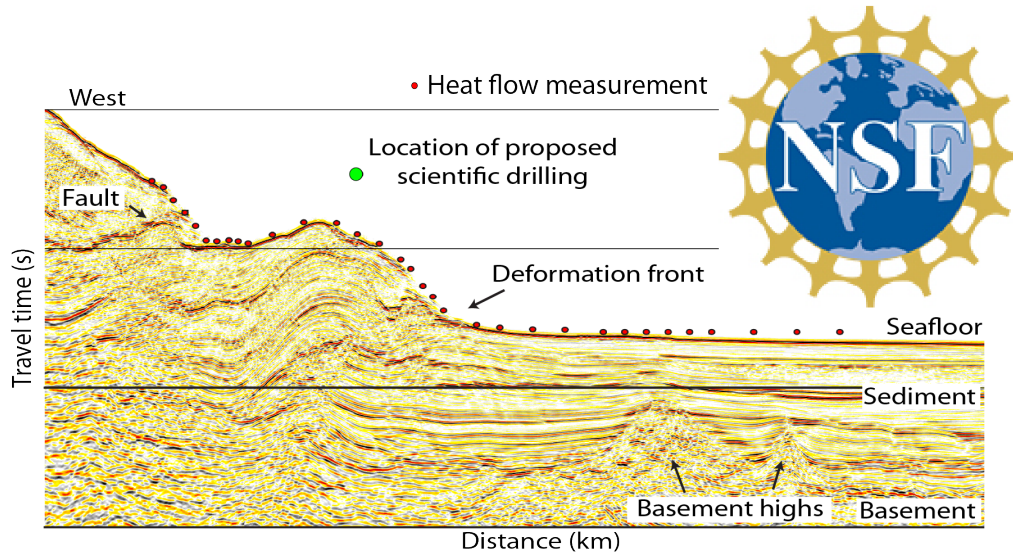


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**The Thermal Regime of the Hikurangi Subduction Zone and Shallow  
Slow Slip Events, New Zealand**



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## **I. Introduction**

This report provides an operational and scientific overview of the Subduction Thrust Investigation of New Zealand using Geothermics and Seismics (STINGS) expedition (*R/V Roger Revelle* cruise RR1508). This report was prepared during and at the end of scientific operations, so all analysis is preliminary.

In general this cruise was very successful in meeting its stated objectives. This success is directly attributable to the skill and dedication of the ship's crew and technical support staff and the outstanding facilities available on the *R/V Roger Revelle*. Shipboard staff and crew were extremely collegial and helpful in sometimes-adverse conditions. We thank them for their support. Three issues that affected us included weather with a loss of approximately 7 science days, a large population of fur seals in the southern field area that led to large gaps in seismic data acquisition and an intermittent problem with the heat flow probe pressure sensor that controls the firing of a calibrated heat pulse for thermal conductivity measurements.

### **A. Mission/outcomes**

- 161 new heat flow measurements
- 881 km of seismic reflection profiles
- New bathymetric data acquired
- 21 XBTs acquired
- Underway data including ADCP, meteorological data, gravity data

### **B. Scientific Objectives**

The STINGS expedition was the first part of a field and modeling program to investigate the thermal regime and structure of the Hikurangi margin and its influence on slow slip earthquakes.

This project is designed to address the following questions:

- 1) What is the thermal structure of the incoming Pacific plate and does it vary along strike?
- 2) What is the fluid flow regime through the outer forearc, and incoming oceanic basement? Do these fluid flow regimes vary between the erosive northern margin and accretionary southern margin.
- 3) What role does temperature play in influencing the position of the updip boundary of the seismogenic zone and regions of interseismic plate coupling?

The STINGS Expedition included both regional and local goals. Regional heat flow goals included assessing along-strike variations in the thermal state of the incoming Hikurangi Plateau and fluid flow through the basement and margin. Locally we wanted to determine the thermal state in areas of proposed IODP drilling, Proposal 781-Full, *Unlocking the secrets of slow slip by drilling at the northern Hikurangi subduction margin, New Zealand: Riserless drilling to sample and monitor the forearc and subducting plate*.

The objectives of the seismic surveys conducted during RR1508 were threefold:

- 1) Characterize the site conditions beneath ocean bottom seismometers (OBS) deployed in 2014 (TAN 1405 *R/V Tangaroa*, 10 May 2014 – 20 May 2014) for the

HOBBITS project and retrieved on RR1509. The shots will also be used to relocate and orient the components of the seismometers.

2) Obtain additional seismic reflection transects across the deformation front of the Hikurangi subduction zone to decrease line spacing and better define along-strike structural changes.

3) Acquire high-resolution grids of seismic reflection data over targets indicating complex gas hydrate dynamics. These targets were identified on existing seismic reflection data and had previously been imaged only on single profiles.

Consequently their three-dimensional geometrical configurations were unknown prior to RR1508.

### **C. Regional Setting**

The Hikurangi Trough lies at the southern end of the Tonga-Kermadec subduction zone and extends from offshore the Raukumara Peninsula (northern North Island) to the southern Wairarapa coast and Cook Strait (Figure I-1). The Hikurangi margin formed 20 - 25 Myr ago [Ballance, 1976; Walcott, 1987] in response to westward subduction of the thick and bathymetrically elevated Hikurangi Plateau, an early Cretaceous (120 Myr) large igneous province [Davy & Wood, 1994; Wood & Davy, 1994; Taylor, 2006; Davy *et al.*, 2008]. Subduction of the buoyant Hikurangi Plateau is a primary influence on shaping the Hikurangi subduction zone including the shallowness of the trench, the taper angle, and seismogenesis.

The Hikurangi margin is characterized by strong along strike variations in a number of important properties that likely affect deformation and seismogenesis (Figure I-1). The crystalline crust of the subducting plate thickens from 16 km at its northern edge to 23 km adjacent to Chatham Rise in the south [Davy *et al.*, 2008] as convergence velocities decrease from orthogonal at > 60 mm/yr in the north to oblique at <30 mm/yr in the south [Wallace *et al.*, 2004]. Basement relief on the incoming plate also decreases to the south. North of Hawke Bay, seamounts stud the incoming plate and basement relief commonly exceeds several kilometers [Wood & Davy, 1994; Davy & Wood, 1994; Lewis *et al.*, 1998; Davy *et al.*, 2008].

The Hikurangi Plateau has uplifted the trough and forearc such that offshore New Zealand, the trench is sediment-filled with a water depth of 3 km (much shallower than the > 9 km deep trench characterizing the Tonga/Kermadec system). Sediments thicken to the south, reflecting their source area in the South Island [Lewis *et al.*, 1998; Lewis & Barnes, 1999; Mountjoy *et al.*, 2009; Plaza *et al.*, 2012]. Offshore the Raukumara Peninsula, north of where the Hikurangi channel turns east, sediment thickness is < 1 km, increases to ~1 km offshore Hawke Bay and is > 6 km near Cook Strait [e.g., Lewis *et al.*, 1998]. In general sediment thickness is much less east of the Hikurangi Channel. In the north, the ~1 km thick trench turbidites are locally accreting between large seamount-impact reentrants associated with localized tectonic erosion [e.g., Collot *et al.*, 2001; Barker *et al.*, 2009; Bell *et al.*, 2010; Pedley *et al.*, 2010; Barnes *et al.*, 2010] whereas the southern area has a well-developed imbricated upper plate and outer accretionary wedge [Lewis & Pettinga, 1993; Nicol & Beavan, 2003; Barnes *et al.*, 2010].

The taper angle of the accretionary wedge decreases from about 10° offshore the

Raukumara peninsula to 4-5° in the south [Barker et al., 2009]. The low taper angle along the southern margin wedge is consistent with largely uncompacted and overpressured sediments having high water content [Barnes & Mercier de Lepinay, 1997; Barnes et al., 2010; Fagereng, 2011]. In general the plate is subducted at a low angle of a few degrees before rolling over to a circular arc having a radius of a few hundred km and then becoming planar below 120 km depth [Ansell & Bannister, 1996; Reyners et al., 2006]. The position of the subducting slab is well defined by seismicity, and seismic tomography reveals a high P-wave velocity (Vp) slab extending > 300 km depth [Reyners et al., 2006; Eberhart-Phillips et al., 2008].

The northern field study area (Figure I-2) is underlain by an aseismic creep-dominated subduction interface and is the site of repeated shallow (< 15 km depth) SSEs [Wallace & Beavan, 2010], and historic tsunami earthquakes that nucleated near the trench (Ms 7.0-7.2 in March and May, 1947 [Downes et al., 2000; Doser & Webb, 2003]). Additionally this area is the focus of a proposed IODP drilling transect with the ultimate objective of intersecting the source area of SSEs, and is also within the HOBITTs array that consists of ocean bottom seismometers (OBS), absolute pressure gauges (APGs) and ocean bottom electromagnetic instruments. Temperature recorders were placed on some of these instruments to monitor bottom water temperature variations. These temperature loggers are scheduled to be recovered on the cruise after this one.

The southern field study area is in the location of the SAHKE and PEG09 seismic surveys (Figure I-3) and contrasts strongly with the northern field area. Here SSEs are deep (> 30 km) and geodetic studies indicate updip interseismic coupling on the plate interface, similar to in Cascadia. Heat flow transects will be collected along the passive and controlled source onshore-offshore Seismic Array HiKurangi Experiment (SAHKE) [Henrys et al., 2010, 2013], designed to image the forearc structure and understand physical processes controlling locking along this portion of the Australian-Pacific plate boundary, and along wide-angle multi-channel Pegasus seismic lines [Geotrace, 2010], designed to detect hydrocarbons.

## II. Cruise narrative

*Times in this informal cruise narrative are given in local time (L) to give a flavor to life on board. Selected times are also given in GMT as Julian Day followed by hour and minute (JDxxx@yyyy). Local time is advanced by 12 hours relative to GMT. All times in tables and other scientific data are in GMT. Track charts are shown in Figure II-1 and II-2 for the northern and southern field areas, respectively. A more complete record of the cruise is available in the e-log, which is available through the R2R web site for RR1508.*

We left Auckland on schedule at 1600L on May 19 (JD139@0400) after an uneventful mobilization. Weather was fair and seas were calm as we headed out on the ocean, and we were treated to beautiful views of Auckland at dusk. Underway sensors (EM122, 3.5 kHz, gravity, ADCP, MET) were on and operating.

We arrived at the first heat flow station at 1857L on May 20 (JD140@0657), and the probe was on the seafloor and taking the first measurement at 2114L at site HK01-01. The EM122 was turned off for this operation and the 3.5 kHz echo

sounder was turned to pinger mode to track the heat flow probe, which sends back data at 12 kHz. Sixteen measurements were taken along transect HK01, with the final measurement taken at 1740L on May 21 (JD141@0540). The heat flow probe was on deck at 1923L.

