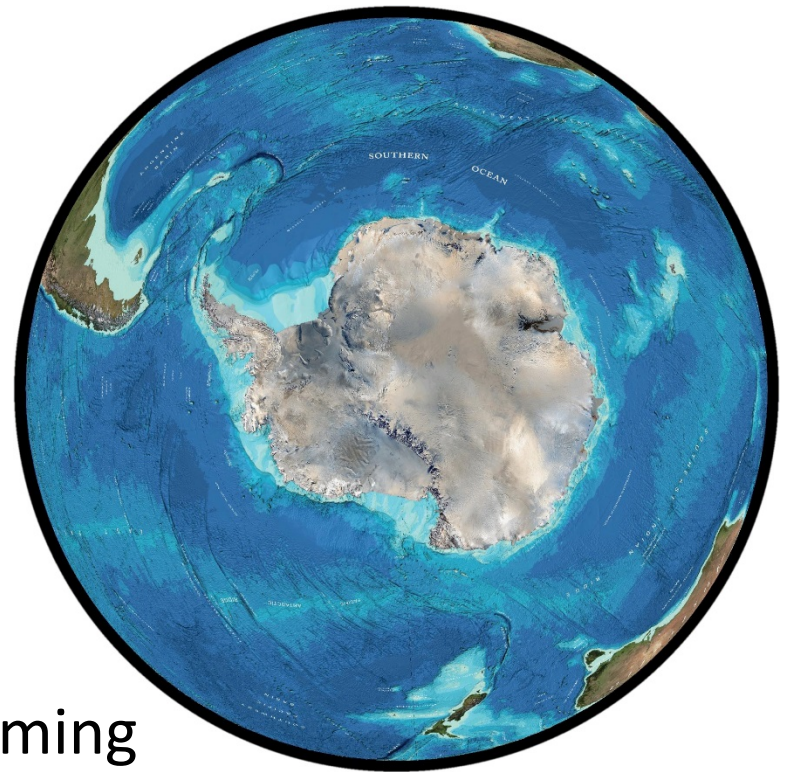


# Welcome One Ocean Report



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# 1. Context

## How we see our ocean?

This is about representation; whose interests are we protecting?  
The answer to this question will determine how we will govern our ocean?

	Autocratic	Democratic
Human-centric	Treasure chest	Public treasure
Ecosystems-centric	National treasure	Planetary treasure

## How we govern our ocean?

	One institution	Many institutions
One instrument	Simple framework	Organised framework (under an overarching strategic instrument)
Many instruments	Organised framework (under an overarching strategic institution)	Disorganised complex framework

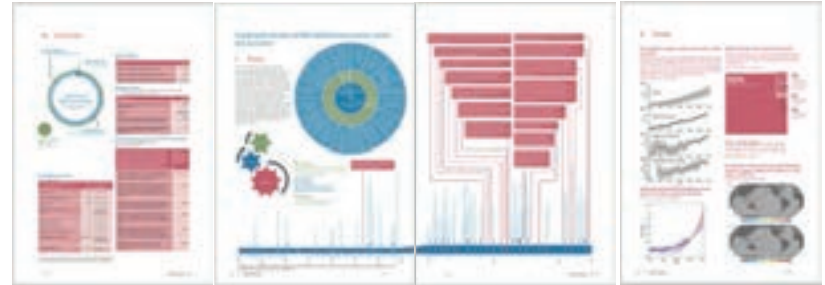


Structured discussion on ocean management, 27 May 2014



# 2. How to Read this Report

1. Graphics pages x 4



2. Perspectives x 30

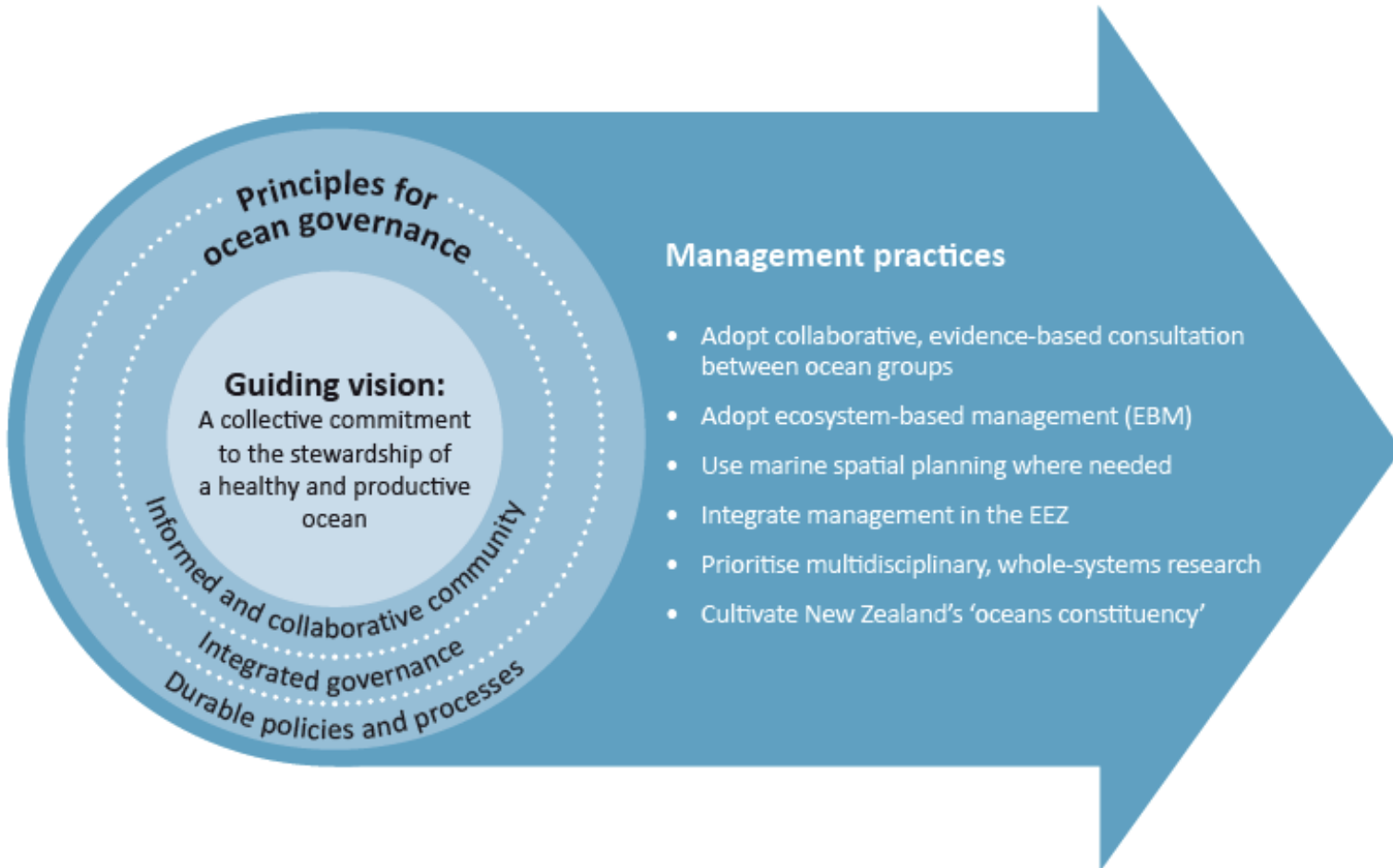


3. Report pages x 80



# 3. Summary of Findings

**Figure 9 Framework for One Ocean: Collaborative governance within the community of ocean users, government, conservationists and the public**



# James Tremlett



**James Tremlett**

Global Fellows in Marine Conservation, Duke University'

Kia ora from Papua New Guinea. Thanks for coming.

I am writing from Kimbe Bay on the island of New Britain, one of the world's centres of marine biodiversity. I have been working with a small locally-run NGO called Mahonia Na Dari, which means 'Guardians of the Sea' in the Bakovi language of the local Talasea people. Mahonia's main activity is operating a 'marine environmental education program' in the small local schools, where they educate young people in the fundamentals of conservation from pre-school ages through to those about to graduate from high school. They are incredibly successful at doing so: I recently met a class of 15-year-olds with more knowledge of coral reef ecology and conservation than any second-year university student back home. As far as I am aware there is nothing like this program in Aotearoa, and perhaps nowhere else in the world.

Mahonia does all this with very little funding, under conditions that have caused large Western NGOs to pack up and leave the province entirely. Last year, for instance, they had to permanently disconnect from the internet because they could not pay the telecoms bill – but they understand the value of their programs, and keep them running out of sheer bloody-minded persistence. They know the importance of communicating their environmental knowledge to the rest of their society, and it is equally important that we do not forget this responsibility in our corner of the Pacific. It is very easy to get stuck in meaningless discussions around policy, and we need to remember the importance of concrete actions to protect the natural world of which we are a part.

In another sense as well, my time here has emphasised the need for constant vigilance regarding the laws and institutions that govern what is allowed to take place in our oceans. The peoples of PNG are about to be subjected to the world's first industrial deep-sea mining operation, using techniques that have never before been tested on such scale. It is no accident that this experiment is taking place in the waters of a state with limited environmental regulation, and in a country of unparalleled cultural richness but without a well-organised and robust civil society capable of resisting or critiquing such activity on a national level. In Aotearoa we have the privilege of sufficient financial and social resources to allow this critique to occur, and it is a privilege we must exercise to the best of our ability.

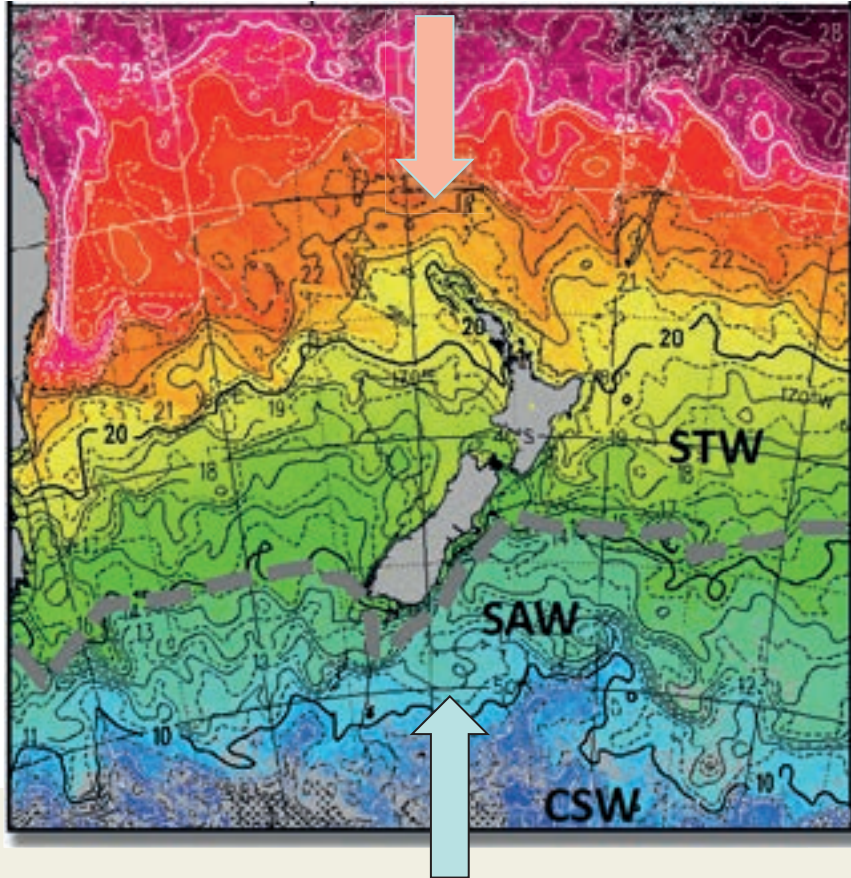
Cheers for listening, and enjoy the evening.

