

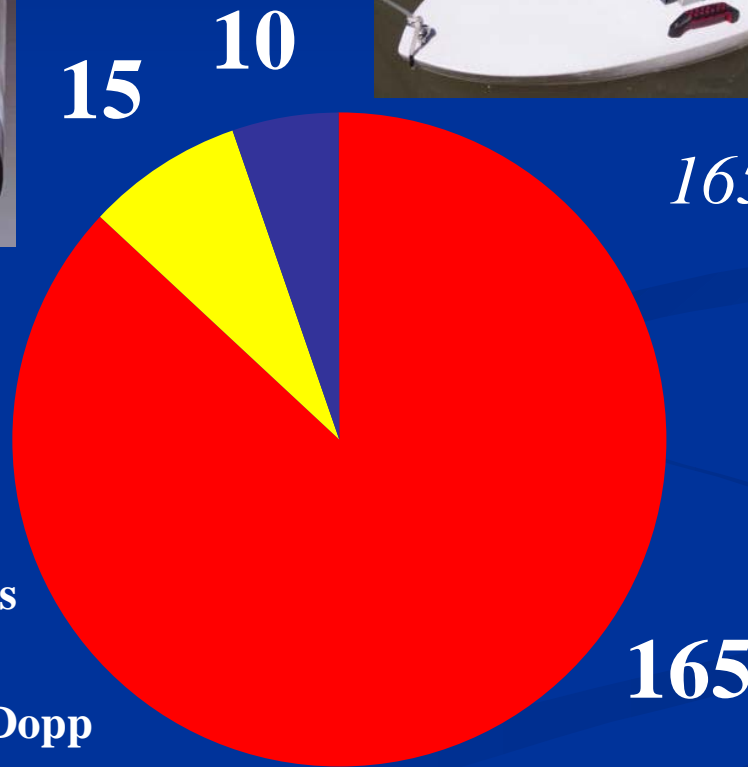
# Status Report on Bottom-Tracking ADCPs & ADPs

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# Topics for Presentation

- ADCP & ADP Usage
- Benefits
- Applications
- QA/QC Efforts
- New Developments

# Profilers in the USGS



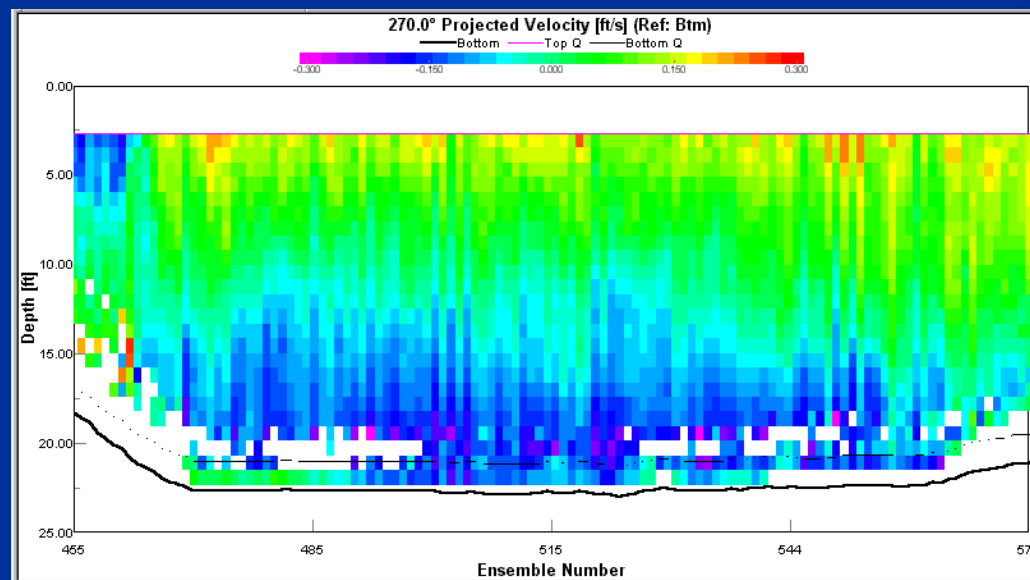
*165 River Profilers =  
\$4,100,000*



- RD Instruments
- Sontek ADP
- Nortek BoogieDopp

# Benefits

- Measures Profiles in the whole cross section
- Doesn't assume log velocity profile
- Handles bidirectional flows



# Benefits

- Less time and equipment on bridges
- No lines in the water (debris risk reduced)
- Multiple deployment options

