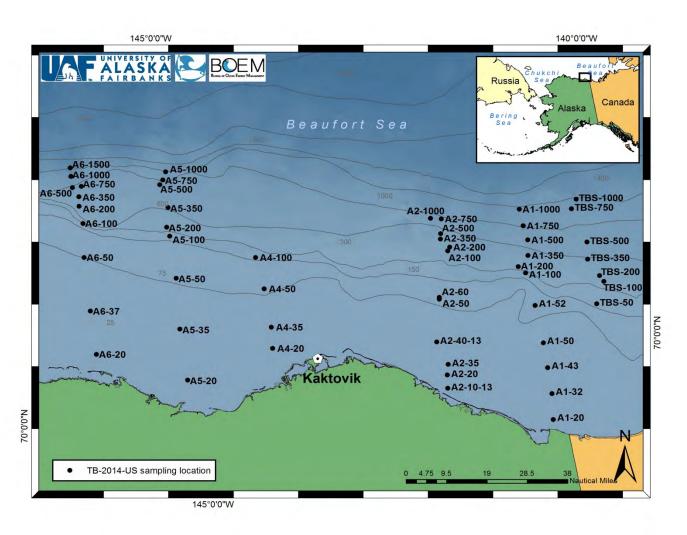
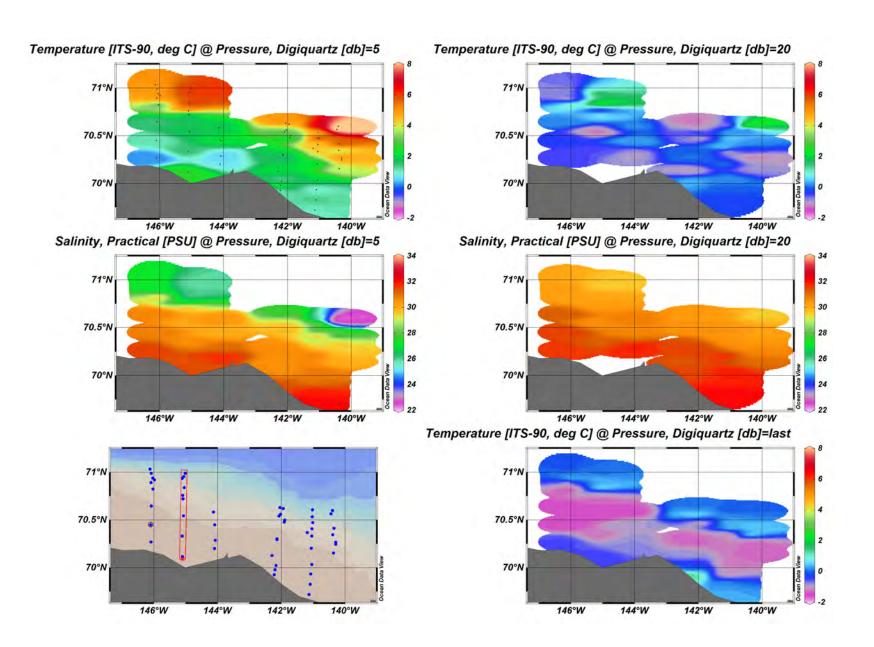
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- Canada-USA Transboundary Project
- AMBON: Arctic Marine Biodiversity Observing Network Project
- CSESP

Beaufort Transboundary 2014

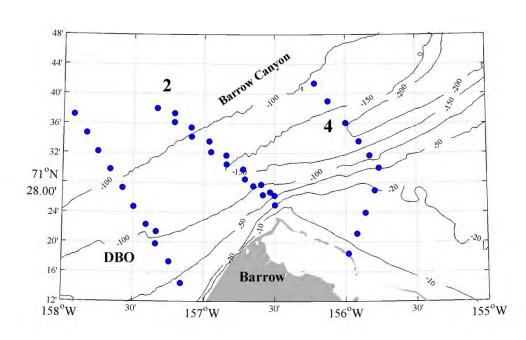


- CTD
- Nutrients,
 Chlorophyll
- Zooplankton (150, 505μm)
- Benthos (trawls & grabs)
- Fish trawls