James Tremlett

Author, *Report 10: One Ocean: Principles for the stewardship of a health and productive ocean*

# Global warming is ocean warming: Ocean change around New Zealand

Modern sea surface temperatures



Modern Currents



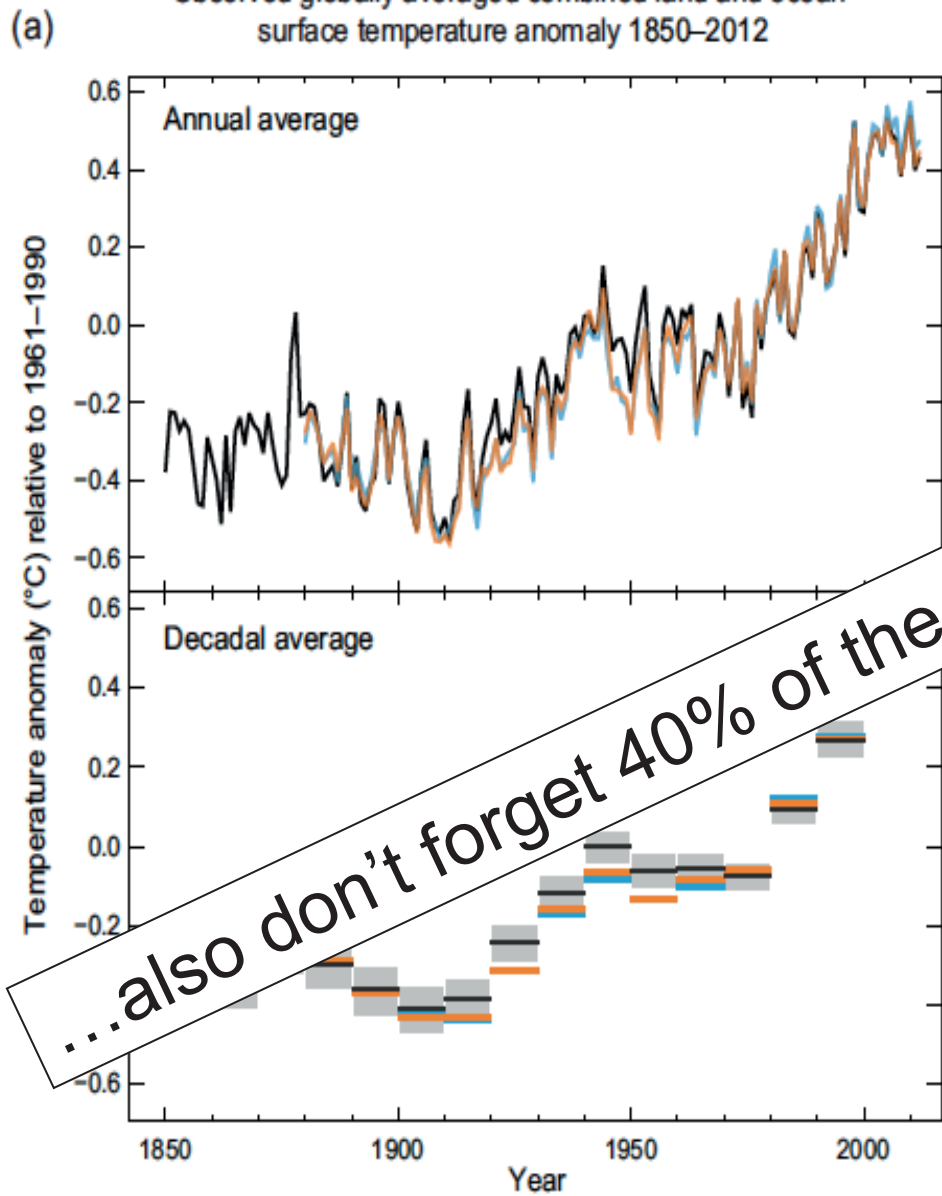
Tim Naish  
Director, Antarctic Research Centre



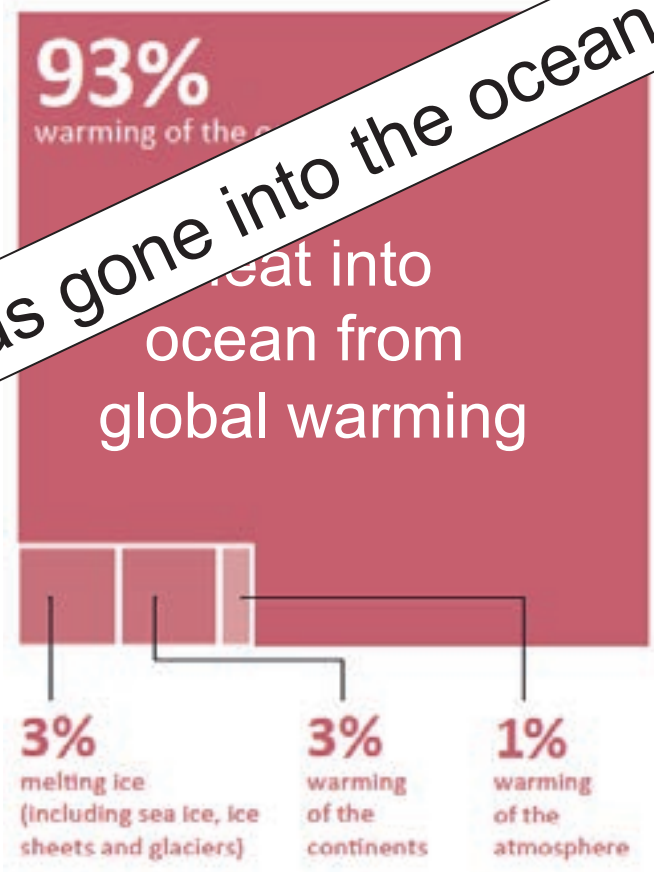
# Warming in the climate system is unequivocal!...IPCC 2013

Since 1850

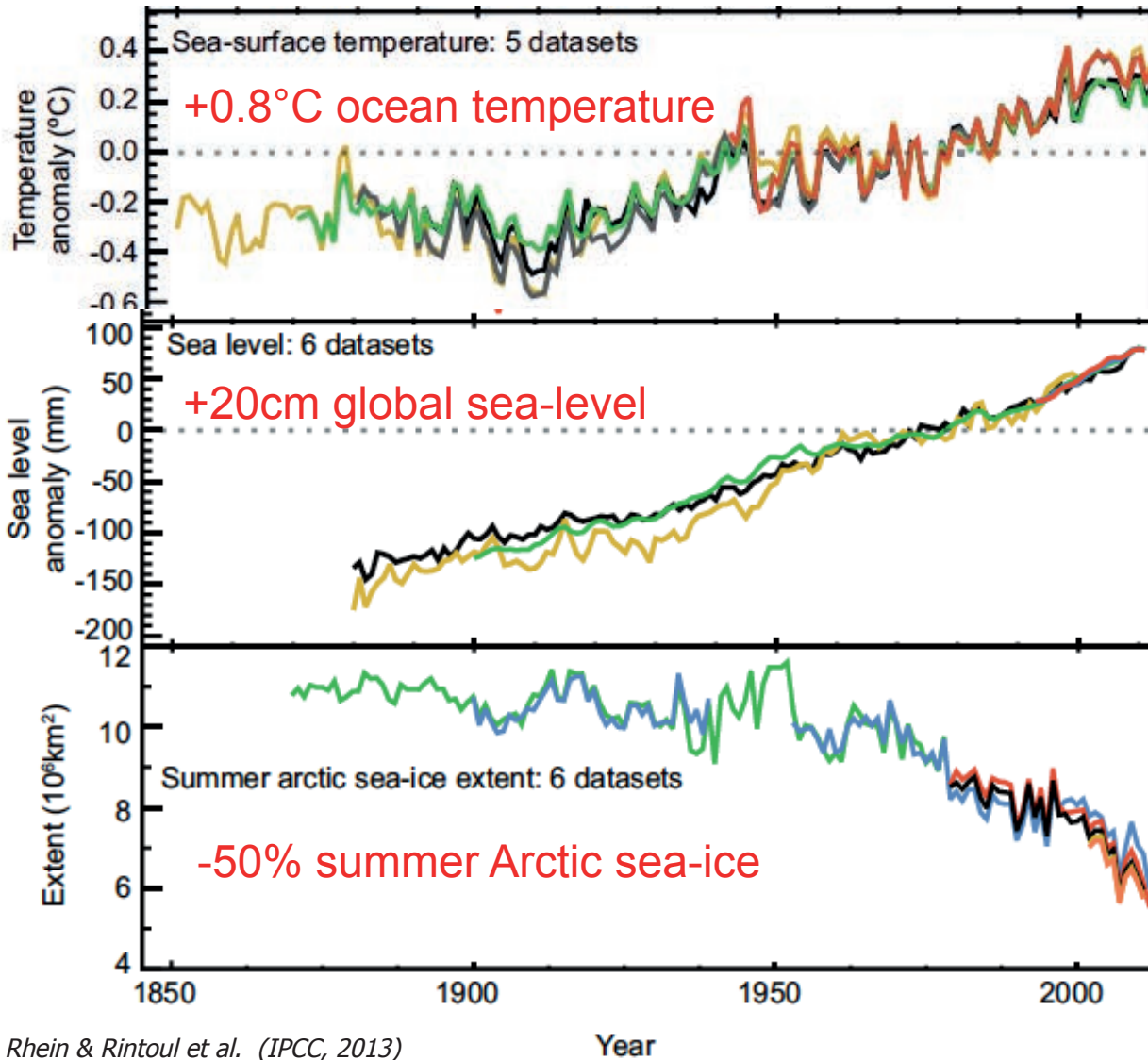
Observed globally averaged combined land and ocean surface temperature anomaly 1850–2012



...also don't forget 40% of the CO<sub>2</sub> has gone into the ocean



# How is the ocean changing during the industrial age?



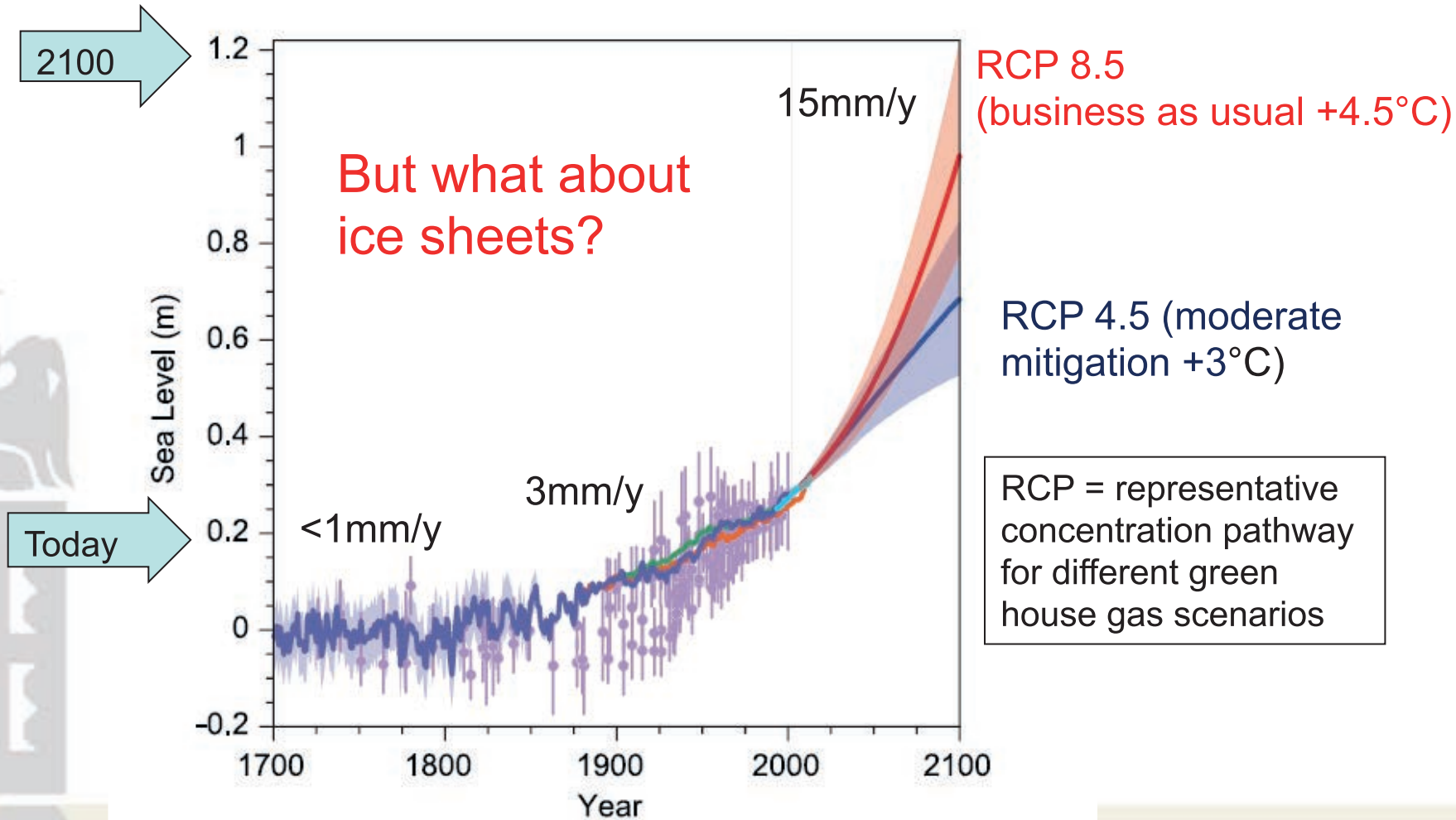
Rhein & Rintoul et al. (IPCC, 2013)