# Typical Deployment Methods



# Tethered from Cableway



# Maine's Bank Operated Cableway





# Alaska's Seaplane



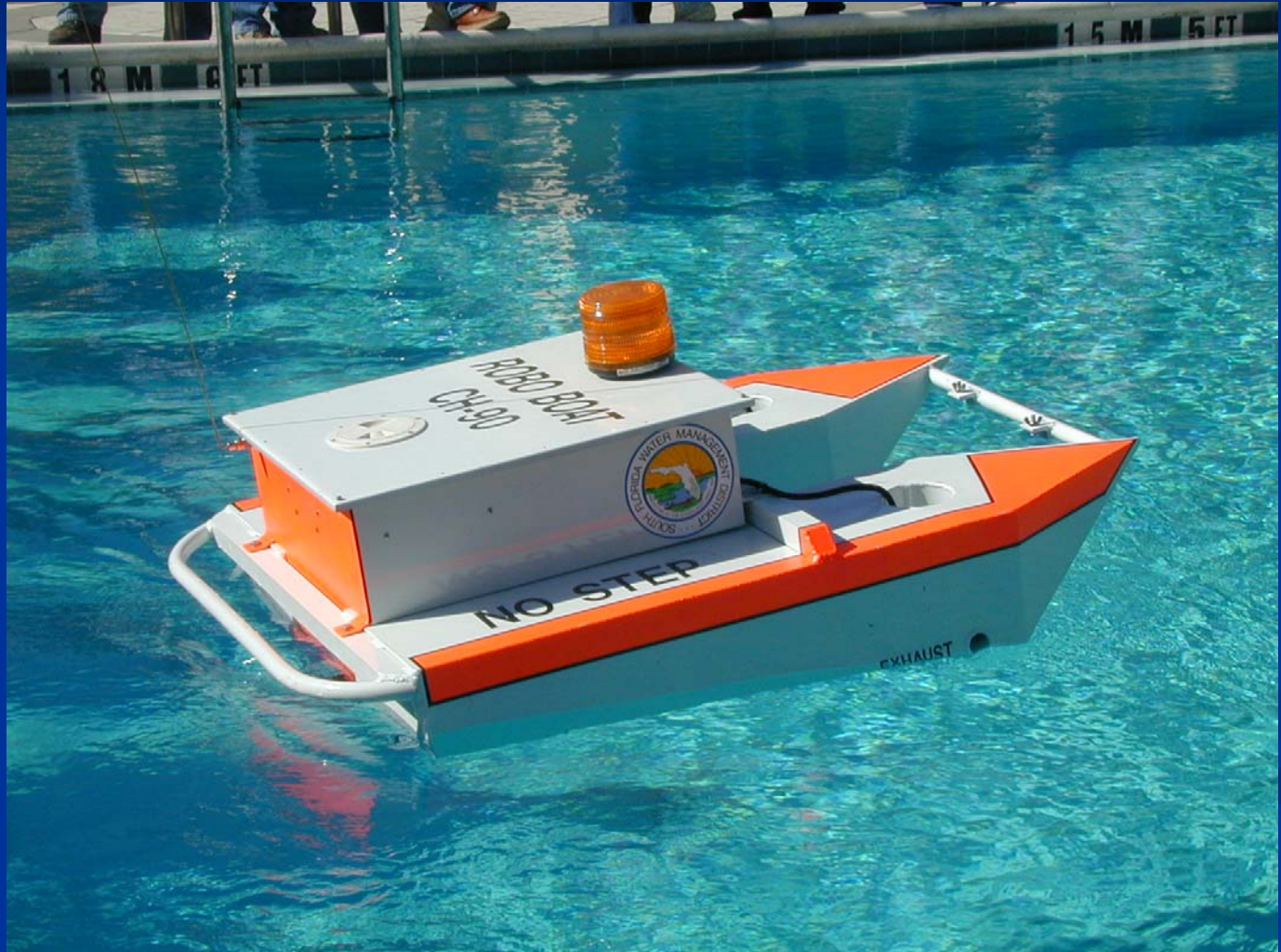
# Maine's Canoe Deployment



# Remote Control Boat Demo



# SFWMD Remote Boat



# OceanScience R/C Boat



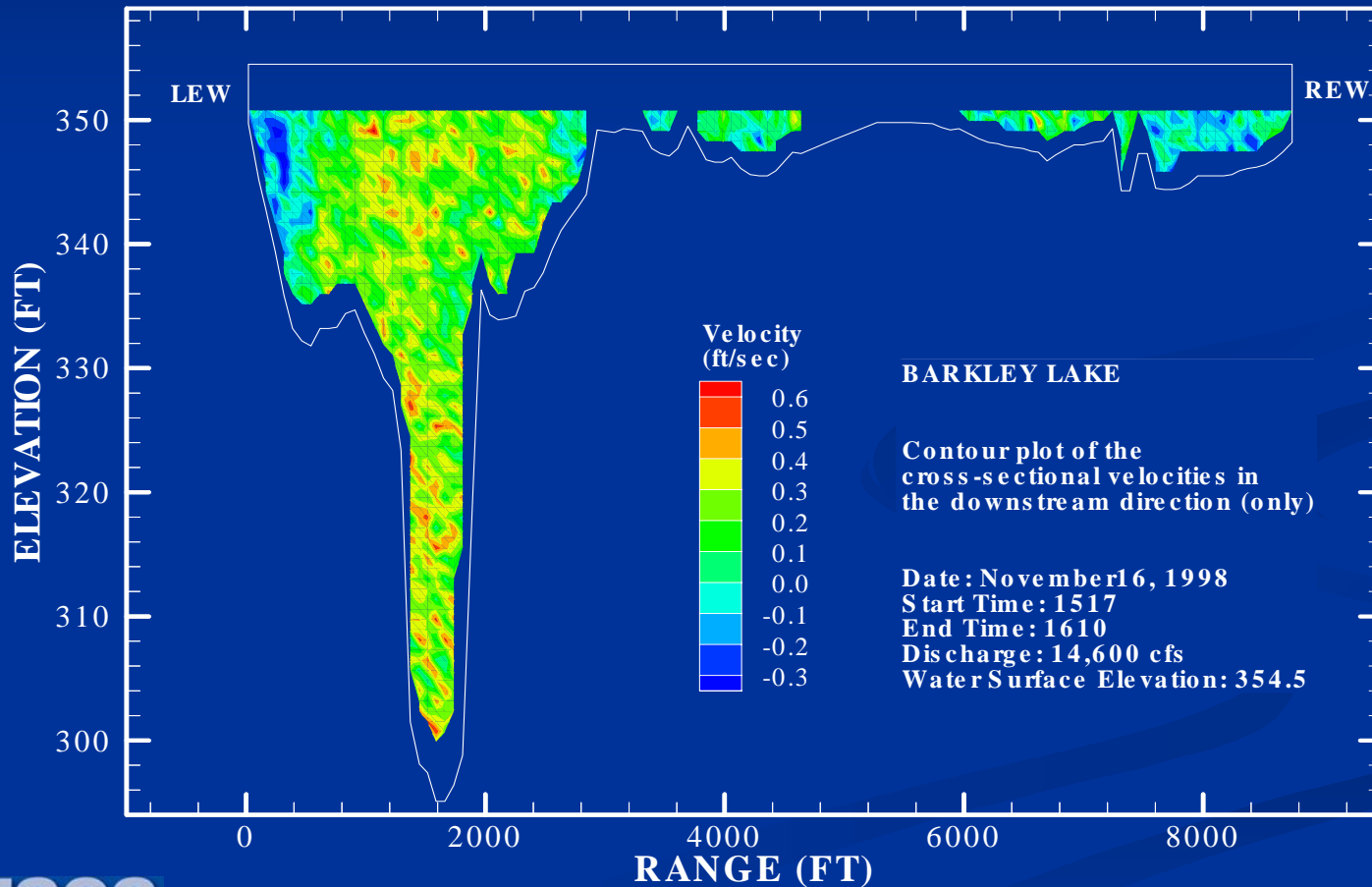
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Max. Vel. 5.5 fps

# Applications

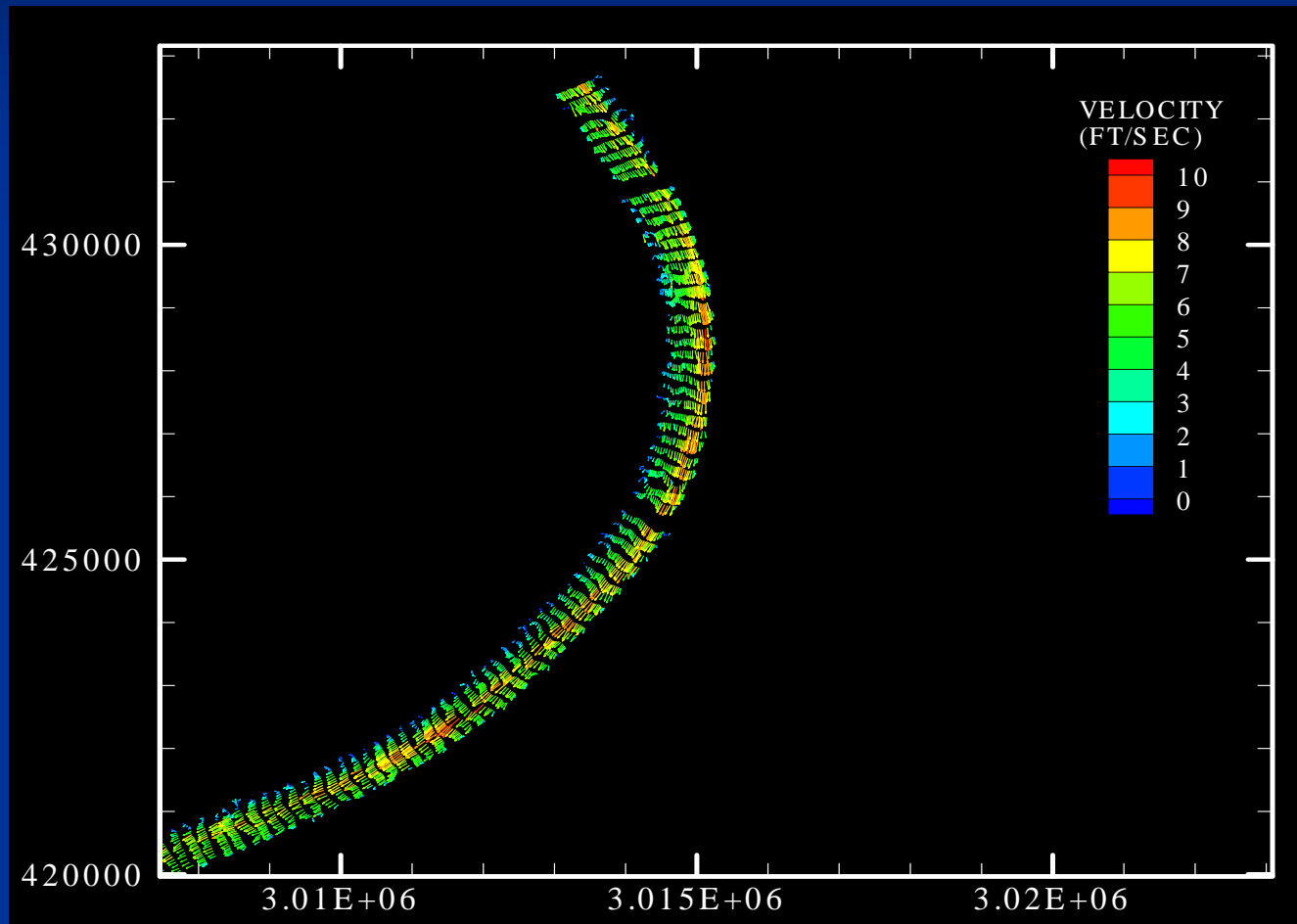
- Measure Flow Distribution
- Evaluate Aquatic Habitat
- Calibrate and Validate Numerical Models
- Visualize Flow Fields
- Qualitatively Assess Suspended Sediments

