



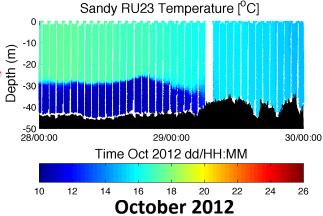
## **Hurricane Sandy**

MARACOOS

Ocean Information for a Changing World

**New Technology – Hurricane Gliders** 



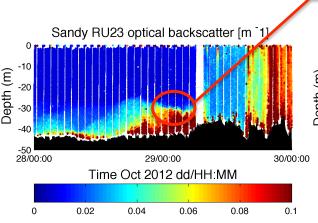


MARACOOS glider deployed based on Sandy track forecast

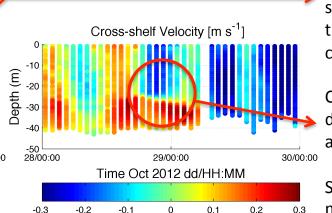
Additional current & optical sensors from student proposal

Sandy was later in the year when surface temperatures are already cooler

## **New Science – Ocean Modeling Challenges**



October 2012
Suspended Sediment (Red)



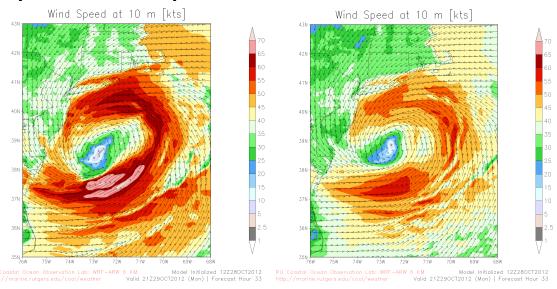
October 2012 Cross-shelf Currents

Optical sensors indicate little mixing of sediment across thermocline, full water column mixing after

Currents indicate different directions of advection in each layer

Sandy presents ocean models with different challenges, like little mixing and complex advection

## **Impacts on Atmospheric Forecasts**



Hurricane Sandy acceleration and intensification properly forecast with observed cool SST

Hurricane Sandy sensitivity over the warm SST observed before Irene produces 15 knot increase in intensity

Warm SST

**Cool SST**