The transit to heat flow transect HK02 began at 1948L on May 21 (JD141@0748). Underway EM122 and 3.5 kHz data were turned on for the transit, although the EM122 was turned off temporarily to edit the sound velocity function because the water velocity used for correction was inaccurate. The seafloor velocity extrapolated from the XBT measurements was adjusted to fix this problem.

We arrived at the waypoint for HK02 at 2301L on May 21 (JD141@1101) and deployed the heat flow probe at 2348L using the backup data logger. The first measurement on transect HK02 was begun at 0104L on May 22 (JD 141@1304). The probe was recovered after station HK02-05 because of questions about whether the heat pulse to measure thermal conductivity was being properly activated and was back on deck at 0958L on May 22 (JD141@2158). The batteries for the data logger used for transect HK01 had been recharged and the data loggers were swapped.

The heat flow probe was redeployed at the site of HK02-05 at 1128L (JD141@2328), and transect HK03 was started, with HK03-01 coincident with HK02-05. Measurement HK03-05 was completed at 1835L on May 22 (JD142@0635). The probe was on deck at 2058L, and we were underway to the next transect at 2058L.

Transect HK04 was located on a sedimented part of Gisborne Knoll. The heat flow probe was over the side at 2359L on May 22 (JD142@1159) and measurement station HK04-01 started on May 23 at 0105L. Transect HK04 was completed with station HK04-07 at 0843L on May 23, and the probe was on deck at 0954L (JD142@2154).

We then transited to the start of the first planned seismic survey, HKS01. The primary purpose of survey HKS01 was to record high-resolution seismic lines and airgun records across Ocean Bottom Seismographs (OBSs) deployed in May 2014, and due to be recover in the next R/V Roger Revelle voyage (RR1509). A secondary objective was to acquire seismic reflection transects of the deformation front and to fill in gaps in the existing coverage.

The streamer and airguns were deployed in worsening weather several km from the planned start of line at 1253L on May 23 (JD143@0053). GI guns were started up following mitigation procedures. However no signal was detected from the streamer. After an unsuccessful trouble-shooting effort, the streamer was recovered and was back on deck at ~2100L on May 23 (JD143@0900). Weather continued to worsen rapidly. We were in the middle of a major storm that extended from Fiji to Antarctica and dumped snow on much of New Zealand (see cruise blog: [stingscruise.wordpress.com](http://stingscruise.wordpress.com)).

The following afternoon (May 24, JD 144), during a relative lull in the weather, we spooled the streamer out on the deck. The problem was tracked down to the deck cable and the cable was replaced. Extensive testing indicated that the streamer was ready to go. However, the weather continued to be uncooperative, with swells as high as 6.5 m and swell wavelengths of over 400 m (Figure II-3).

At 2004L on May 26 (JD 146@0804), in anticipation of predicted improvement in the weather, we started a slow transit to the start of seismic line HKS01-L03. L03 was chosen to start the seismic survey because that line was the most favorably oriented for working in these high seas.

At 1230L on May 27 (JD147@0030), in seas that were considered marginal for seismic work, the streamer and airguns were redeployed, and the first gun was started at 1346L (JD147@0146). After some "practice" shots, we were on line for HKS01-L03 and started the line at 1701L on May 27 (JD147@0501). It was a relief to be back in data acquisition mode after ~4 days of waiting for the weather to improve. Unfortunately, the last section (8 channels) of the streamer was not communicating with the recording system. The decision was made to acquire with 40 channels and then trouble-shoot when the streamer was next brought back on board.

We continued acquiring seismic data with only a few stops for marine mammals or compressor issues for 3 days (until 1422L on May 29; JD150@0222). Weather and sea state improved rapidly, with swells decreasing to ~ 2m. The guns and streamer were on board and secured, and 420 km of seismic data had been acquired (and much of it already processed). See section IV for a discussion of the impact on data coverage of source shut-downs that occurred during HKS01 due to either the presence of marine mammals or problems with the compressor.

Heat flow operations resumed at 1737L on May 29 (JD150@0537) with 5 measurements along transect HK05, 21 measurements along transect HK06, and 14 measurements along transect HK07. The heat flow probe was recovered between each station and the data loggers were swapped between sites HK006-14 and HK07-01. This super-transect of 35 measurements across the deformation front was completed at 1103L on June 2 (JD152@2303).

A short transit brought us to HK08, where 3 measurements were made before the probe was recovered to trouble-shoot an apparent problem with the pressure sensor that controlled triggering of the heat pulse for measuring thermal conductivity. The instrument was on deck at 1746 on June 2 (JD153@0546) in strong winds and high seas. Because of the worsening sea state, we decided not to conduct any EM122 survey operations while trouble-shooting. Transect HK08 was resumed at 0723 on June 3 (JD153@1923) with measurements HK09-01 through HK09-14.

The heat flow probe was recovered at 1031 on June 4 (JD154@2231) and the CTD was deployed to obtain a full-depth profile of ocean temperature and sound velocity and provide data for verifying the XBT measurements and calibrating the heat flow probe.

The heat flow probe was deployed for HK10 at 1522 on June 4 (JD155@0322) and the final measurement on that transect, HK10-12, was completed at 1000 on June 5 (JD155@2200), with the probe on deck at 1204 (JD156@0004). This completed operations in the northern work area.

We then began a 22-hour transit to the southern work area, where the first operation was a heat flow transect, HK11, comprising 11 measurements on the flank of the Chatham Rise. The day began with calm seas, although a long period swell of 3-4 m developed in the evening.

At 0339 on June 7 (JD157@1539) HK11-11 was completed, the heat flow probe was recovered at 0505, and we began a 5 hour transit to the beginning of the second seismic survey, HKS02.

Seismic survey HKS02 began smoothly at 1058 on June 7 (JD157@2258). During the period between seismic survey HKS01 and HKS02, trouble-shooting of the streamer had identified a bad connector between the penultimate and last sections. This was remedied and the streamer was deployed with a full 48 channel configuration.

The primary purpose of survey HKS02 was to acquire 3 high-resolution grids over anomalous gas-hydrate-related features identified on seismic profiles from the 2009 Pegasus regional survey. A secondary objective was to make 5 crossings of the deformation front to fill in gaps in the existing coverage.

Many fur seals were in the area, and we had to stop and restart the seismic lines repeatedly. With so many stops, it was not possible to redo all the gaps, and the data acquired that afternoon, as we approached the first high-resolution grid, are of limited value. As the sun got lower in the sky, the observers were not able to see in the direction we were traveling, so we decided to loop around and acquire a line parallel to planned HKS01-L01 in a southeast direction (L30).

Fortunately, we were able to restart acquisition prior to nightfall, so we ended line HKS02-L30 and turned back onto HKS02-L01\_A to continue the first high-resolution grid. Data acquisition proceeded uninterrupted until mid-morning, when New Zealand fur seals and other marine mammals decided to investigate. We had numerous source shut-downs throughout the day because of marine mammal sightings and one compressor changeover.

In order to take advantage of the night of June 8, we decided to cut short the lines that extended over the deformation front and focus on obtaining the 2nd high-resolution grid before seal activity re-started the next day around 10 am (JD159@2156GMT).

After seal activity resumed, we attempted to acquire seismic data, but with many gaps. We followed the same strategy as the previous day, cutting the deformation front crossings to insure that we would be in place for the third high-resolution grid at nightfall on June 9. However, the wind picked up to >40 kts and the ship was having difficulty holding its course because of wind, swell and a strong current. Playing it safe, we recovered the seismic gear, and had it on board at 9:35 pm (JD160@0936GMT).

Meanwhile, the wind had died down. Because we could not restart seismic acquisition at night and the days were impacted by seal activity, we decided to acquire some heat flow data for the next 10 hours and then restart seismic acquisition the following evening (JD161@0348GMT). Ten heat flow measurements were obtained on a transect across the feature that was the target of the second high-resolution grid.

We returned to complete the third grid. Seismic data acquisition continued through the night and until 2:33 pm the following day (JD162@0233GMT), when HKS02-L22 was completed.

We then transited to the first point of a planned 30-station heat flow transect across the deformation front collocated with the SAHKE seismic reflection line.

HK13 started June 11 at 16:44 and ended June 12 at 13:03 and consists of 19 measurements. The probe was recovered due to weather and we waited approximately 20 hours for the weather to settle.

HK14 continued the transect across the deformation front starting June 13 at 10:01. The probe was recovered June 14 at 18:14 after making 6 measurements.

We then transited back to the region of HK12 to continue the heat flow transect and started heat flow station HK15. HK15 started June 14 at 20:17 and lasted until June 15 at 13:28. HK15 consists of 15 measurements.

We then transited to a forearc basin near the deformation along seismic line PEG09-25 and made 16 measurements. Heat flow station HK16 started June 15 at 14:47 and lasted until June 16 at 16:34.

We transited back to the BSR site for heat flow station HK17 and made 13 additional measurements. HK17 started June 16 at 18:38 and lasted until June 17 at 12:46.

We started the transit to Napier June 17 at 13:05 and arrived in port the next morning.

### **III. Heat flow**

All heat flow measurements were collected with using a multipenetration heat flow (MPHF) probe (Figure III-1). The MPHF probe consists of a 3.5-m, 11-thermistor, violin-bow heat flow system maintained at Oregon State University. The MPHF probe operations were run from the aft A-frame using the trawl wire. The probe weighs 0.52 tons in water. The design of the MPHF probe provides both the mechanical robustness to withstand repeated insertions and withdrawals from the sediment, and sensitivity needed to make highly accurate measurements. Repeated insertions of the probe allow multiple heat flow measurements to be made with a single transit through the water column increasing measurement efficiency. Temperature time series used for both the determination of the thermal gradient and thermal conductivity are logged into solid-state memory in a data logger located in the probe weight stand. Other parameters logged by the system include time, pressure (depth), water temperature, tilt, and a stable reference resistance. Acoustic telemetry during surveys relays temperature data and tilt to the surface so that instrument performance can be monitored in real time. Internal power allows stations to run 20-30 measurements when fully charged.

Heat flow measurements were started by lowering the MPHF probe into the sediment at 60 m/min. Following the insertion of the probe, temperatures were interrogated every 10 seconds for 7 minutes. During this period thermistors approach thermal equilibrium with the surrounding sediment and this temperature-time series is used to compute the thermal gradient. Following this initial 7-minute period a calibrated heat pulse is generated along a heating wire within the thermistor tube. The temperature decay of this heat pulse is monitored to determine in-situ thermal conductivity. The probe was pulled out of the sediment at 5 m/min and then raised to approximately 100 m above the seafloor at 45 m/min while the ship transited at 1-2 kts to the next site.

