

Re-scheming Plan NOAA's Electronic Navigational Chart Coverage

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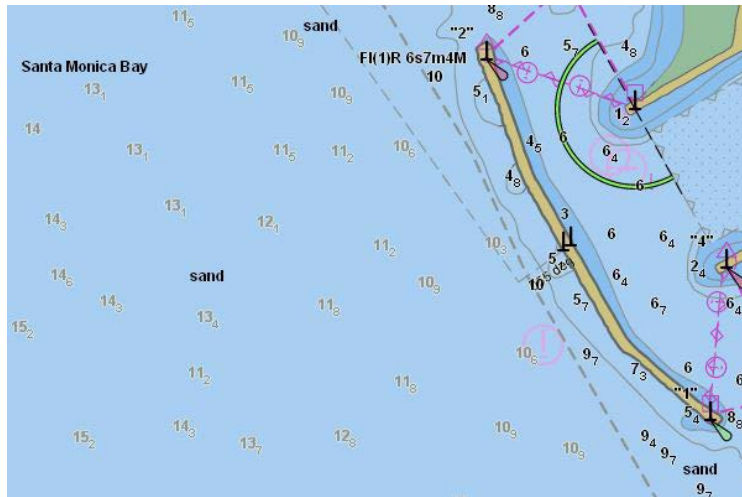
Motivation

Feedback from the Mariners on the ENC:

- Too many alarms on caution areas
- Need more detailed depth areas in key locations
- Need accurate least depths on wrecks and obstructions—we are training our users to ignore the magenta Xs.
- ENCs are not standalone products—they are components of a seamless suite. There are too many discontinuities.
- Symbology is not good for recreational mariners



In addition – ECDIS manufacturers (ECDIS - Electronic Chart Display and Information System)

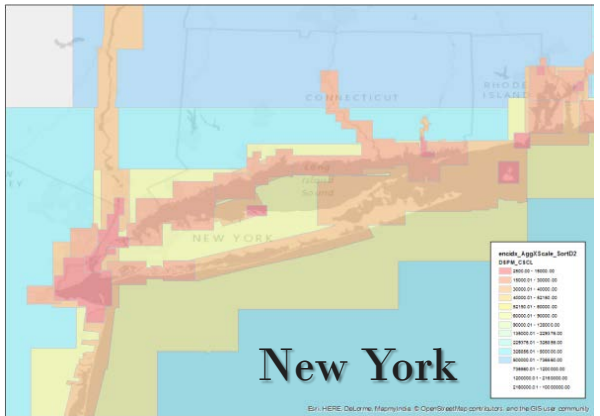
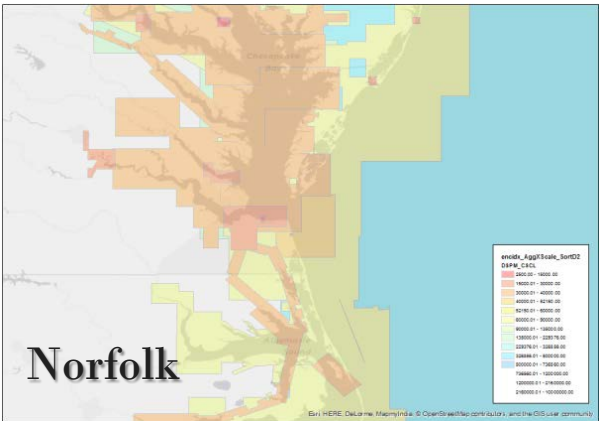
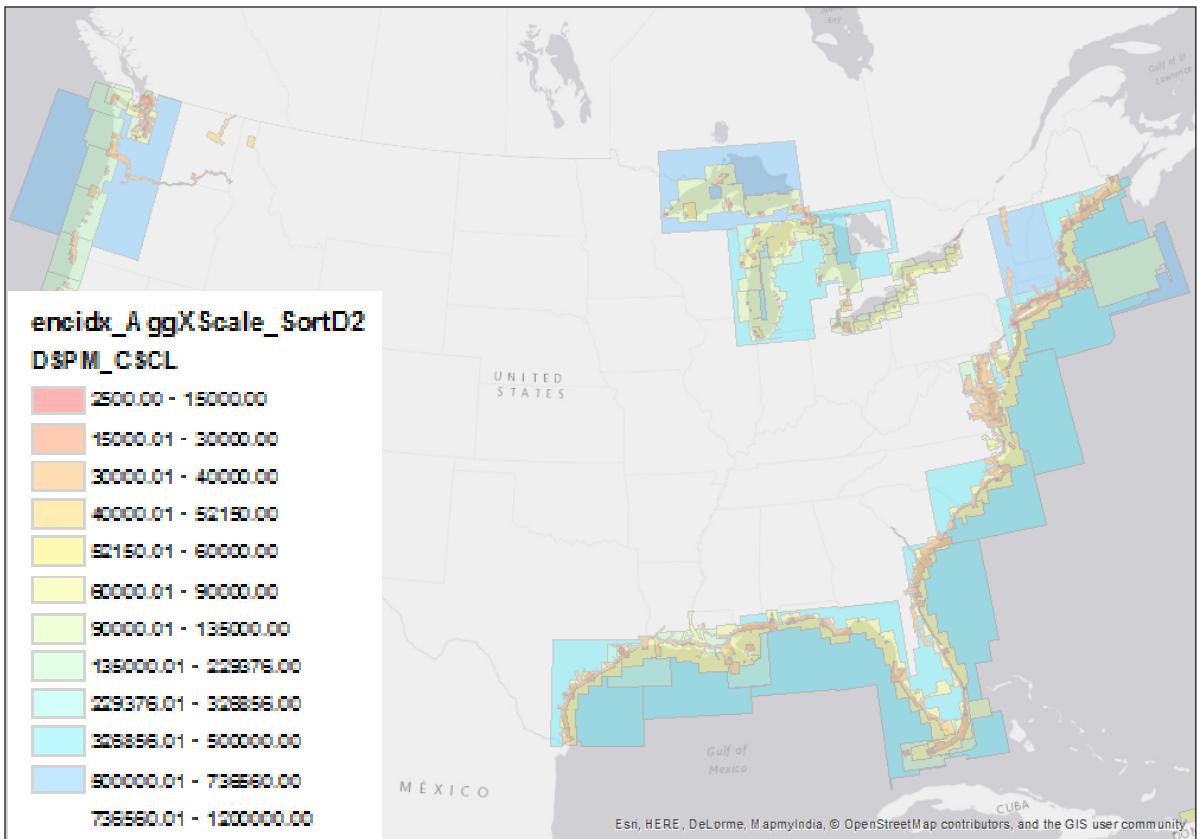


- Displays ENC's and integrates a variety of real-time information
- Meets IHO regulations and is an alternative to paper charts

- Vector database (of chart features)
- Built to IHO's S-57 standards



Current US ENC coverage



Current ENC footprints

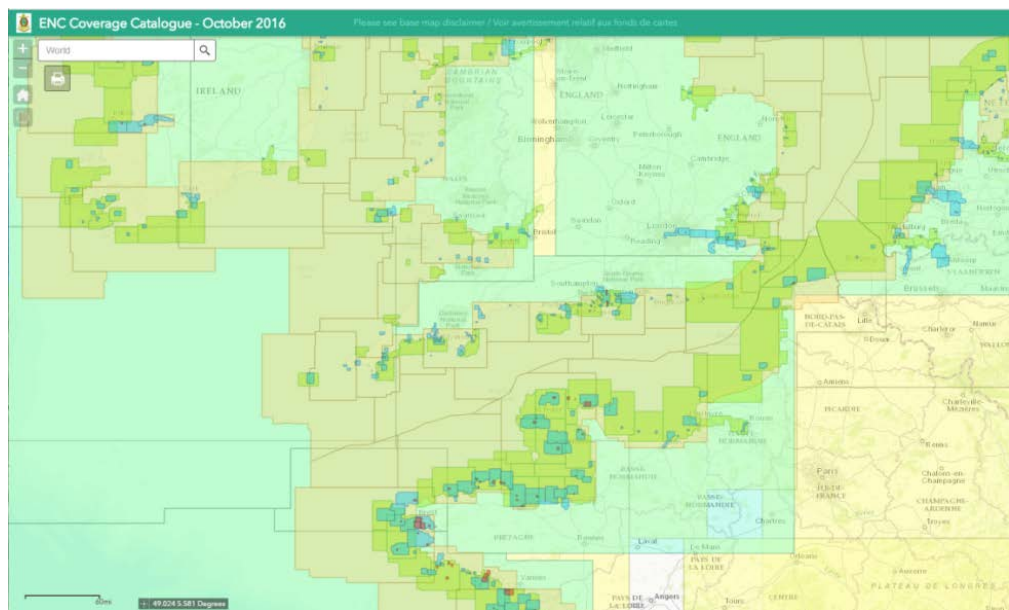
Legacy data from raster charts (131 RNC scales and 120 ENC scales)

ENC limits copied directly
from raster chart boundaries

Easy interim solution

As a result:

- Too many scales
 - Duplication of coverage
 - Lacking uniformity, consistency, and coherence
- Not a smooth transition from scale to scale while navigating on ECDIS systems



The English channel/ UKHO & SHOM



Vision for the future: Nautical Charting Plan

Purpose Improve NOAA nautical chart coverage, products, and distribution

Improvements

Reduce
unwarranted
alarms



Convert to metric



Provide
timelier data



Improve
chart coverage



Create an
orderly layout



Reduce
uncertainties



Improve chart
update information



Increase
efficiency



Outcome Ease of access to more precise, higher-resolution charts that deliver the most up-to-date navigation information possible

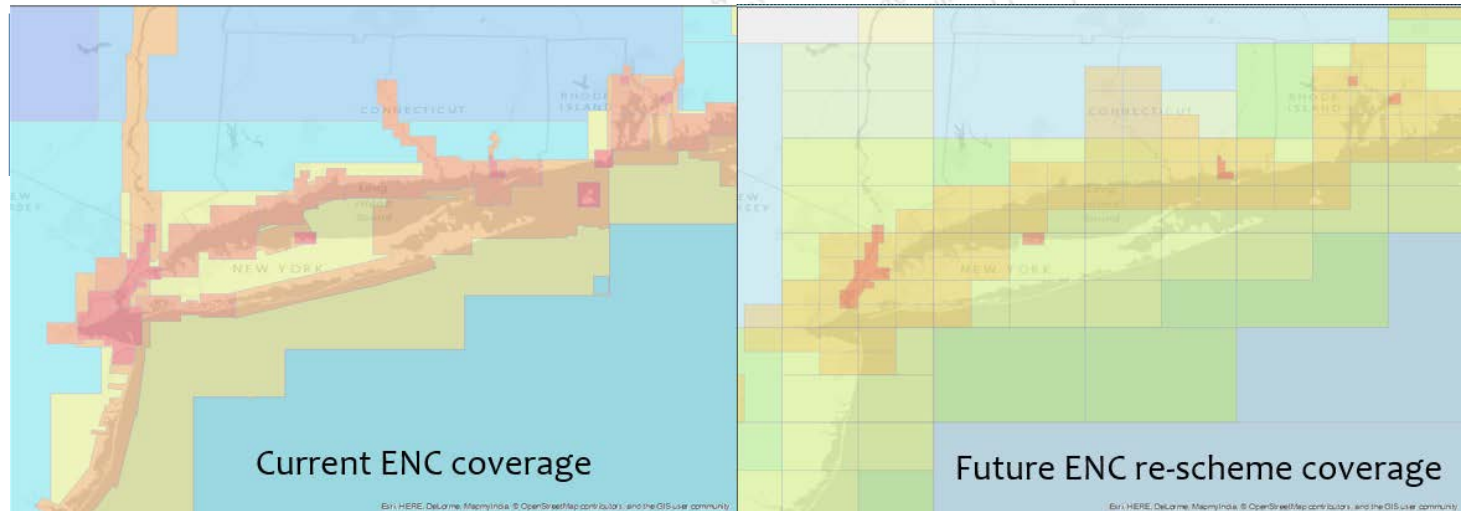


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Vision for the future: Nautical Charting Plan



Create an orderly layout for ENCs



- Reduced number of scales
- Standardized size and scope
- Boundaries/limits following lines of longitude & latitude
- Interlocking boundaries through the scales



Vision for the future: Nautical Charting Plan

	Standard scale (rounded)
Band 1	1:3,000,000
	1:1,500,000
Band 2	1:700,000
	1:350,000
Band 3	1:180,000
	1:90,000
Band 4	1:45,000
	1:22,000
Band 5	1:12,000
	1:8,000

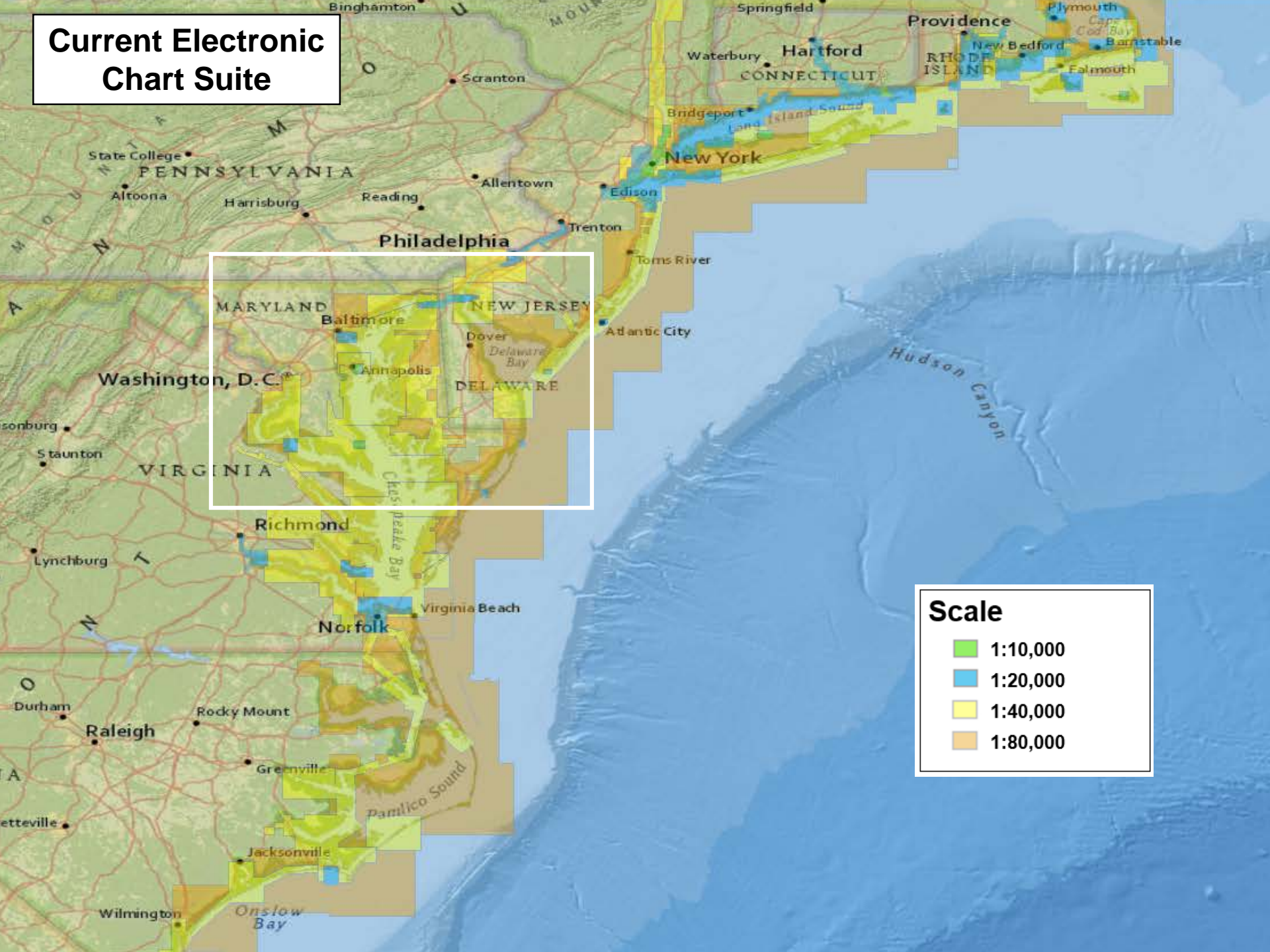
IHO Recommended Scales

Scale band	Standard Scale (rounded)
Band 1	1:5,120,000
	1:2,560,000
Band 2	1:1,280,000
	1:640,000
Band 3	1:320,000
	1:160,000
Band 4	1:80,000
	1:40,000
Band 5	1:20,000
	1:10,000

