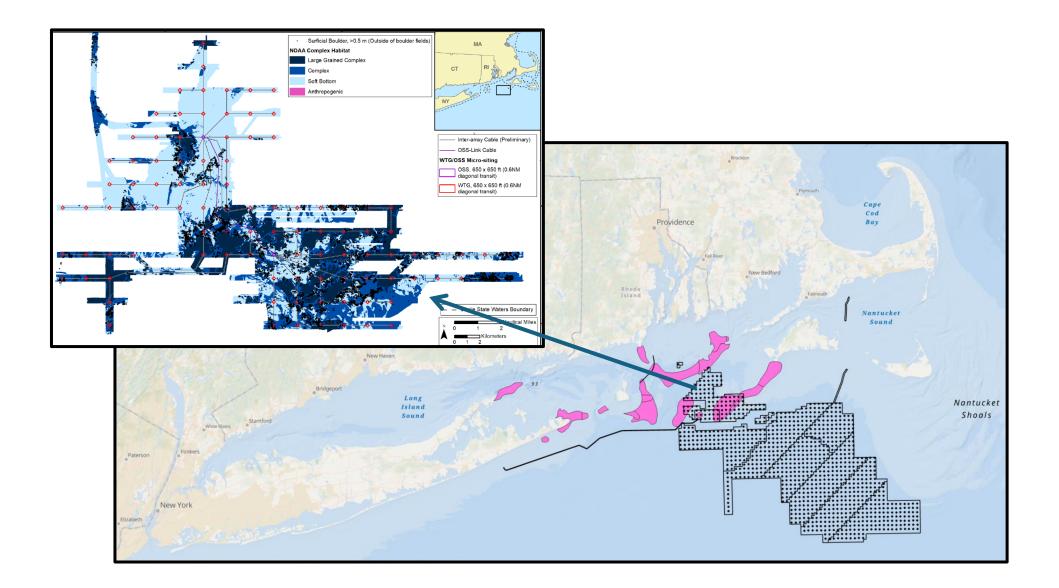
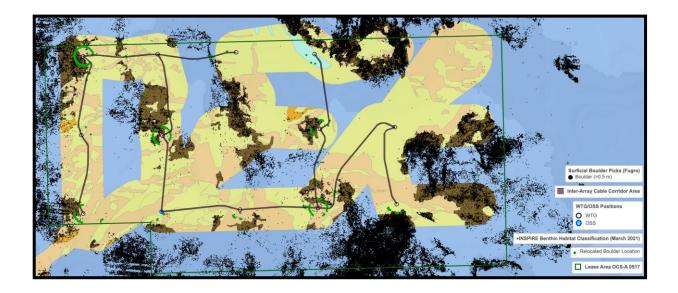
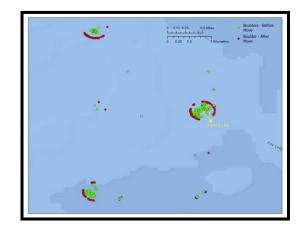
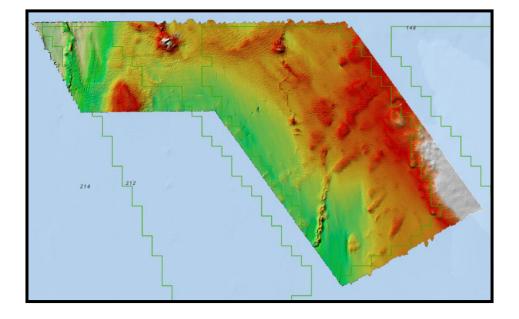
#### Lessons Learned from Southern New England



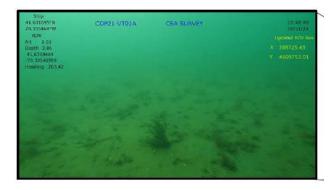
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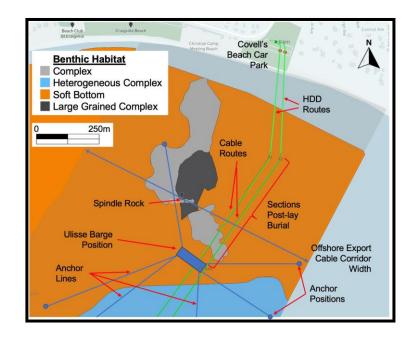






