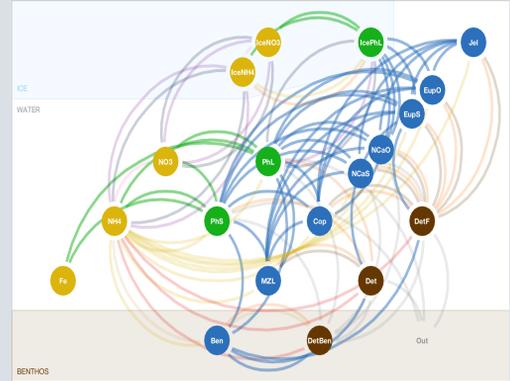
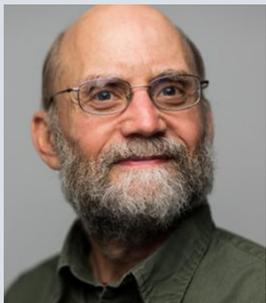


# Bering 10K ROMS & ROMS-BESTNPZ models Framework, status & simulations



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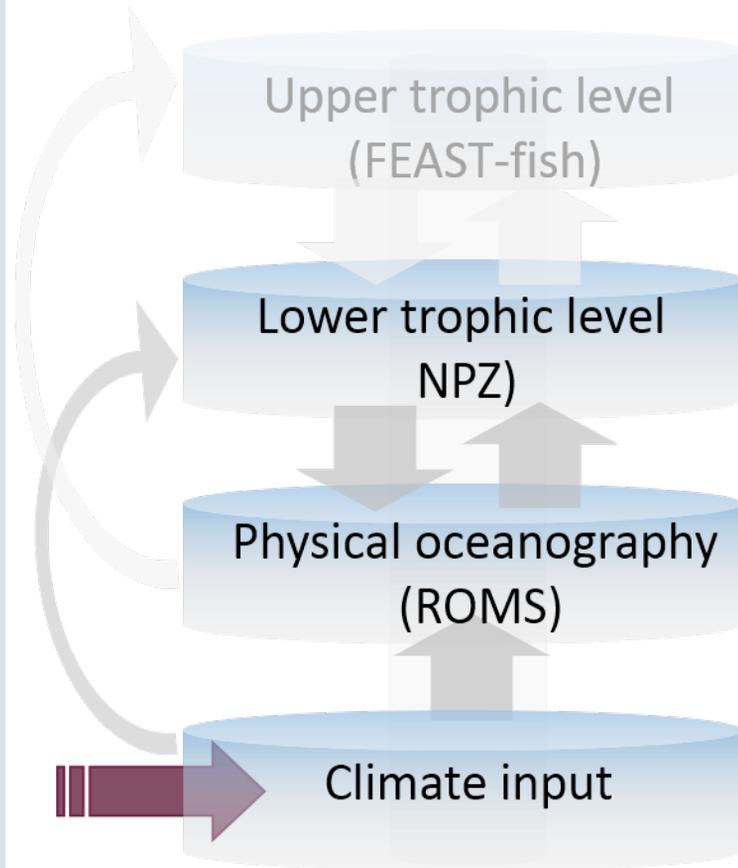
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# Framework and purpose

- Integrate survey data and best knowledge available, by consensus
- Research and management
- Downscale Global Climate Models (GCM)
  - Dynamical: run high resolution on subregional domain with boundary conditions from data or GCMs and reproduce local climate.
  - Statistical: 2-step
    - i) develop statistical relationship local climate variables - large scale predictors
    - ii) apply relationships to GCM output to simulate local conditions