MPHF probe data were converted to ascii text (heatpro.exe), parsed into individual penetration files (pro51.exe) and processed using SlugHeat, a Matlab



based program (A. Fisher, written commun., 2005). Thermistors are calibrated and set equal to each other by hanging the probe just above the bottom and assuming that over the 3.5 m probe length the bottom water temperature is constant.

All heat flow measurements are listed in Table A-1 and their locations are shown in Figures I-2 and I-3 for the northern and southern area, respectively. Additional analysis will be required to finalize the heat flow values listed in this report, but values are unlikely to change by more than a few percent as a result of reanalysis. In total, 17 heat flow stations consisting of 191 heat flow measurements were attempted. Of these, 163 were successful. No corrections have been applied for the influence of changing bottom water temperature, sedimentation, or local topography. While this cruise report is publically available soon after the end of the cruise, access to Table A-1 is restricted until 2 years after the end of the cruise (June 18, 2017). Further information about each heat flow station can be found in Appendix 1 (available June 18, 2017). For more information, please contact Chief Scientist Rob Harris directly.

#### **IV. High-resolution multi-channel seismic reflection**

The objectives of the seismic surveys conducted during RR1508 were threefold:

- 1) Characterize the site conditions beneath ocean bottom seismometers (OBS) deployed in 2014 for the HOBBITS project and retrieved on RR1509. The shots will also be used to relocate and orient the components of the seismometers.
- 2) Obtain additional seismic reflection transects across the deformation front of the Hikurangi subduction zone to decrease line spacing and better define along-strike structural changes.
- 3) Acquire high-resolution grids of seismic reflection data over targets indicating complex gas hydrate dynamics. These targets were identified on existing seismic reflection data and had previously been imaged only on single profiles. Consequently their three-dimensional geometrical configurations were unknown prior to RR1508.

We used the portable seismic reflection system operated by the SSG group at the Scripps Institute of Oceanography. This system comprised 2 GI guns, which we shot in 45/105 mode, mounted on a 2-m long frame suspended from a float, and a 600-m long, 48 channel Geometrics GeoEel digital hydrophone streamer, deck unit and acquisition system. Compressed air was provided by the R/V *Revelle's* compressors, operated by the ship's engineers. During the first survey (HKS01), only the nearest 40 data channels were recorded (the streamer's connection to the last section of eight channels failed). During HKS02, 48 data channels were recorded. The clock time break is recorded on each shot record as an auxiliary channel (ch 41 for HKS01 and ch 49 for HKS02). The two shot instant hydrophones mounted on the gun assemblies were recorded and archived in separate SEGY files. System geometry is shown in Figure IV-1A, including offsets between the components and the GPS antenna providing shot location. Timing information is given in Figure IV-1B, and the configuration of the recording system is shown in Figure IV-1C.

The streamer and guns were each towed at a nominal 3.5 m depth, comparable to the swell height of 3-5 meters during most of the survey. Shot spacing was 25

meters (shooting on distance for all but a small subset of the HKS01), record length was 8 s, and sample rate was 1 ms.

Data were recorded in SEG-D format and merged with navigation data to generate SEG-Y format files for each line that included ship location information in the headers for each shot. Shot instant data were also recorded in a separate file to ms precision for use in cutting continuous OBS data into record sections. Additional details on seismic reflection acquisition and processing are given in Appendix 2.

Data were acquired as 2 surveys. Figure IV-2 shows the location of Lines HKS01\_01 to HKS01\_10 from survey HKS01 on the northern Hikurangi margin in the region of the HOBBITS OBS deployment. Eleven out of the 14 OBSs were crossed during the survey. In addition, Lines L06 to L09 cross a part of the deformation front that had not been crossed in prior surveys. These lines were motivated by an enigmatic structure observed on the existing line coincident with HKS01-02, which was unlike that observed on other prior crossings of the deformation front in this region. HKS01\_10 crosses the deformation front between two existing lines to image incipient seamount subduction. Starting and ending times, geographic coordinates and shot numbers for each line are given in Table IV-1.

The GI-gun source was shut down several times during HKS01 due to either the presence of marine mammals or problems with the compressor. The first shut-down occurred during shots fired to the OBSs prior to the start of the first seismic reflection line and lasted 14 minutes. The second shut-down extended beyond the 15 minute window within which we could fire the guns without a full mitigation start procedure, and we decided to loop around to pick up the line where we had left off (with a short overlap). This took 113 minutes, equivalent to a loss of ~8 nm of lost line length since we had to shorten the total survey to stay within our allotted time. We experienced a short loss of data soon after restarting the line due to a compressor problem, resulting in a short gap in the line HKS01-L05A. Additional shut-down periods were required on L08 (14 min) and L09 (5 min). We continued on the line through these shut-downs, leaving small data gaps. The total amount of shutdown time for marine mammals was 146 minutes, equivalent to approximately 18 km at 4 kts or 3.5% of the total survey time; the total shut-down time due to compressor problems was 20 minutes (0.5% of total survey time).

Figure IV-3 shows the location of survey HKS02 on the southern Hikurangi margin. Three high-resolution grids were obtained across features indicative of gas migration and gas hydrate formation that had been previously observed on single, lower-resolution regional profiles. Because of delays due to weather and to frequent marine mammal sightings, extensions of the lines joining these three surveys that crossed the deformation front had to be sacrificed. The guns were shut down for approximately 11% of the total line length acquired (0.2% for compressor servicing and the rest because of fur seal sightings). None-the-less, this survey was very successful because of the new insights we expect to obtain about gas hydrate dynamics from these data.

Initial processing of data, including application of geometry, sorting, trace editing, normal moveout correction, stack, filtering and finite-difference migration, was performed on each line soon within several hours of acquisition, and data were used to fine-tune upcoming acquisition.

Selected examples of data are shown in Figures IV-4 and IV-5. Figure IV-4 shows an image across the deformation front in the northern survey area and Figure IV-5 shows a gas "finger" within the gas hydrate stability zone in the southern study area.

*Raw shot data and processed sections have been archived in the R2R database and with the ASP (Academic Seismic Portal) maintained at the University of Texas Institute for Geophysics. Data will be freely available after an initial proprietary period of 2 years. Contact Andrew Gorman, Stuart Henrys or Anne Tréhu for further information.*

## **V. Auxiliary data sets**

A number of auxiliary data set were recorded in addition to the primary heat flow and seismic reflection data. *These data are archived through the Rolling Deck to Repository (R2R) web site ([www.rvdata.us/RR1508](http://www.rvdata.us/RR1508)), which also includes a copy of this data report.*

### **A. EM-122 swath bathymetry**

The EM122 swath bathymetric system was operated during all transits and seismic surveys. Water depth, seafloor reflectivity and water column data were recorded. During the heat flow transects, the EM122 was turned off to not interfere with the 12 kHz pinger on the heat flow probe. At each measurement site it was briefly turned on to verify water depth. The sound velocity profile was updated approximately daily using data from XBTs and one CTD (see sections on XBT and CTD for details). Quality of the data is quite variable, with noisy data during bad weather.

Although most of the data were loaded into the Caris multibeam processing system on board, the science party did not include any multibeam processing specialists. Moreover, these data were acquired along tracks that were not ideal for bathymetric mapping and will have to be incorporated with data from other cruises (including the HOBBITS cruise that follows RR1508) for eventual broader use. Consequently we decided to abandon plans to thoroughly "clean" the raw data since it was likely that whoever was merging the various data sets would want to start with raw data anyway. None-the-less, access to the Caris processing system was greatly appreciated as a learning tool.

All EM-122 data are available through the R2R repository. Figure V-1 shows a screen grab of the EM122 seafloor reflectivity of Gisborne Knoll generated by the onboard Mosaic processing software. Note bright streaks, which may indicate younger lava flows.

### **B. 3.5/12 kHz Knudsen echosounder**

The 3.5 hKz echosounder operated during most of the cruise, except during heat flow transects, when the 12 kHz transducer was used to listen to the pingers from the heat flow probe (see section III). The ping interval was synchronized with the EM-122 resulting in a decrease in the ping rate, especially in deep water, and consequent degradation of the data. This was done to avoid adding noise from the 3.5 kHz system to the EM-122 data. Data were recorded in native Knudsen "keb" format and can be played back using the free software package "PostSurvey." Table V-1 shows times where 3.5 kHz data were not acquired.

### **C. CTD**

After completing heat flow station HK-09, we made a CTD cast to measure the temperature and salinity structure of the water column. The CTD temperature profile was used to calibrate the heat flow probe thermistors through the water column. This calibration was necessary so that the probe could be used to accurately measure the thermal structure of the water column. This step is not necessary for heat flow measurements because only temperature differences are needed for the thermal gradient calculation and interthermistor differences are removed during the bottom water temperature measurement that precedes each heat flow measurements. In this manner heat flow deployments at each station can be used to obtain the temperature structure of the water column.

The temperature structure of the water column is shown in Figure V-2a. The raw temperature data from the heat flow probe is about 7° C higher than the CTD temperatures. Each thermistor was fit to the CTD temperatures using a cubic function. The thermistor string has 11 thermistors where 1 is at the bottom. The 12<sup>th</sup> thermistor monitors bottom water and is located at the top of the weight stand. Data between 15 m and 3500 m were analyzed and best-fitting coefficients, determined through a least-squares inversion, for each thermistor are given in Table V-2. The optimum fit is shown in Figure V-2b. The standard deviation of the fit to each thermistor to the CTD temperatures is shown as an inset.

### **D. XBTs**

XBTs were generally taken at least once/day to provide sound velocity profiles through the water column for processing EM122 data. However the wires broke or became entangled in the seismic gear for many of the attempts. All XBTs are listed in Table V-3 and results of successful casts are shown in Figure V-3. Unless otherwise indicated, seasurface temperature and salinity were taken from the sensors at the bow to calculate the temperature and sound velocity profiles from the raw data.

### **E. Gravity**

Marine gravity measurements were carried out throughout the voyage using the GNS Science gravity meter: a Lacoste & Romberg S-80 gravimeter with ZLS Ultrasys upgrade. To minimise pitch and roll, the meter was secured in the ships Electronic Lab, close to the ship's centre of motion. Data were sampled using the ZLS Ultrasys software at 1 Hz. Data were recorded during the entire cruise and are available from the R2R web site. Correction of the data for ship motion and other standard data processing will be conducted post-cruise by GNS.

### **F. ADCP**

ADCP data were acquired during the entire cruise and are available through the R2R web site. Data were used during the cruise to evaluate local currents but no additional analysis of these data was done.

## **G. Meteorological data**

Figure V-4 shows meteorological data and ship heave as a proxy for wave height. Much of the cruise had winds in excess of 20 knots, which peaked at about 50 knots. The low pressure around May 24<sup>th</sup> coincided with the storm that shut down science operations for a several days. All standard meteorological data acquired during the cruise are available through the R2R web site.

