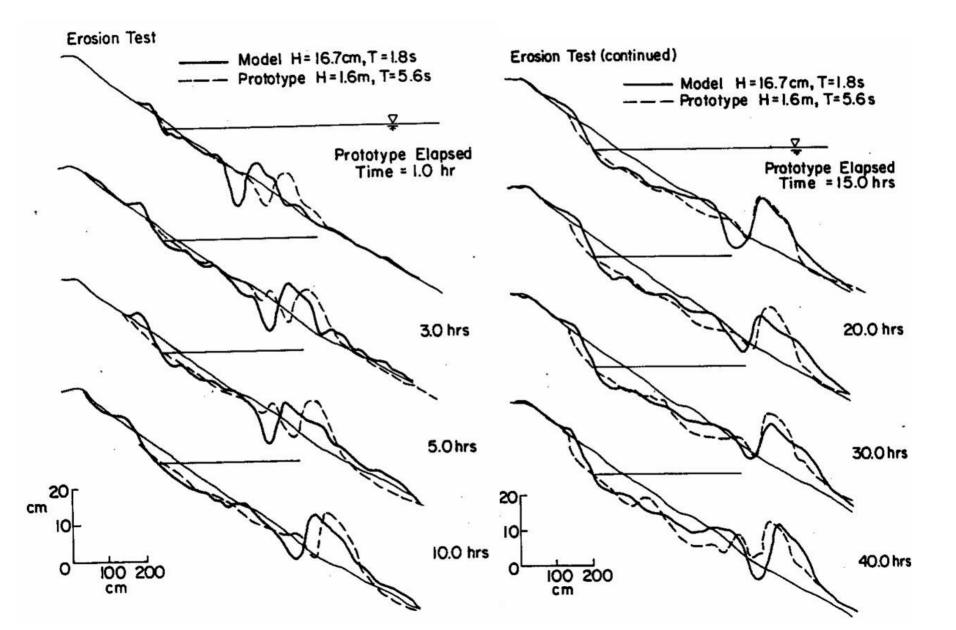
## **Spin-off Applications?**

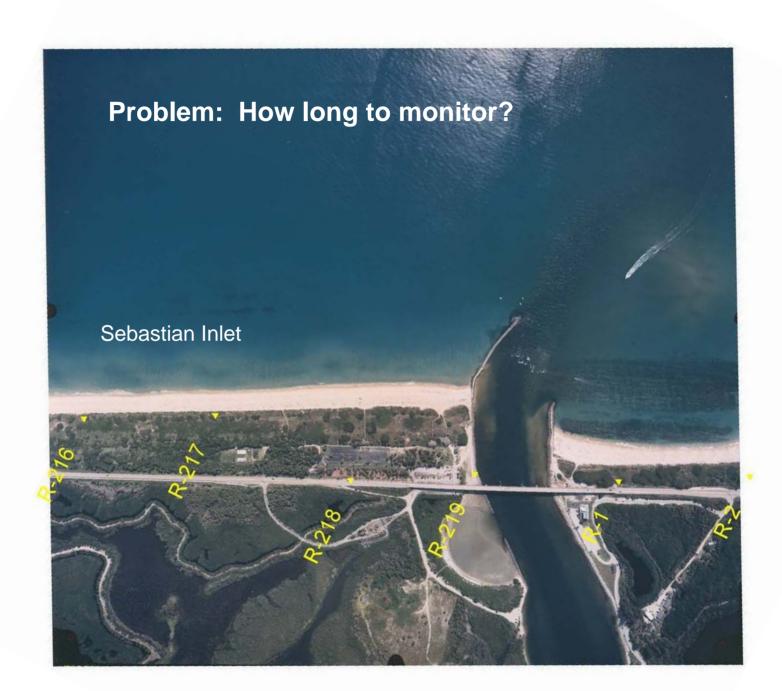
- 1) Dredging system for rescuing recently buried hard-bottom/coral.
- 2) Ability to create 'natural' artificial reefs.

## Problem: Predicting equilibrium toe of fill



## Solution: Movable-bed physical modeling





#### **Brevard R-219 Beach Profiles**