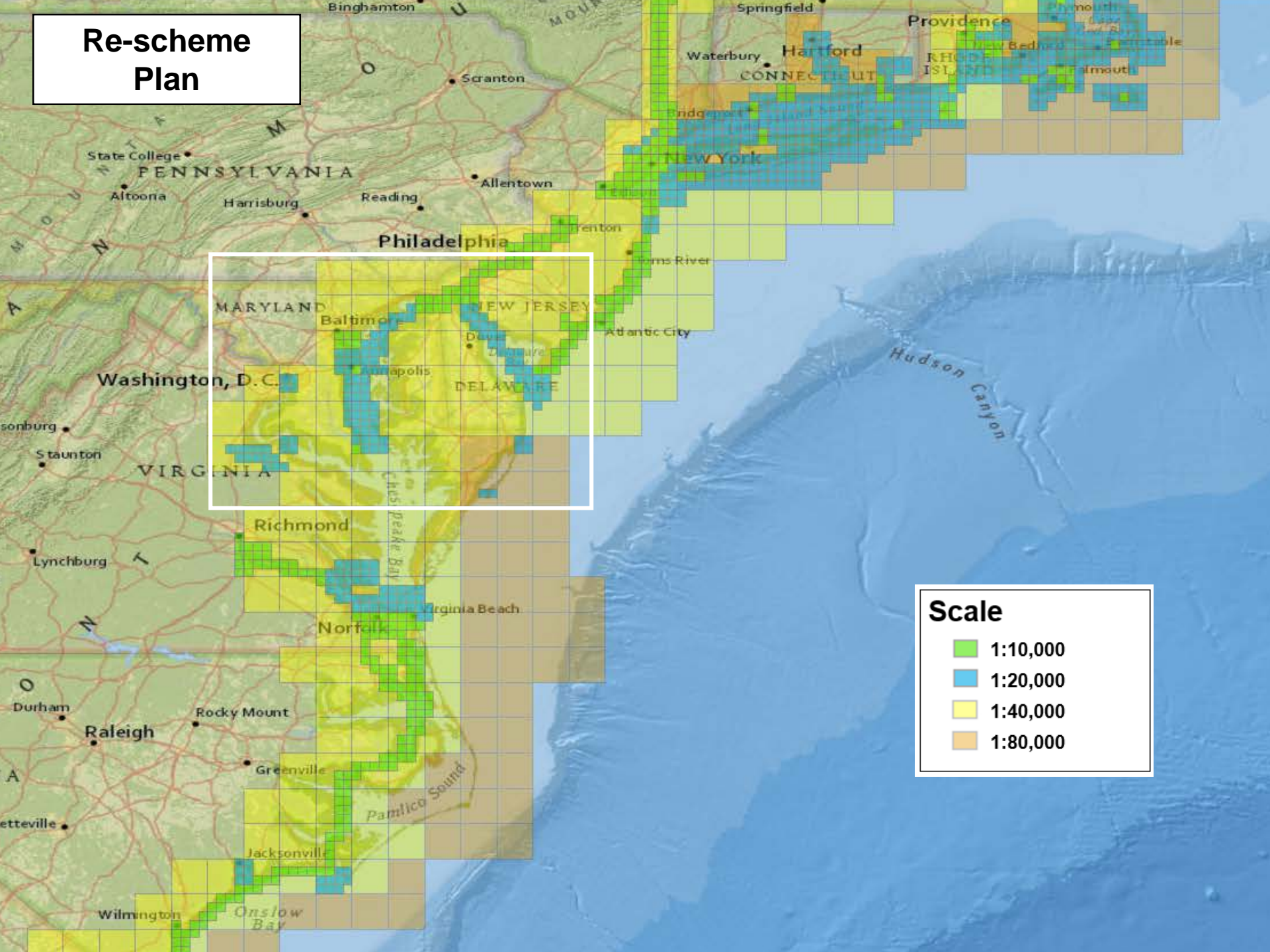
NOAA's Reschemed Scales



Current Electronic Chart Suite



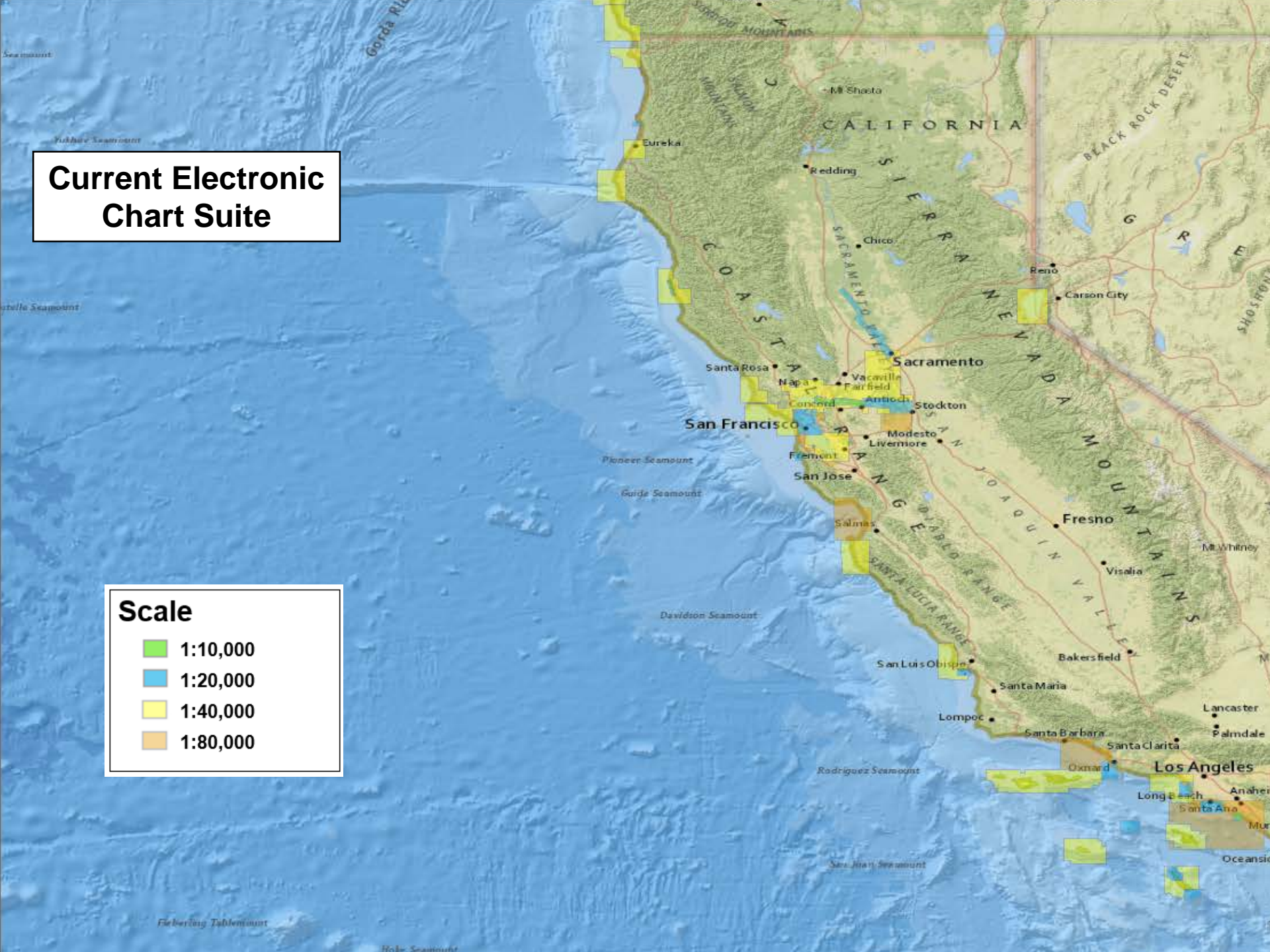
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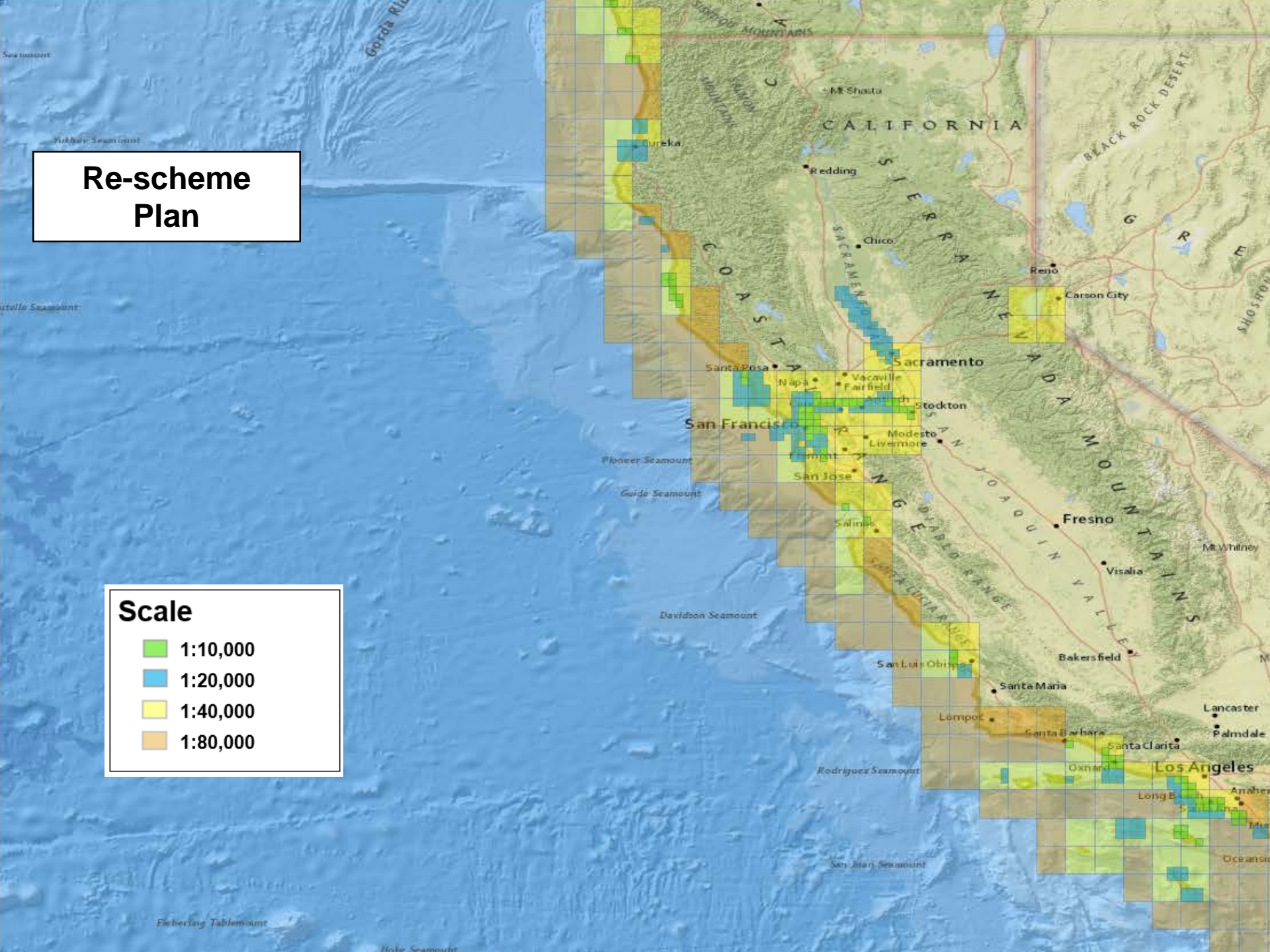
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Added value

- A. Usage bands and recommended scales
- B. Cell size and Naming convention (Management tools)
- C. Bathymetry (metric depth units)
- D. Scale hierarchy of cartographic features
 - Roads
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- E. Adjustable raster products
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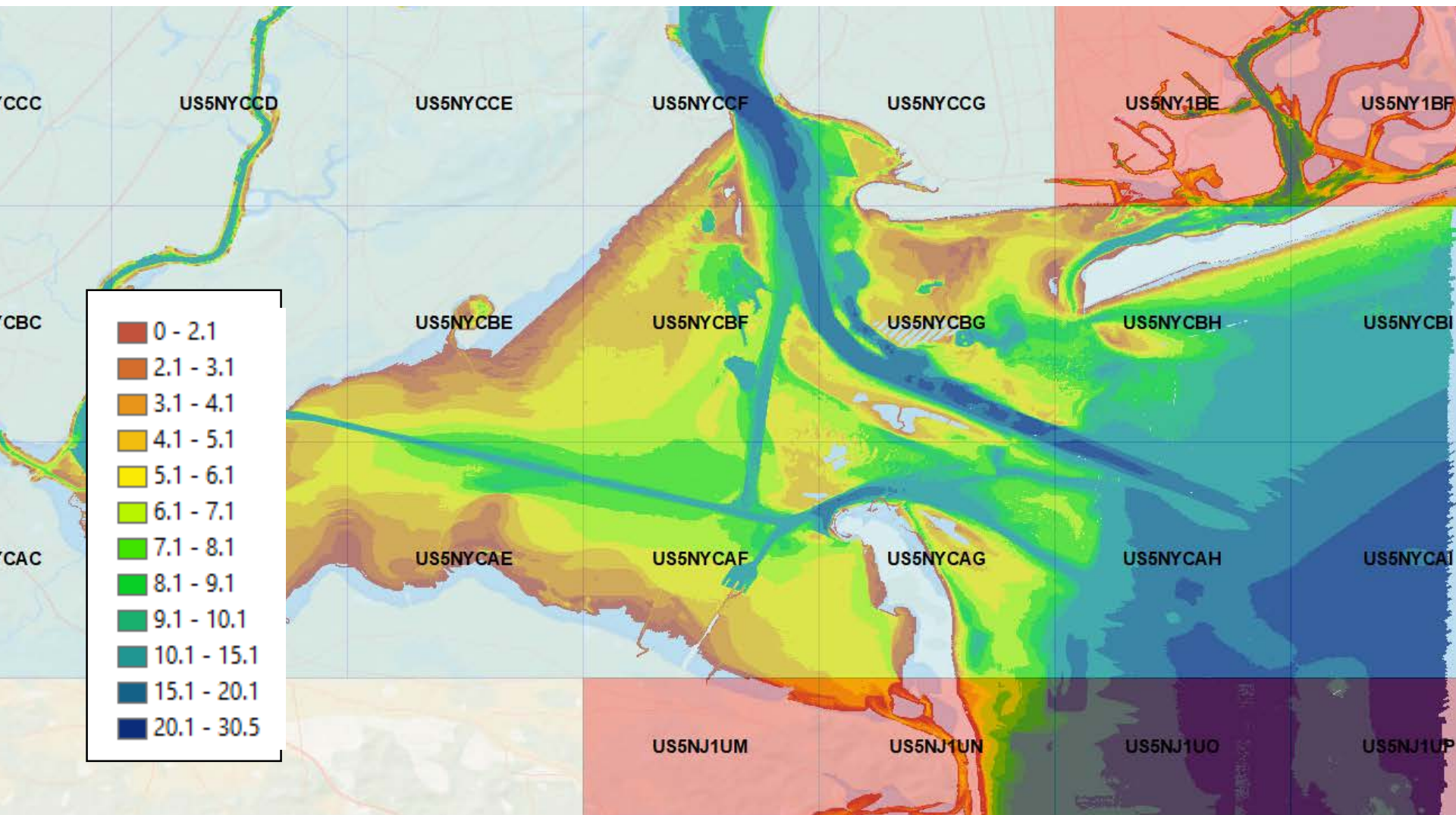


Recommended depth contours per scale band

Scale band	Standard Scale (rounded)	Width	Height	IHO S-4 (B-411)
Band 1	1:5,120,000	38.4	38.4	100, 200,...
	1:2,560,000	19.2	19.2	50,100,150,200,...
Band 2	1:1,280,000	9.6	9.6	50,100,150,200,...
	1:640,000	4.8	4.8	20, 50,100,150,200,...
Band 3	1:320,000	2.4	2.4	20,30,50,100,150,200,...
	1:160,000	1.2	1.2	10, 20,30,50,100,150,200,...
Band 4	1:80,000	0.6	0.6	5, 10, 20,30,50,100,150,200,...
	1:40,000	0.3	0.3	2, 5, 10, 20,30,50,100,150,200,...
Band 5	1:20,000	0.15	0.15	2, 5, 8,10,15,20,30,50,100,150,200,...
	1:10,000	0.075	0.075	2,3,4,5,6,7,8,10,15,20,30,50,100,150,200,...



Although most features at similar scale can be copied, bathymetry will need to be recompiled!

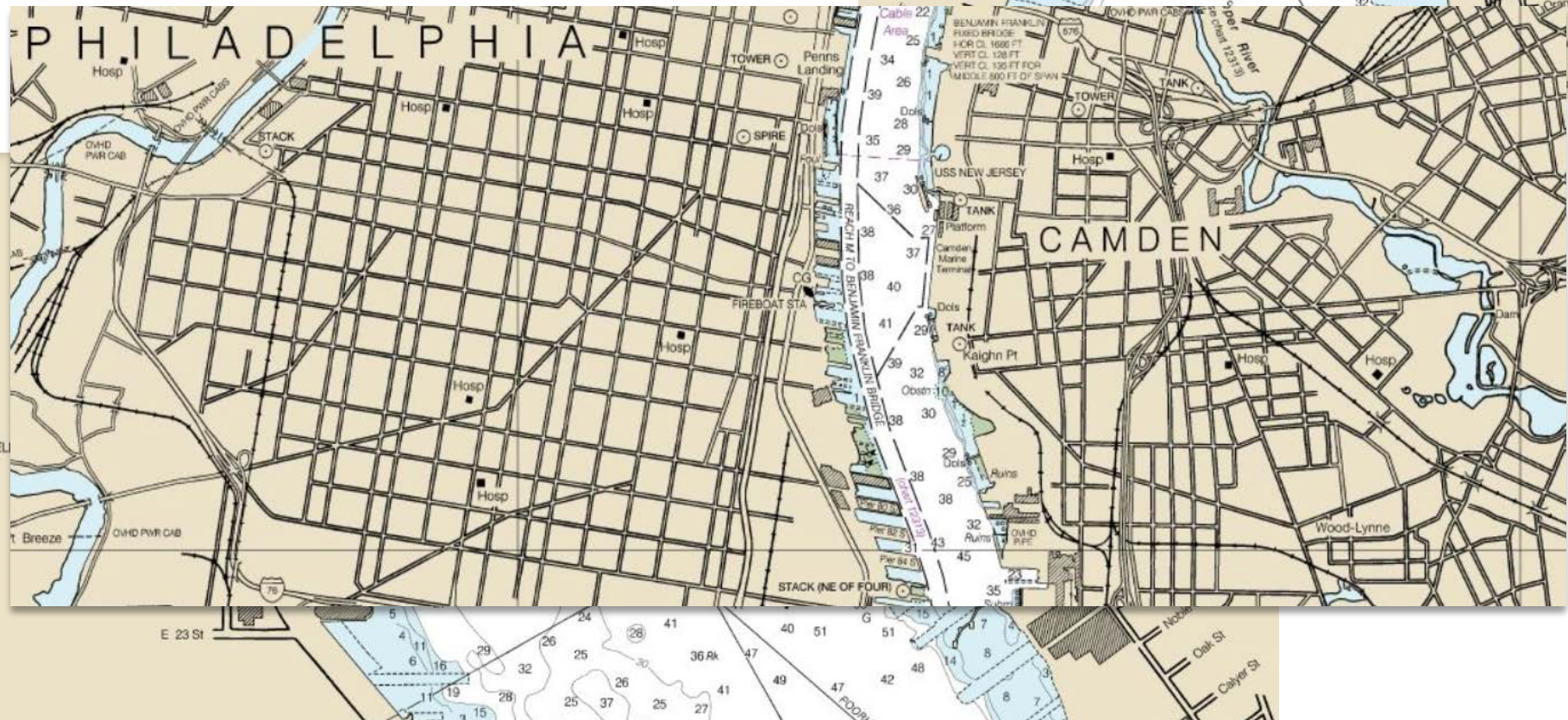


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Road



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Rasterization

Boston Inner Harbor (US5MA11M (1:10K))

ENC

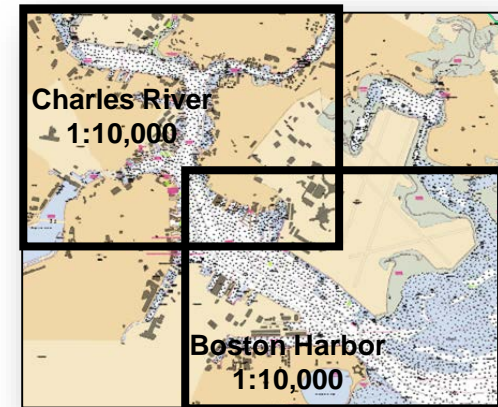


RNC-ish (tile)



No title, notes, ...