# 1. The rising tide around NZ

## **New Zealand is unprepared for the impacts of sea-level rise!**

- *How much will the sea-level rise?*
- *How fast will the sea-level rise?*
- *What will be the regional differences in sea-level rise?*
- *What will be the social and economic impacts of sea-level rise?*
- *How will they be managed?*

# Year 2100 mean sea-level projections ( the “likely” range)



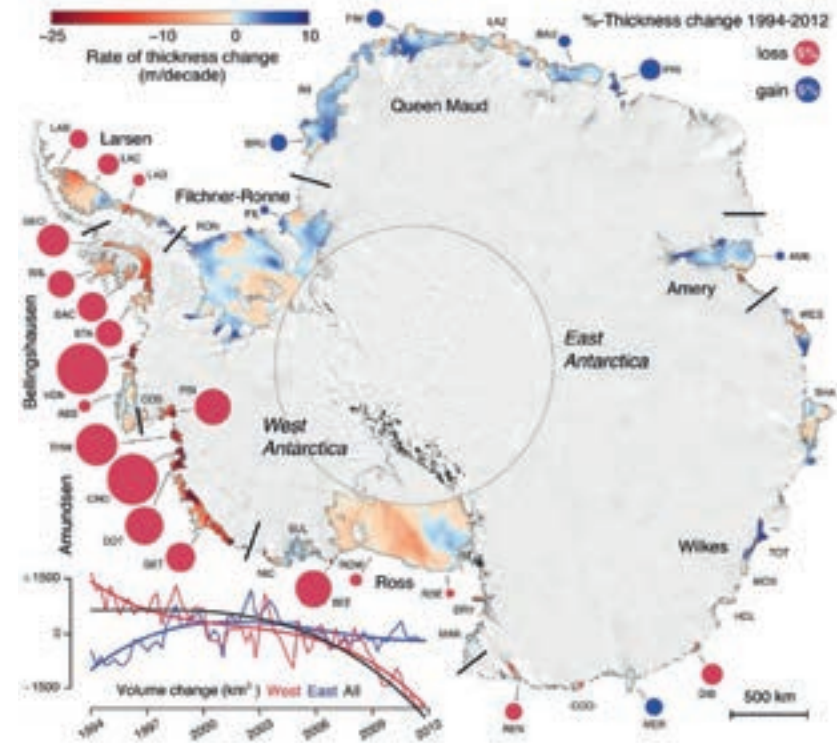
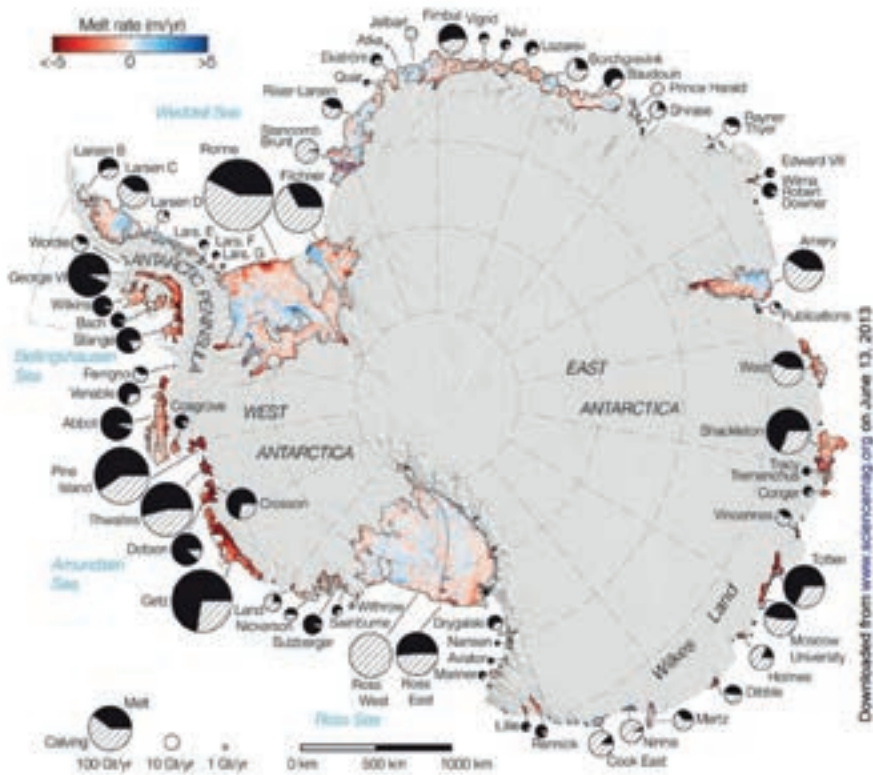
*Based on current understanding, only the collapse of marine-based sectors of the Antarctic ice sheet, if initiated, could cause global mean sea level to rise substantially above the likely range during the 21st century....IPCC AR5, 2013*



# The single biggest uncertainty – *Antarctic ice melt is accelerating*

*Ice sheets* (sit on land)

*Ice shelves* (float on ocean)

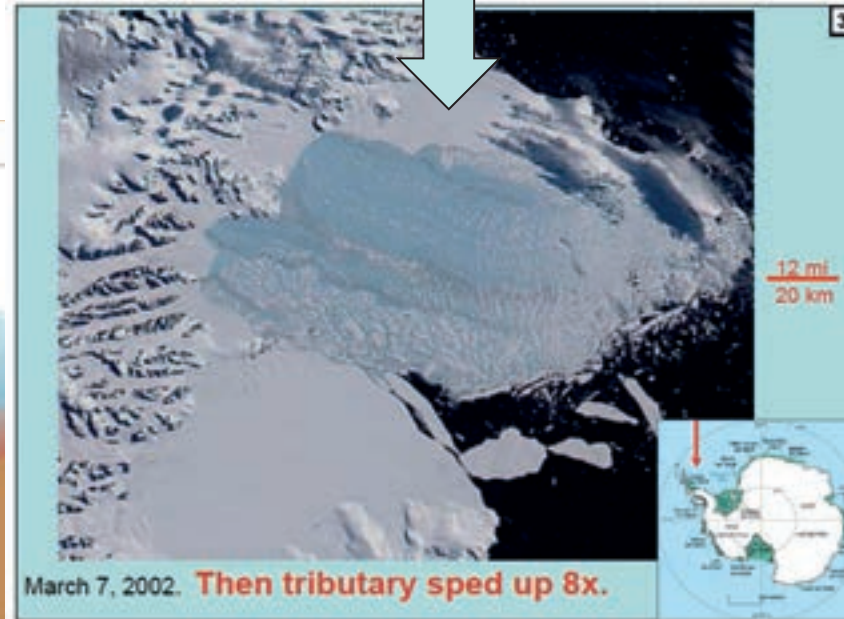
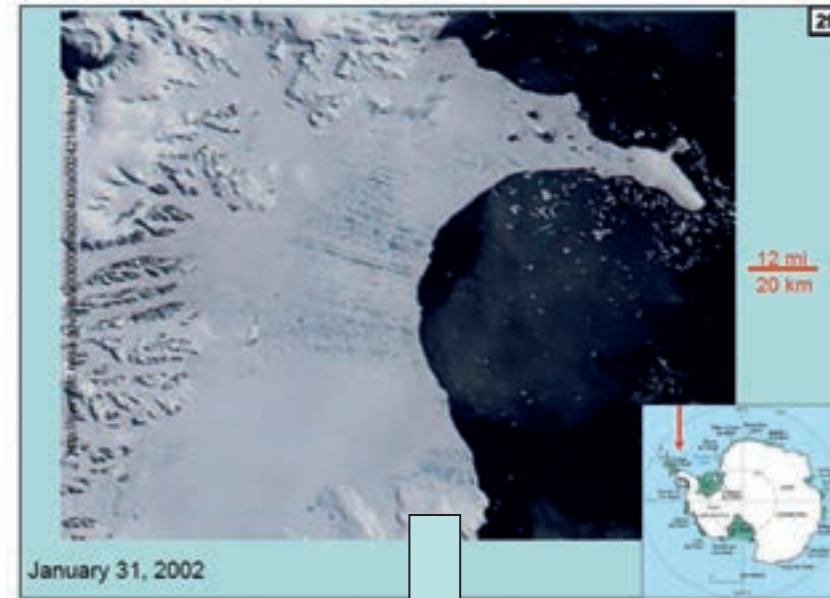
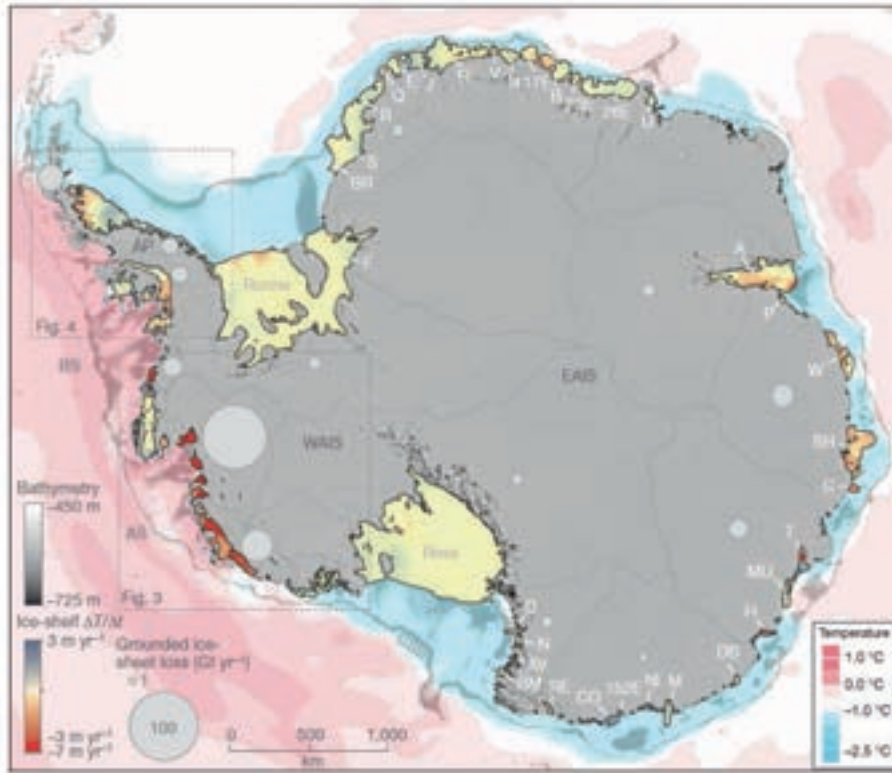


Paolo et al. (2015)

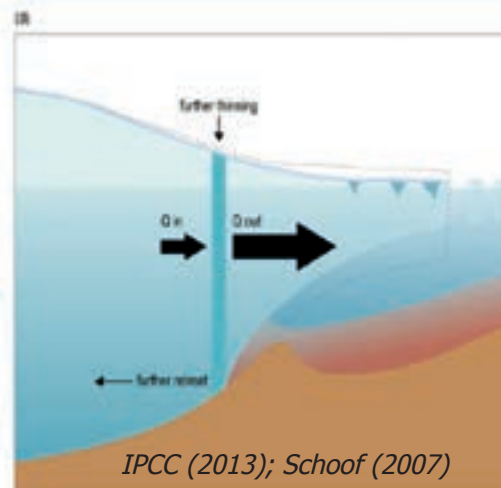
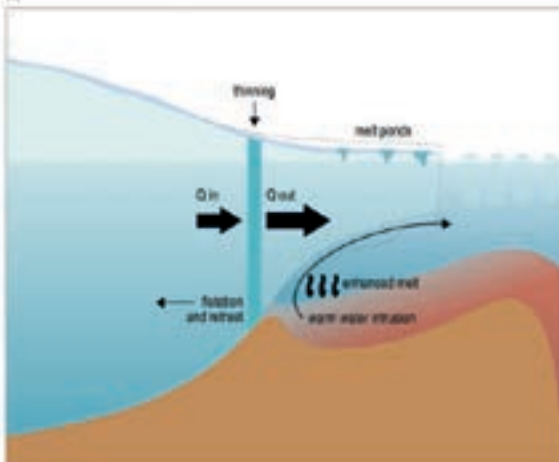
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Sources listed in Church et al. IPCC (2013)