## **VI. Marine mammal observations**

Three observers kept constant watch for marine mammals from daybreak to nautical twilight during all seismic operations. We followed standard procedures indicated by NOAA in our permit to mitigate the impact of our operations on marine mammals by observing before starting up the GI-guns and by starting the guns incrementally. The observers would also call for a shut-down off the seismic sources when marine mammals were sighted within distances specified in the permit. Table VI-1 and Table VI-2 summarizes their observations. More complete results of their observations have been submitted to NOAA.

## **VII. Broader Impacts and Outreach**

Broader impacts and outreach during the cruise consisted of undergraduate, graduate and postdoctoral training in heat flow data acquisition and processing and in seismic data acquisition and processing. Outreach included a cruise blog "<http://stingscruise.wordpress.com/>" that was advertised through Oregon State University, University of Otago, and Geological and Nuclear Sciences, New Zealand. Additionally we successfully recruited an IDES (Increasing Diversity in Earth Sciences - <http://ides.science.oregonstate.edu/>) student to participate on the cruise.

After arriving in port in Napier, we led tours of the R/V Revelle arranged through the Napier museum and colleagues sailing on cruise RR1509. Posters communicating the excitement of working at sea and new results from this cruise were displayed.

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| Wakeman    | Chief Mate               |
| Galiher    | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mate     |
| Crump      | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mate     |
| Curry      | Bosine                   |
| Lewis      | AB                       |
| Martino    | AB                       |
| Vinkovitis | AB                       |
| Cummings   | Ordinary                 |
| Healy      | Chief Engineer           |
| Peer       | 1 <sup>st</sup> Engineer |
| Clifford   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Engineer |
| Elliott    | Ellectrician             |
| Sullivan   | Oiler                    |
| Myers      | Oiler                    |
| Messenger  | Oiler                    |
| Hunt       | Oiler                    |
| Brown      | Wiper                    |
| Smith      | Chief Cook               |
| Maluda     | Cook                     |



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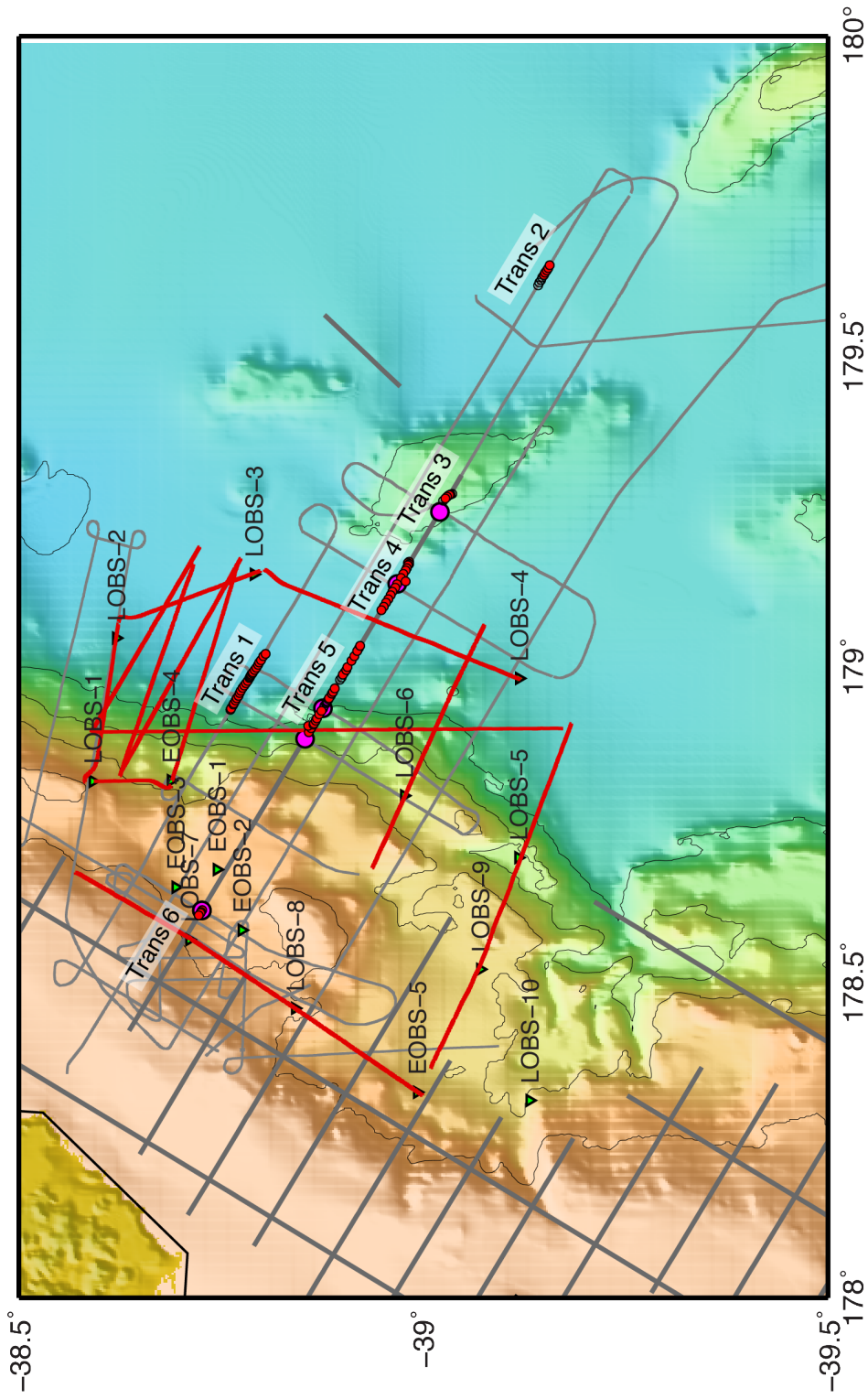


Figure I-2. Location map for northern field area showing existing seismic lines (gray), newly acquired seismic lines (red) and heat flow measurements (red circles). Heat flow transects are labeled. Also shown are proposed IODP drilling sites (magenta circles) and ocean bottom seismometers (inverted triangles).