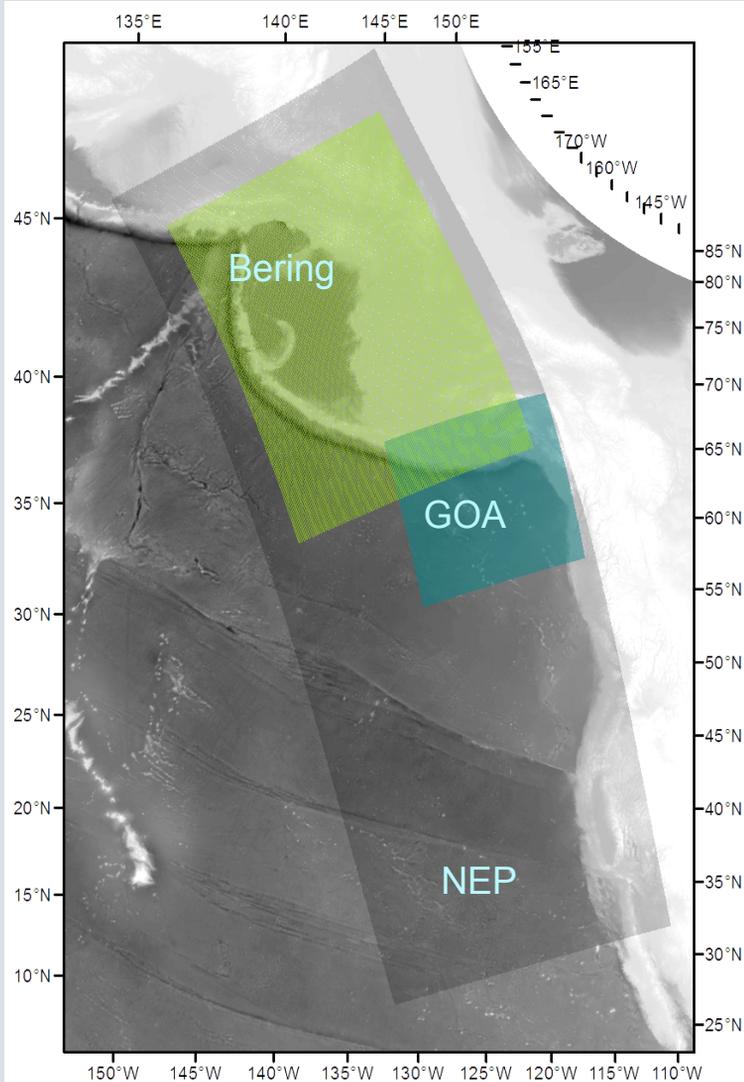
# Integrated model

- Subgrid of NEP
- 10km resolution
- Regular grid
- Fixed no. vertical layers  
10/30, regardless of depth
- timestep 10 min
- Output: daily, weekly,  
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- Starts from initial  
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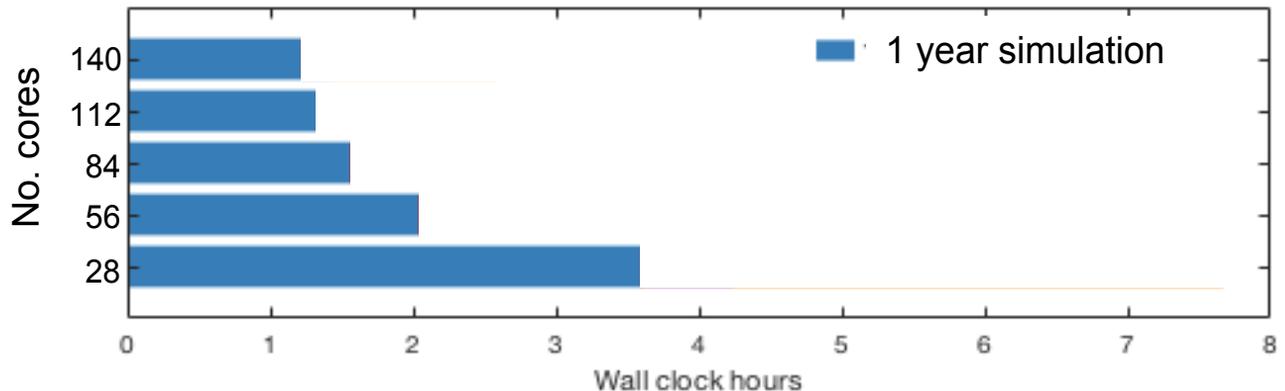
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# Basic hardware, prep & runtime

- Dynamic downscaling requires high performance computing
- Minimum 84 cores
- Prep time for boundary/ forcing files 1 month per GCM
- Runtime: 10 layer model 1 simyear: 1.5 wall clock hours (84 cores); 100 yr run = 6.25 calendar days



# Bering 10k ROMS-NPZ simulations available used for EBFM and stock assessment related

- Multidecadal hindcast: 1970-2018; 10 & 30 layer (3 versions)

- Seasonal forecast (9 mo.):

Oct-Jul 1 next yr (2014-18); forcing CFS

- NO 1-5 yr forecasts (physics not available)