PoD / Paper



With all the “cartographic furniture”

“Quality Control on ENCs”, Ence and Pe’eri
(NOAA’s Open House in Nautical Cartography - July 7, 2017)



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Interfacing with other thematic layers

Common Portable Pilot Units (PPUs)

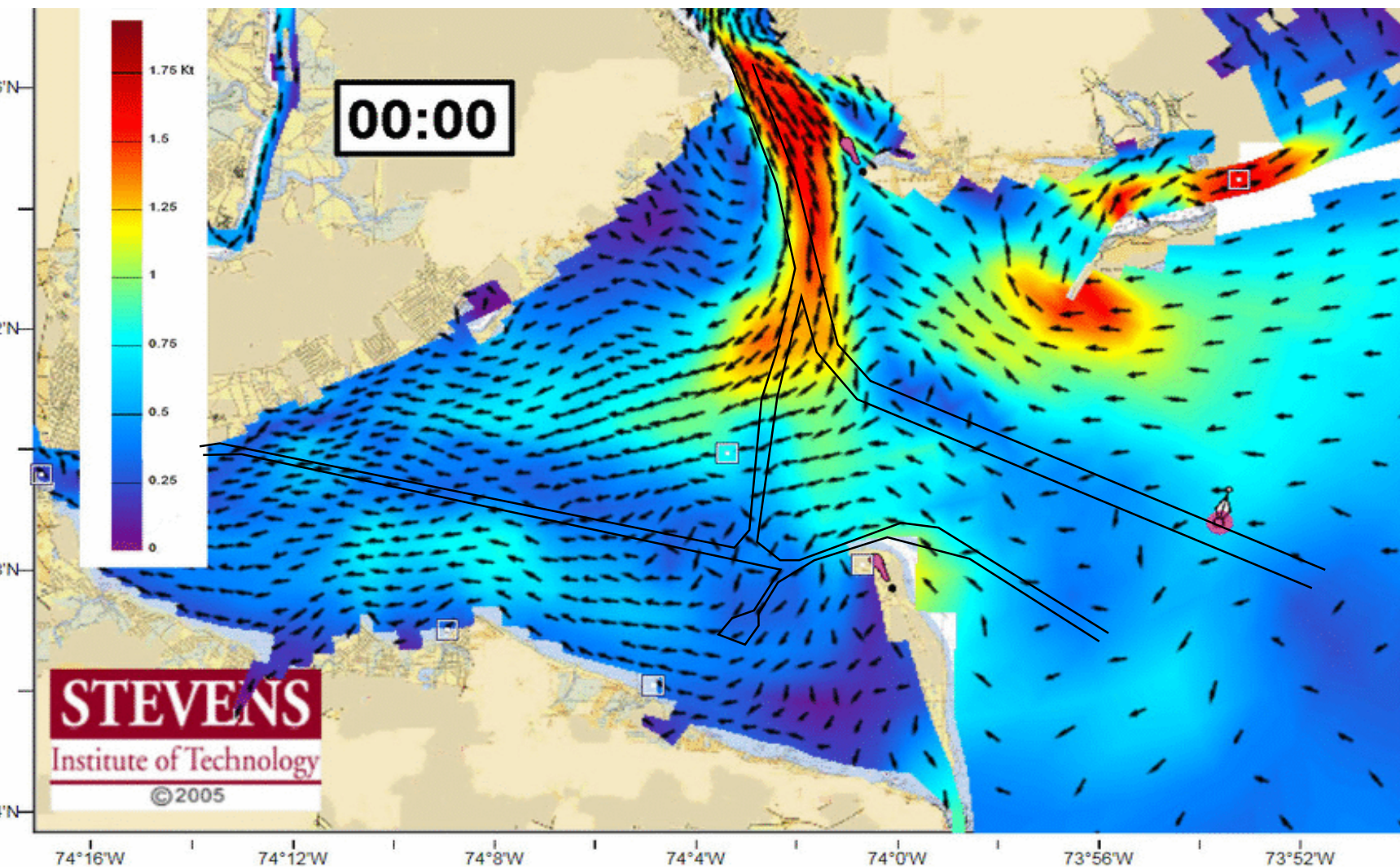
- Portable Pilot (ORCA PILOT G2)
- SealQ;
- QPS (Qastor)
- Transas (Pilot Pro);
- Raven Aerostar (Raven PPU)
- NavSim (NavSim PPU)
- Trelleborg (Safe Pilot)
- Rose Point (Coastal Explorer)
- Bowditch (Wheelhouse 2/3)

Providing products to PPUs

1. Product standards for Portable Pilot Units
2. Relevant layers (parameters to investigate)
3. Spatial resolution/Scales
4. Depth resolution for models (binning depth at a given interval)