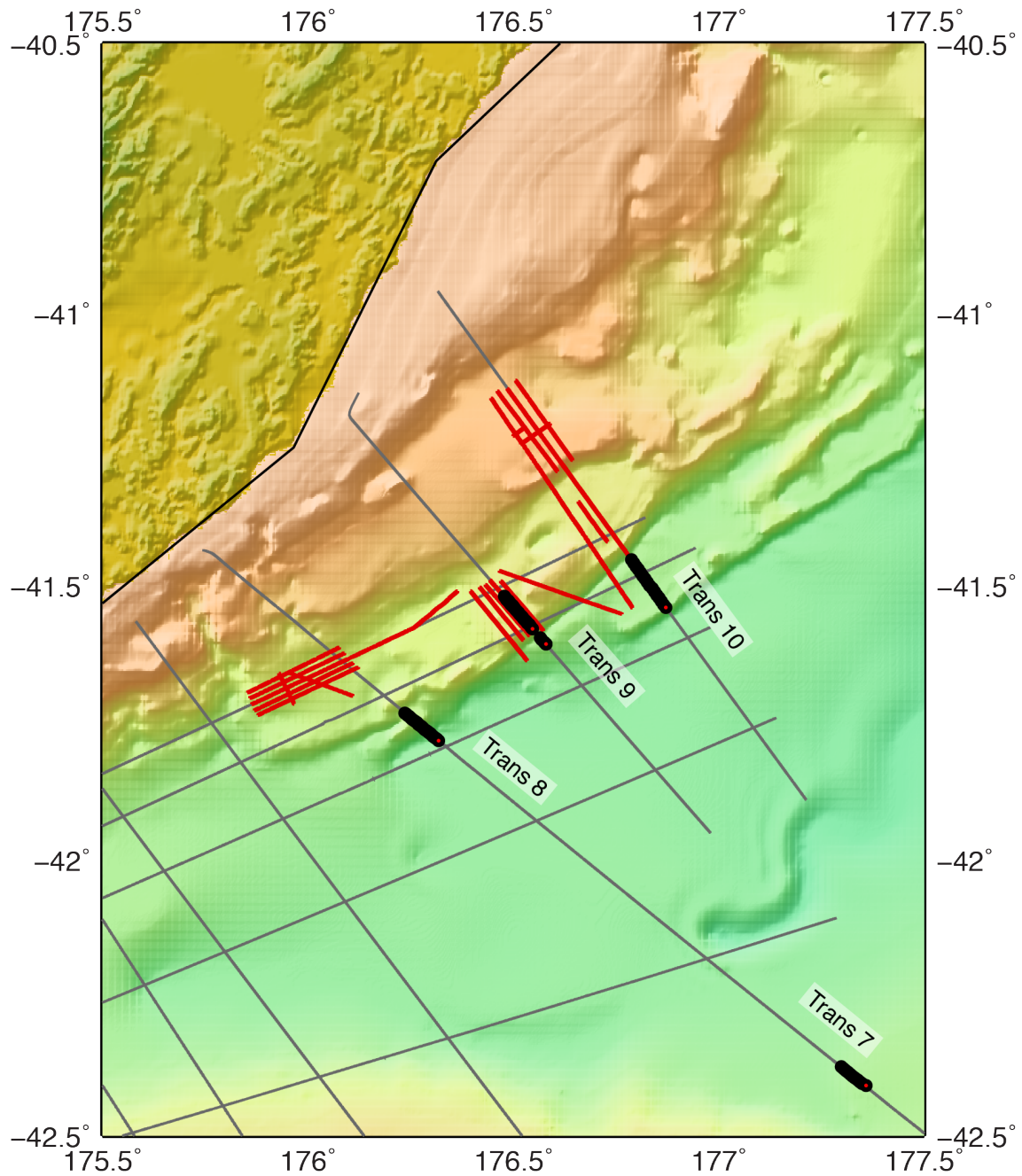


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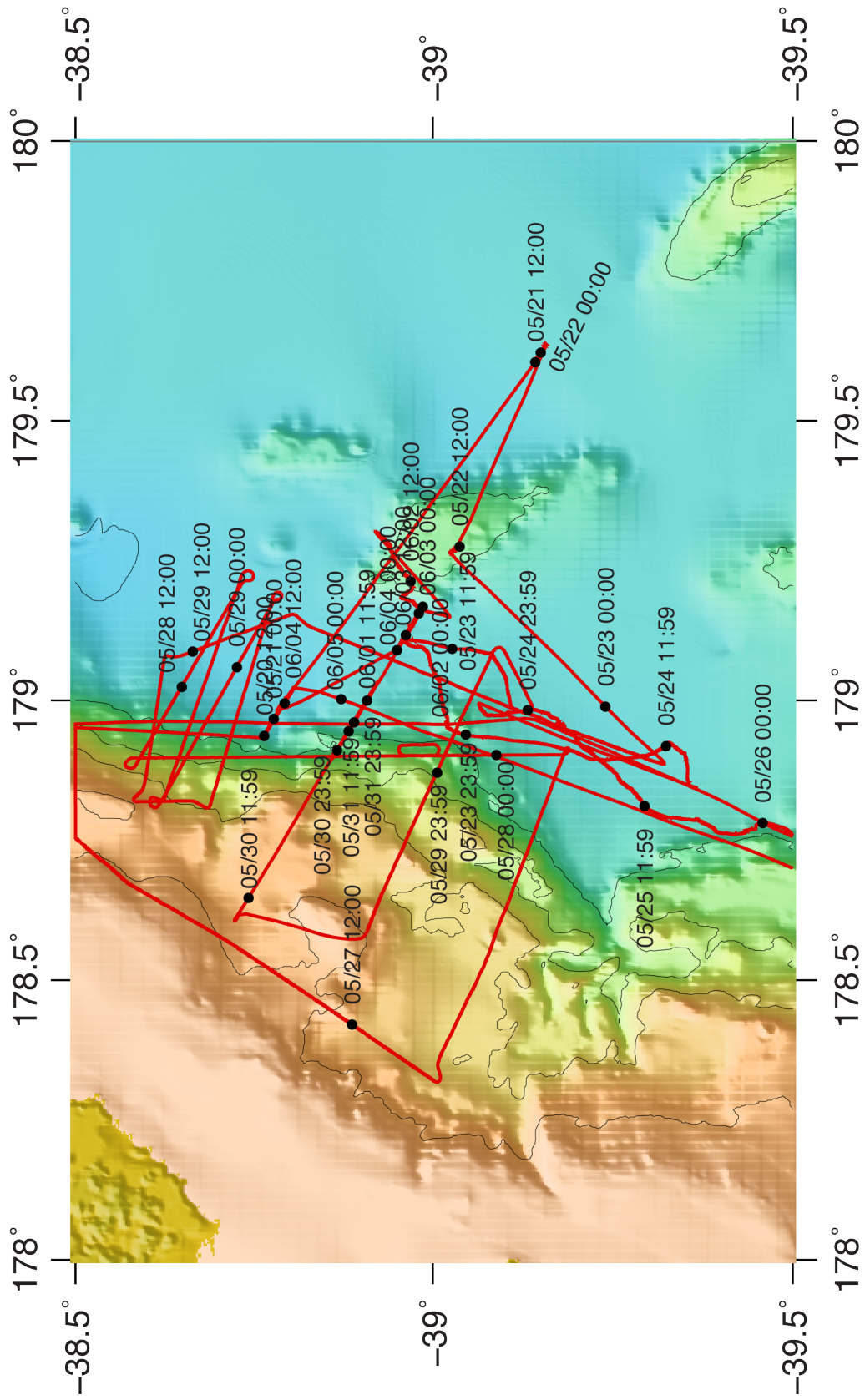


Figure II-1. Track chart of northern field area. Times are shown in 12 hour increments.



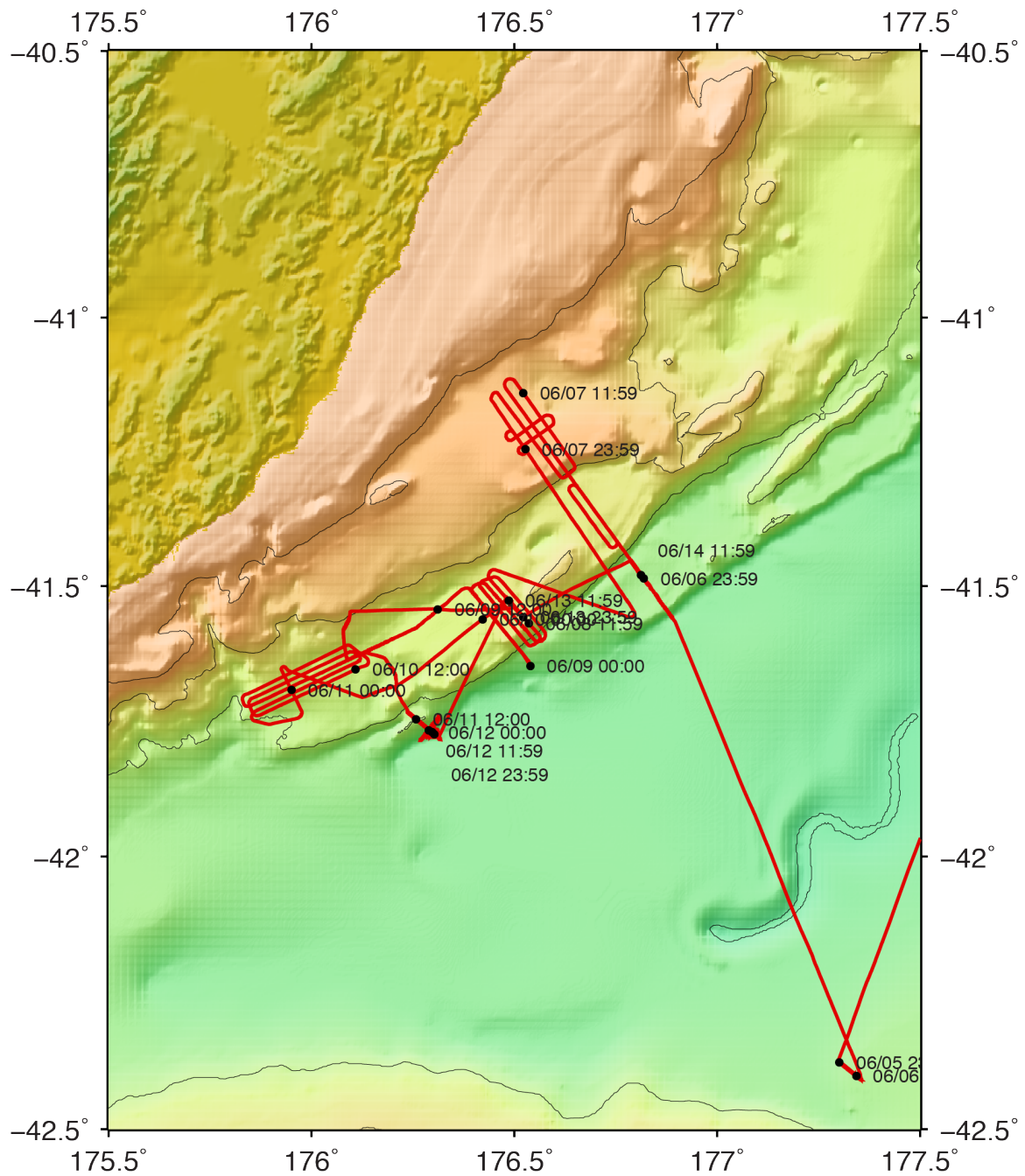


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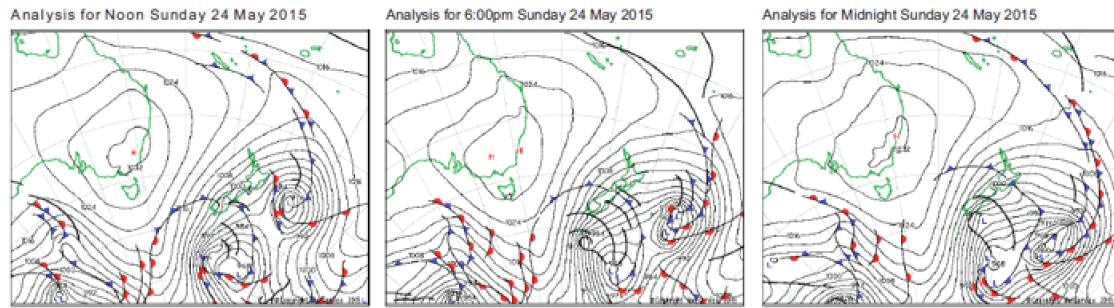


Figure II-3. Atmospheric pressure maps for Sunday 24 May, 2015.

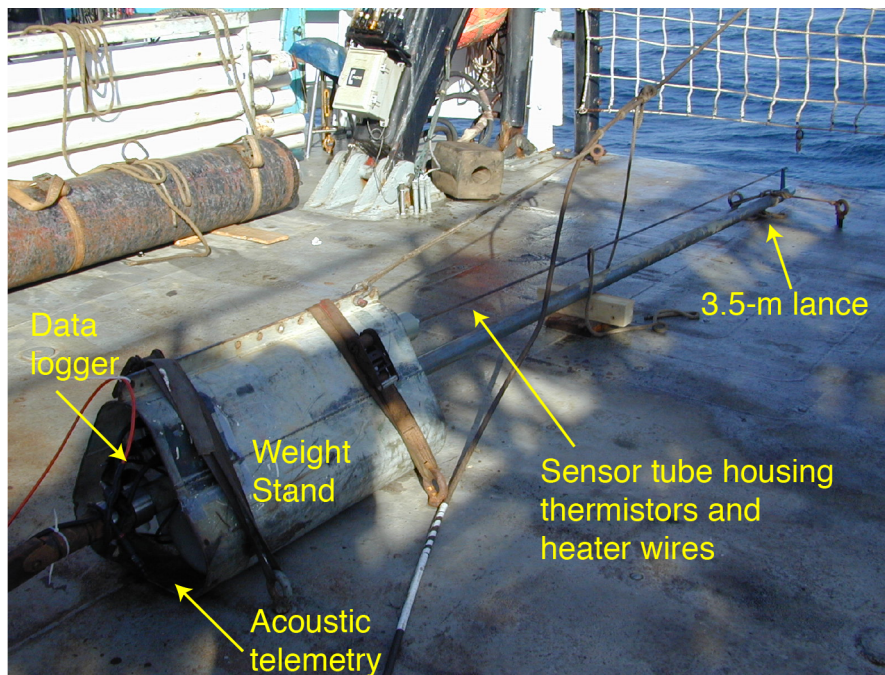


Figure III-1. Oregon State University heat flow probe used during cruise RR-1508

# SIO Portable Marine Seismic System

## Geometry

Cruise: **RR1508**

Vessel: **R/V Robert Revelle**

Date: **May-June 2015**

Chief Sci: **Rob Harris**

## Techs:

Lee Ellett

Jay Turnbull

| Item or Channel | Distance (m) from Stern | Distance (m) from Source | Distance (m) From GPS | Distance (m) port/stbd | Depth/Height from water |
|-----------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1               | 106.25                  | 80.25                    | 142.25                | 6.7 port               | 3-4                     |
| 48              | 693.75                  | 667.75                   | 729.75                | 6.7 port               | 3-4                     |
| Source          | 26                      | 0                        | 62                    | 6.7 stbd               | 2                       |
| GPS             | 36                      | 62                       | 0                     | 0                      | 0                       |

| F"/%A#                | Length (m) | Number of Channels |
|-----------------------|------------|--------------------|
| Towing Cables         | 100        |                    |
| Active Sections       | 600        | 48                 |
| Tail Stretch and Rope | 75         |                    |
| Group Int             | 12.5       |                    |