- Multidecadal projections

CMIP3 – forcing 3 GCM models/1 scenario 2005-2040

CMIP5 – forcing 3 GCM models/ 2 scenarios/RCPs, 2012-2100

CMIP6 – planned (waiting files from GCMs)

# History & Funding

- Started NSF-NPRB, continued by AFSC/IEA, current diversified funding; ~ 3 Full time employees equivalent/yr



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# Applications: Type and timescale

- Different types: EBFM & stock assessment oriented
- Hindcast: for evaluating model skills and providing historical context/retroactive studies
- Seasonal forecast: projections for tactical use
- Multidecadal projections: strategy evaluation, future conditions
- Current applications: Essential Fish Habitat, ecosystem indicators, past environmental conditions, cold pool forecast

# EBFM

## Current applications:

- Hindcast:  
Essential Fish Habitat, ecosystem indicators, past conditions; ocean acidification module (Pilcher et al 2018)
- Seasonal forecast:  
cold pool index
- Multidecadal projections:  
future conditions, EFH, ecosystem indicators

## Under development/ planned

- Hindcast:  
pollock for N. Fur Seal (FEAST); foraging success for salmon in Norton Sound
- Seasonal forecast:  
EFH, ecosystem indicators, cold pool & sea ice (more GCMs & dates), maybe OA
- Multidecadal projection:  
OA module; pollock availability for NFS (NFS Conservation Plan)

# Stock assessment, MSE oriented

## Current applications:

- Hindcast:  
training models
- Seasonal forecast:  
CEATTLE
- Multidecadal projections:  
CMIP3 vulnerability analysis  
CMIP3 & CMIP5 - CEATTLE

## Under/planned development:

- Hindcast:  
crab models, disMELS  
(larvae),
- Seasonal forecast:  
crab models, disMELS
- Multidecadal projection:  
CMIP5 & CMIP6 - Ecopath,  
FEAST, economics model,  
size spectrum model,  
CEATTLE, single sp stock  
assessment pollock, yfs, atf,  
crab models, disMELS

## *Ad hoc uses*

It has strong supportive use (best available science) for developing EBS cod story.

Direct qualitative uses (e.g. indicators and the Dorn table)

Survey planning, allows additional funding requests

Qualitative uses of quantitative results

Output can be incorporated into models part of SAFE reports

# Future Essential Fish Habitat

Chris Rooper, Ivonne Ortiz, Ned Laman, Al Hermann (Rooper et al, *in prep*)

Used Slope, SE Bering Sea shelf and Northern Bering Sea data to build EFH models 1982-2017 except when noted

- |                                 |                           |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1) AK plaice                    | 6) Walleye pollock        |
| 2) Arrowtooth flounder (1993- ) | 7) Red king crab (1996- ) |
| 3) flathead sole                | 8) Snow crab              |
| 4) Northern rock sole (2001- )  | 9) Tanner crab            |
| 5) Pacific cod                  | 10) Yellowfin sole        |

Variables used: depth, slope, maximum tidal current, sediment grain size, mean bottom ocean current, bottom temperature