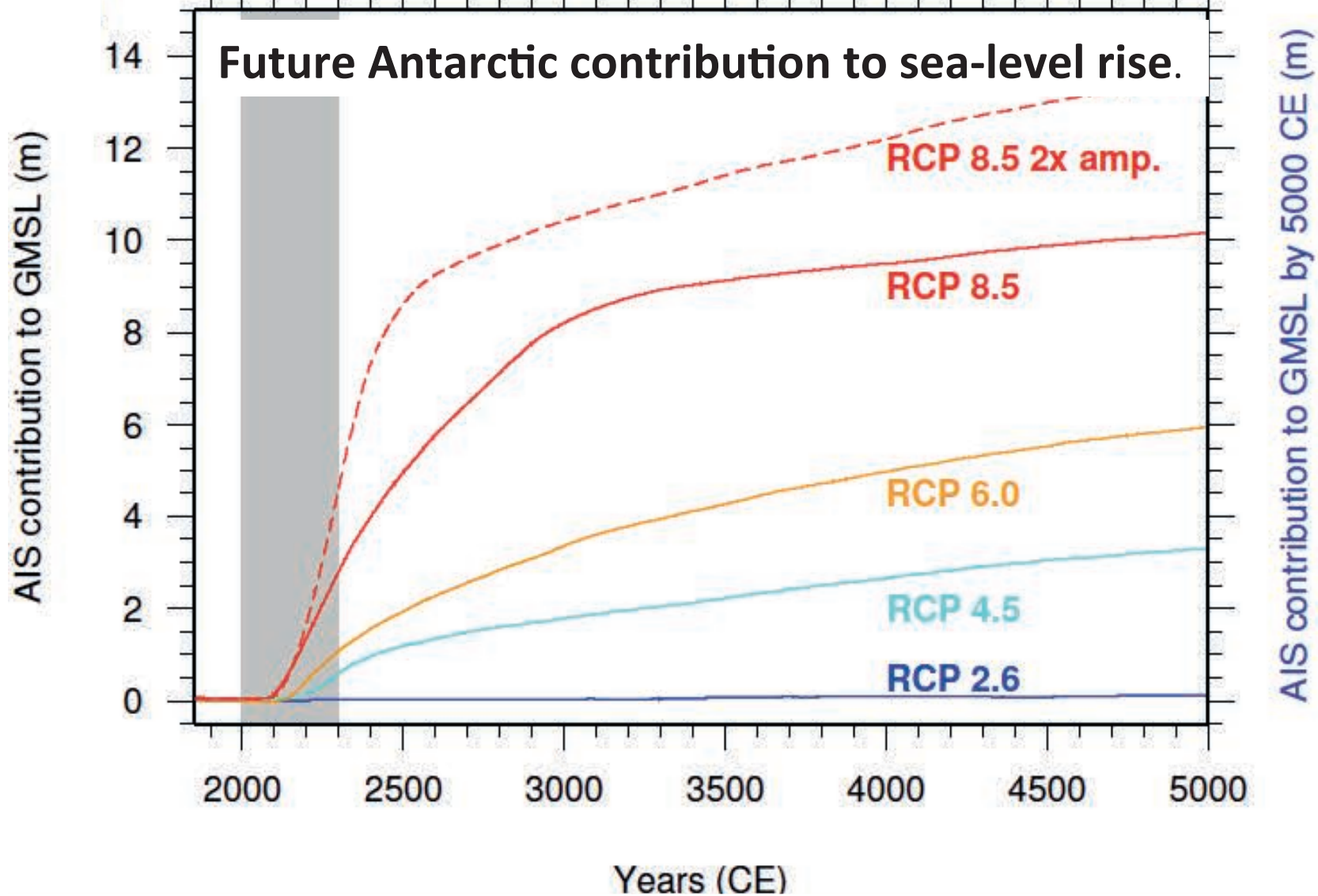
# Warming oceans could cause rapid & runaway retreat



Pritchard et al (2012)



IPCC (2013); Schoof (2007)



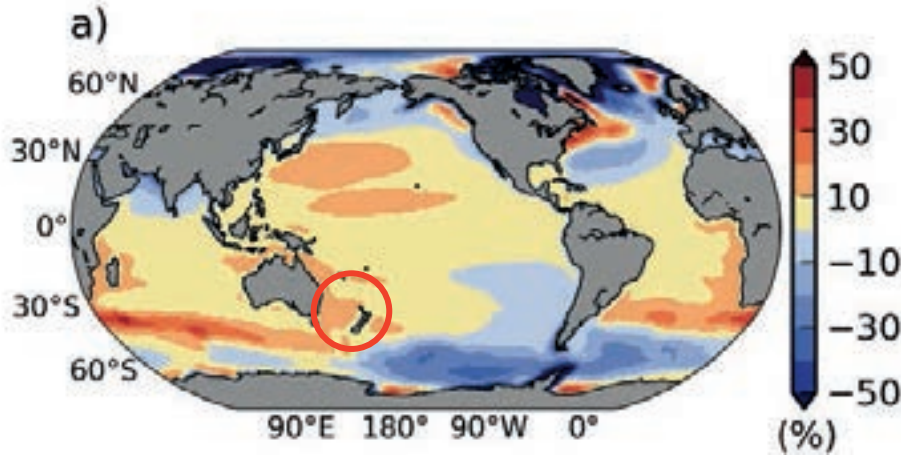
Take home: Antarctic ice sheet contribution to SLR currently under estimated by IPCC

- 30-70cm by 2100, 3m by 2300, 12m by 5000. +2°C is the threshold for irreversible loss

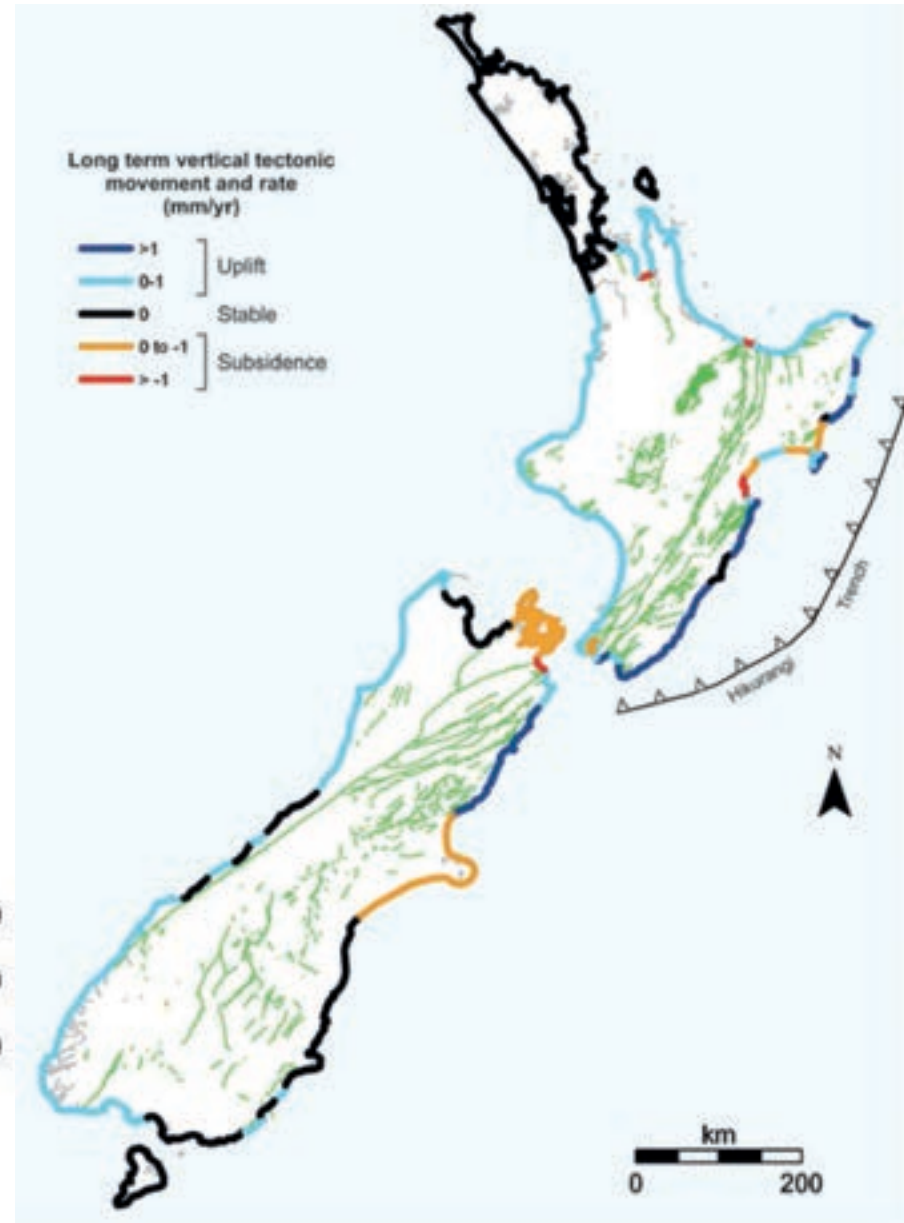


# Sea-level does not rise evenly...

*NZ will get 10% more than global average  
= ~+1.1m by 2100*



*Our coastlines are not stable*



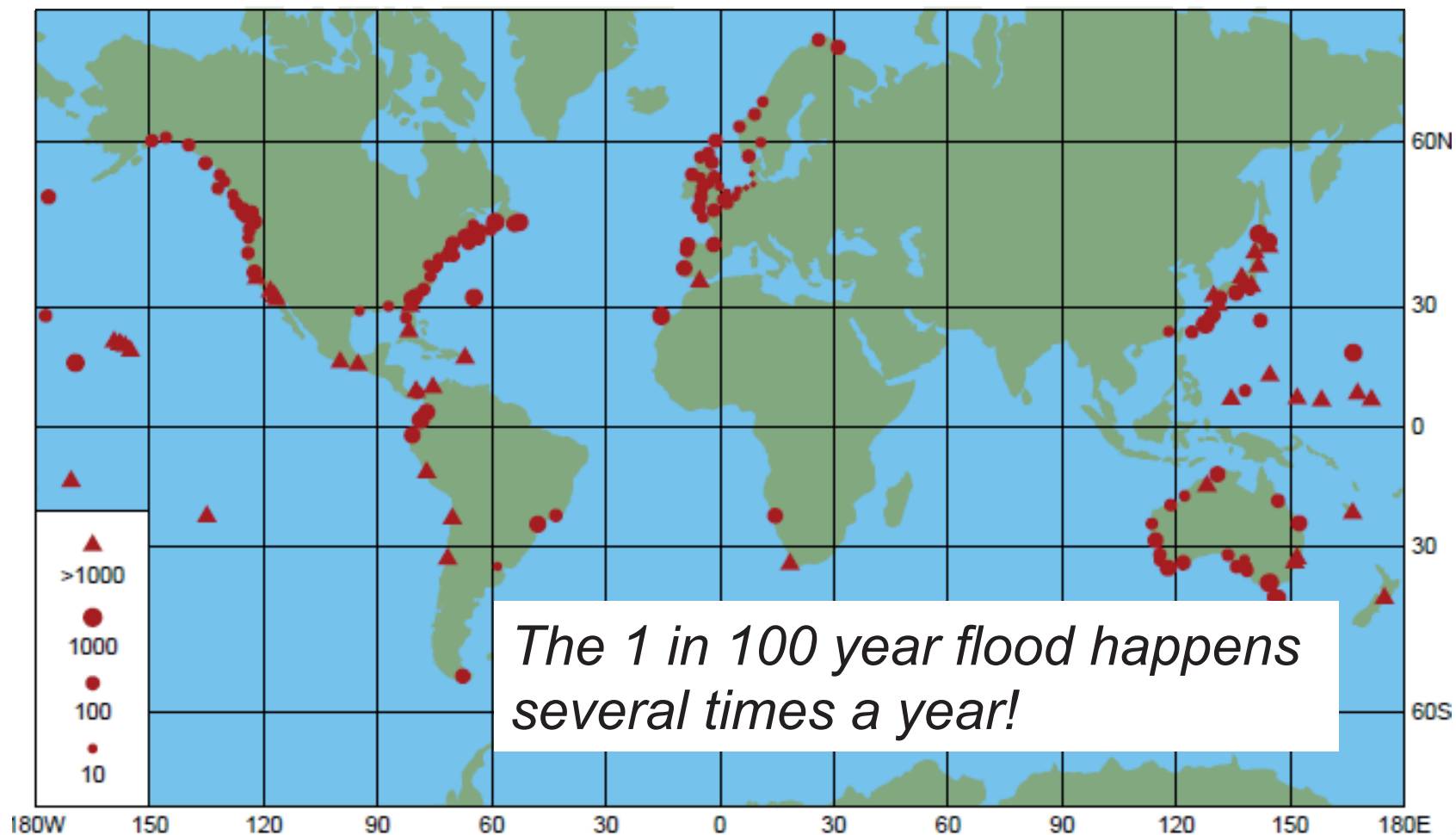


*+1m of sea-level rise in downtown Wellington*



Courtesy of WCC

The frequency of coastal inundation world-wide increases by a multiplier of 100 to 1000 times +50cm by 2100