## Bird Locations (Steamer, GPS, Ref Plate)

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| Bird 1 | Start of Tow Stretch, (111x, 6.7y)      |
| Bird 2 | Start of Ch 17 (Active 3), (336x, 6.7y) |
| Bird 3 | Start of Ch 33 (Active 5), (536x, 6.7y) |
| Bird 4 | Start of Tail Stretch (736s, 6.7y)      |

|              |          |                |         |
|--------------|----------|----------------|---------|
| Source:      | GI gun   | 45/105 True GI | Qty: 2  |
| Acq. Sys.    | GeoEel   | PreAmp Gain:   | 18 db   |
| Sample Int:  | 1 ms     | # of Channels  | 48      |
| File Format: | SEGD     | D 8058 Rev 1   |         |
| Rec. Length  | 8-10 sec | Shot Interval: | 25m/50m |

FOLD=

No. Traces \* Grp. Int  
2\*(Shot Interval)

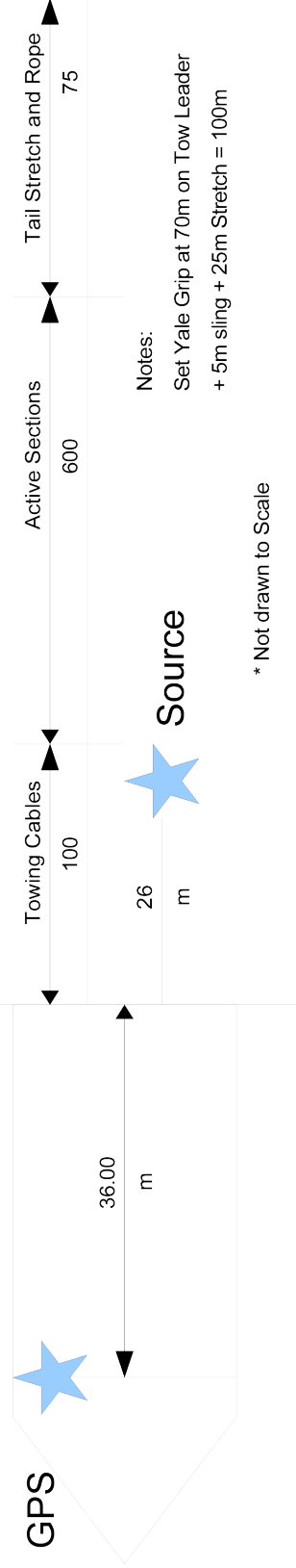
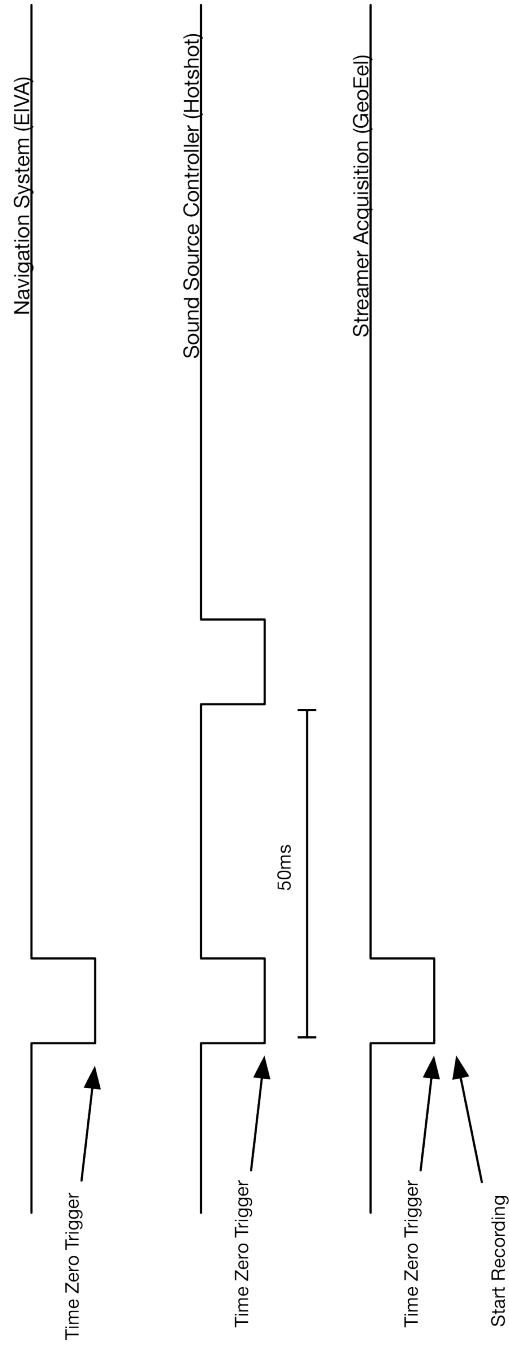


Figure IV-1A. Configuration of the SIO high-resolution seismic data acquisition system during RR1508.

## RR1508 Timing Setup: MCS Distance Based Recording



## RR1508 Timing Setup: MCS Time Based Recording

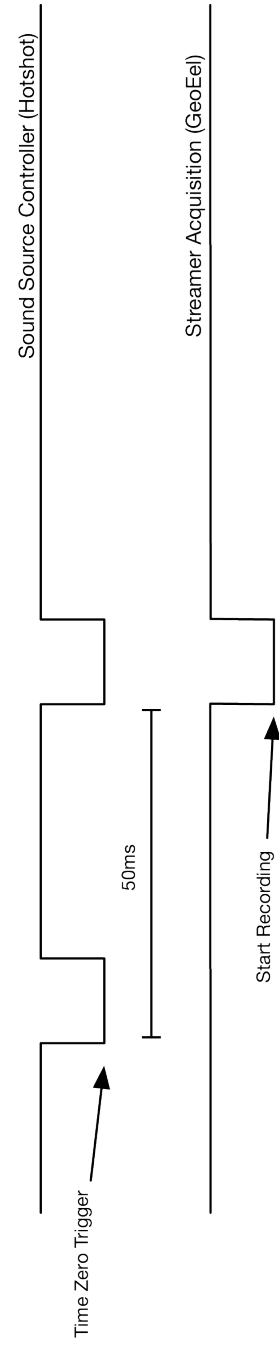


Figure IV-1b. Timing Setup during RR1508.

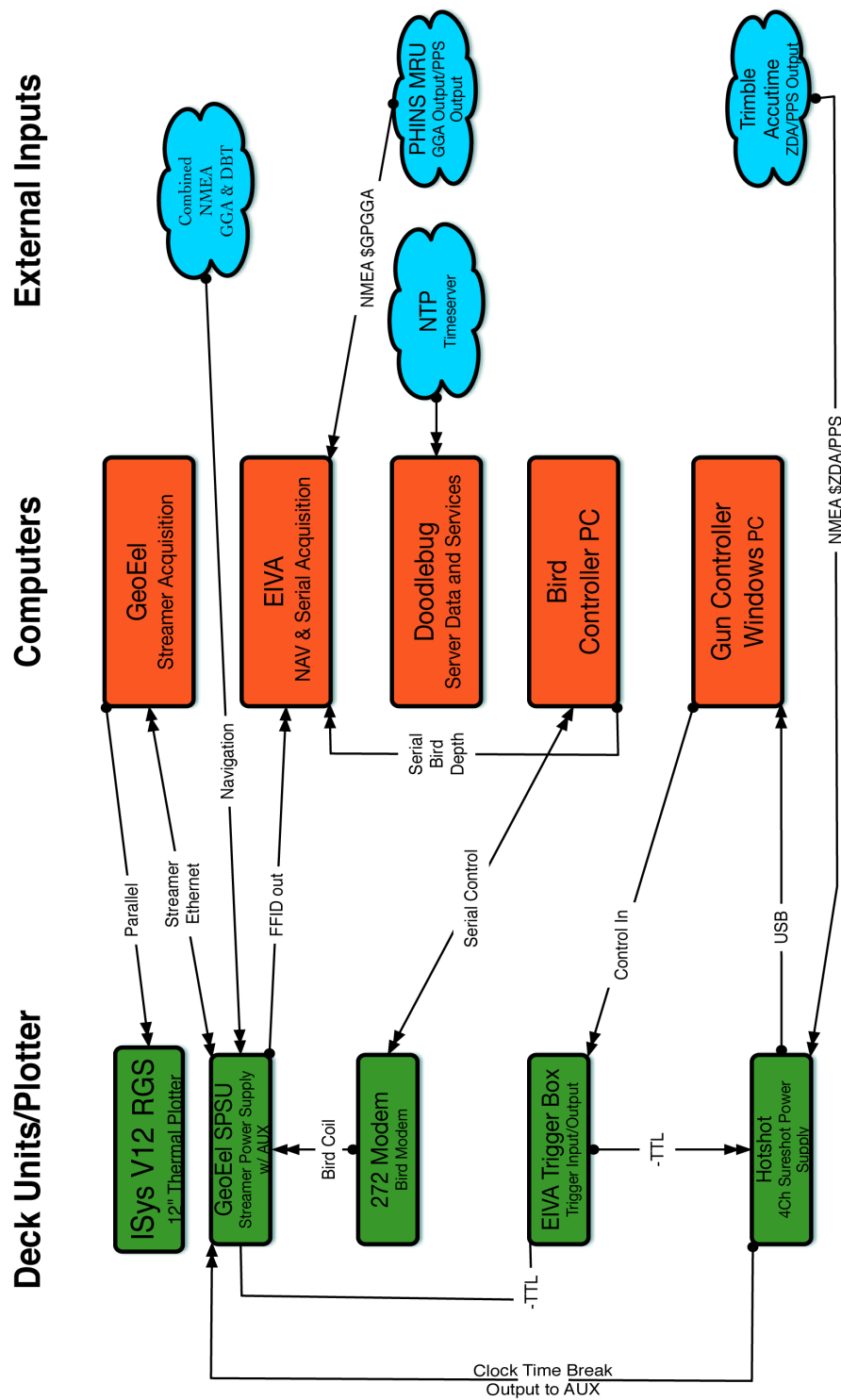


Figure-IV-1c. Recording system configuration.