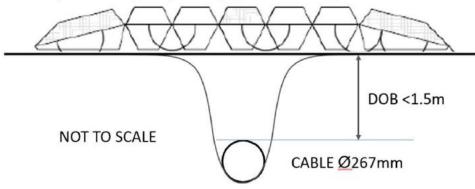
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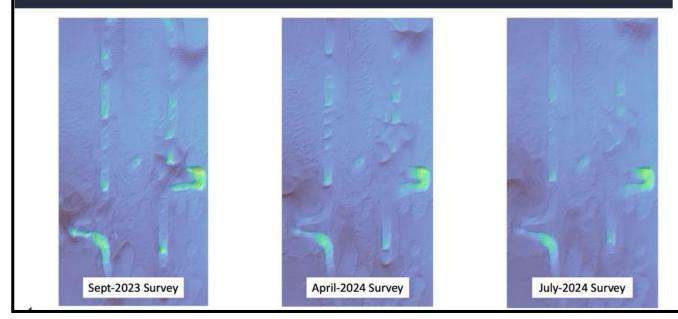
Tapered edges (fishing gear friendly)



90 m of inadequately buried cable will now be covered with concrete mattresses

## Stuff happens – solving one problem might cause another

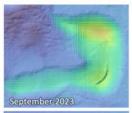
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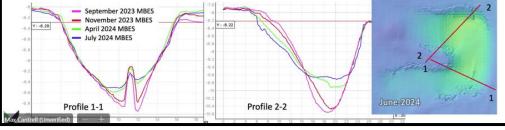


#### **Nearshore Joint Burial: East Circuit**

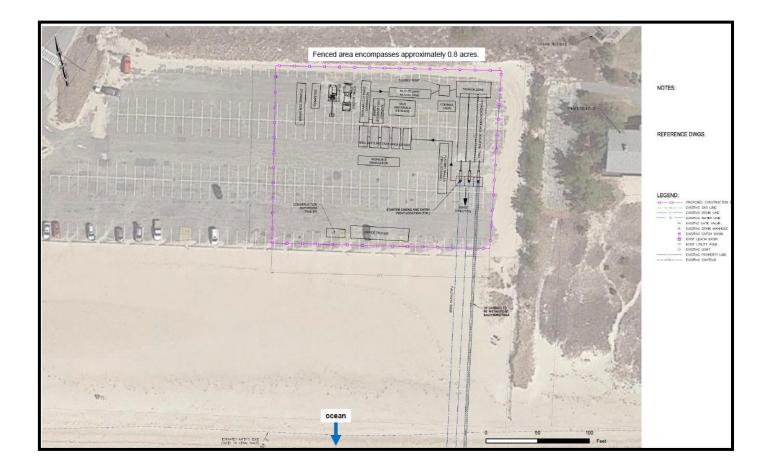
 Profiles comparing the various surveys for the eastern circuit nearshore joints:

For the wider portion of the trench on the omega crown which occur to the north of the bight, approximately 35cm of infill material is observed as shown in profile [2-2]
The other side of the crown shows additional backfill





## Barrier beaches might not be the best places to land cables





## What data are needed to make informed decisions?

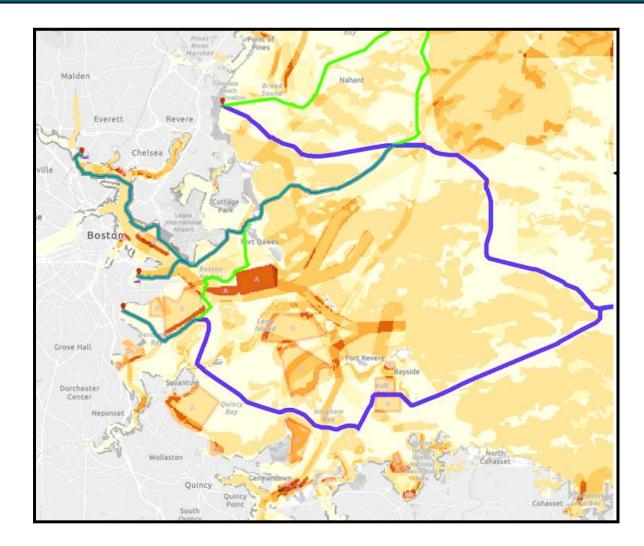
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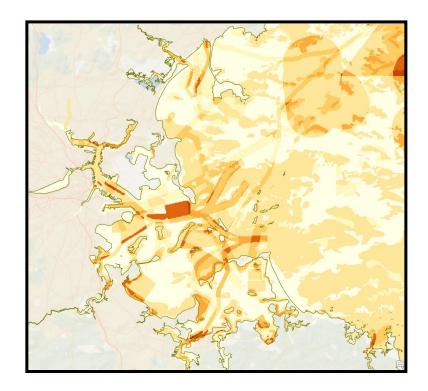
- Bathymetry/slope of seafloor
- Surficial sediment type (sand, mud, gravel, sand waves), seafloor texture
- Depth to bedrock

#### To minimize resource impacts:

- Identify boulder fields, archaeological resources
- Identify biogenic habitats: sponges, corals, sea pens

## For cable routing: develop best practices rather than being overly prescriptive of where cables should go.





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