# 2. Coastal Inundation





*Island Bay, Wellington,  
New Zealand, June 2013*



*Katherine  
Mansfield  
House  
destroyed.  
Day's Bay,  
Wellington,  
New  
Zealand,  
June 2013*



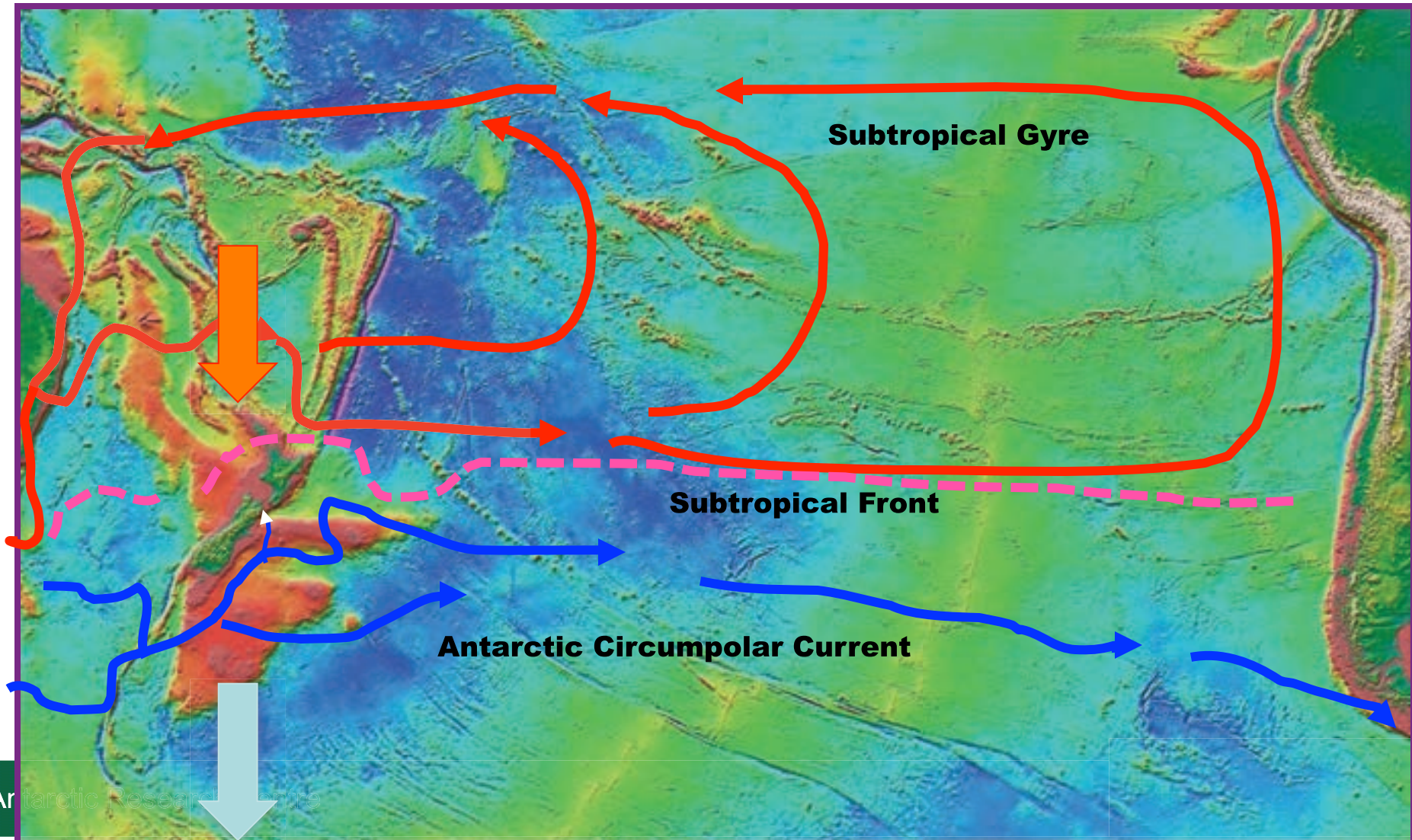
# 3. Currents of change around NZ

## **New Zealand is unprepared for ocean change**

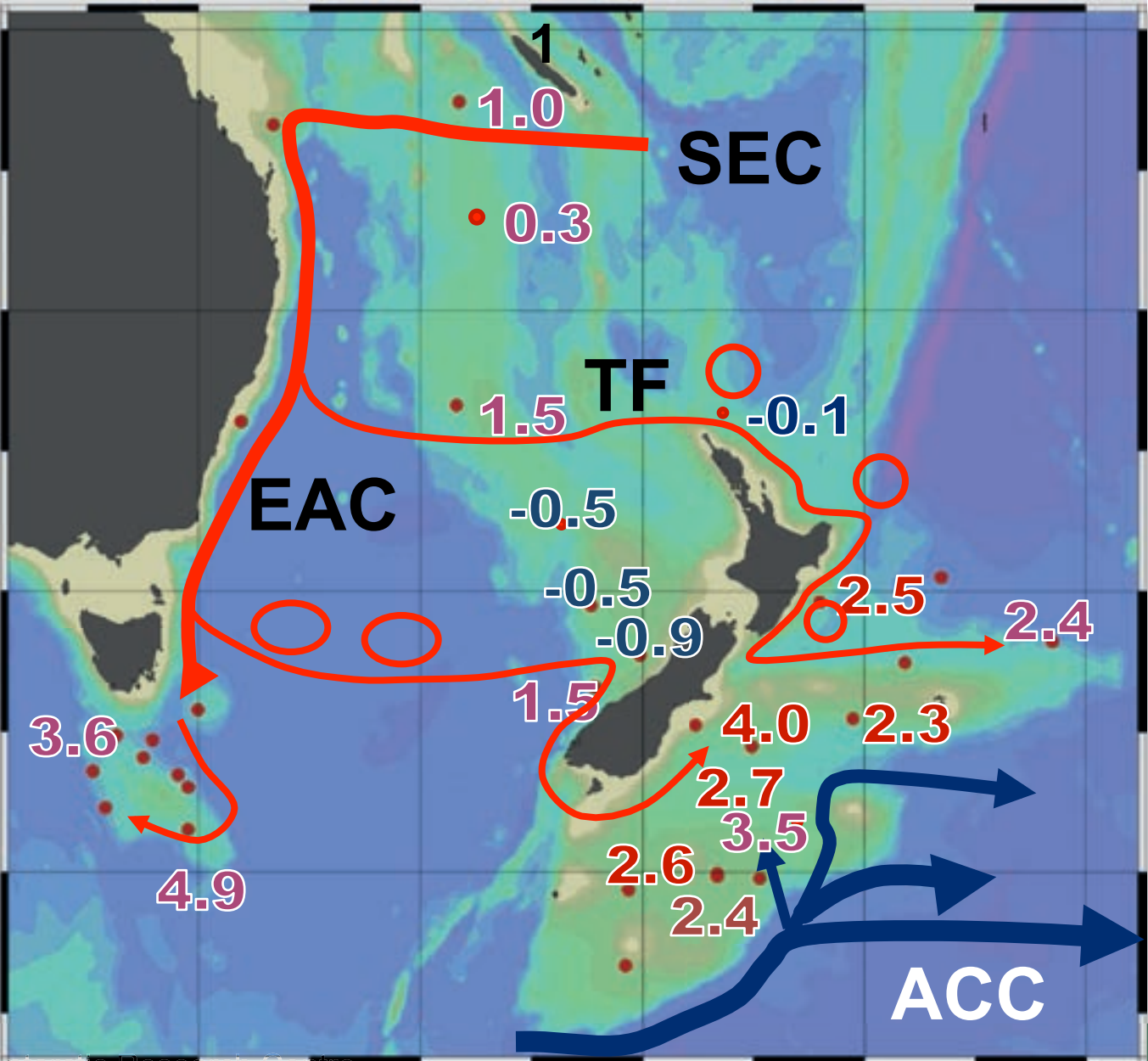
- How will ocean currents change?
- How much, how fast and where will the ocean warm?
- How will ocean change affect our climate?
- How will ocean change affect marine ecosystems?
- What will be the impact of ocean acidification?
- What will be the social and economic impacts?

Increased heat transport from the

Decreased influence from the Antarctic



# 4. Increased Heat - last time world was 1-2°C warmer



**125,000 years ago**

- **>1°C warmer in subtropical inflow**
- **Warmer S. Tasman consistent with regional winds forcing EAC south.**
- **Strong trans-Tasman inflow to NZ from south.**
- **Also warming near ACC, consistent with heat from S. Ocean**



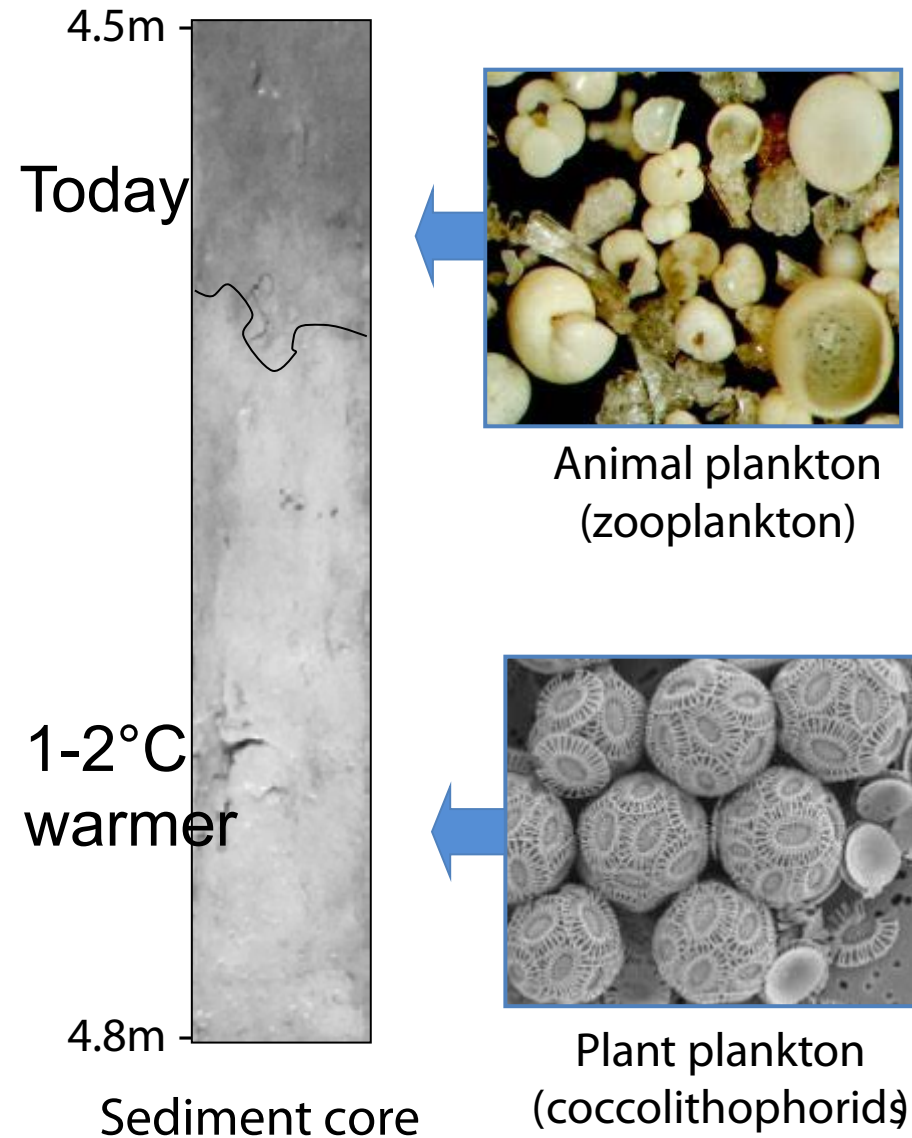
# 5. Are the plankton responding?



- The ocean off eastern South Island has phytoplankton blooms (particularly coccolithophorids). The fossils of these floating plants form chalk as found in the White Cliffs of Dover.
- There is no evidence that the present blooms are more frequent than normal, but their occurrence is consistent with a warmer ocean as confirmed by geological samples from the seabed.

Source: Aqua MODIS, NASA.