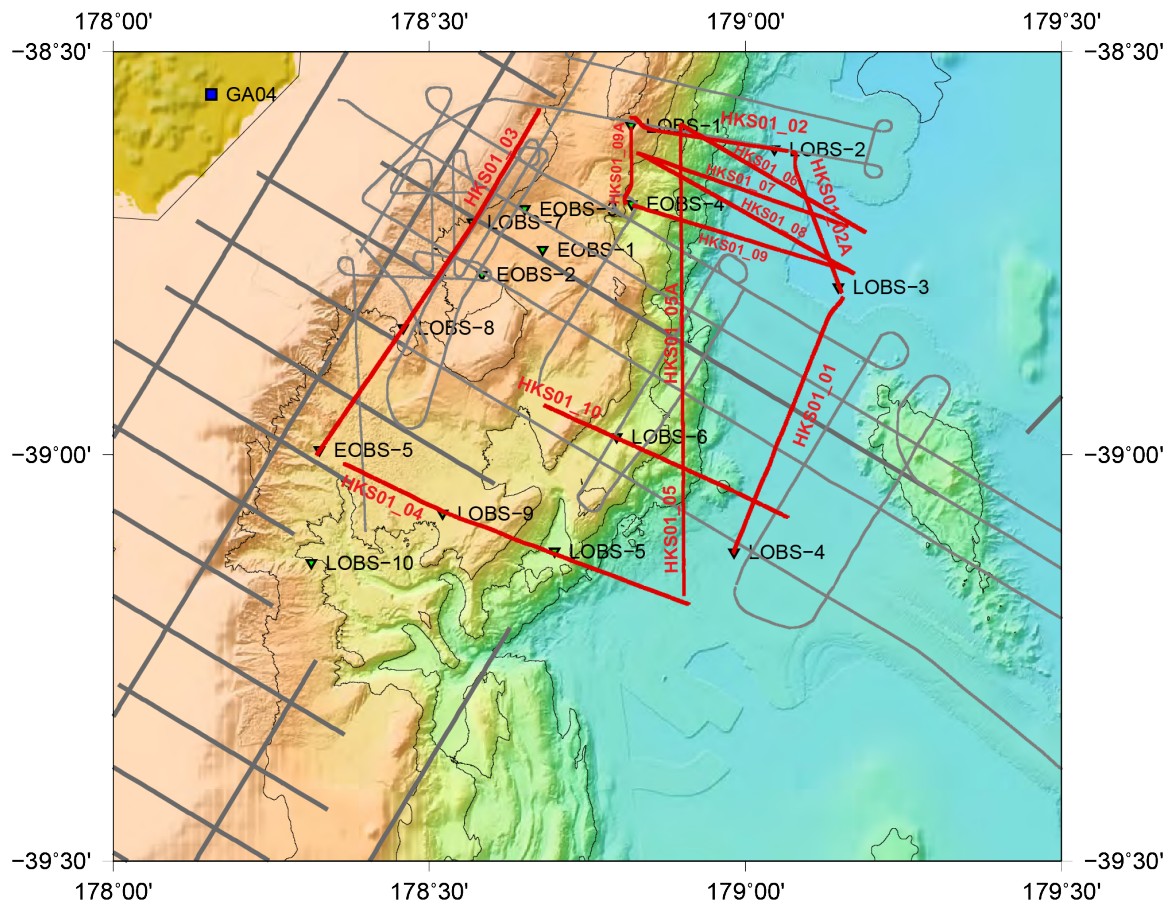


Figure IV-2. Northern field area showing seismic reflection line locations HKS01\_01 through HKS01\_10.



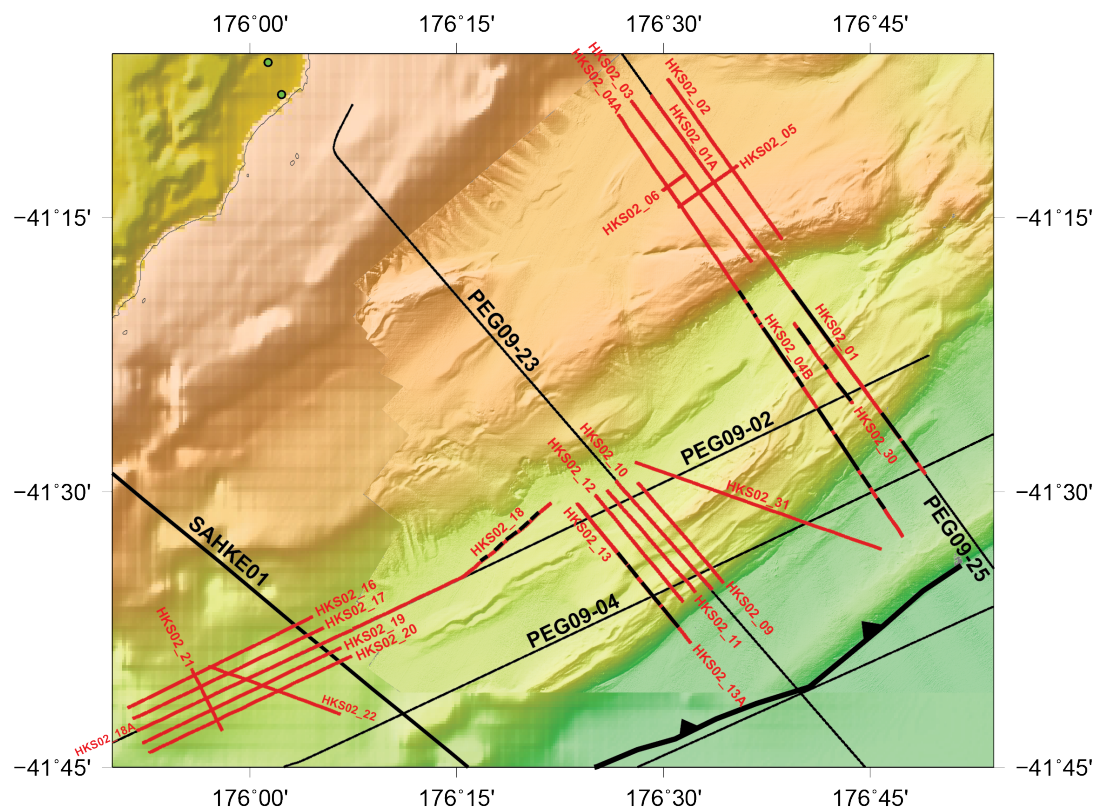


Figure IV-3. Southern field area showing seismic reflection lines (red) collected during survey HKS-02. Gaps in seismic lines due to marine mammals are shown in black.

### Detail of the deformation front from seismic line RR1508-HKS1-06

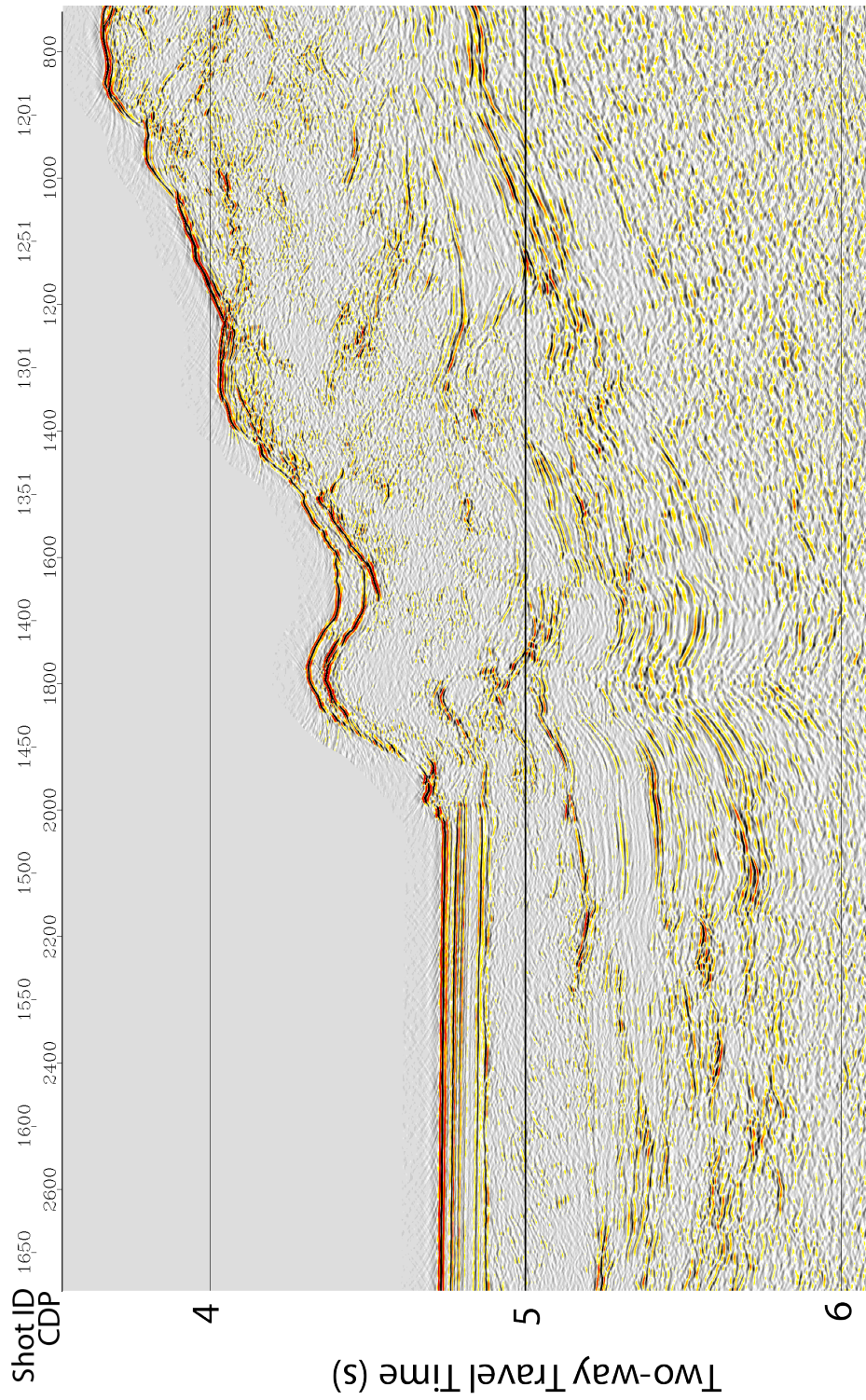


Figure IV-4. An example from seismic line RR1508-HKS01-06 across the deformation front. Data were nmo-corrected, stacked and migrated with a finite difference time-migration algorithm. An AGC with a window length of 500 ms was applied prior to display.