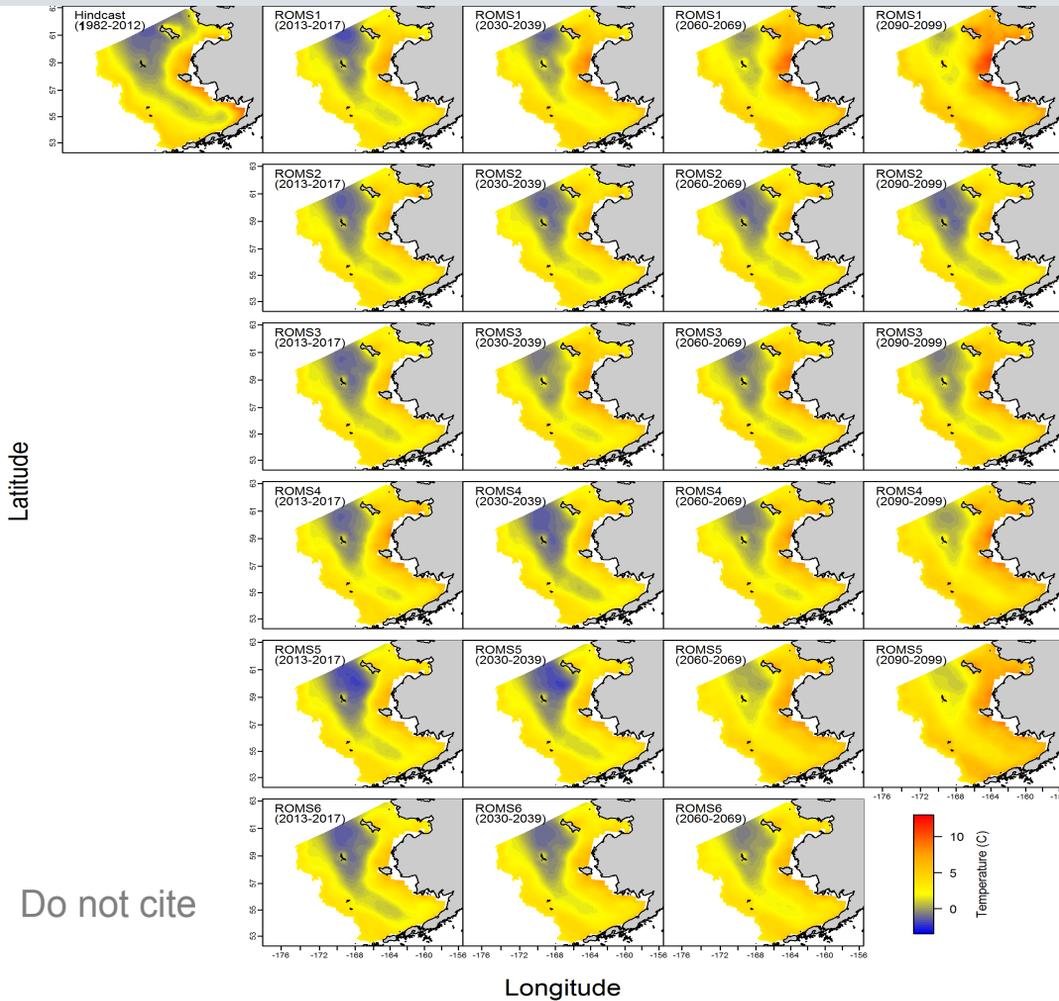
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Deviance explained by model

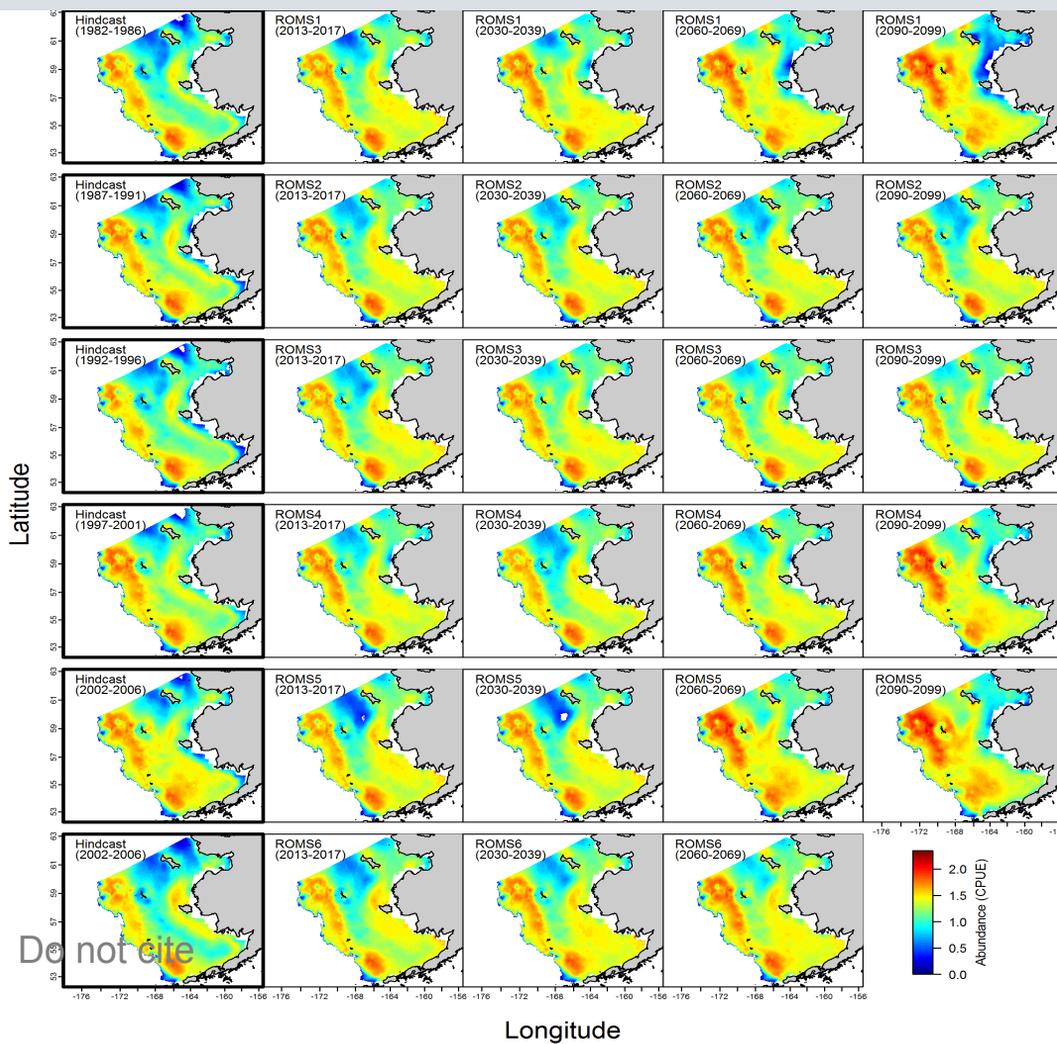
1) AK plaice	50%	6) Walleye pollock	27%
2) ATF flounder	47%	7) Red king crab	45%
3) Flathead sole	34%	8) Snow crab	51%
4) N rock sole	53%	9) Tanner crab	28%
5) Pacific cod	25%	10) Yellowfin sole	60%