# Flow Distribution

## CROSS-SECTION AT CUMBERLAND RIVER (RM31.0)

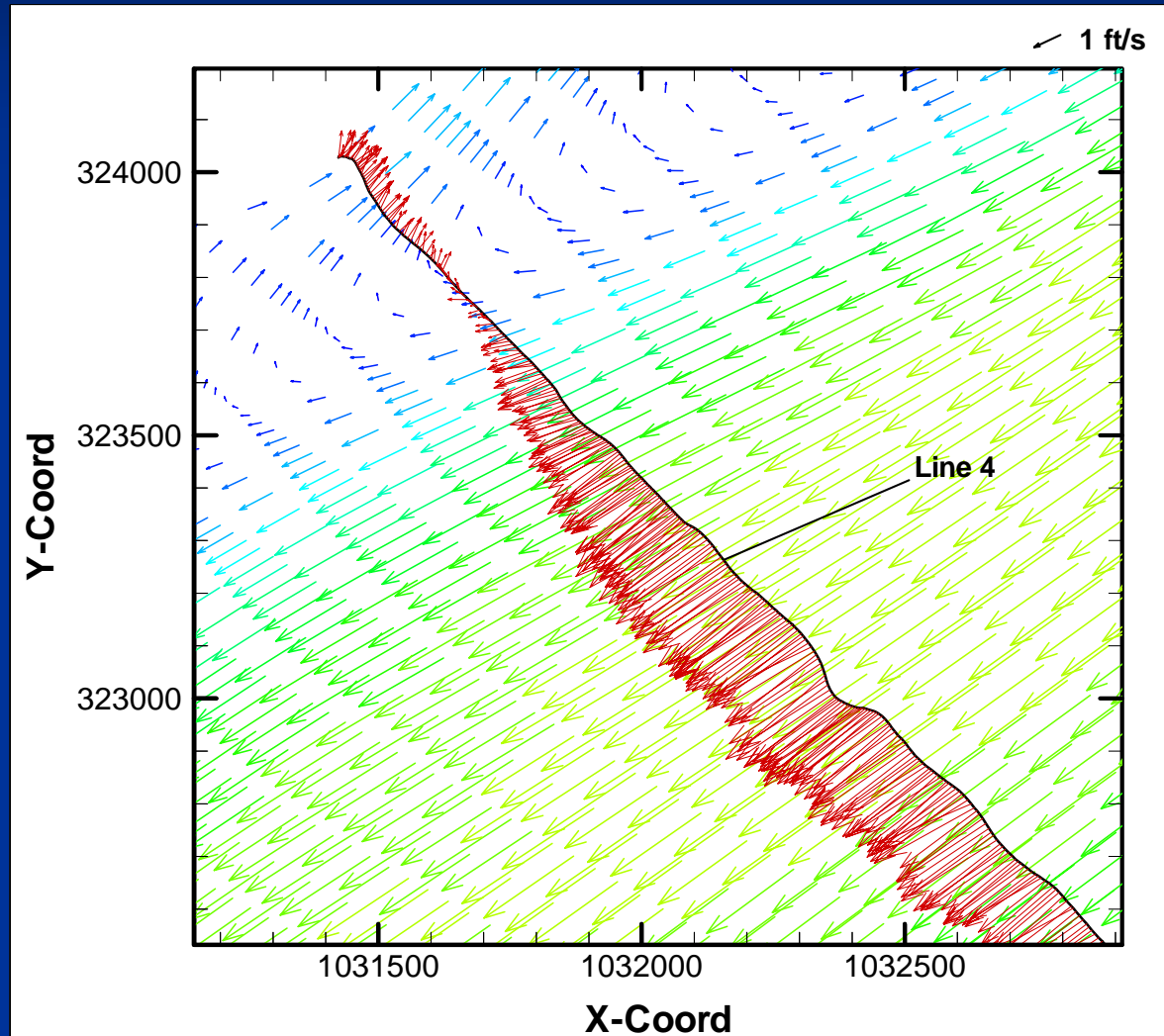


# Flow Field Measurements



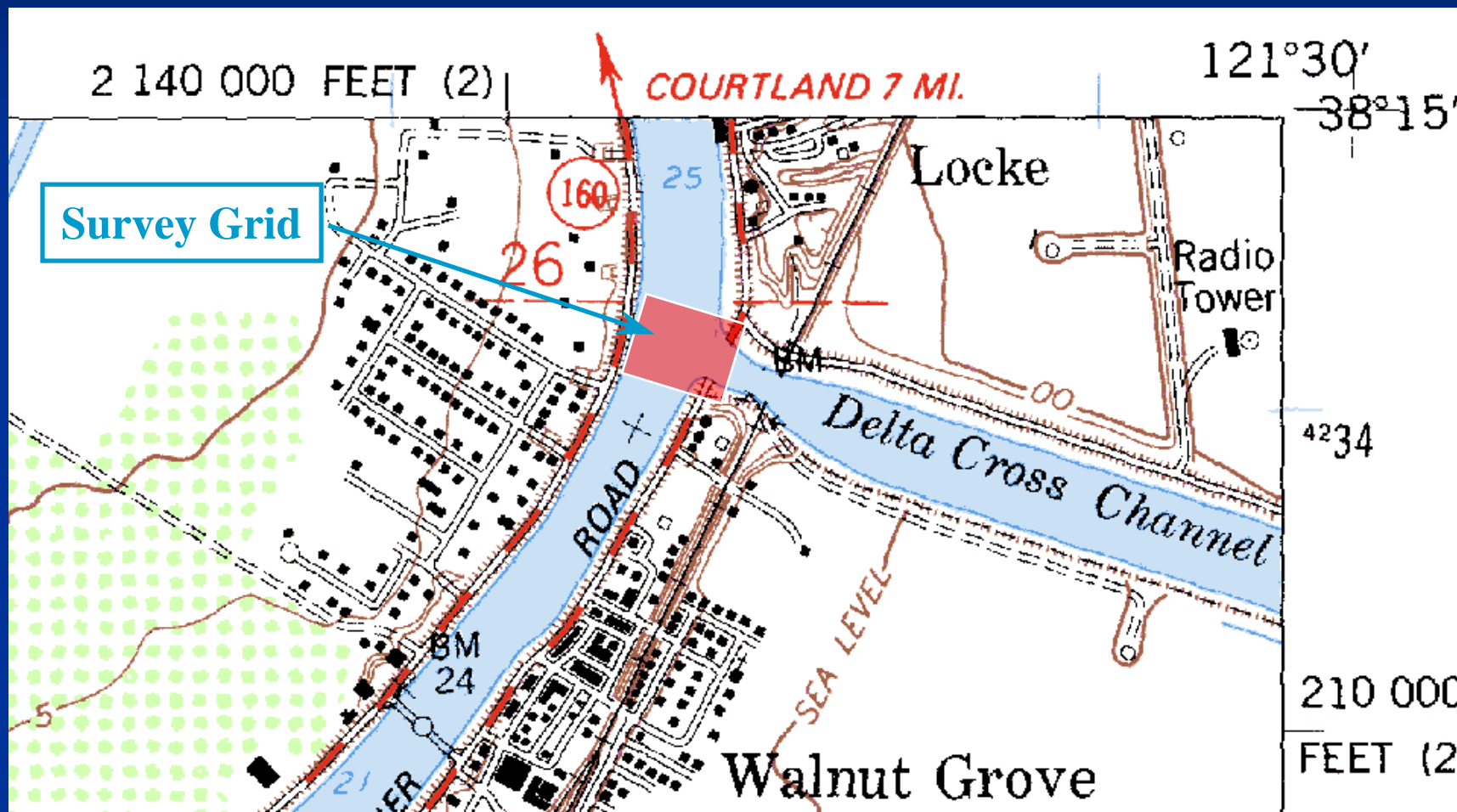