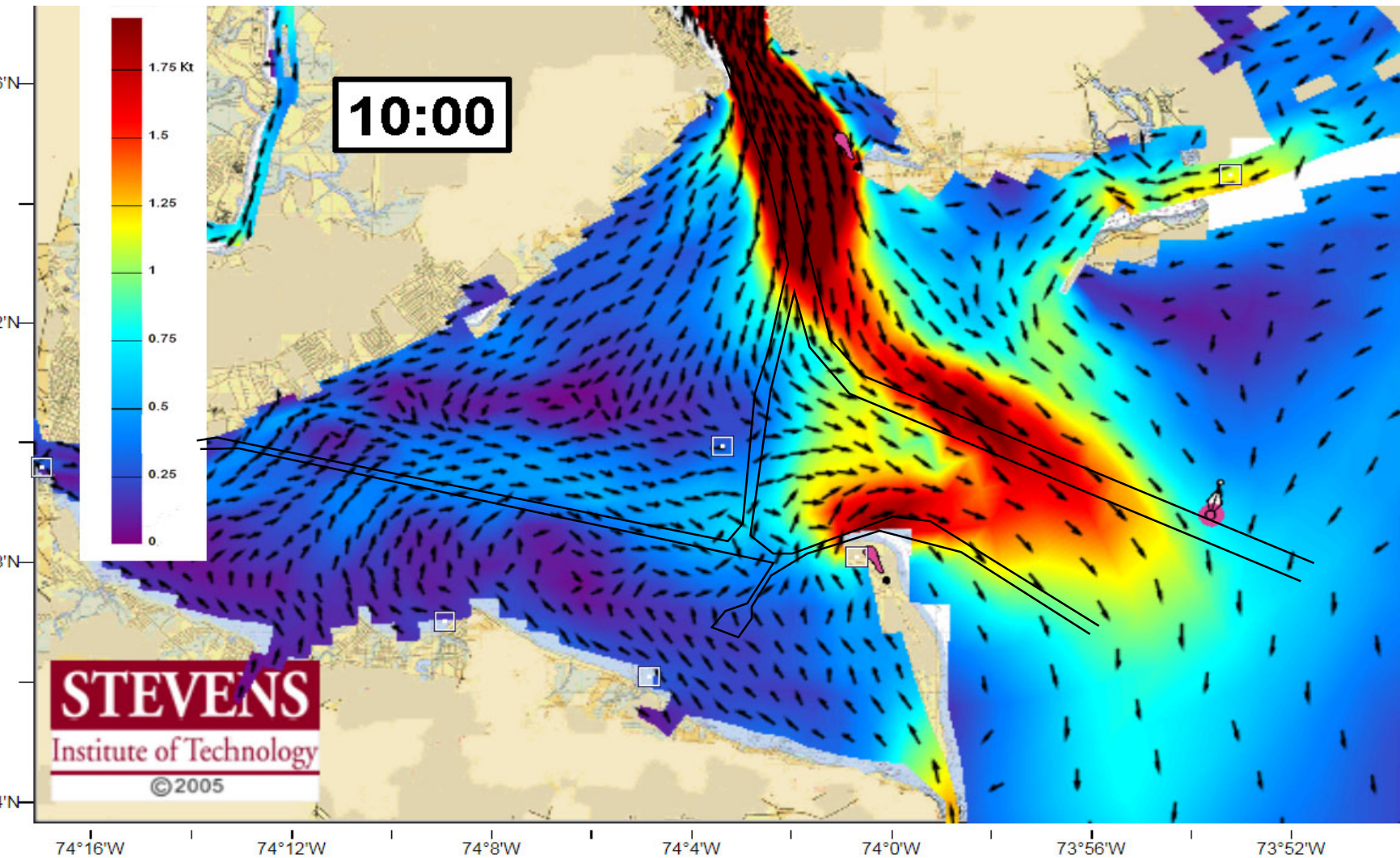


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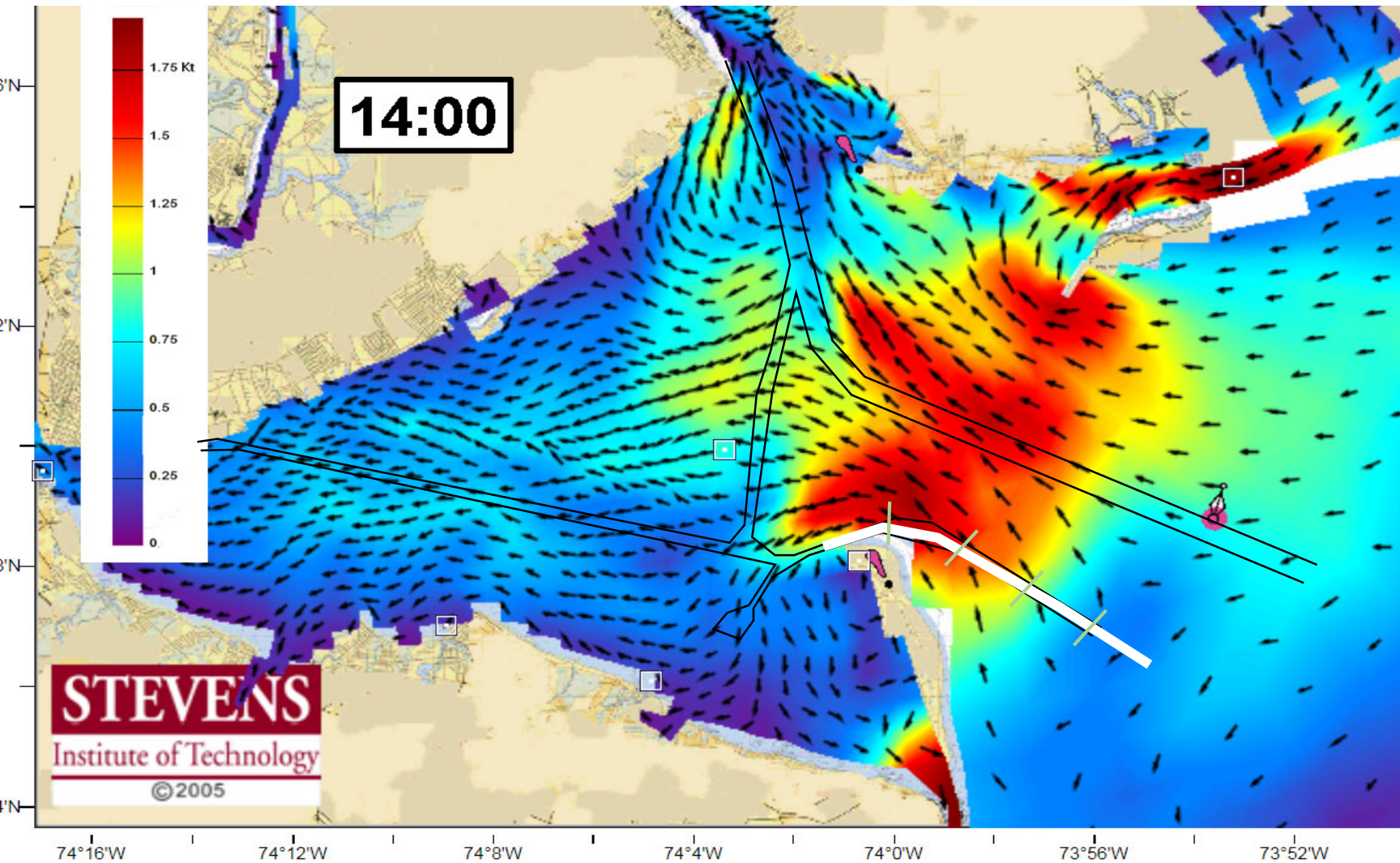
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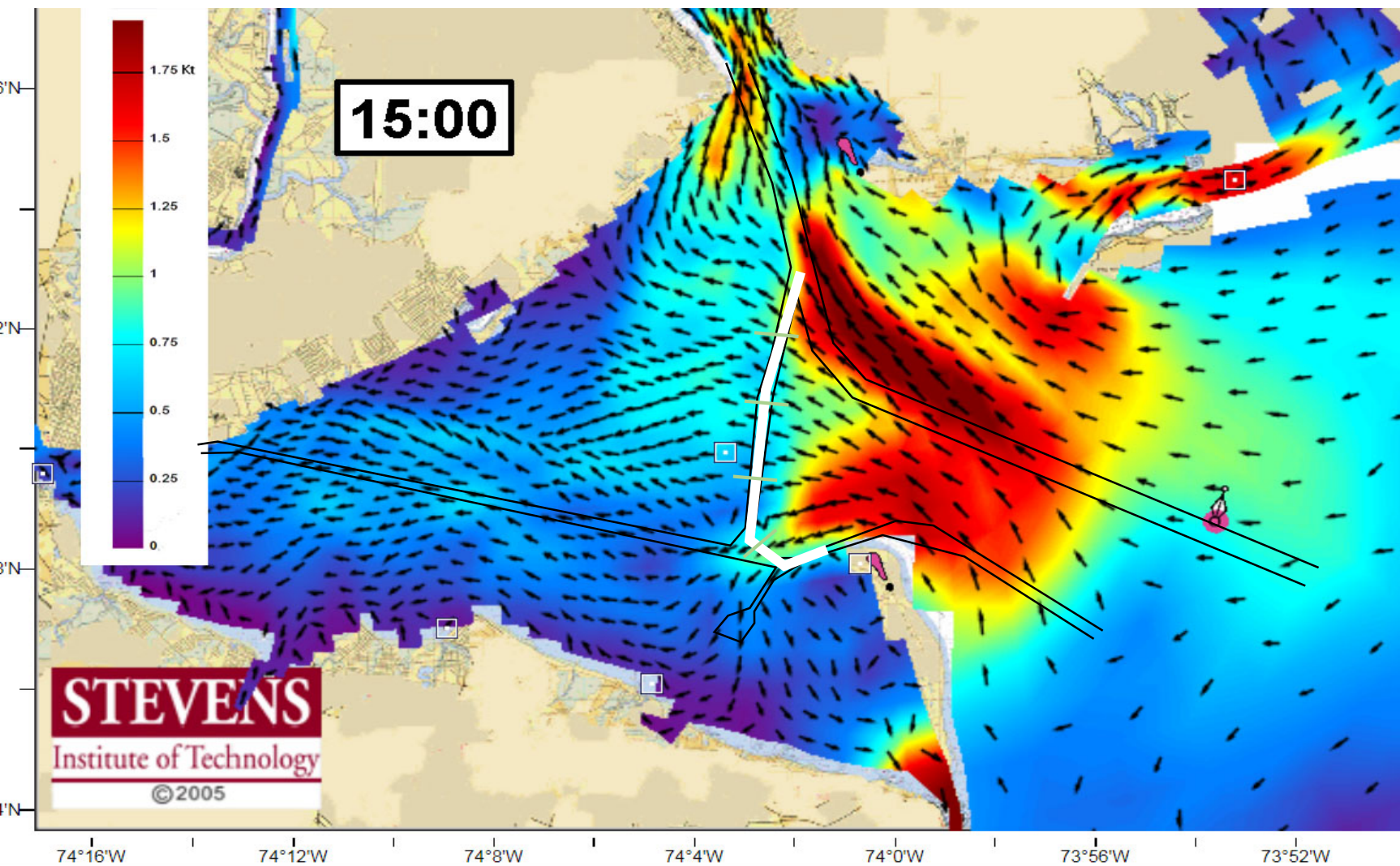
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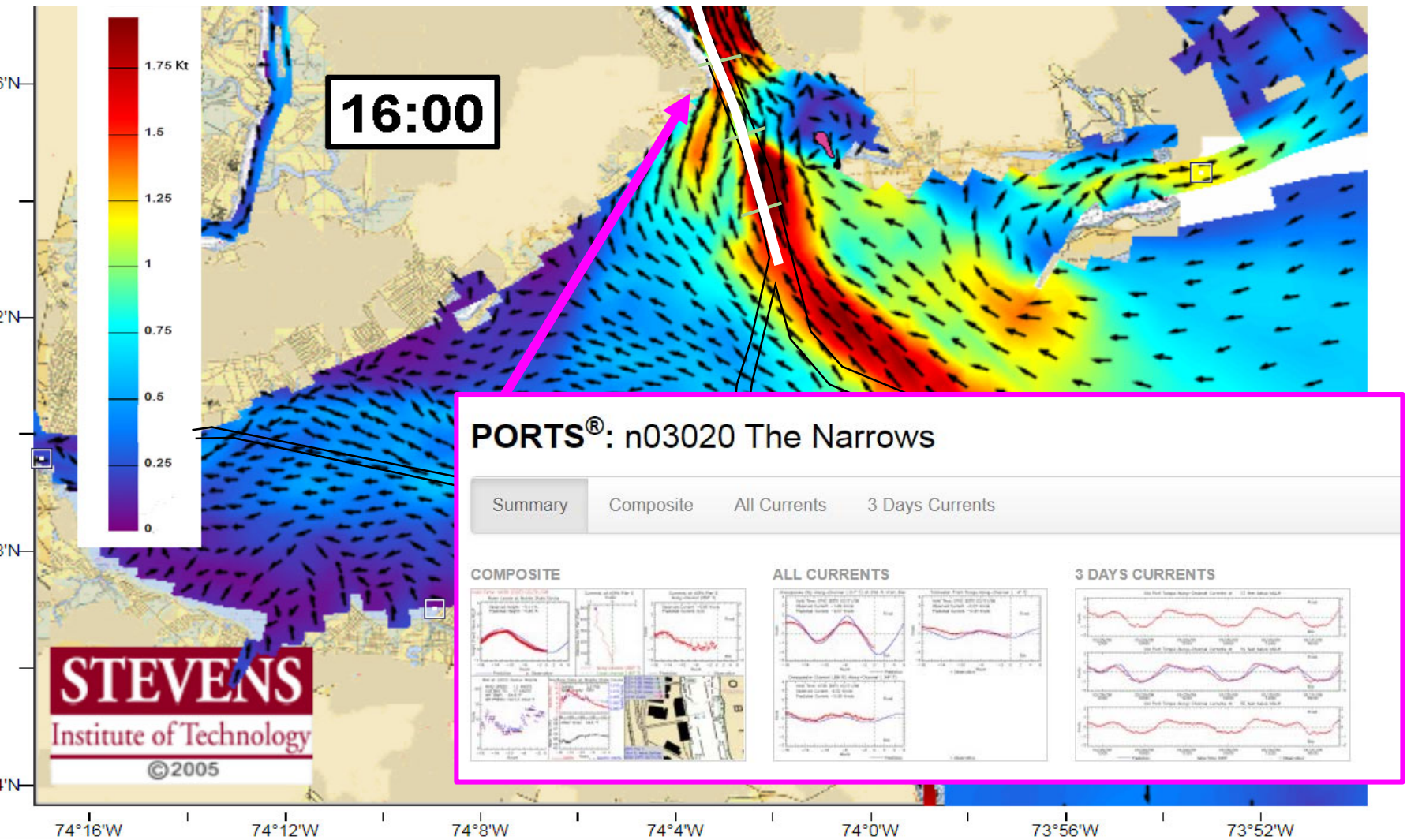
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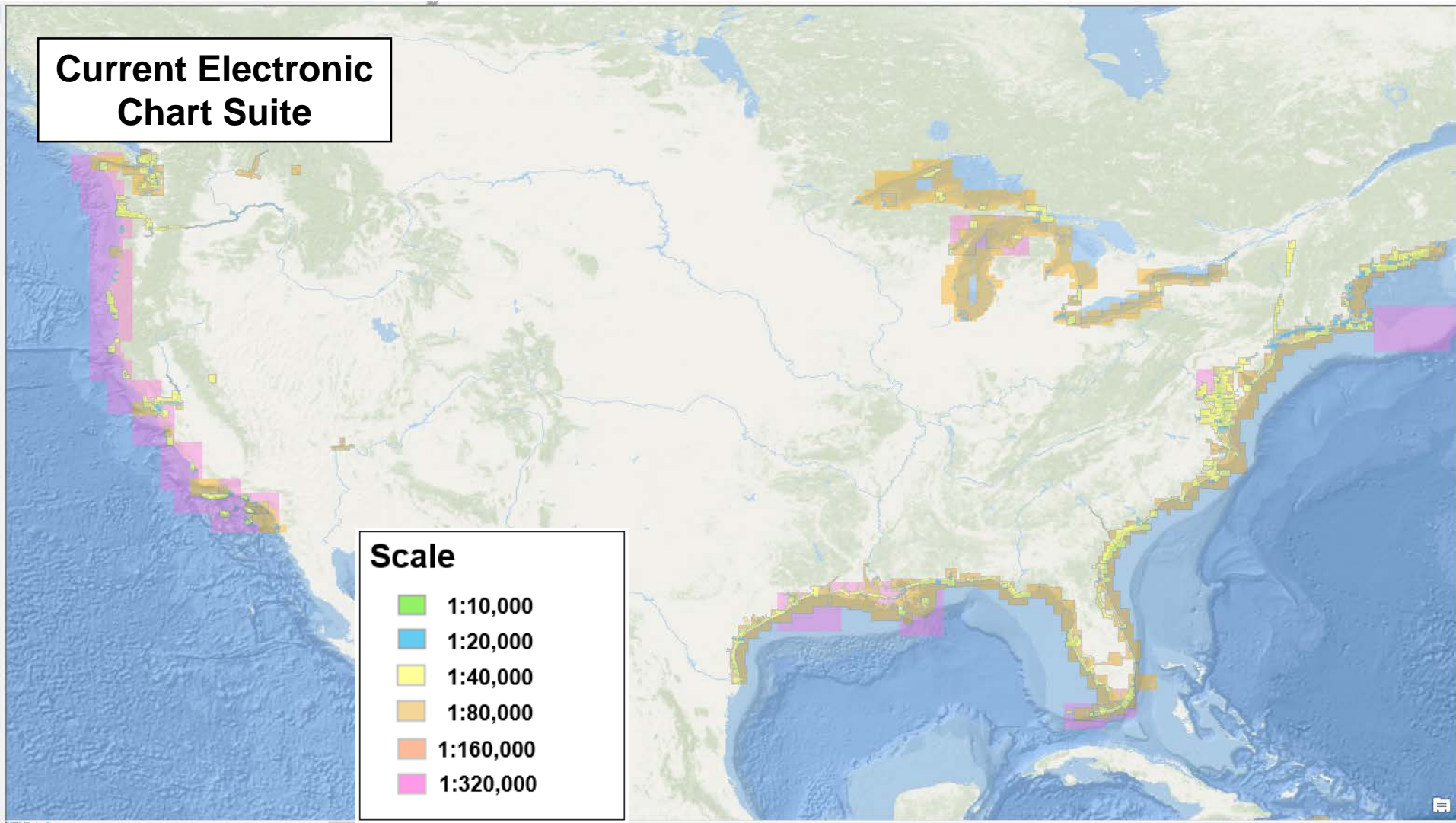
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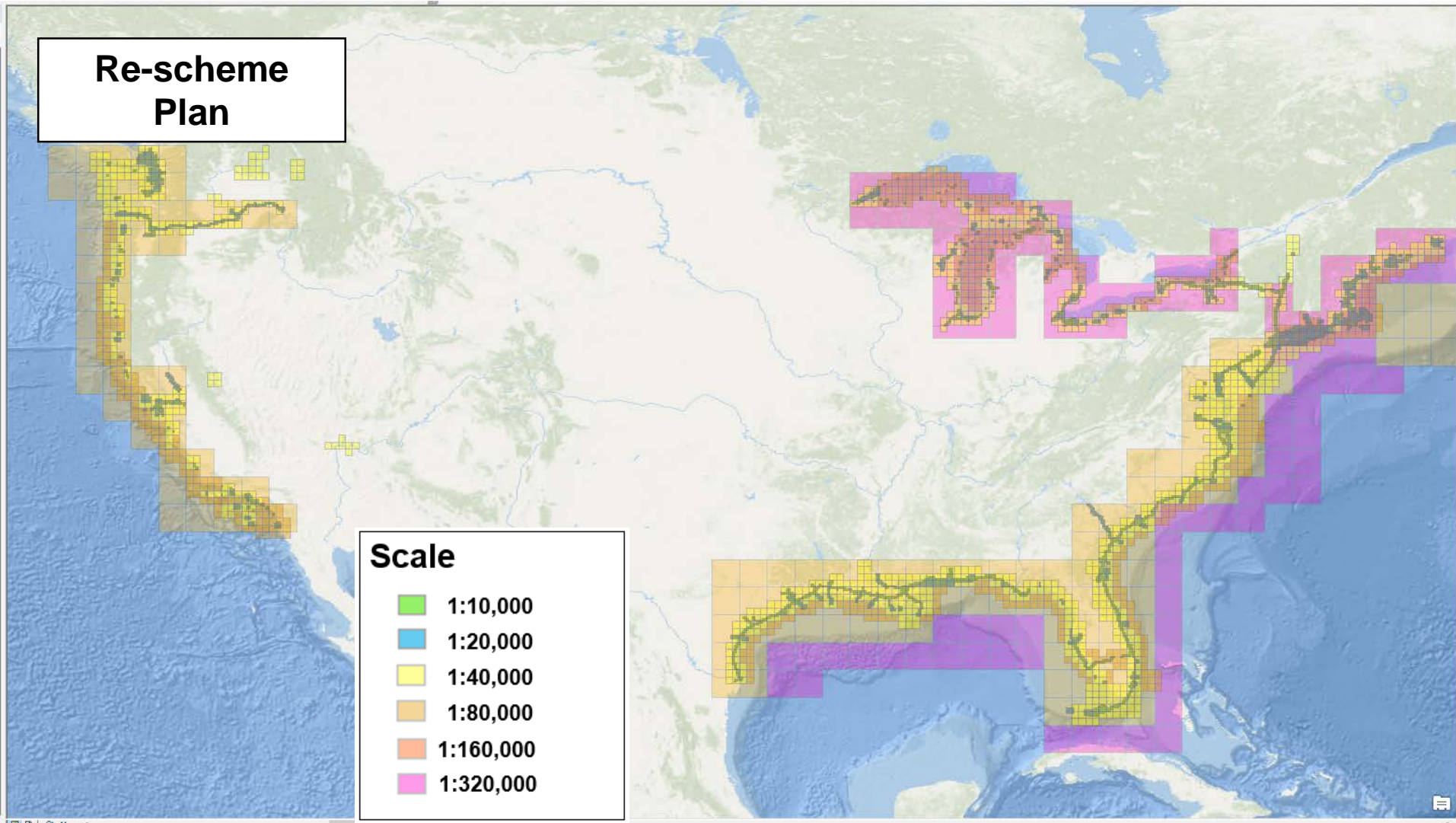