# 6. The base of the food web changes in a warmer ocean



- Sediment cores from the seabed of Campbell Plateau show alternating layers of grey and white mud.
- Grey layers are composed mainly of zooplankton shells and white layers are composed mainly of coccolithophorids as seen in today's blooms
- These distinct types of plankton were formed under different ocean conditions.
- The switch to coccolithophorids occurred when ocean temperatures were 1 to 1.5 °C warmer than now.

## 7. Take home messages

1. Sea-level rise from a warming ocean and polar ice sheet melting will cause significant disruption to NZ over the coming century. We are woefully under-prepared for anticipating and managing the impacts of this sea-level rise.
2. Increased influence from subtropical water masses and ocean acidification over the New Zealand region will have profound impacts on marine species distribution, including primary productivity at the base of the food web.
3. NZ's ocean estate is large and we have very little information on how the physical and biological changes are occurring, will continue to occur and what impact they will have environmentally, ecologically and economically.





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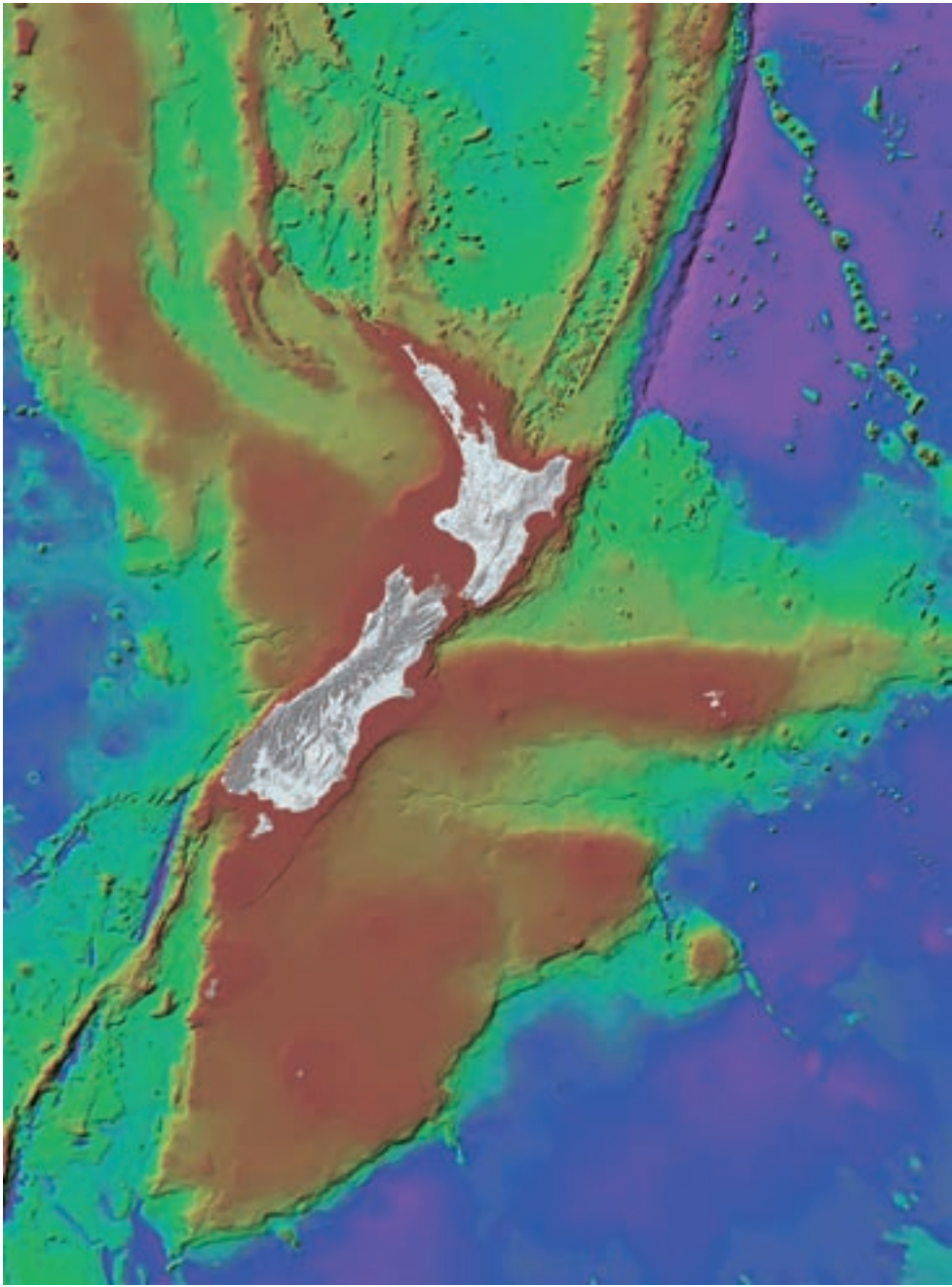
# Lines in the Ocean