# Numerical Model Validation

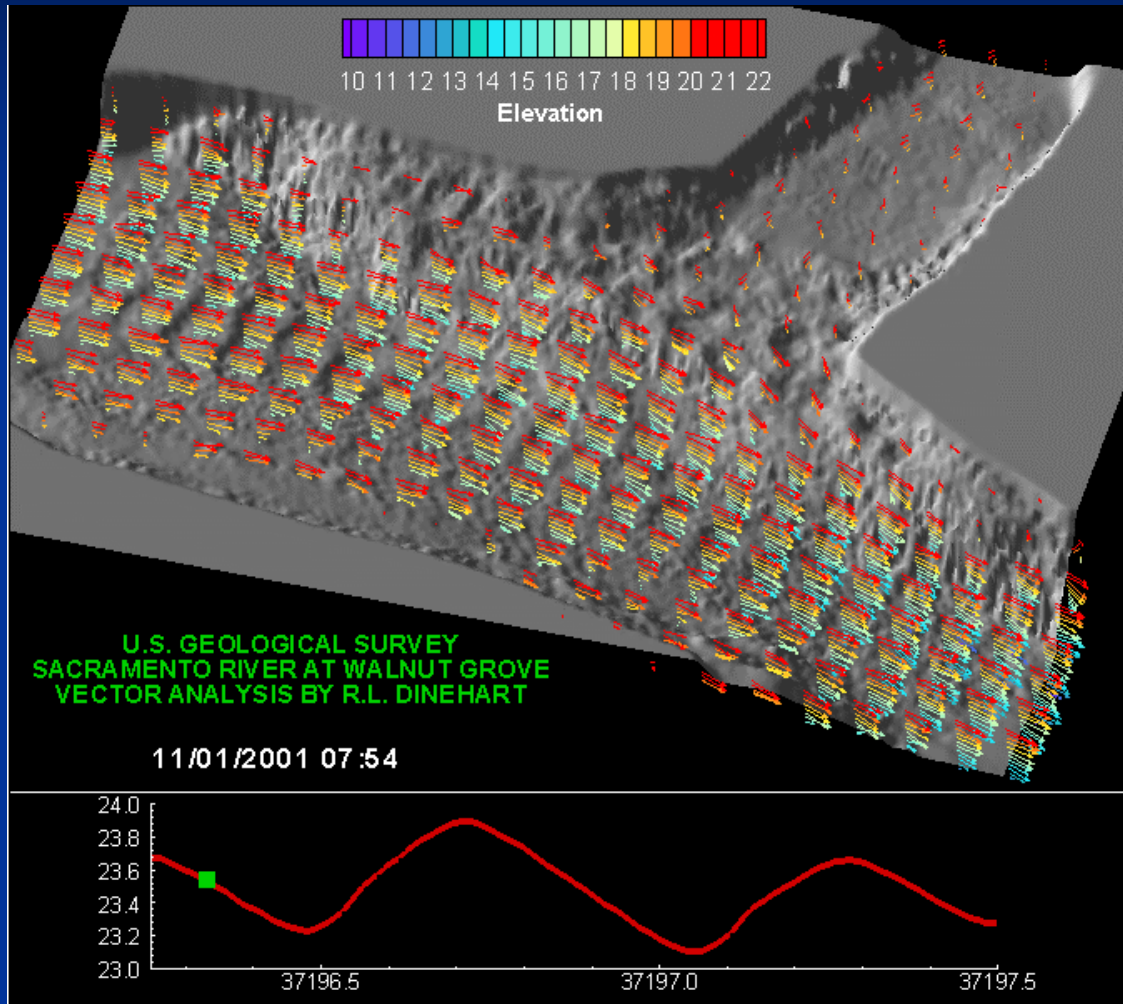


# Sacramento River at Delta Cross Channel

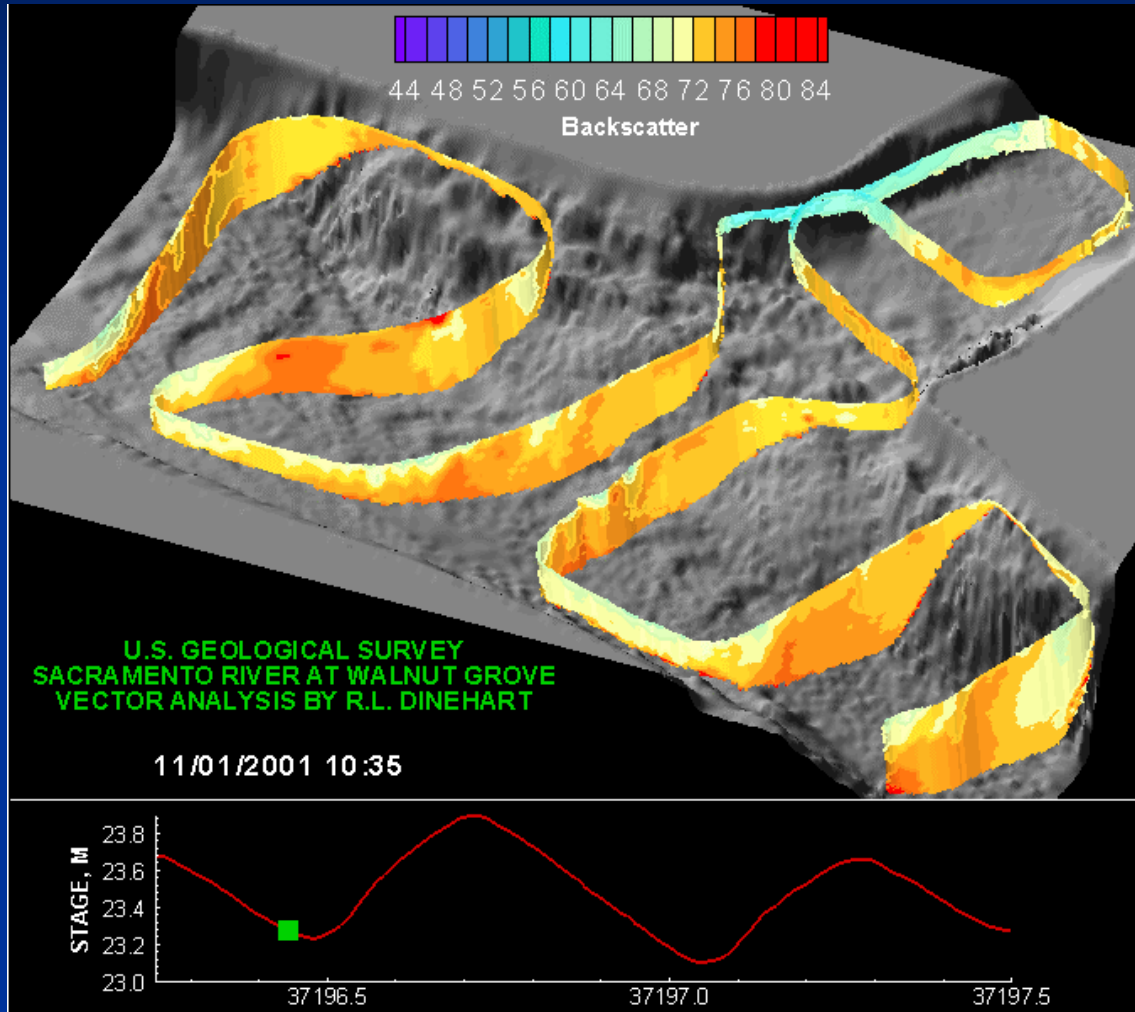
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# Flow Animation