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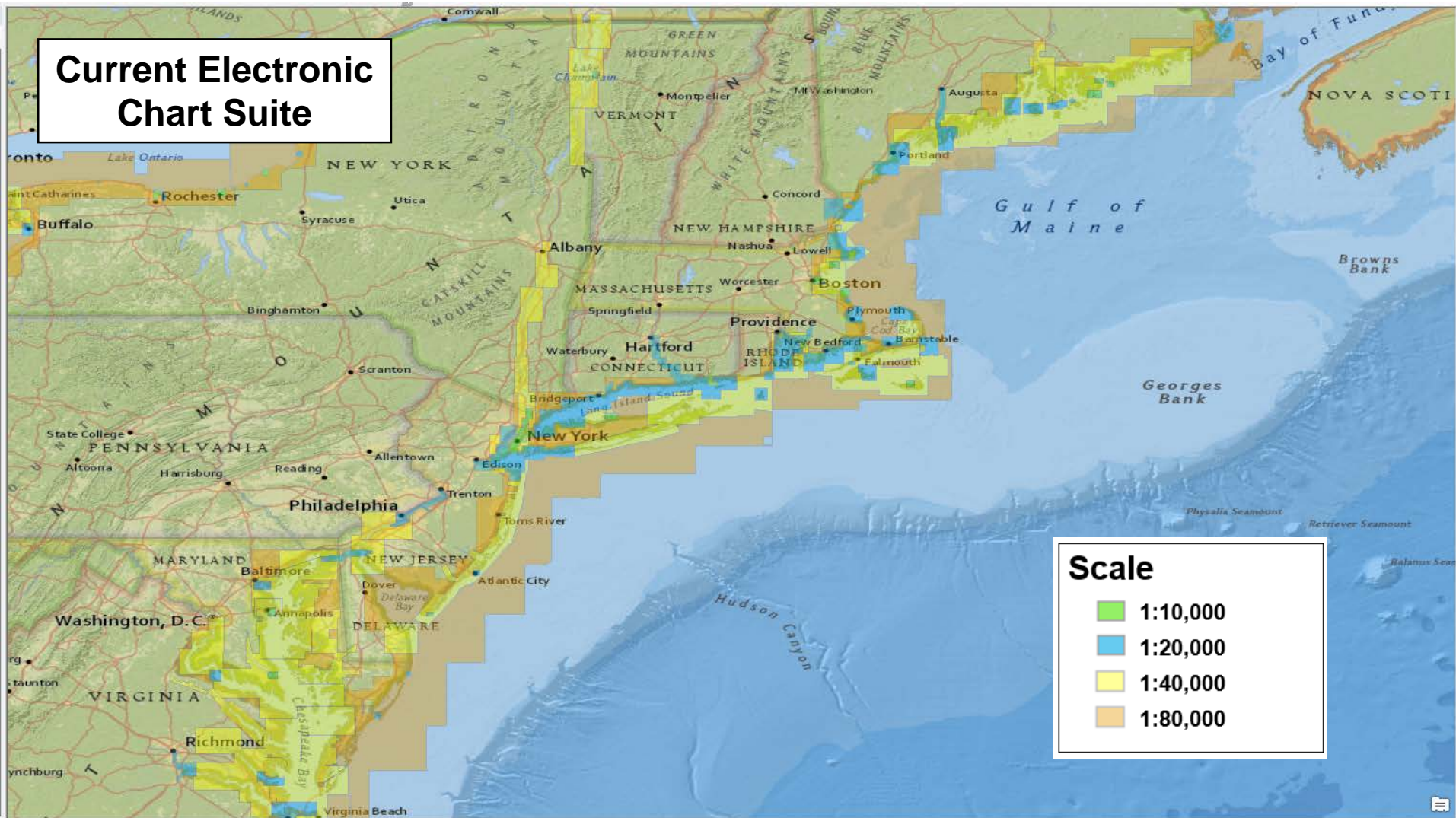
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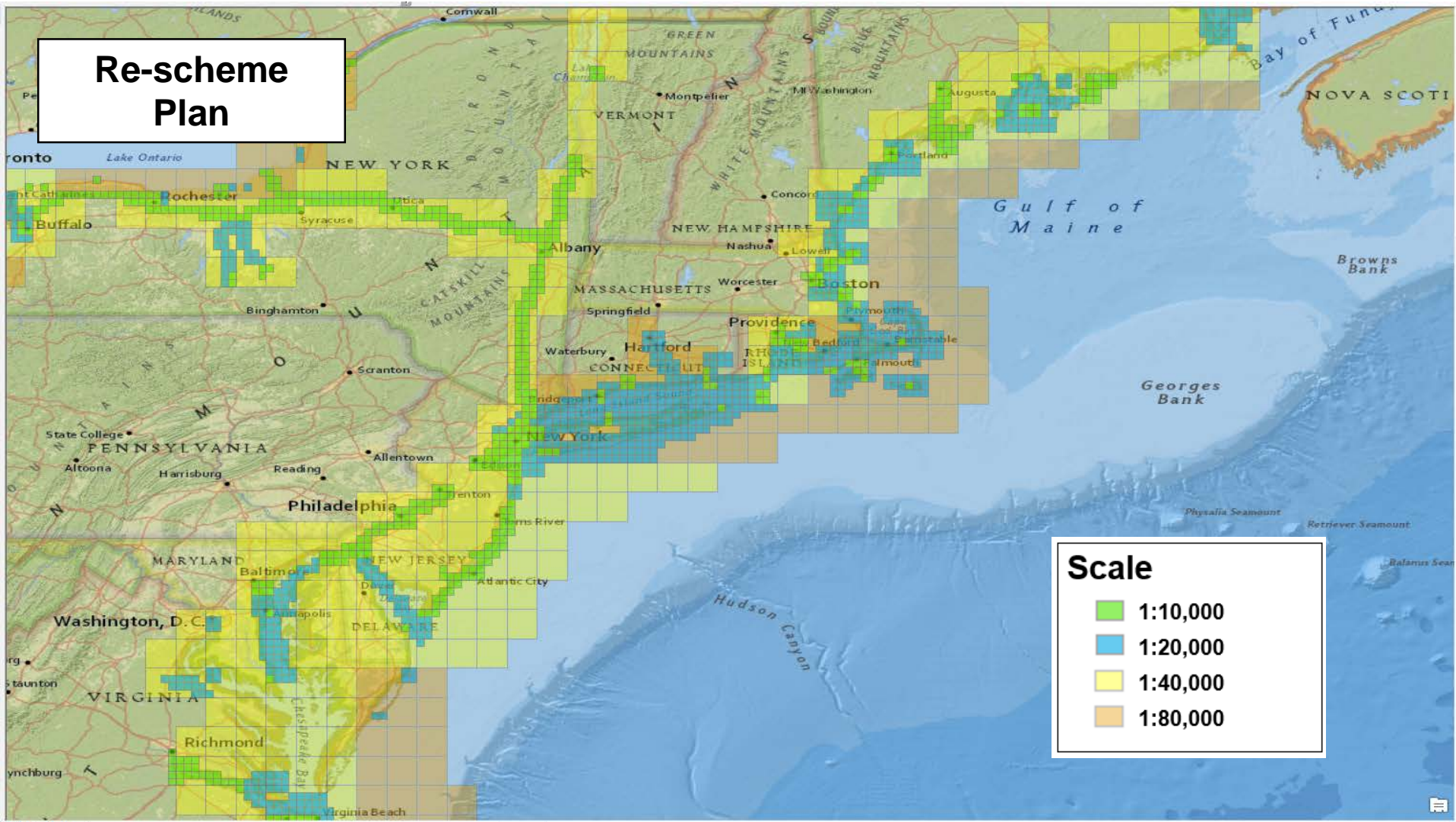
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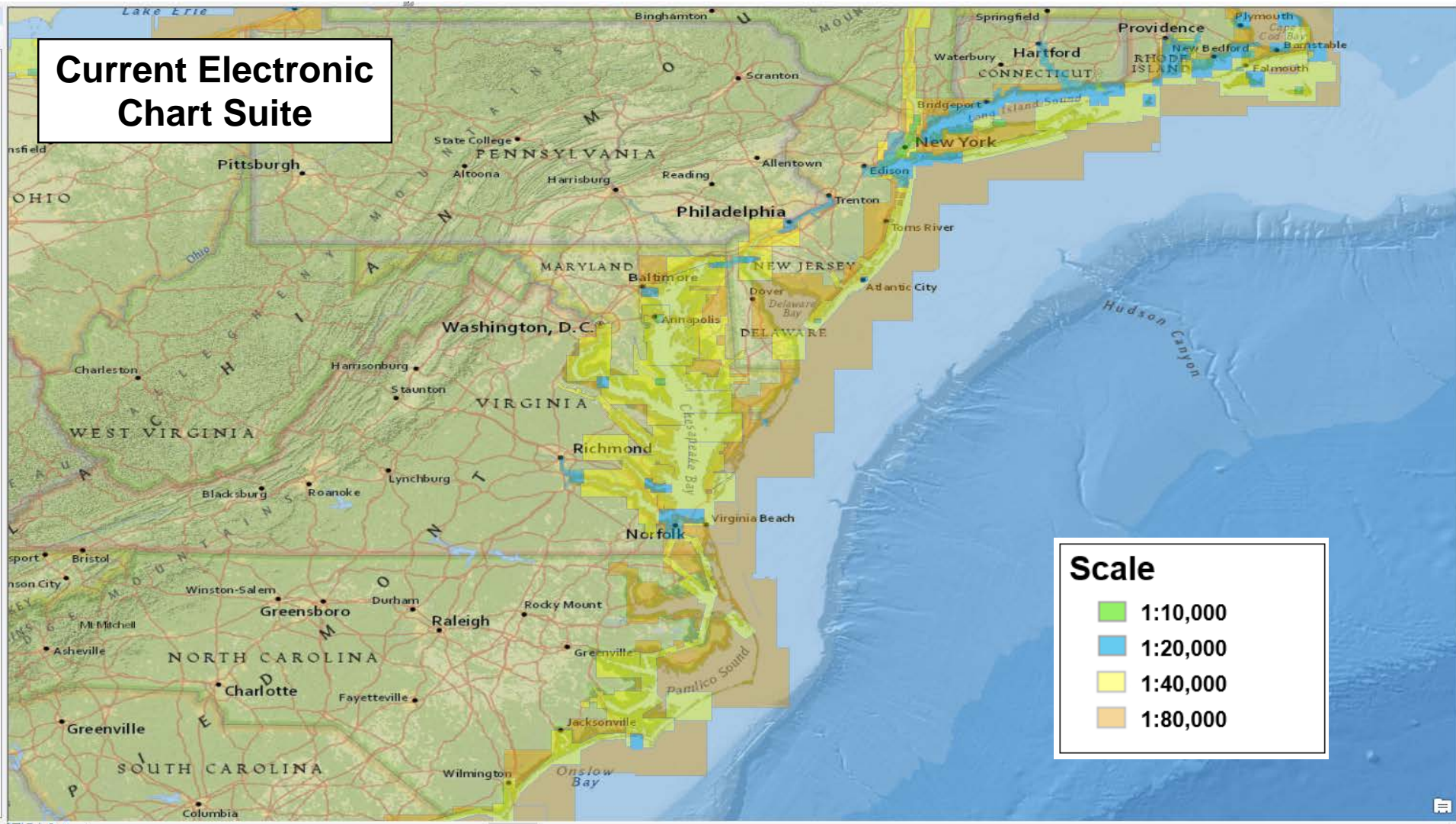
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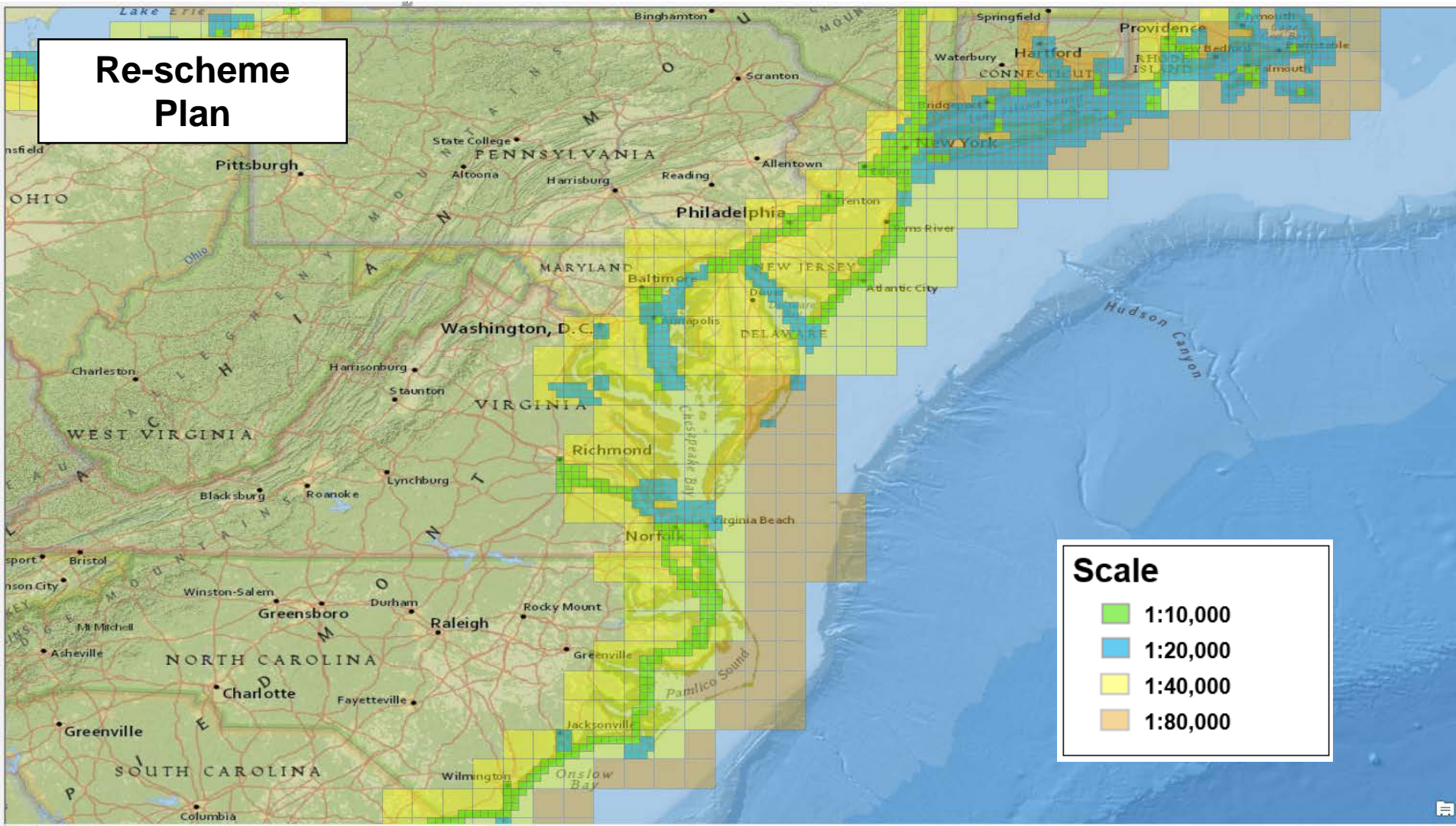
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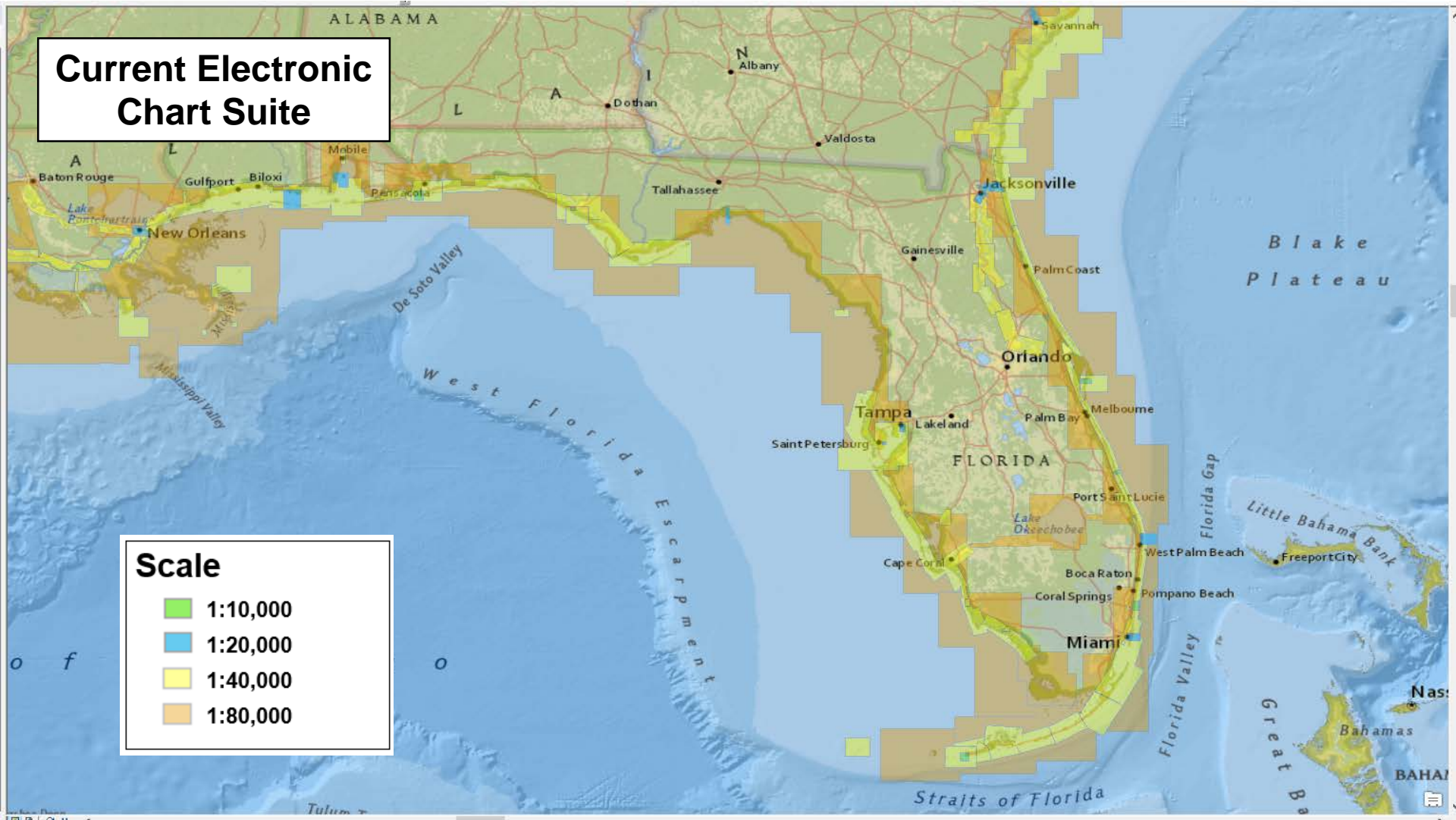