## Bronwen Golder

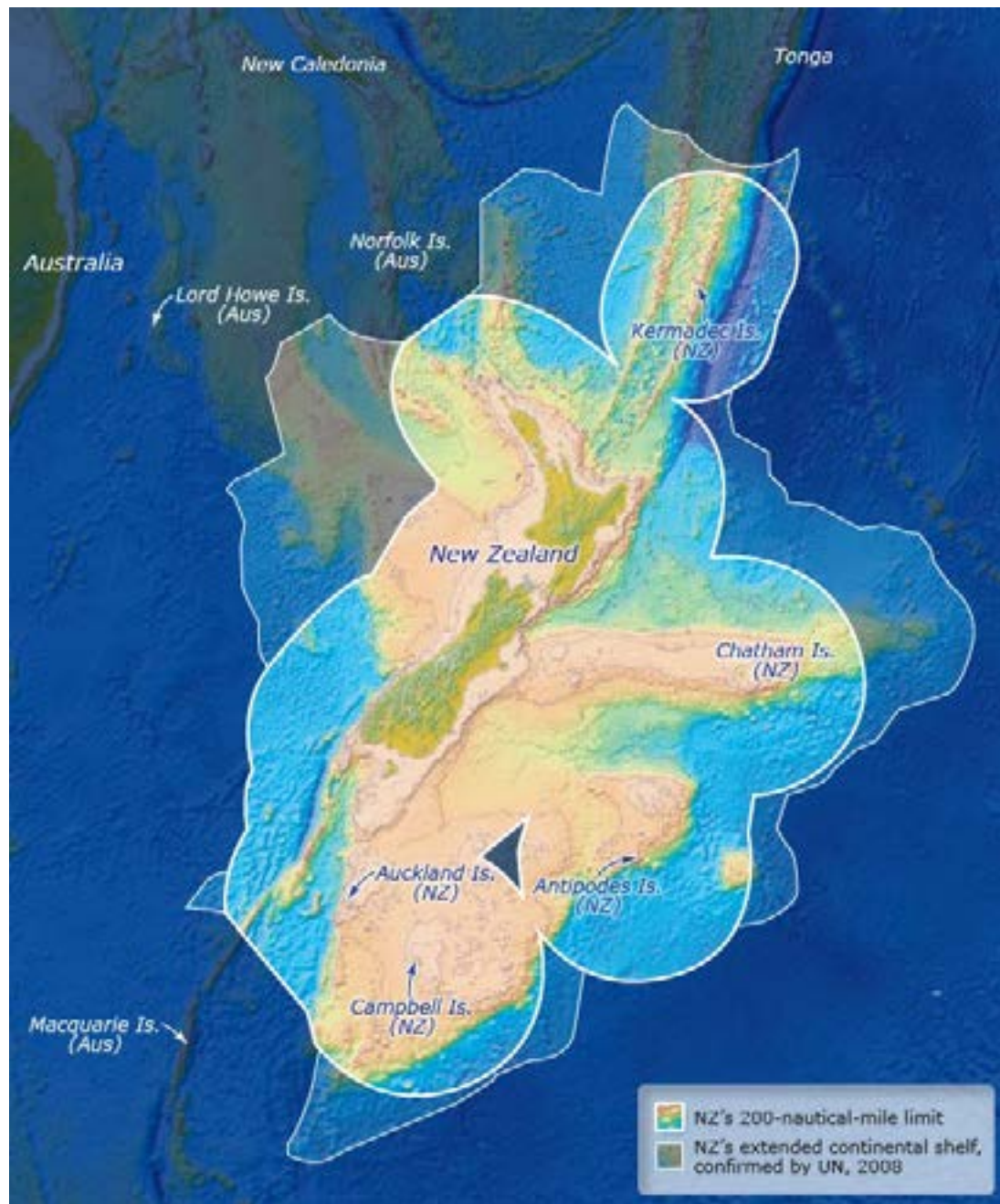


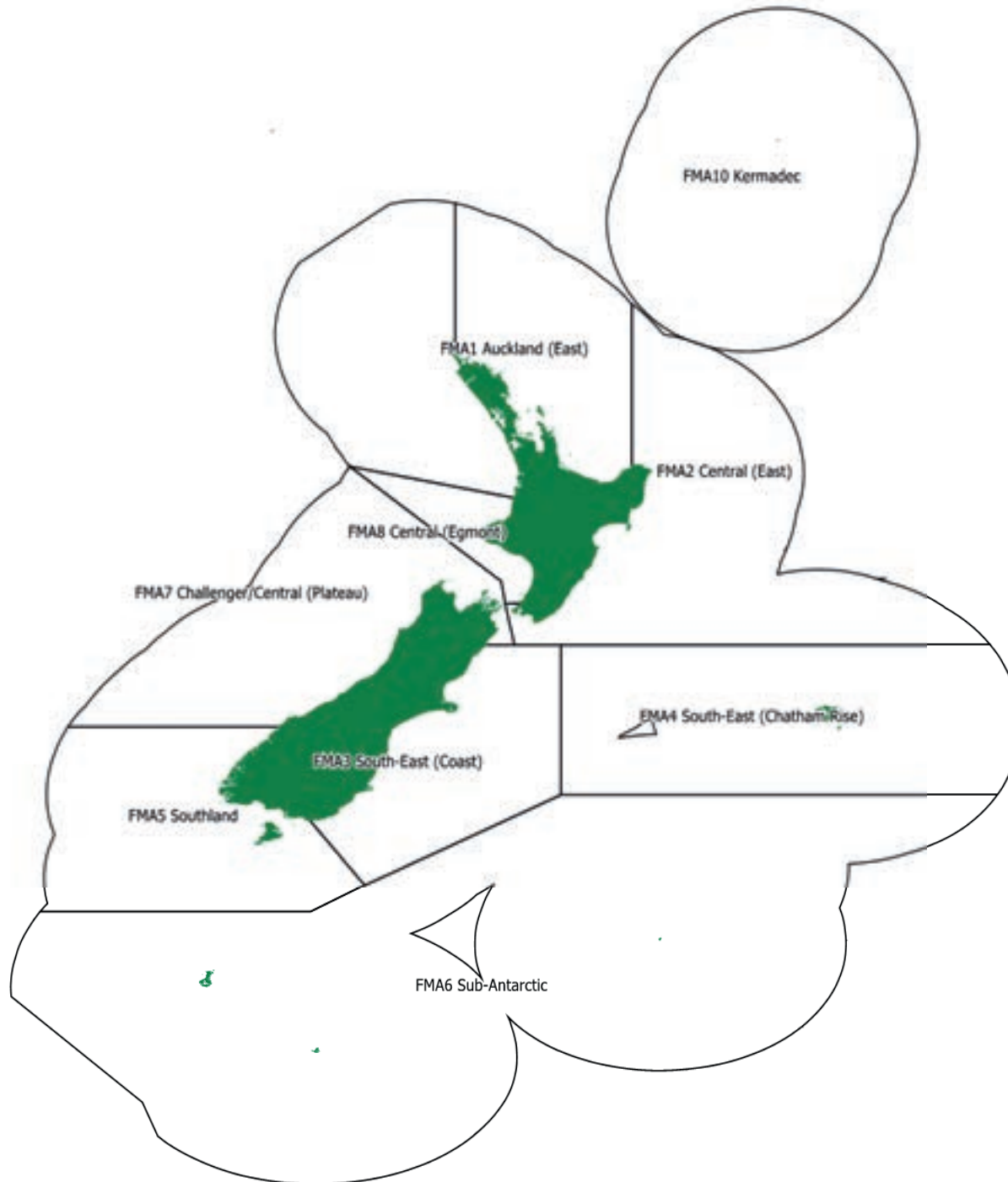


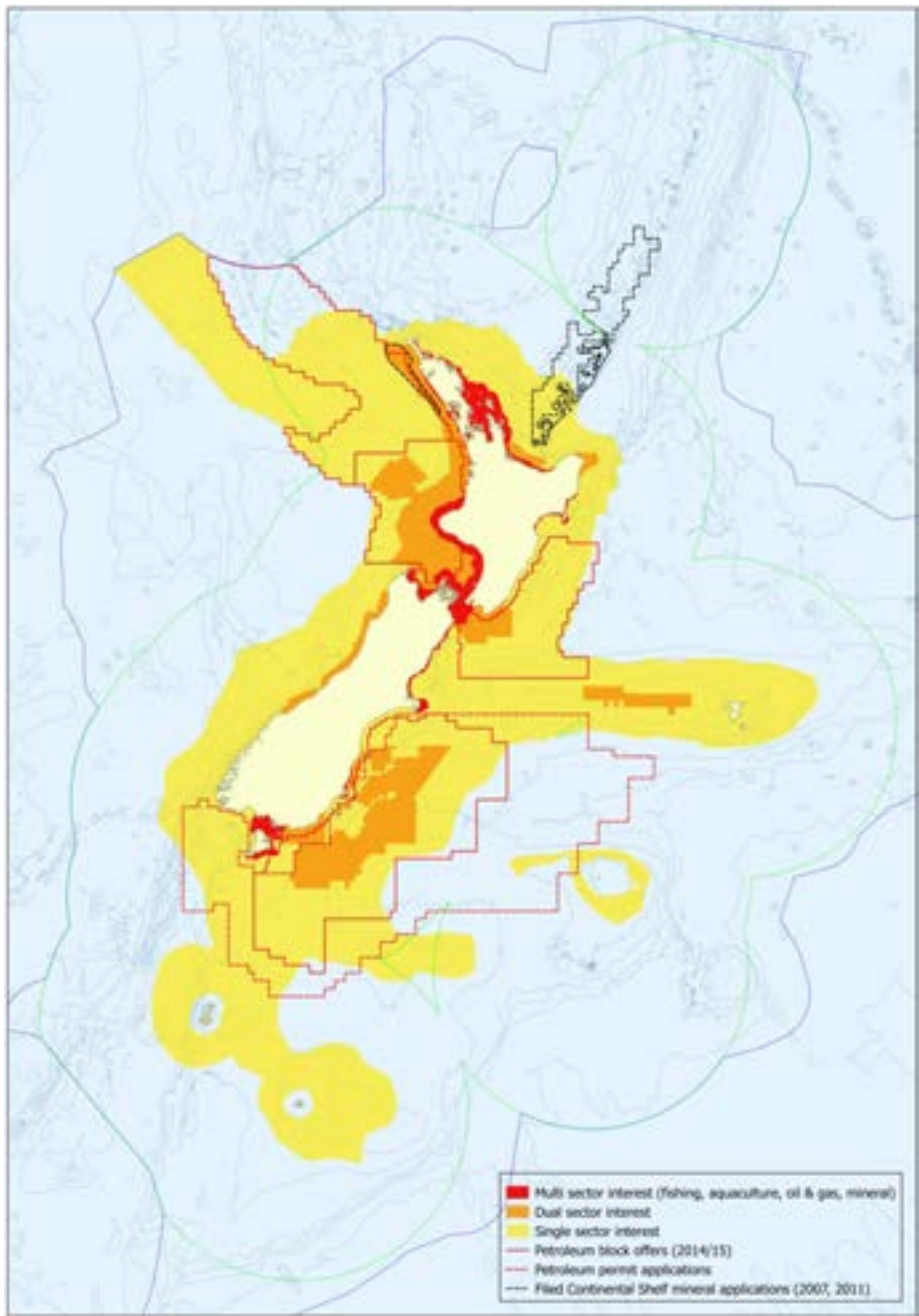




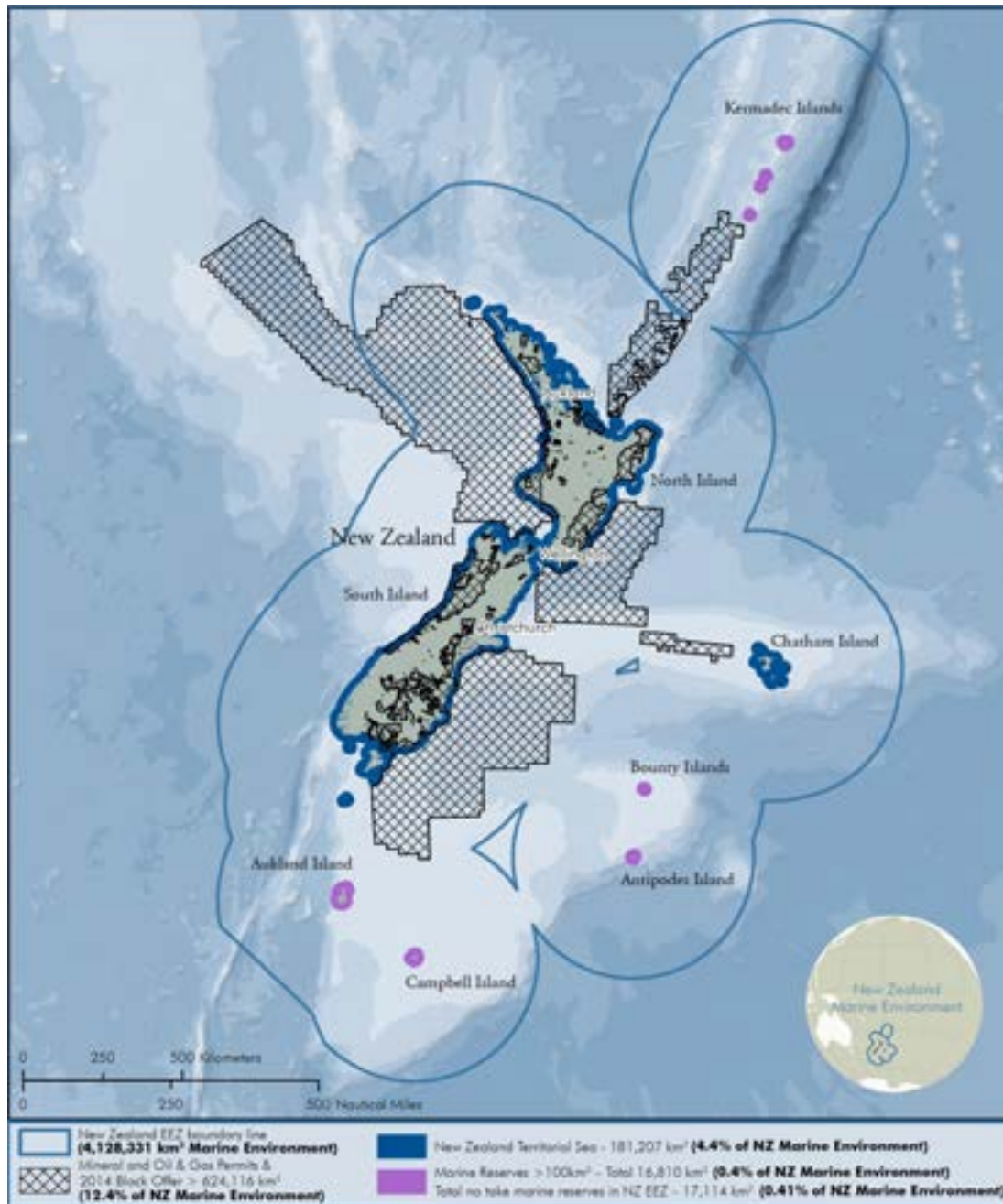




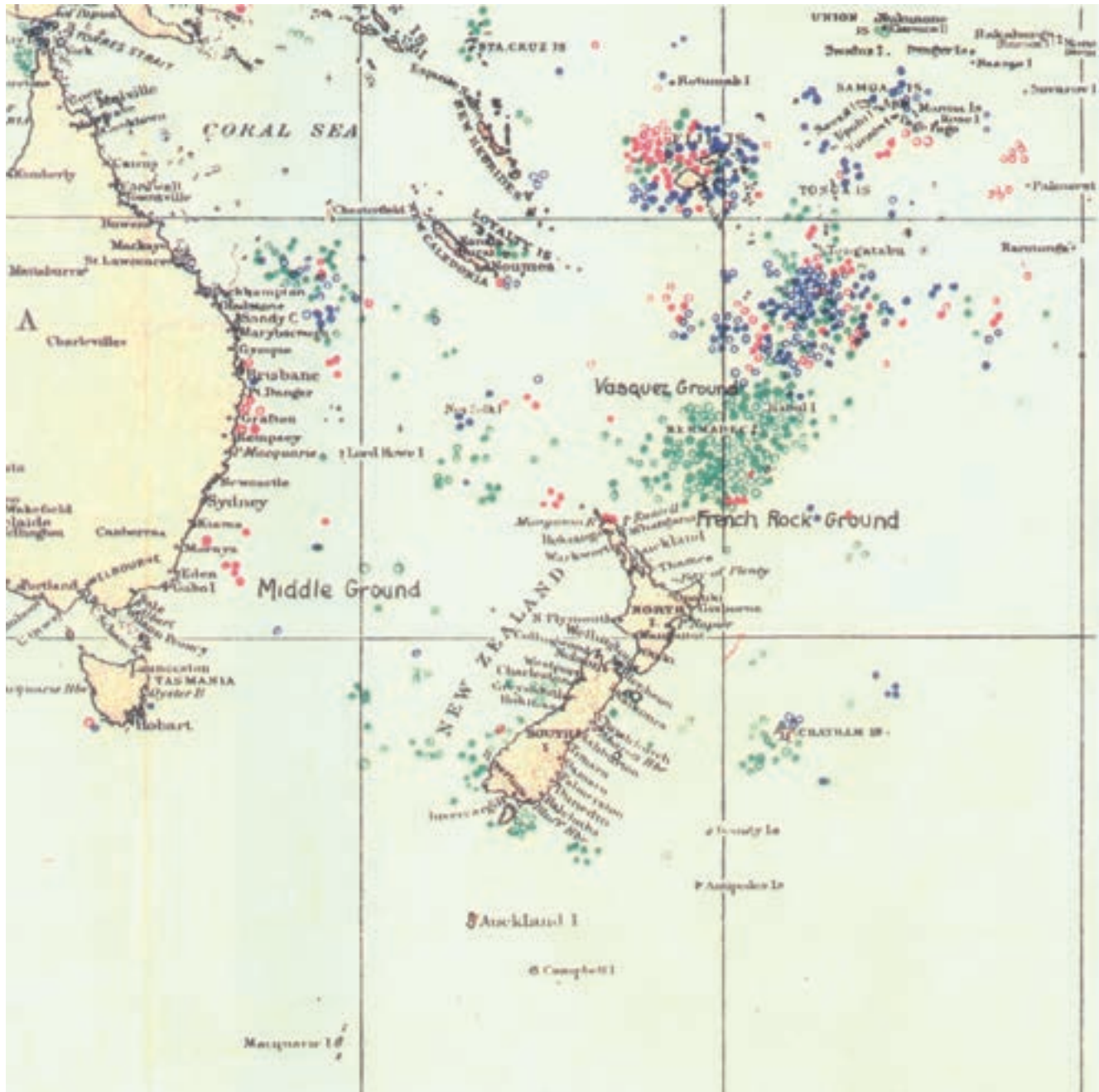








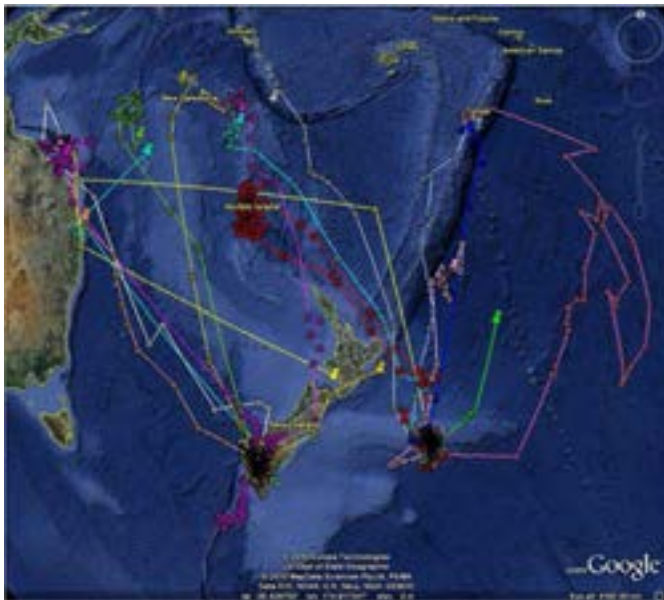




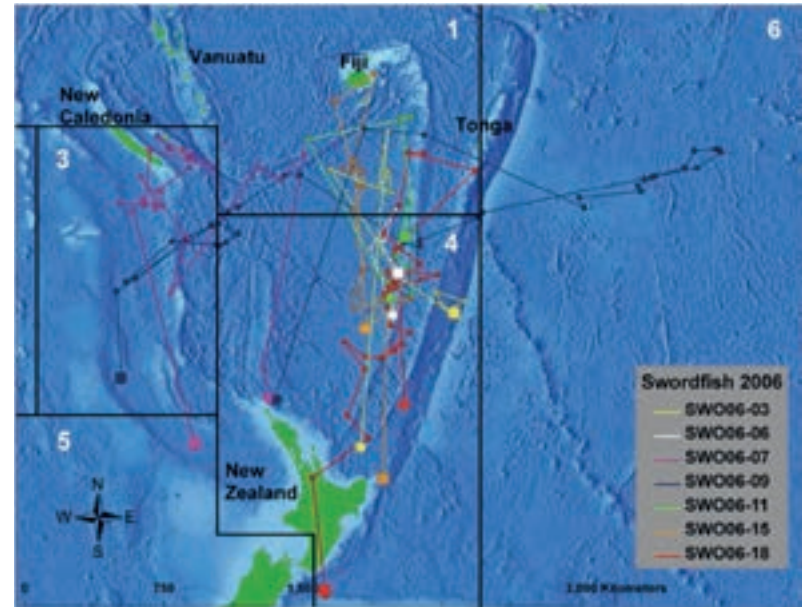




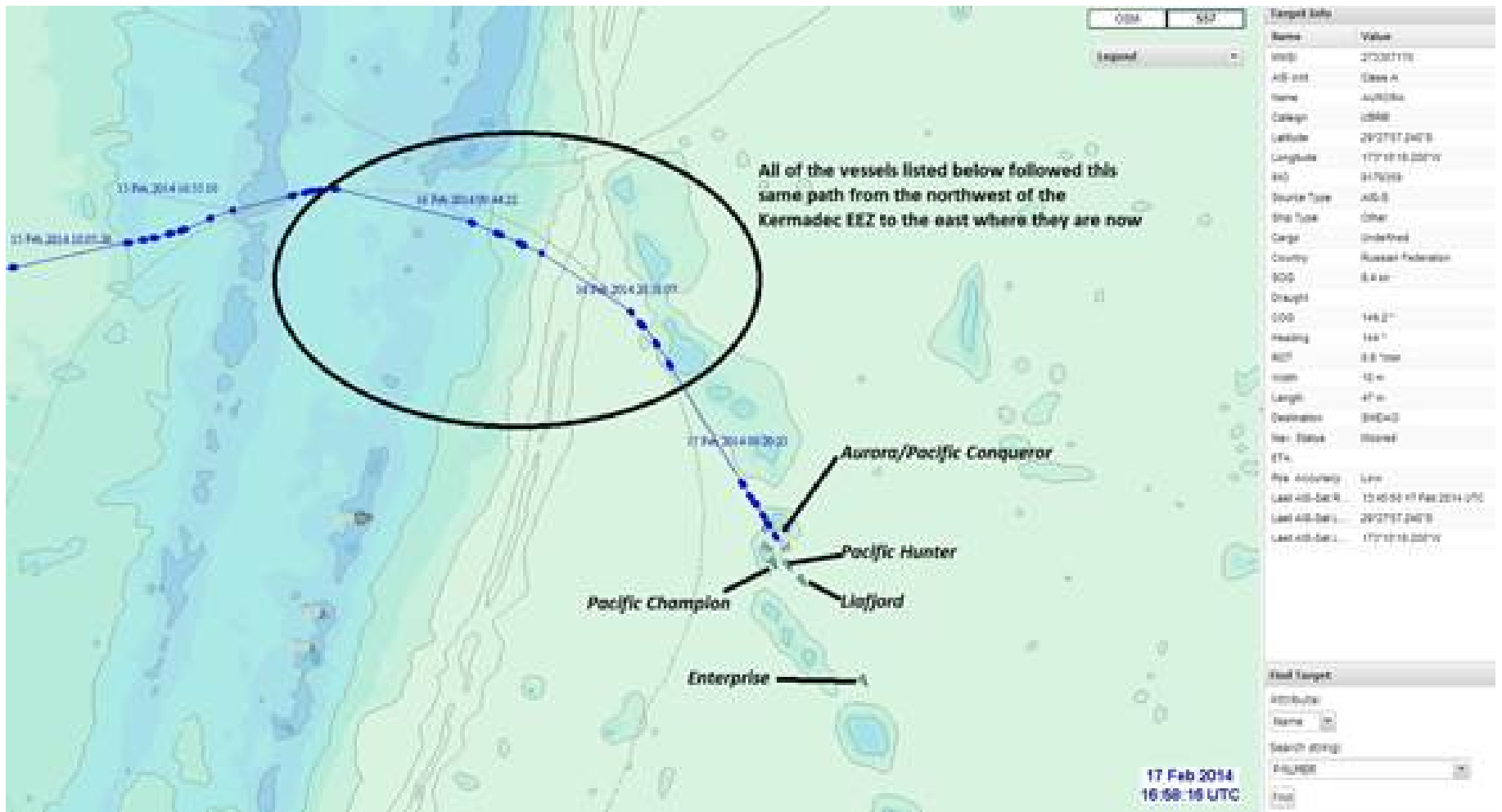
Black petrel



Great white shark



Swordfish





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coastlines