# Animation of Backscatter Changes



# QA/QC Efforts to Date

- **Tow Tank Tests**
  - Marginal success due to limits of tow tanks



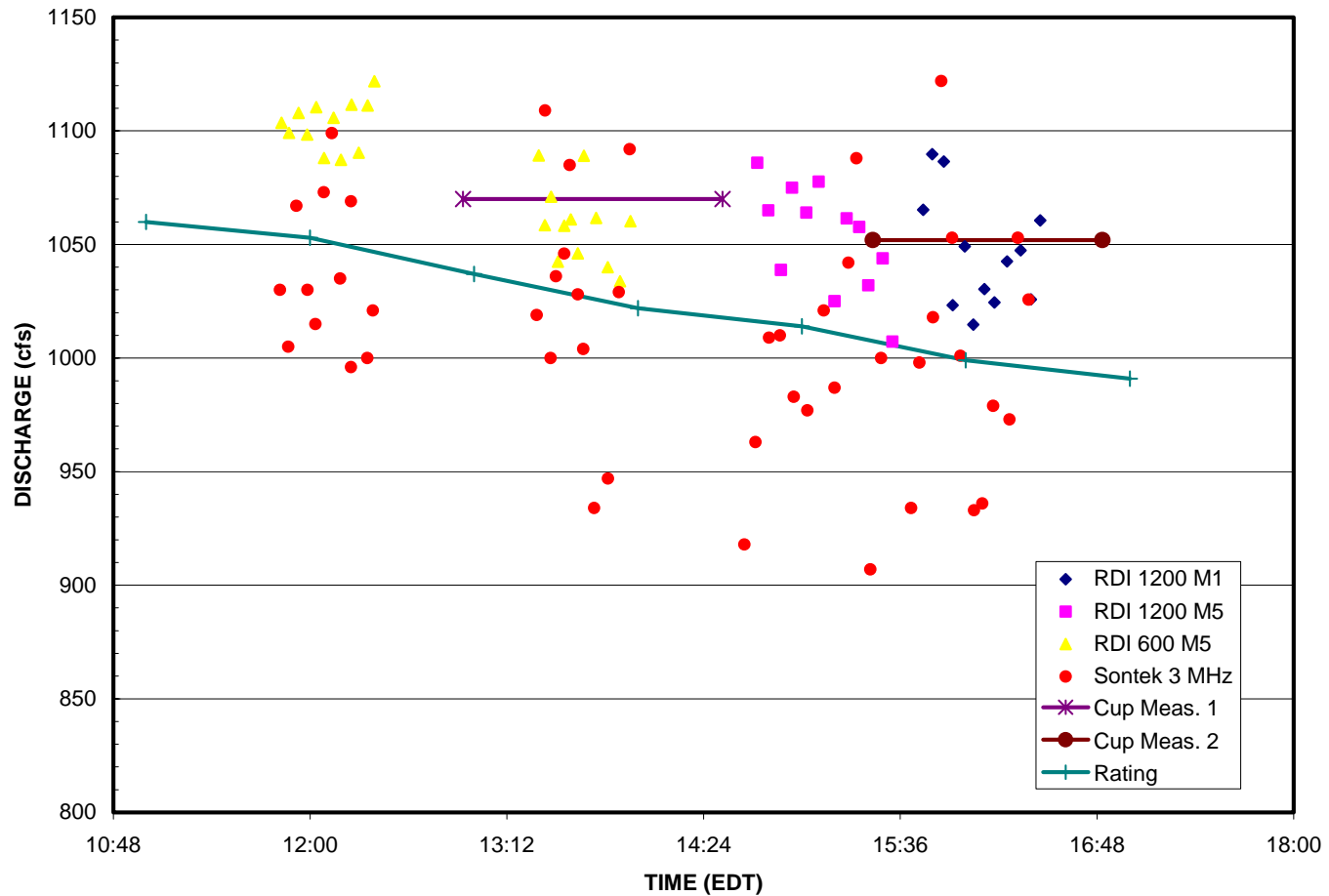
# Efforts to Date -- continued

- Discharge Comparisons
  - Broadband tests: Morlock, 1996
  - Rio Grande and RiverSurveyor tests: Mueller, 2003

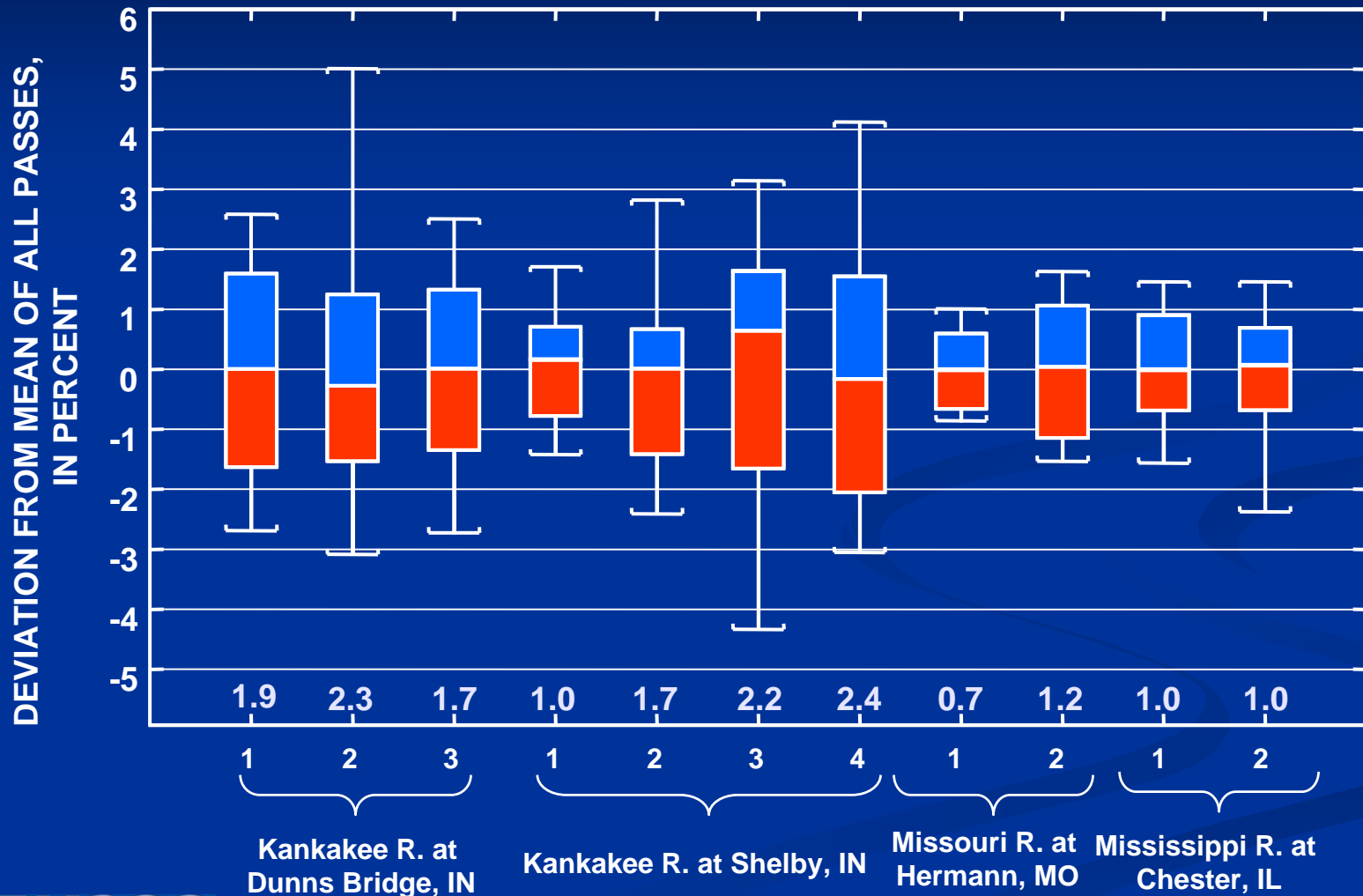
Parameter	Rio Grande				RiverSurveyor	
Frequency (kHz)	1,200		600		1,500	3,000
Water Mode	1	5	1	5	N/A	N/A
Bin Size (cm)	25	5	50	10	50	25
Blank (cm)	25		25		40	20
Bottom Mode	5		5		N/A	N/A
Averaging	1 ping per profile		1 ping per profile		5-second profiles	5-second profiles