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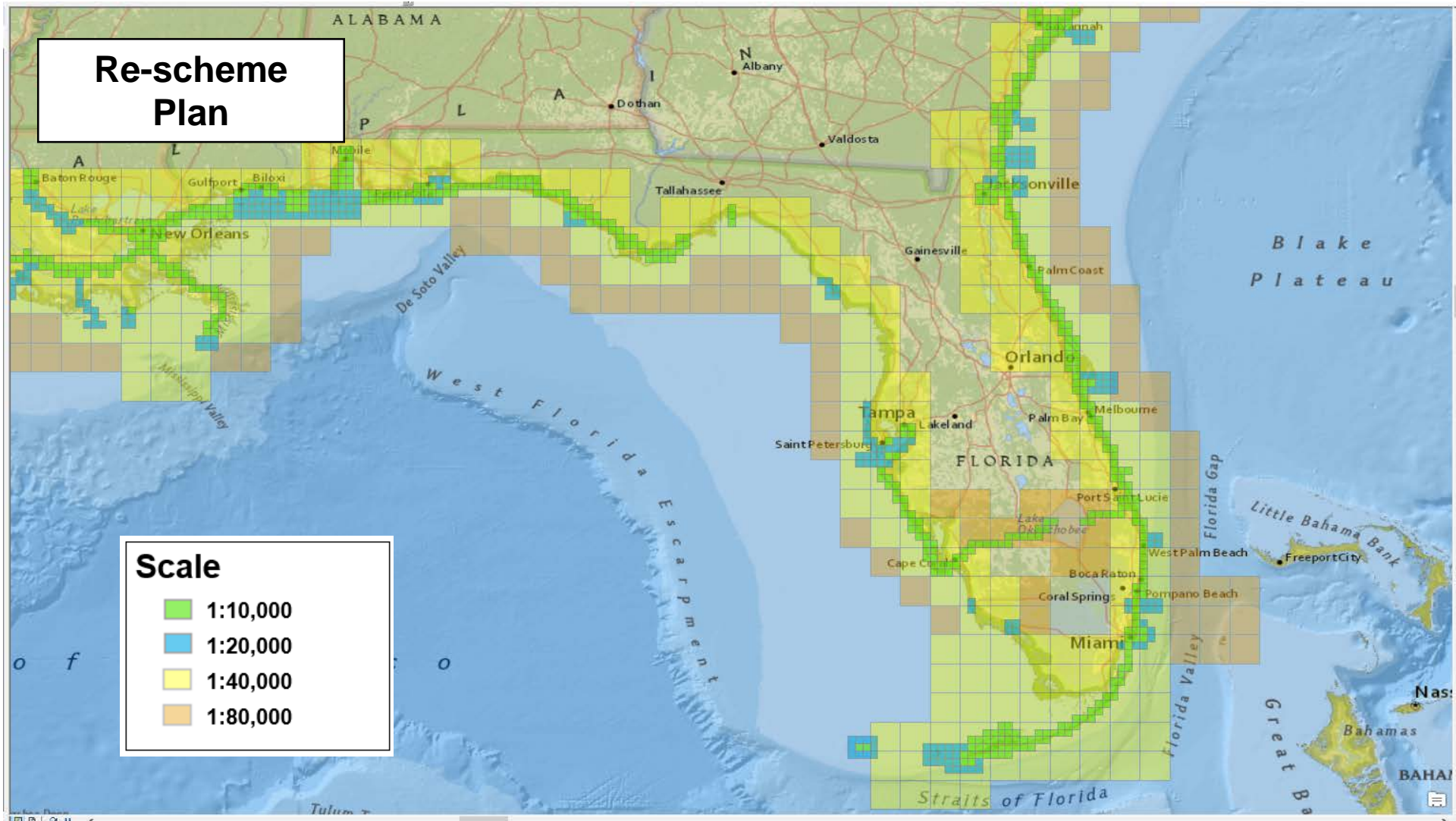
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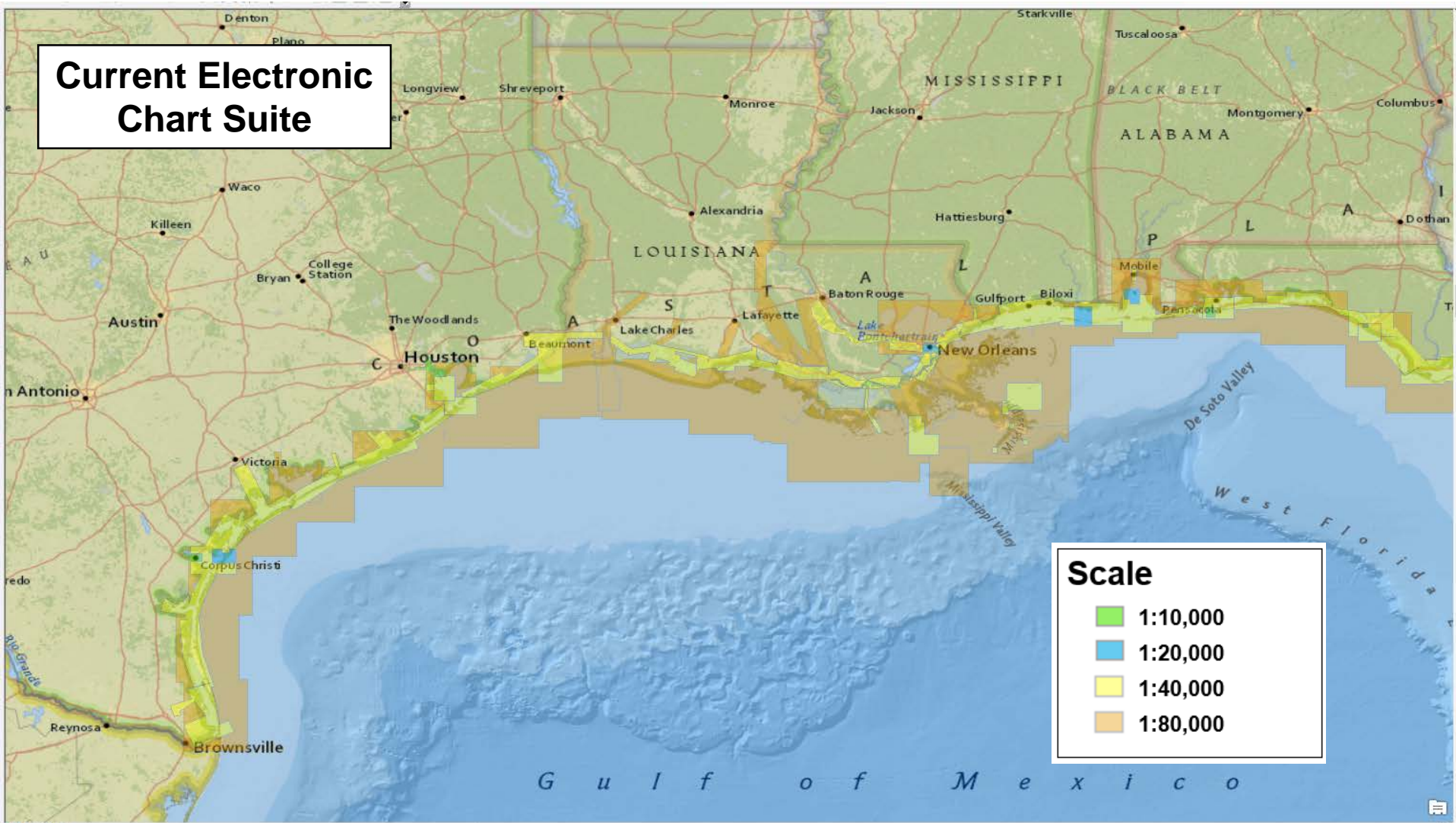
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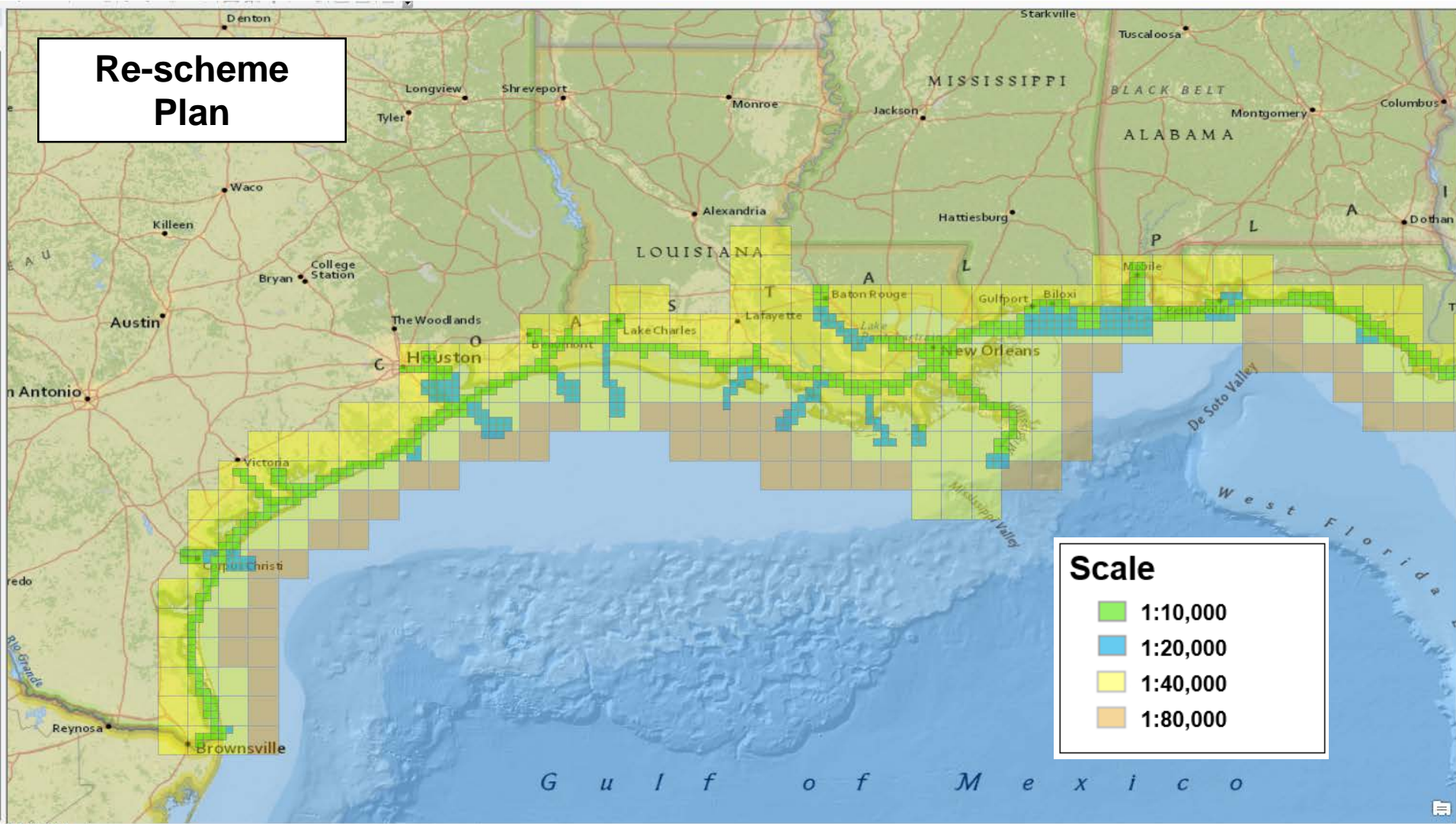
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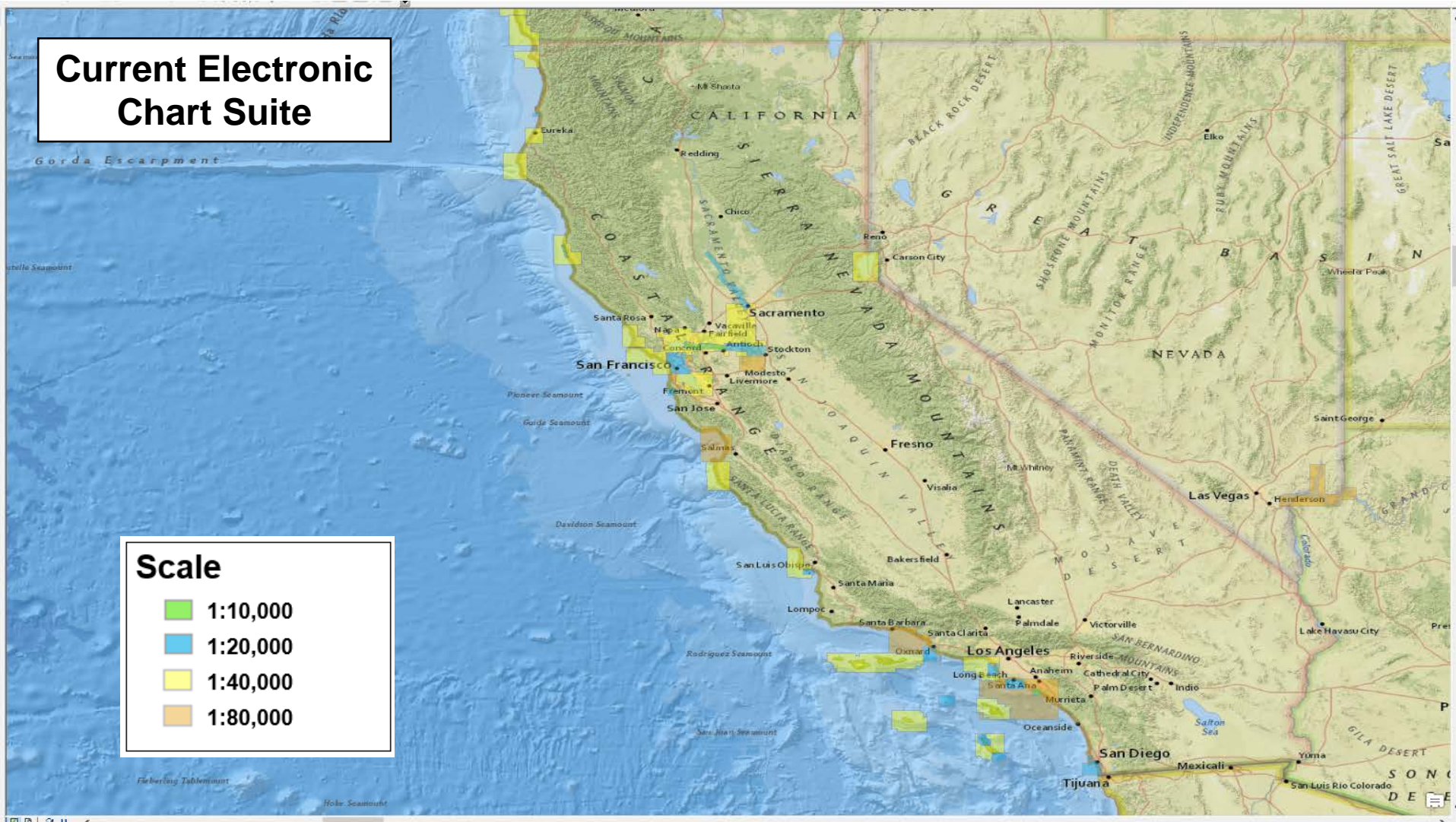
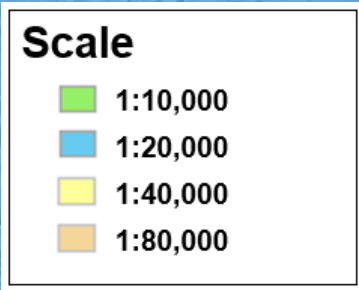
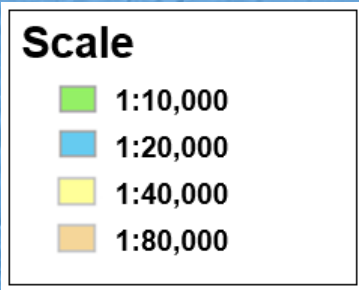
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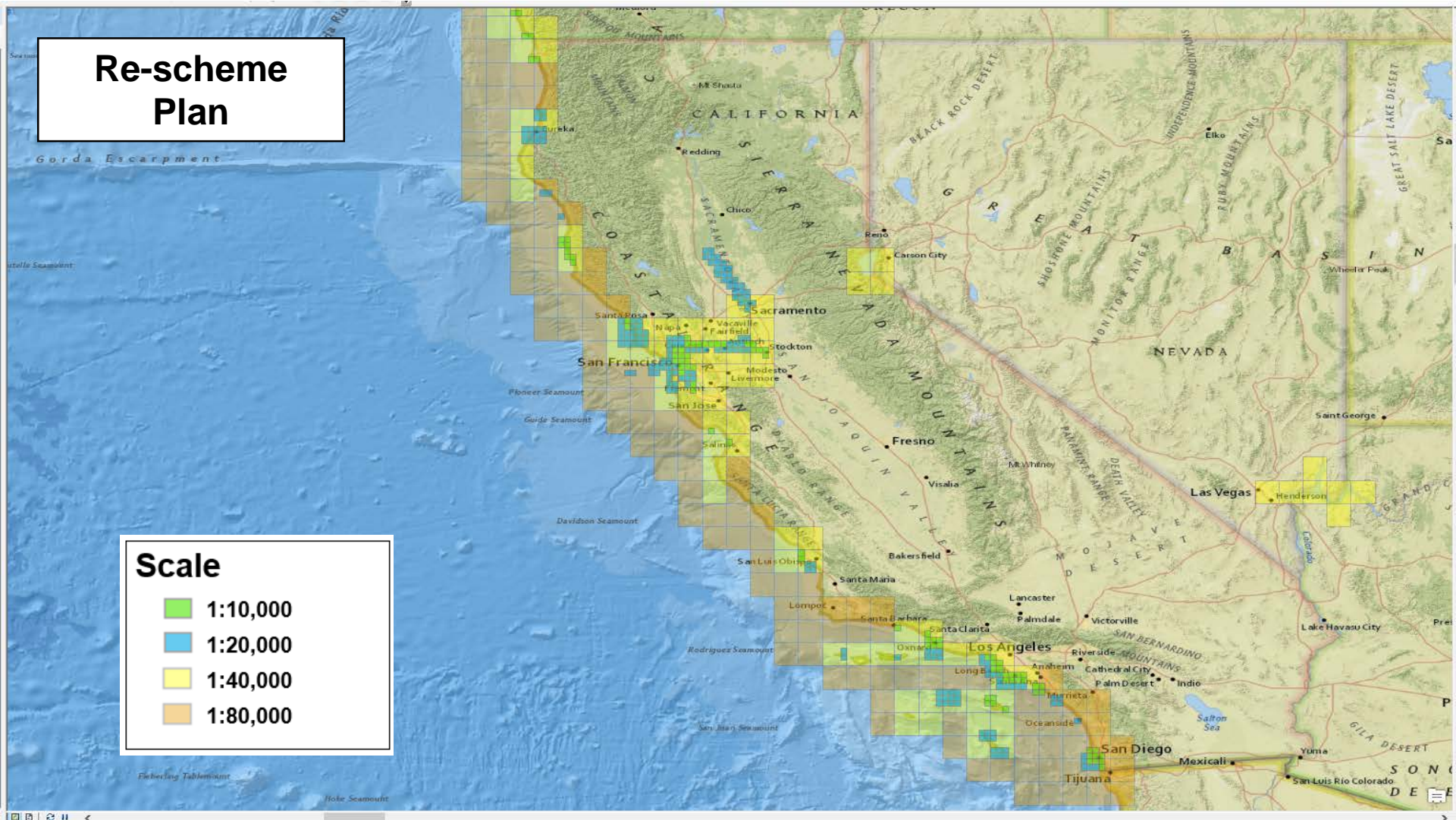