Sam Judd



**42,457**

Event participants



**1,032,055**

Litres of rubbish



**19,934**

Trees planted



**110,407**

Presentation attendees

Impacts since 2009. Now let's scale this up.



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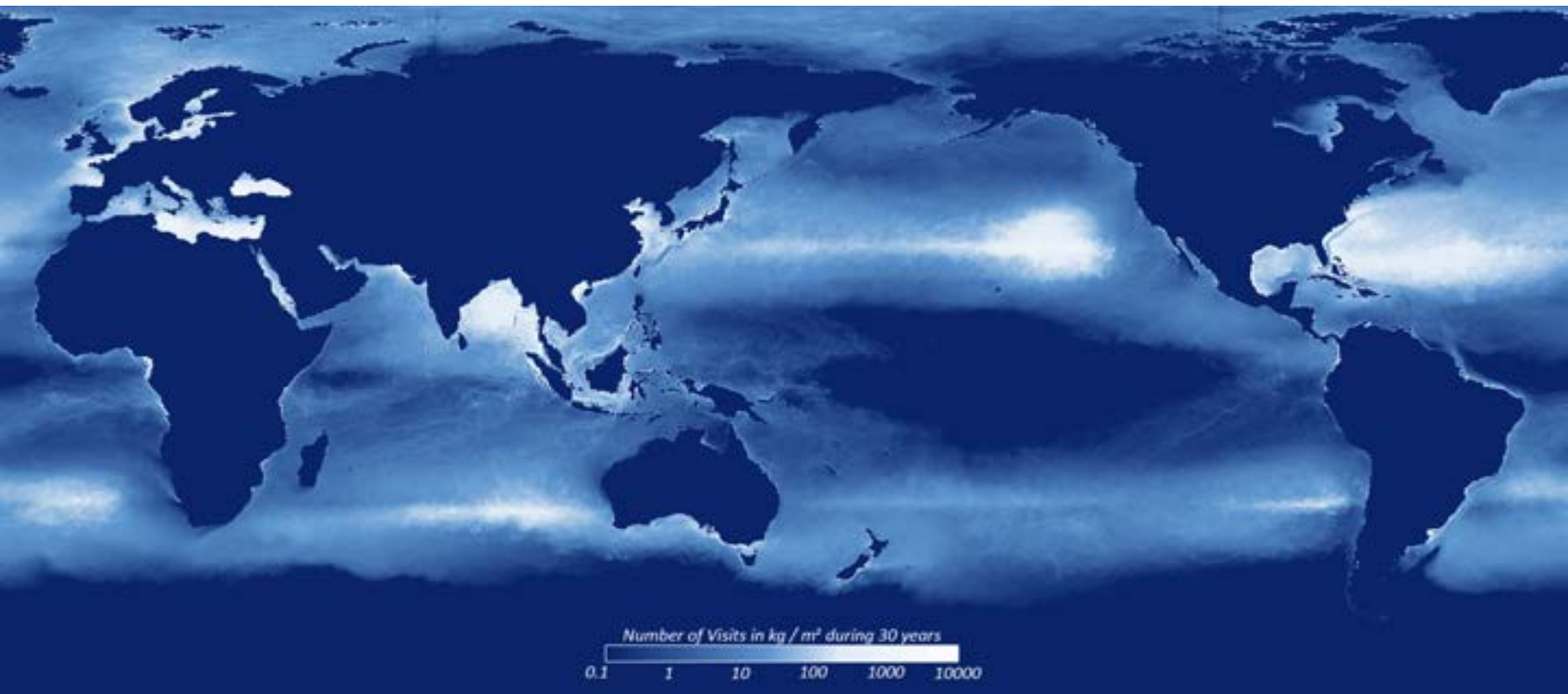






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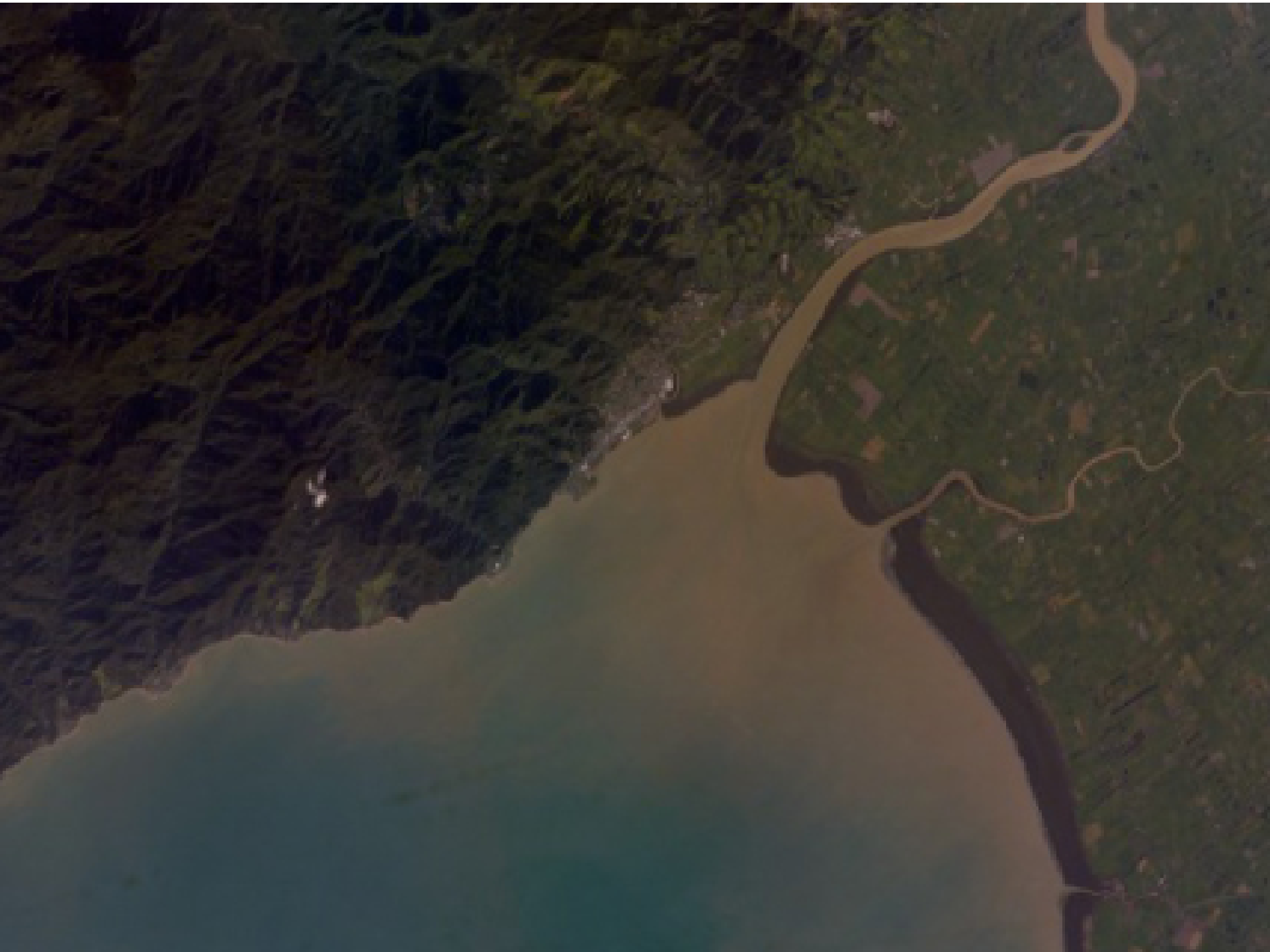
















# 7. Questions and Next steps