# Sample Data

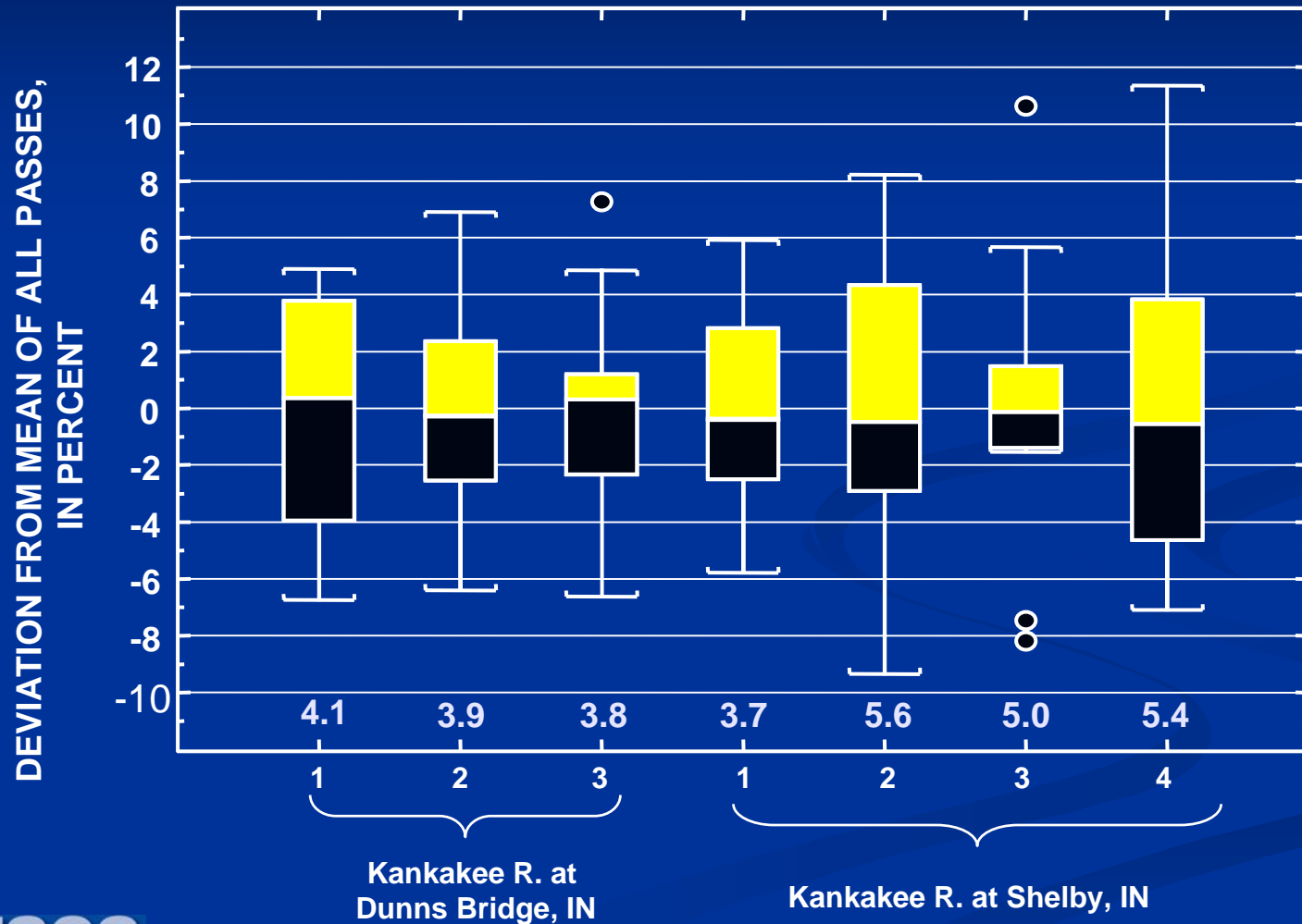


# Variation in Rio Grande Meas.

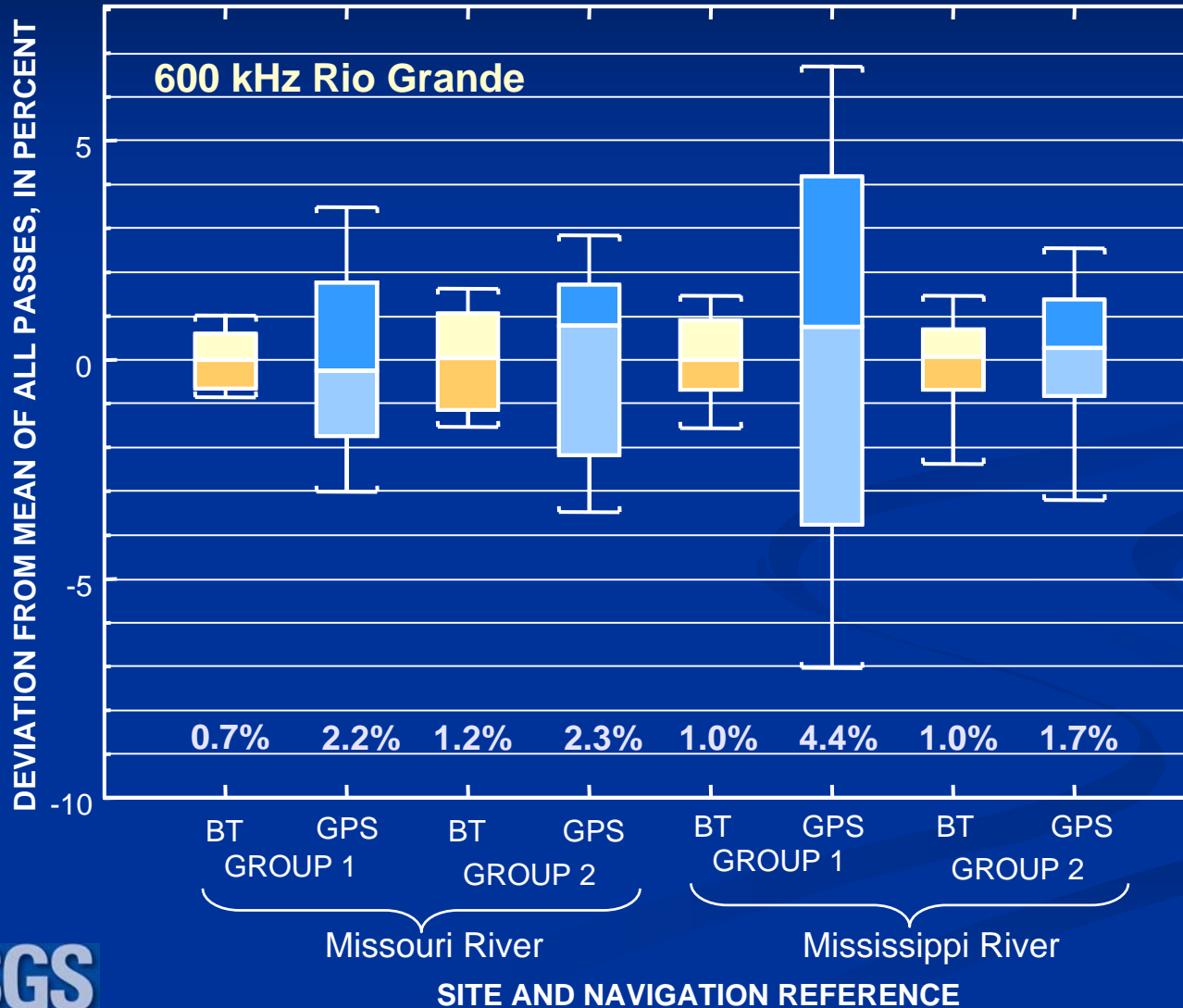




# Variation in River Surveyor Meas.



# Variation in Bottom Track and GPS



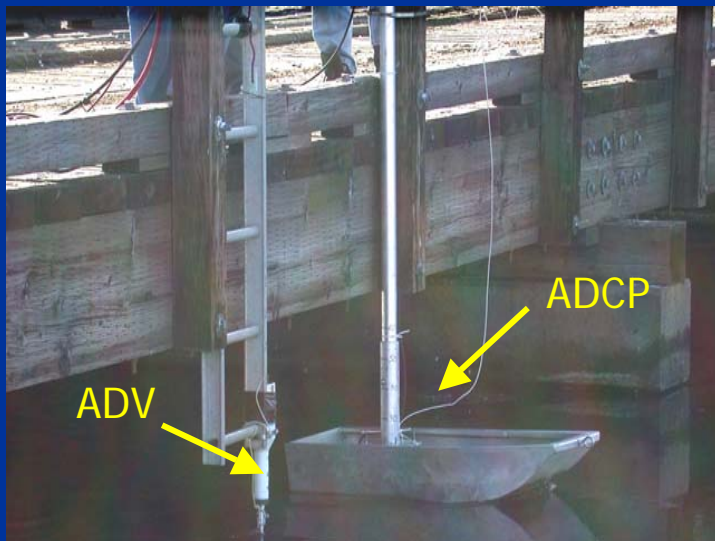
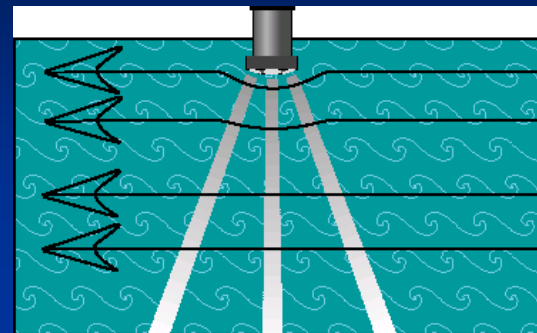
# Summary of Results