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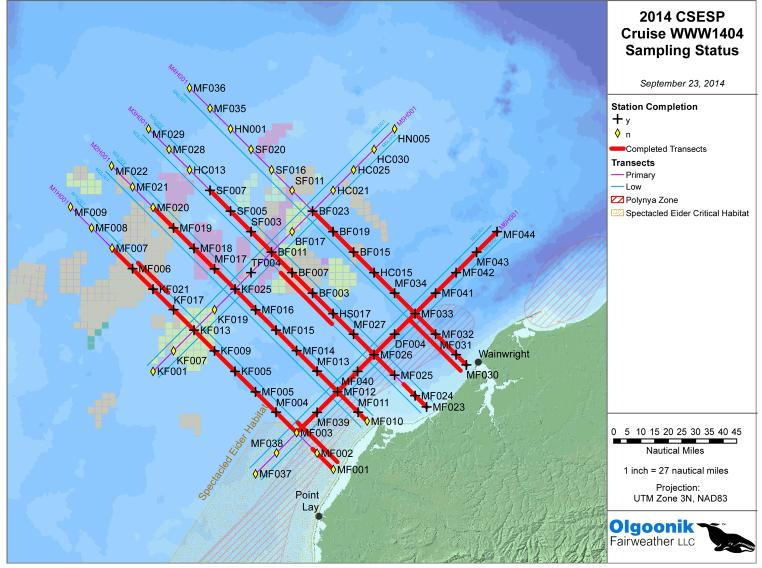
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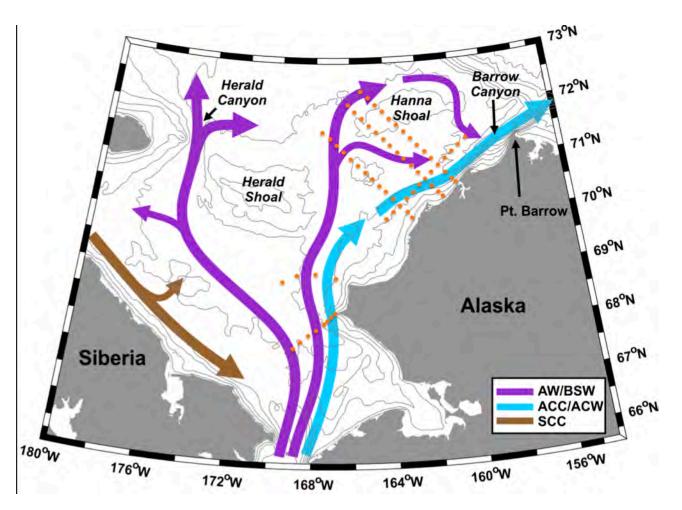


- Temperature, salinity, chloropyll and CDOM fluorescence, OBS from towed profiler
- Velocity and acoustic backscatter from towed ADCP
- Chlorophyll, nutrients, FCMs, microzooplankton from Niskin bottles
- Mesozooplankton from ring nets and Tucker Trawls

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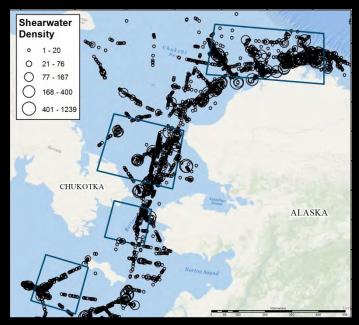


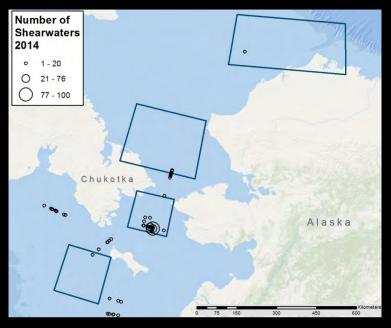
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Kathy Kuletz-USFWS Seabird studies