Variables used: depth, slope, maximum tidal current, sediment grain size, mean bottom ocean current, bottom temperature

# bottom temp



# P.cod



# *Extra slide (Zooplankton analyses)*

## ● Danielson 2011-

Temporal correlations between relevant ecosystem indicator time series and the principal components: see Table 6 for details,

Average annual condition index (summer) for walleye Pollock

Average annual condition index (summer) for Pacific cod

Total net primary production (May–November) over southeastern Bering Sea shelf

Estimated onset of spring bloom over inner shelf

Estimated onset of spring bloom near mooring M2

Walleye pollock size-at-age anomalies during summer for the first age that is adequately sampled by summer trawl survey

Recruitment of age 1 walleye pollock by year class

Residuals from a spawner–recruitment relationship for walleye pollock

Estimated onset of spring bloom over southeast Bering shelf based on SeaWiFS

## ● Gibson & Spitz 2011 -

Sensitivity analysis -Mesozooplankton productivity was not correlated with water temperature, but a shift towards a system in which smaller zooplankton undertake a greater proportion of the secondary production as the water temperature increases appears likely.

## ● Hermann et al 2013 -

Multivariate analysis (including biological variables) (Fig 14)

model results vs (modified) Oscillating Control Hypothesis (Fig 19)

## ● Hermann et al 2016 -

Forecast of Large crustacean zooplankton (2030-2039) under 3 GCM part of CMIP3 (Fig 17)

Coherence of seasonal anomalies for vertically averaged (100m) ocean temperature with seasonal anomalies of euphausiid biomass (Fig 19)

## ● Ortiz et al 2016 -

Compared biomass of Zooplankton with and without FEAST (differences due to fish actual zooplankton prey consumption vs closure term) (Fig 9)

Weekly climatology of zooplankton biomass by group and region (Fig 12)

Weekly anomalies of euphausiid biomass (total H<sub>2</sub>O column) & depth averaged temperature anomaly 1971-2009, by region (F 13).

Seasonal consumption of copepods, euphausiids and pollock by pollock (by size) (Fig 14)

## ● In prep

Kirstin: correlation CEATTLE model pollock, pcod and ATF recruitment (age 1) PLK: fall zoop, spring zoop, Bottom Temp. and cold pool predict age 1 rec in following year (ricker.  $R^2= 0.47$  and  $0.53$ ); PCOD: SST, Winter Zoop, and Summer Zoop -->  $R^2 = .57$ ,

and  $.63$ ; ATF: some weak covariate weights for cross shelf transport and salinity (not convincing relationship)

Kerim: pollock bionenergetic and survival over fall and winter based on zooplankton prey availability.