- On average, all acoustic measurements were with 5% of Price AA or rating
- Higher frequency units will detect a moving bottom more often and will require use of DGPS more frequently
- COV was lower for RDI instruments
- COV was higher when using DGPS

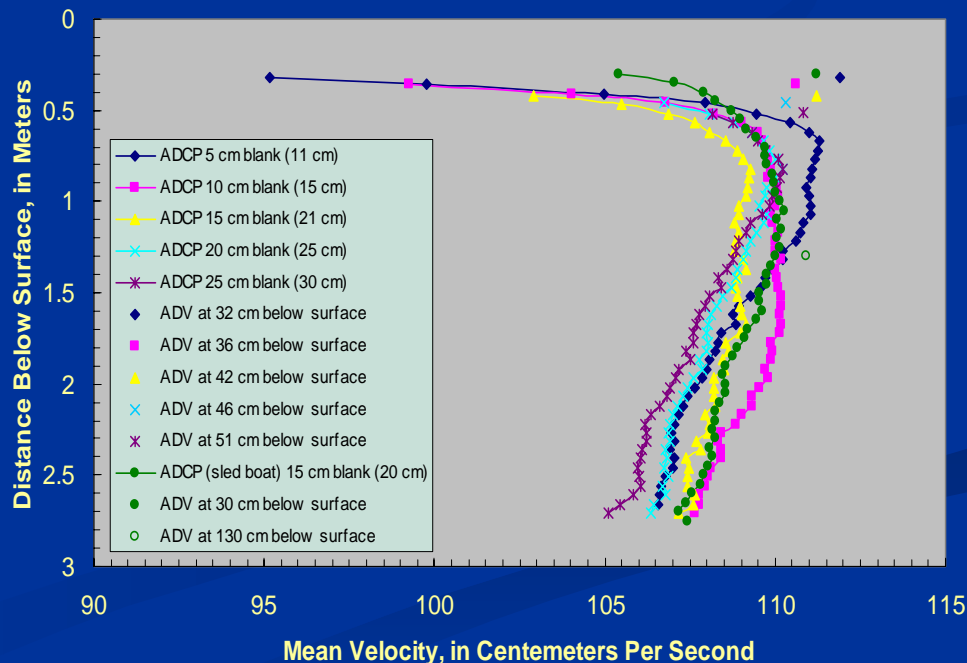
# Efforts to Date -- continued

## ■ Velocity Comparisons

### ■ Rio Grande: Gartner, 2002



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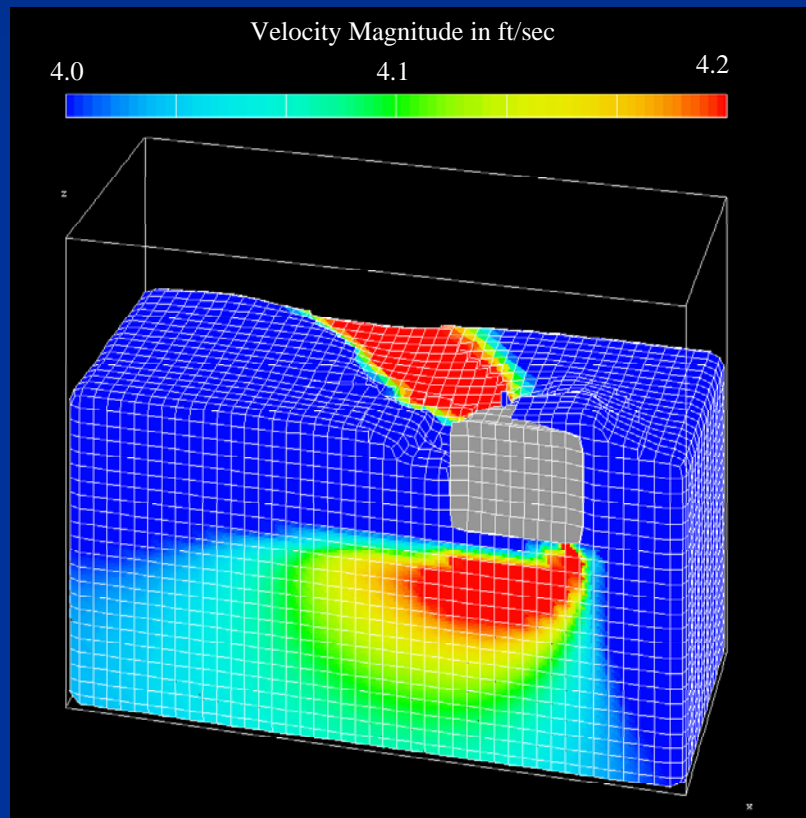


# Current QA/QC Efforts

- Rio Grande Testing
  - Water Mode 11
  - Water Mode 12
  - Bottom Mode 7
- RiverSurveyor Testing
  - New Software
  - Shallow-Water Ping
  - Bottom-Track Algorithms

# Current QA/QC Efforts

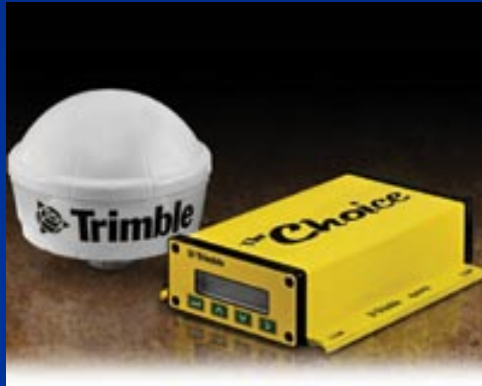
## ■ Flow Disturbance



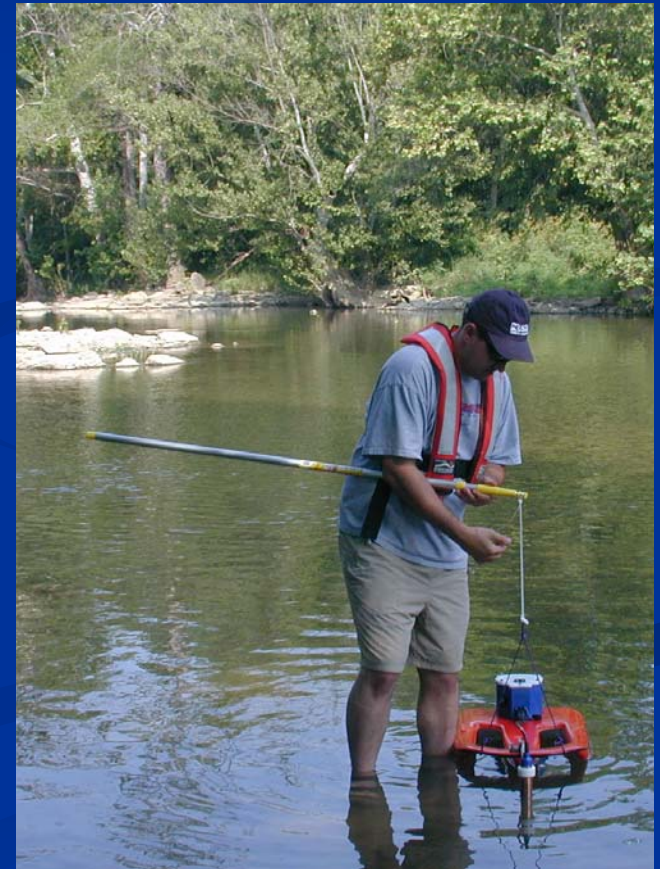
- Simple cylinder
- Fully-developed flow
- Approach velocity = 4 ft/s
- Flow is from right to left with a y-axis cutting plane at approximately the center of the cylinder.