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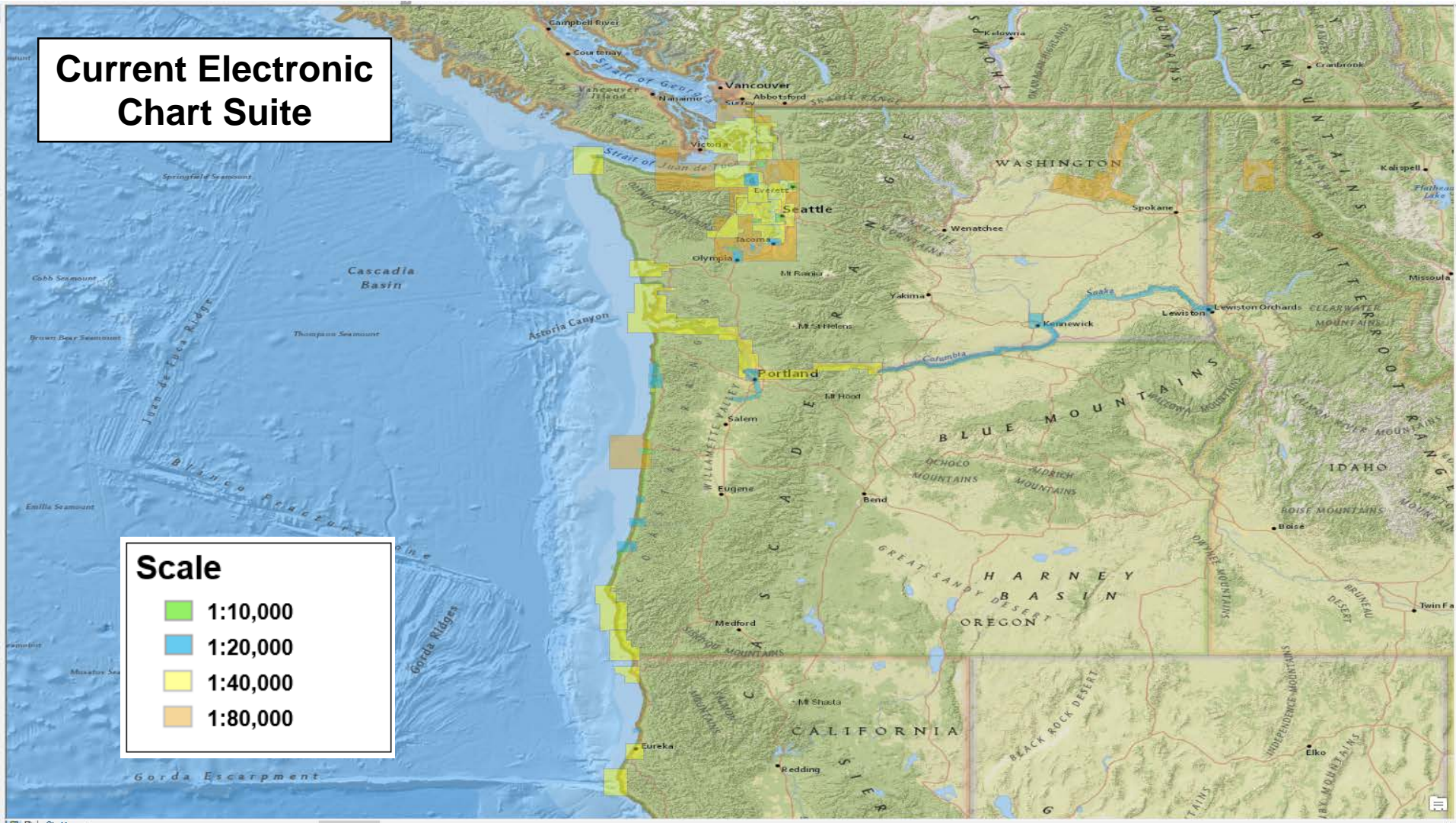
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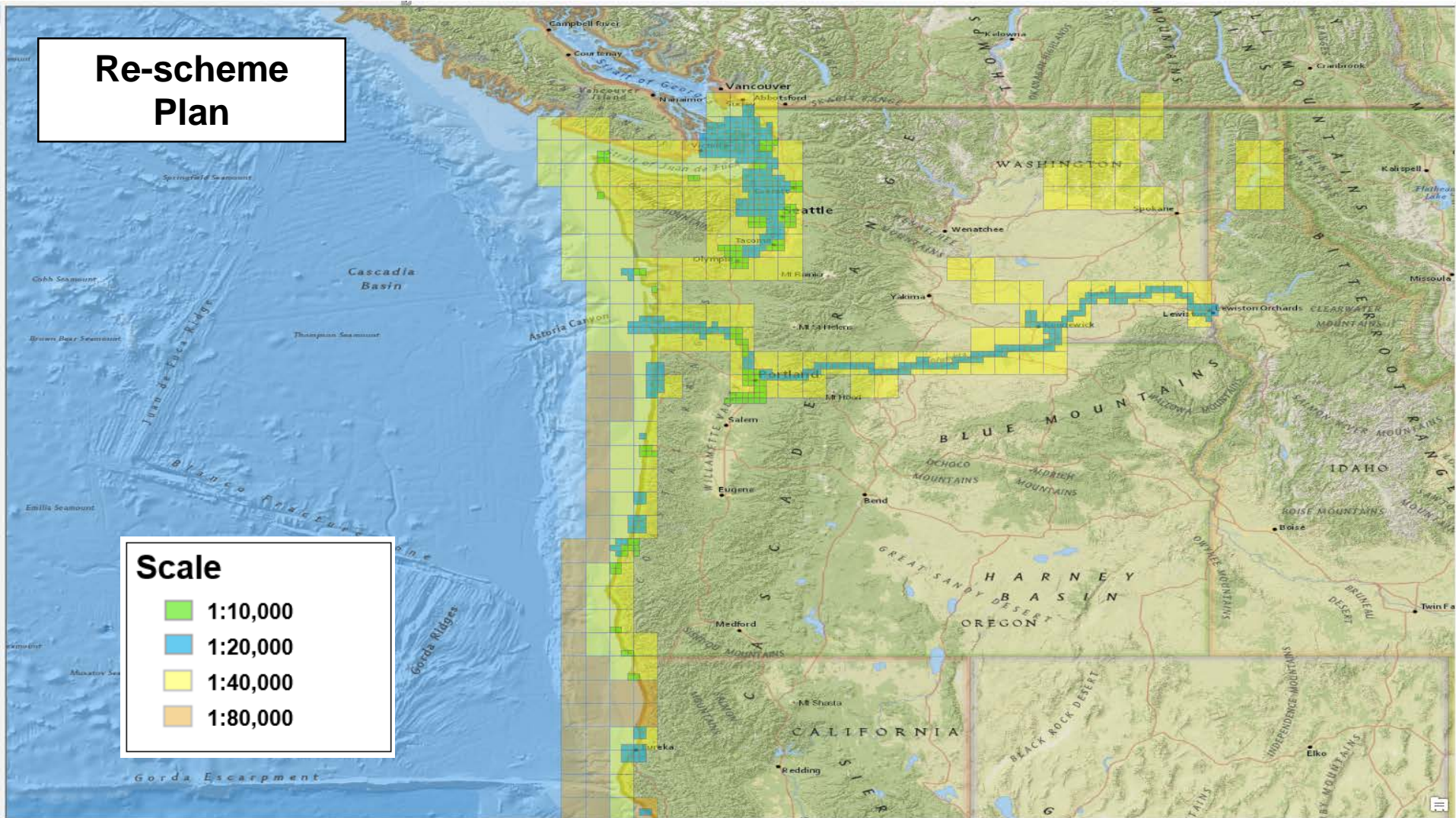
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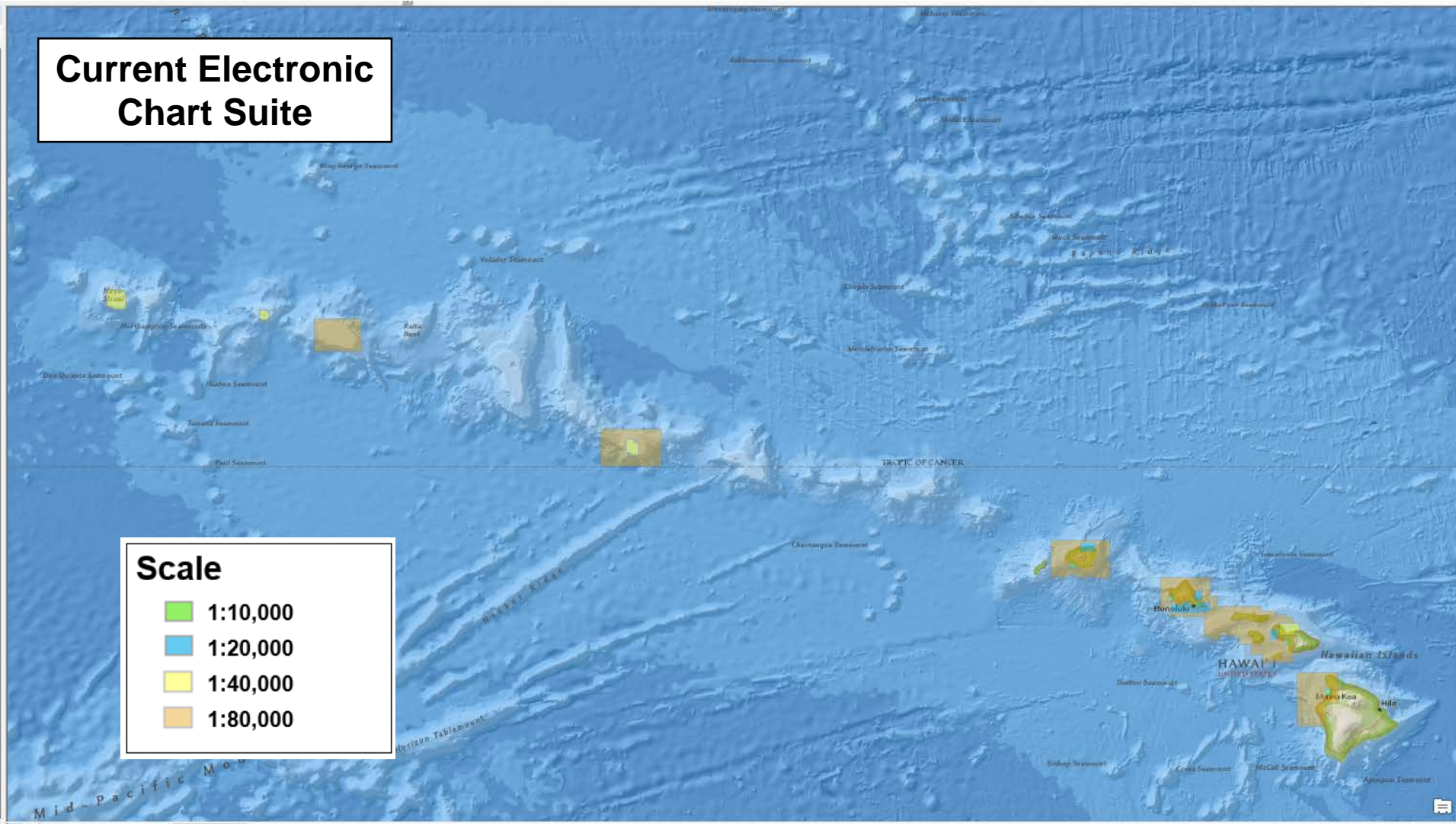
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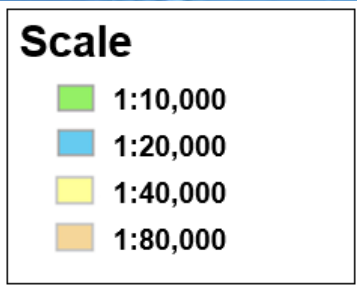
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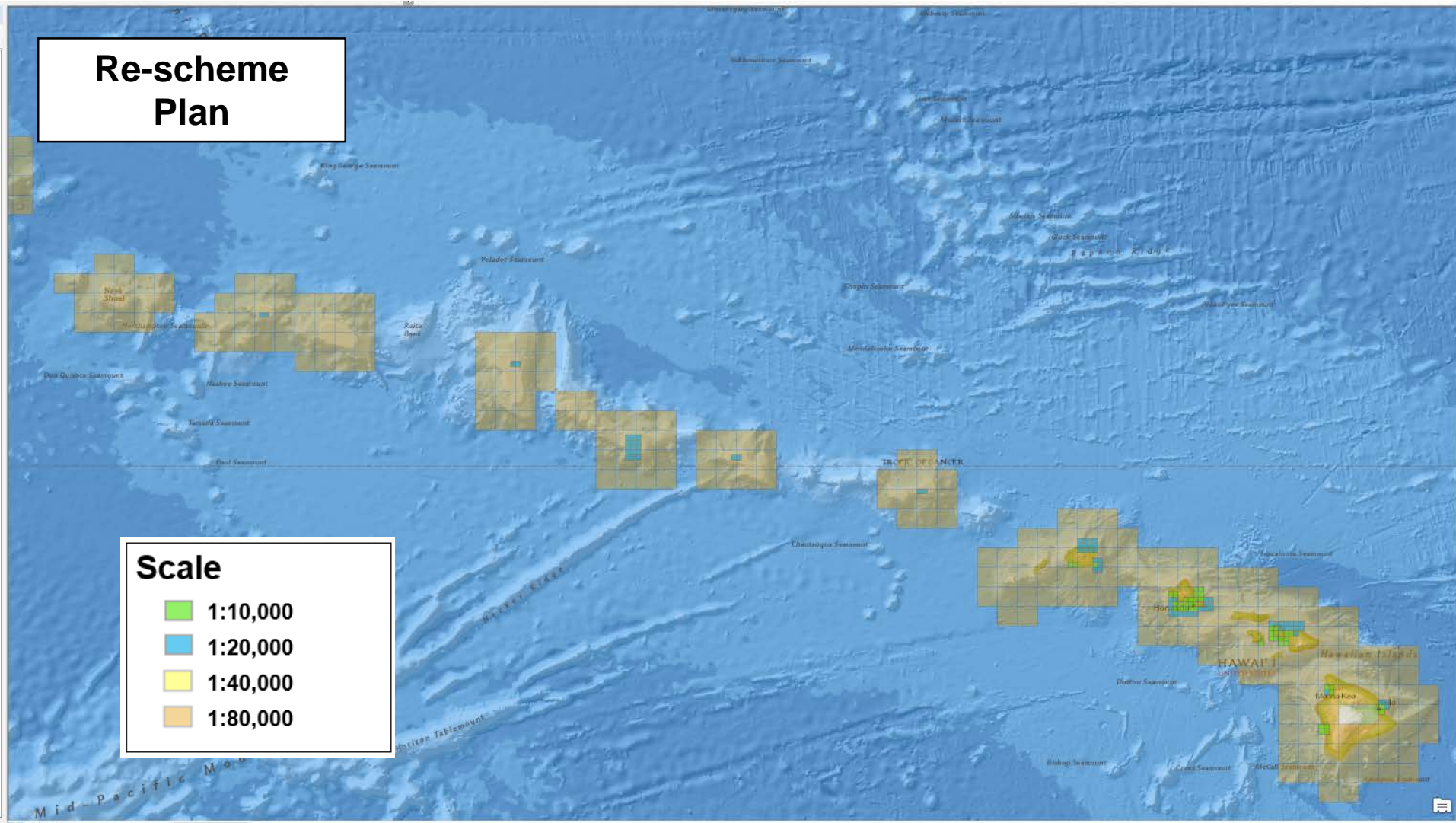