SHORT-TAILED SHEARWATER

2010 - 2013 2014



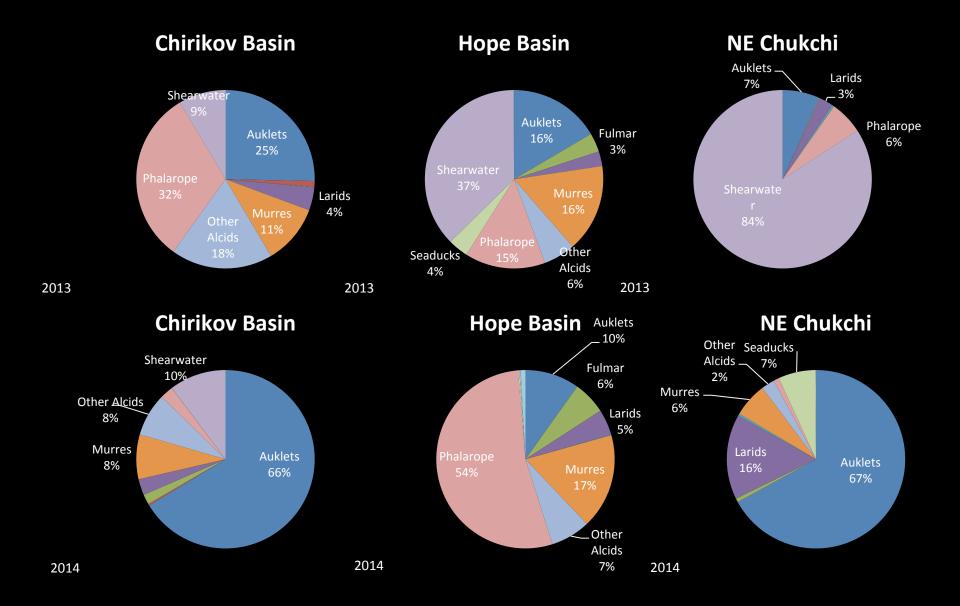


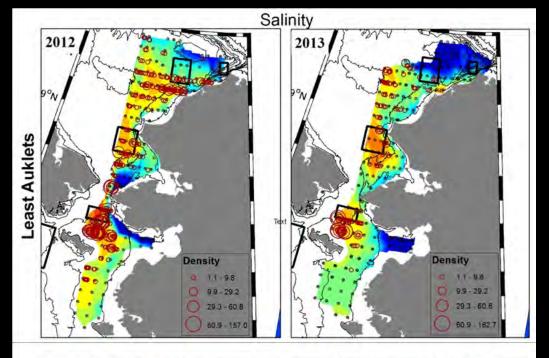


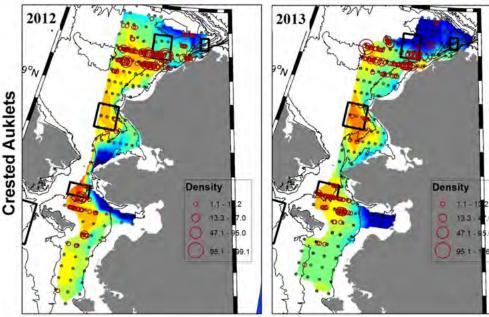
Short-tailed shearwater distribution and abundance in 2014 was very different from 2010-2013.

Shearwaters had been at least half of all birds, throughout N.Bering & Chukchi, but were absent in 2014.

Seabird species composition by DBO - 2013 & 2014 (2013 was similar to previous 3 years; 2014 had different species & abundance)







Seabird Distribution varies among years

Example:

Total Seabird density higher in 2012 than in 2013, especially in N. Chukchi Sea.

Auklets (planktivores) [red circles] accounted for most of the change



Most auklets occurred in fairly saline waters (associated with higher zooplankton abundance?)