# Current QA/QC Efforts

## ■ GPS Evaluation

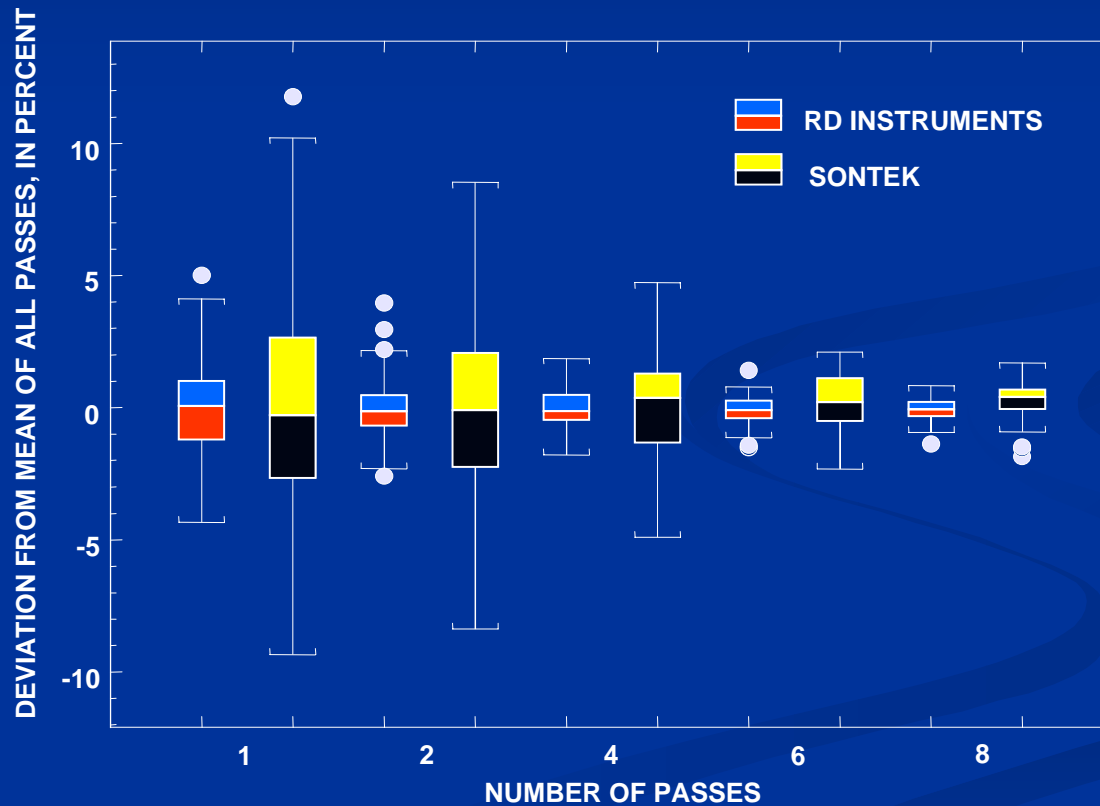


## ■ StreamPro Evaluation



# Current QA/QC Efforts

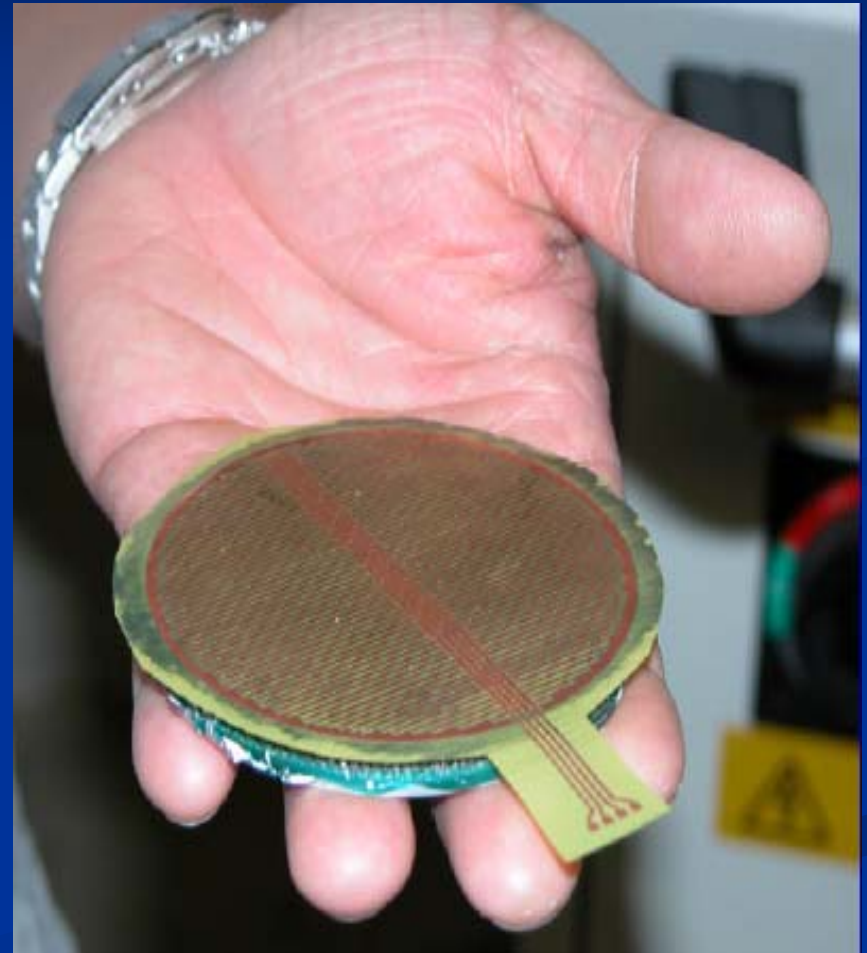
## ■ Number of Passes





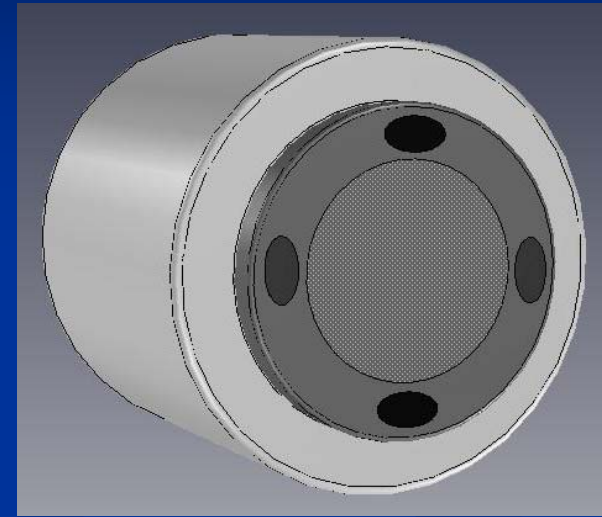
# Future Developments

- **Phased Array Technology**
  - 2.8 inches in diameter
  - 58 x 58 elements
  - Replaces 4 individual ceramics
  - Still in development



# Next Generation ADCP

- **Dual Frequency Operation – For shallow & deep rivers:**
  - 600 kHz for accurate bottom tracking & deep water profiling
  - 2400 kHz for high resolution shallow water profiling
- **Flat face for minimum flow disturbance**
- **5” X 5” cylinder**



Depth	Bin size	Frequency
0.3–0.6 m	5 cm	2.4 MHz
0.6–2 m	10 cm	2.4 MHz
2–50 m	10 cm (? 2 m) 40 cm (> 2 m)	Interleave 2.4 MHz & 600 kHz

# Next Generation Field Vehicle

- Great morale builder
- Great recruiting tool
- No need to maintain boats
- Built-in ADCP and computer