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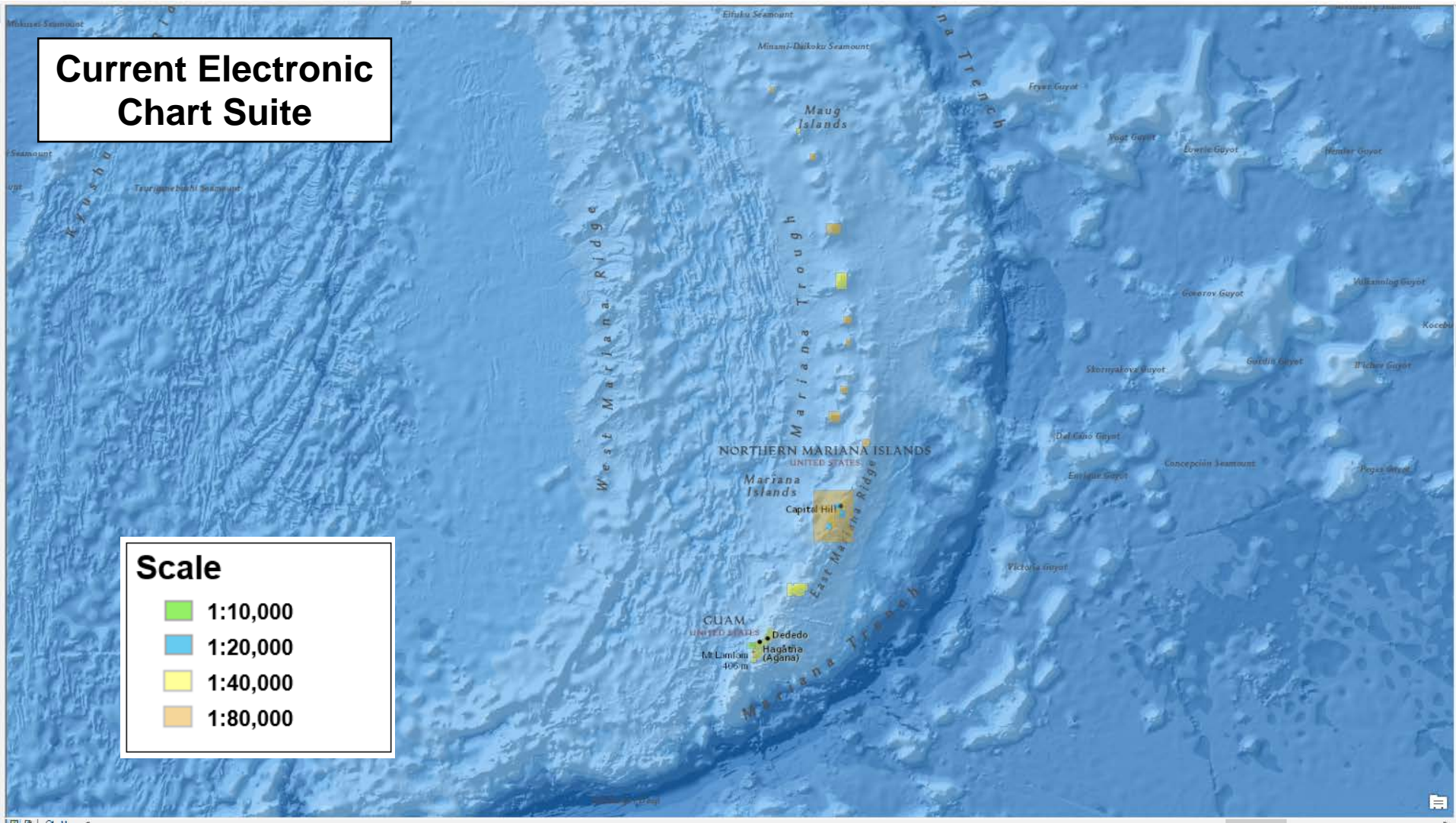
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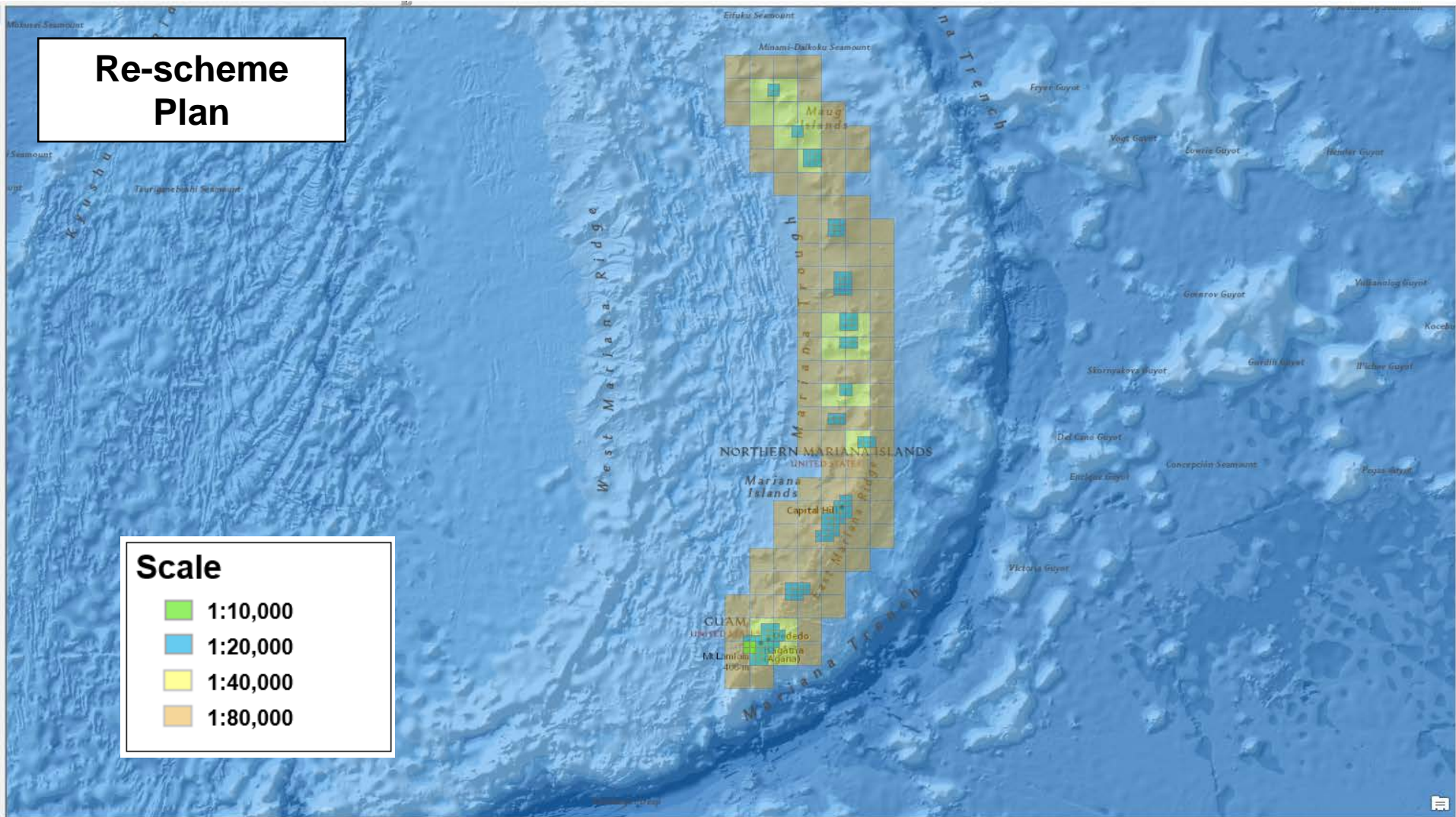
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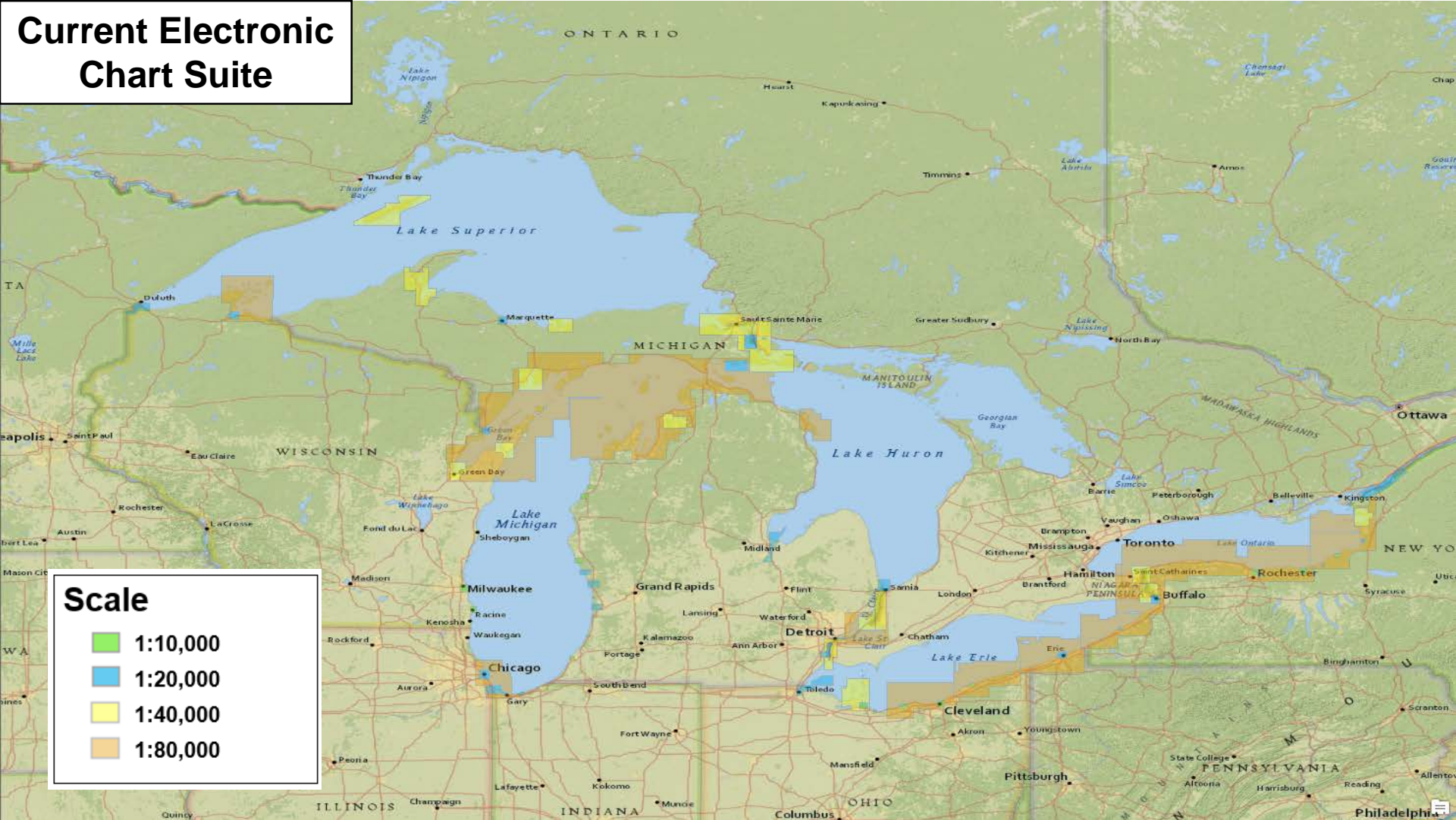
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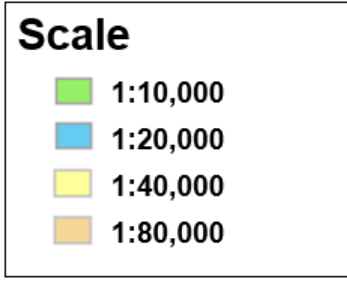
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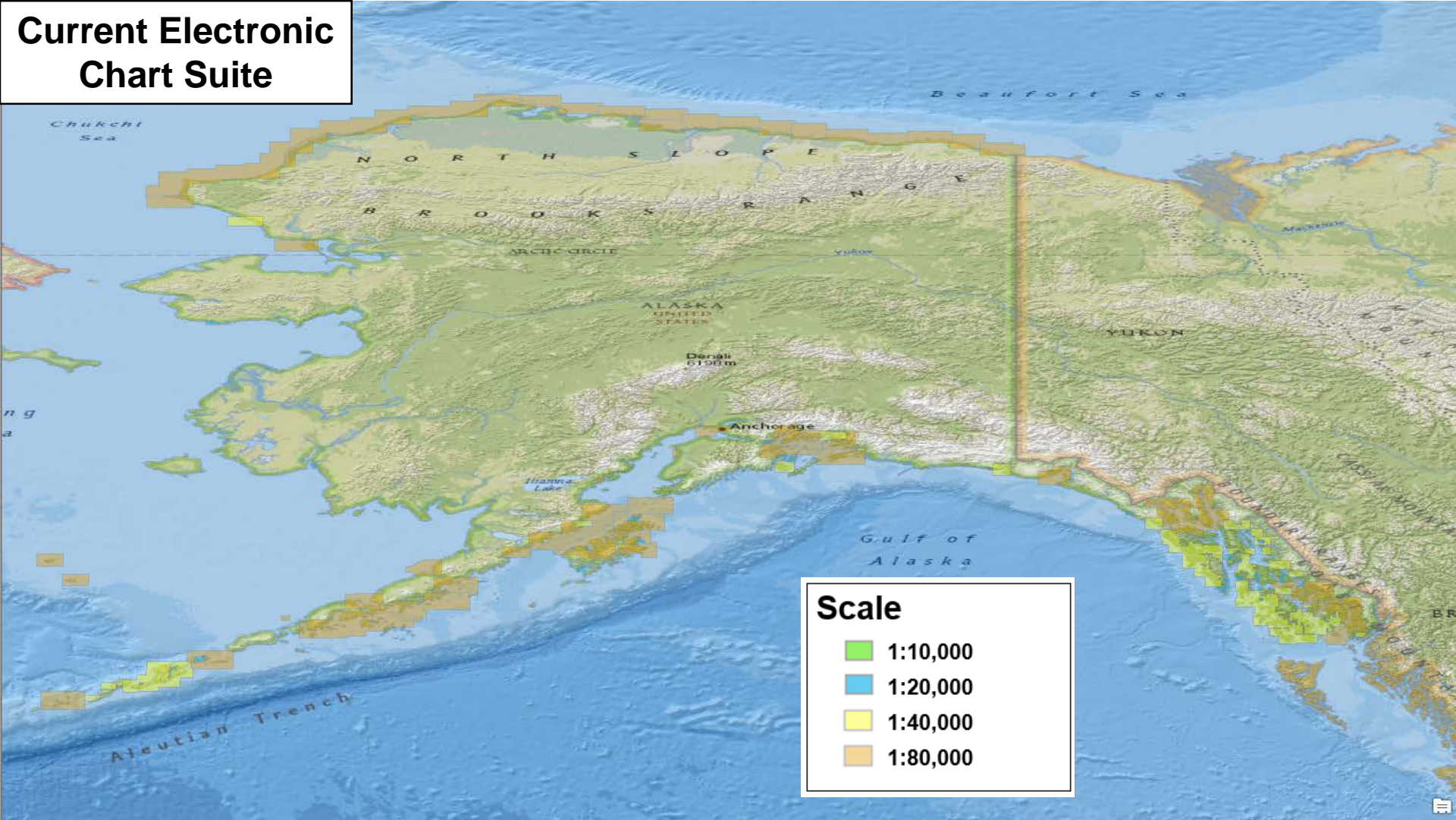
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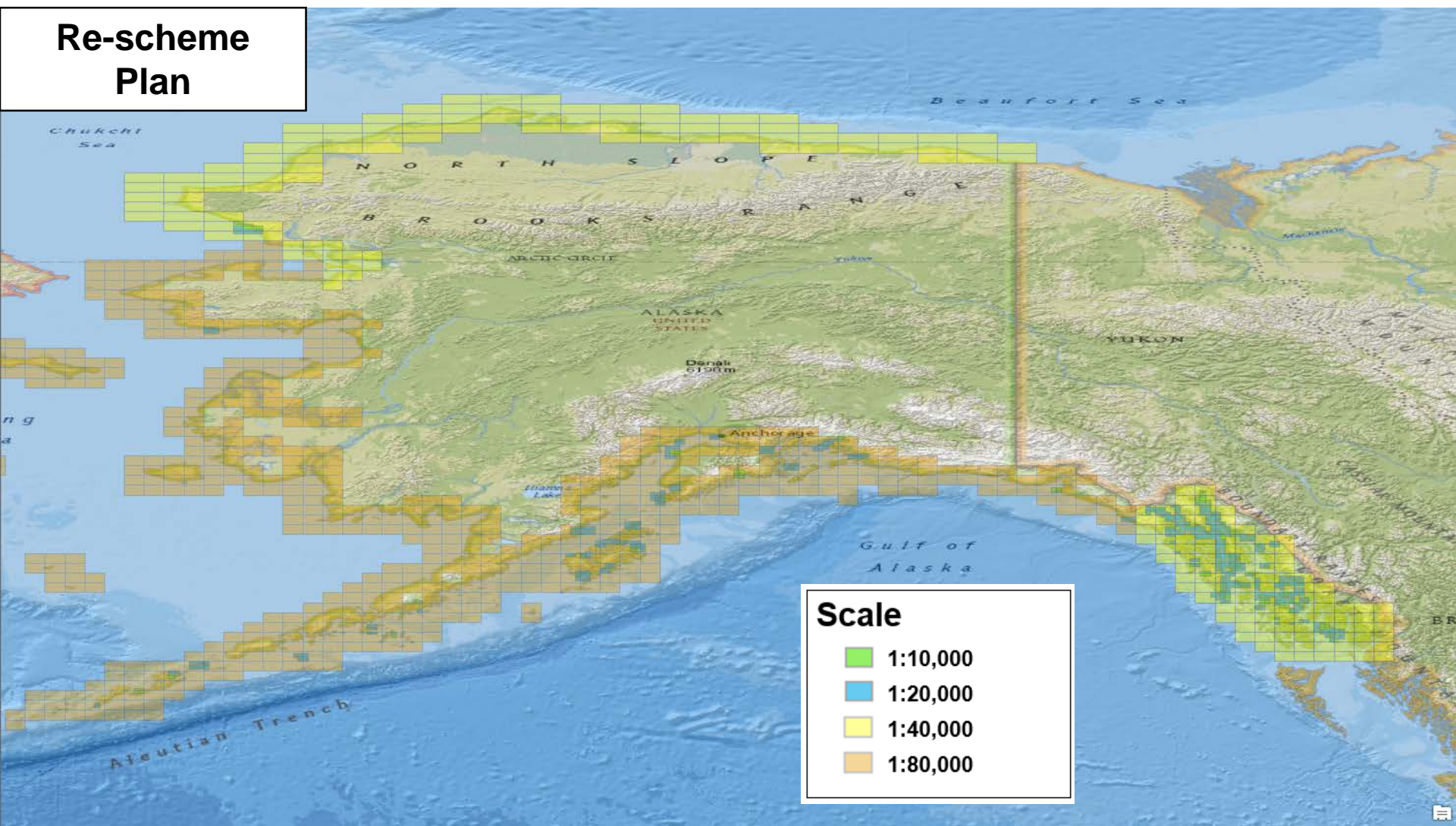
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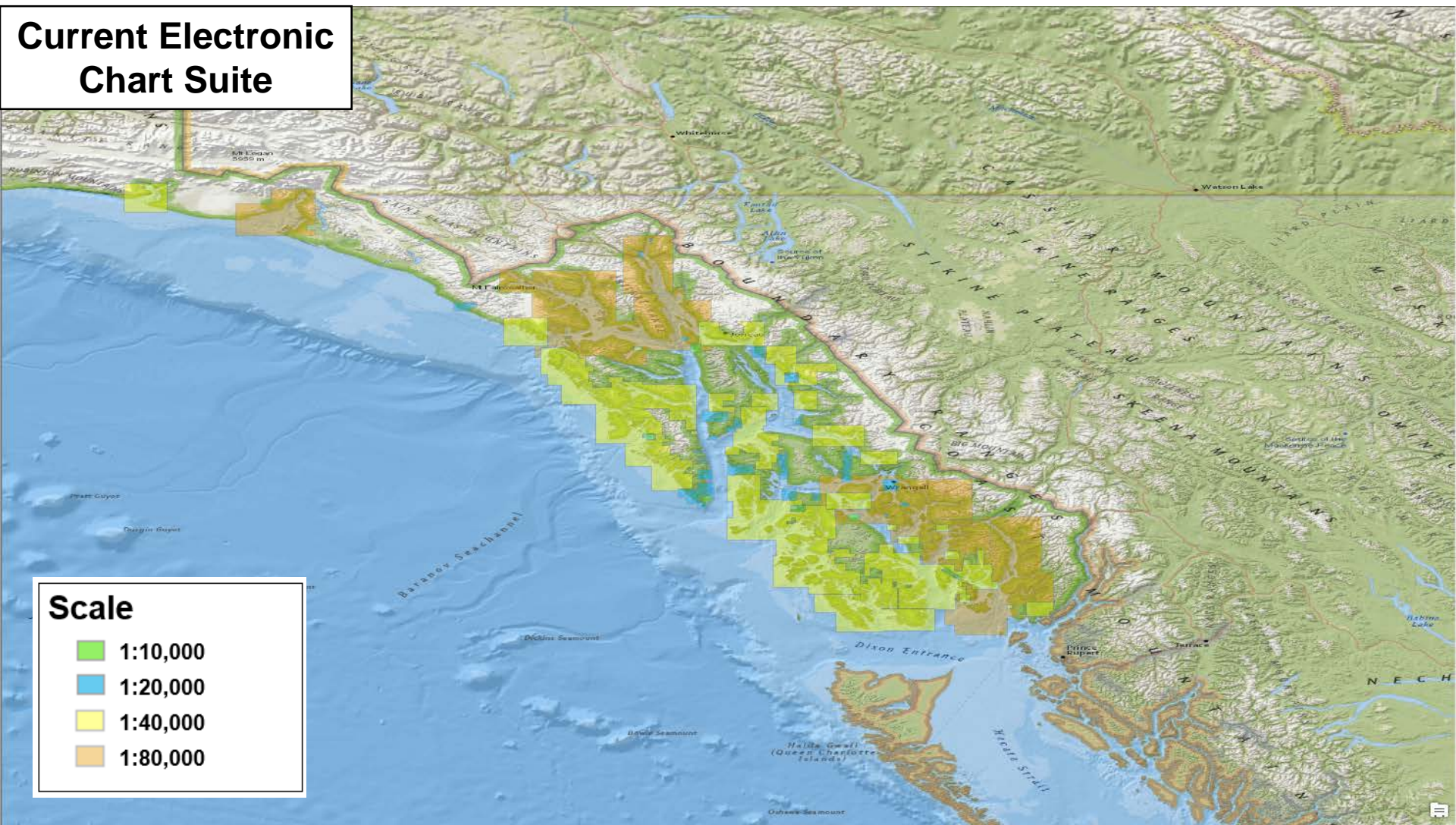
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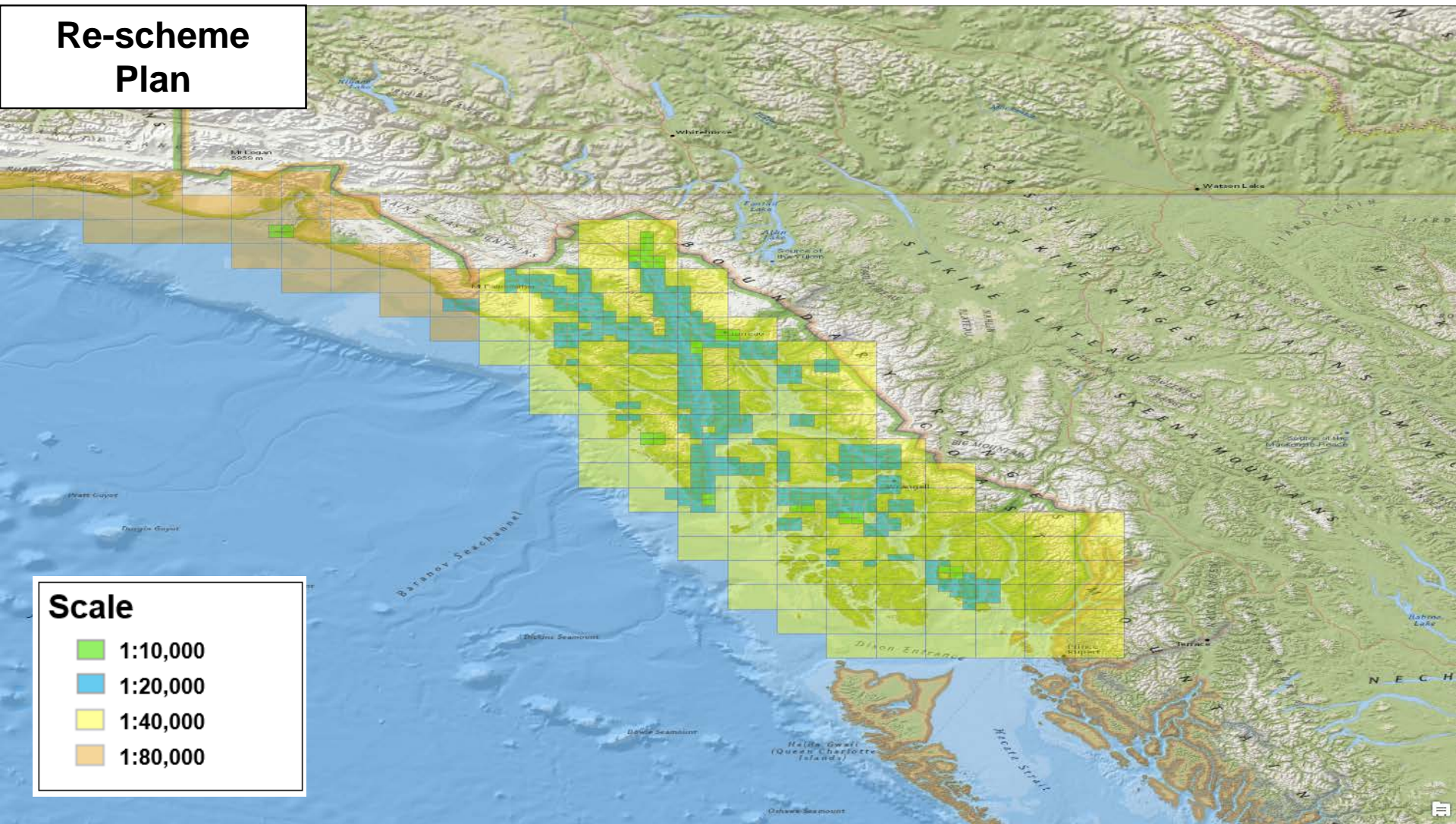
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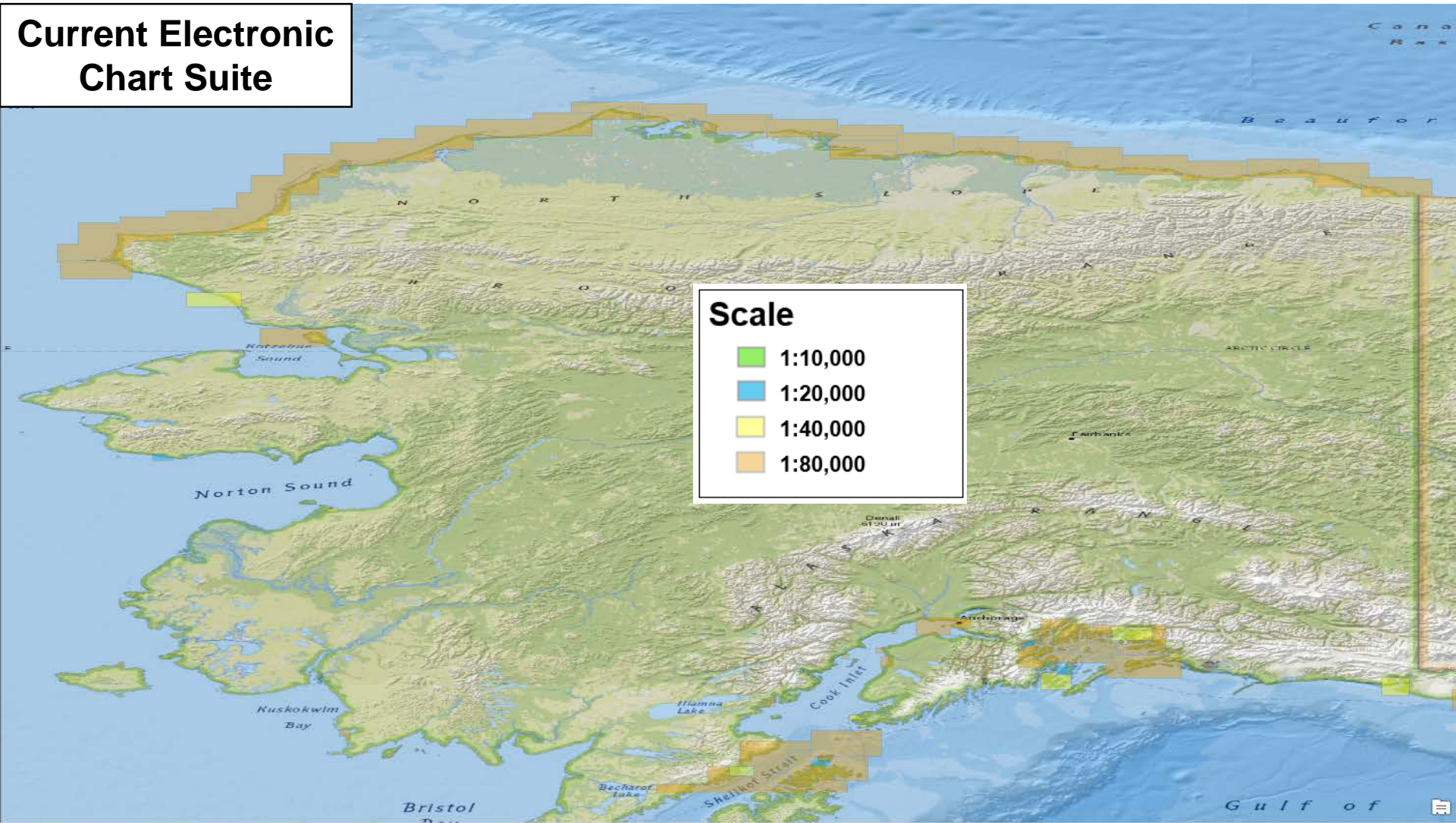
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