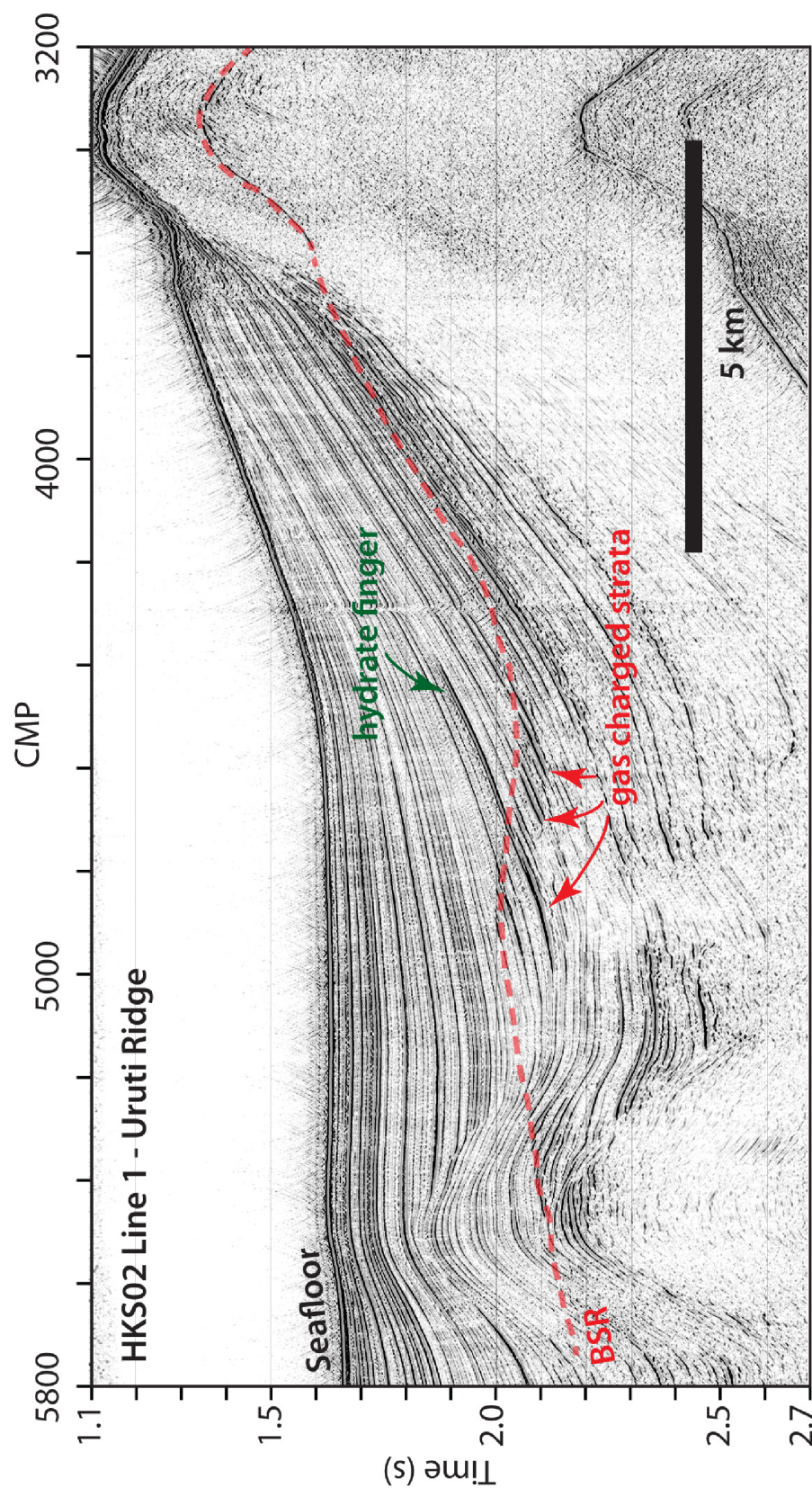


Figure IV-5. An example of a gas hydrate anomaly informally referred to as the "hydrate finger." This segment of the margin was of interest both because of high amplitude anomalies above and below the BSR as well as because of an anomalous apparent deepening of the BSR beneath the finger. Although the finger was observed prior to RR1508 on line PEG09-25, the new data provide higher frequency data and information on its geometry perpendicular to the older seismic line.

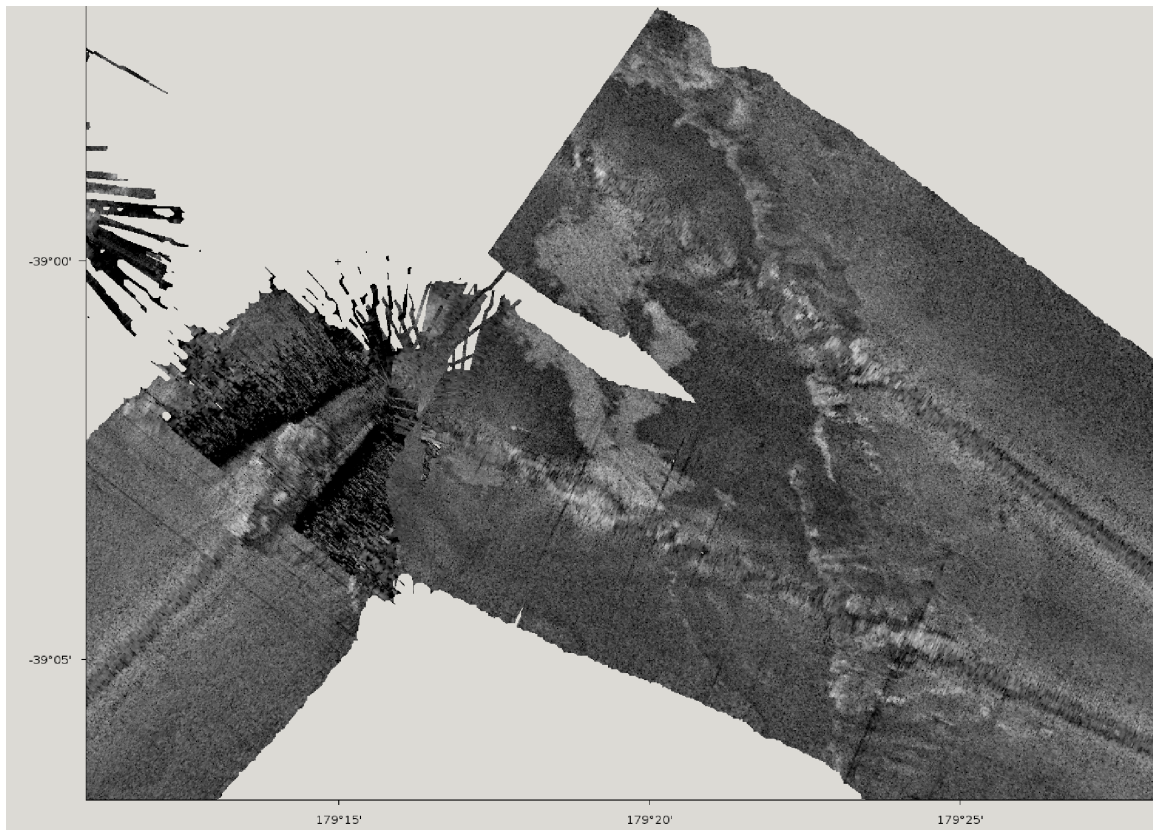


Figure V-1. Example of EM-122 seafloor reflectivity data.

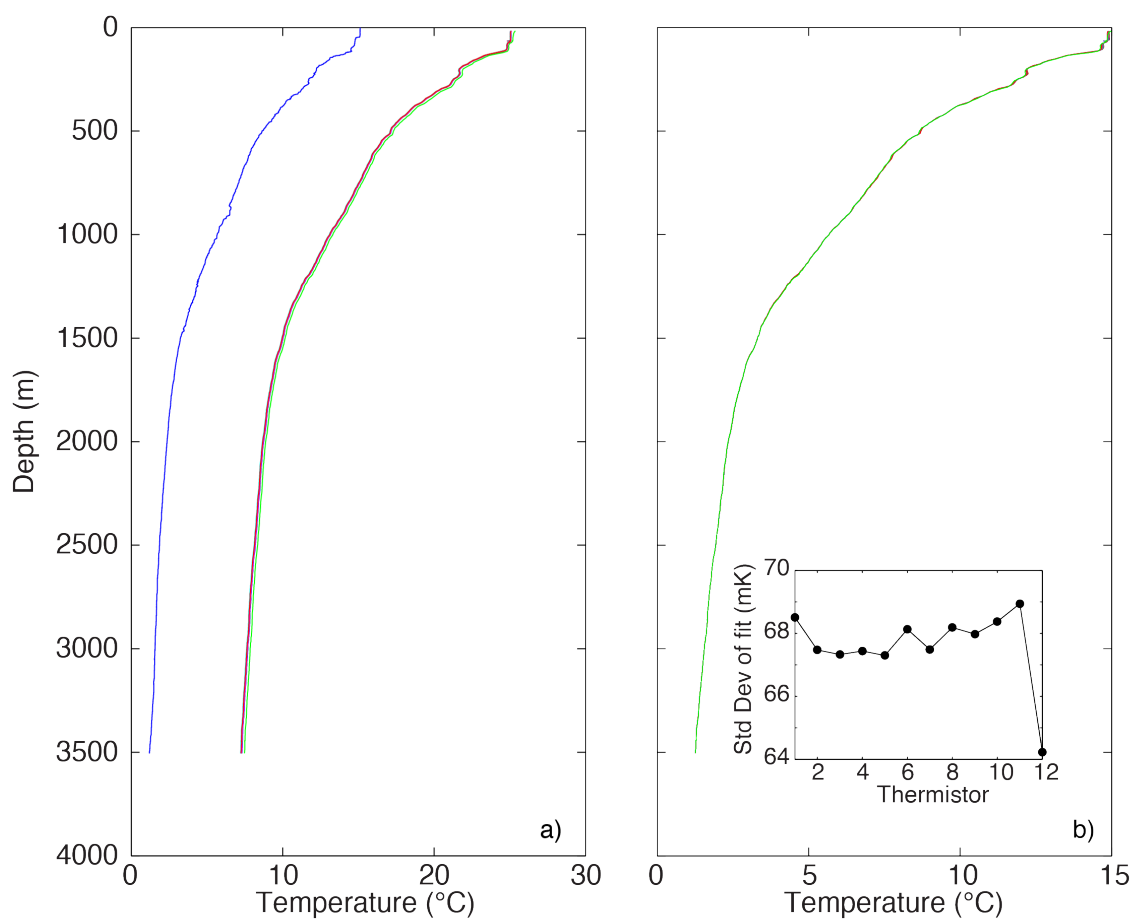


Figure V-2. Calibration of heat flow probe water column temperatures. a) CTD cast temperature at heat flow station HK9. a) CTD temperature (blue line) and probe thermistor temperatures. b) Calibration of probe thermistor temperatures. Inset shows standard deviation of probe temperature fit to CTD temperature plotted by thermistor number.

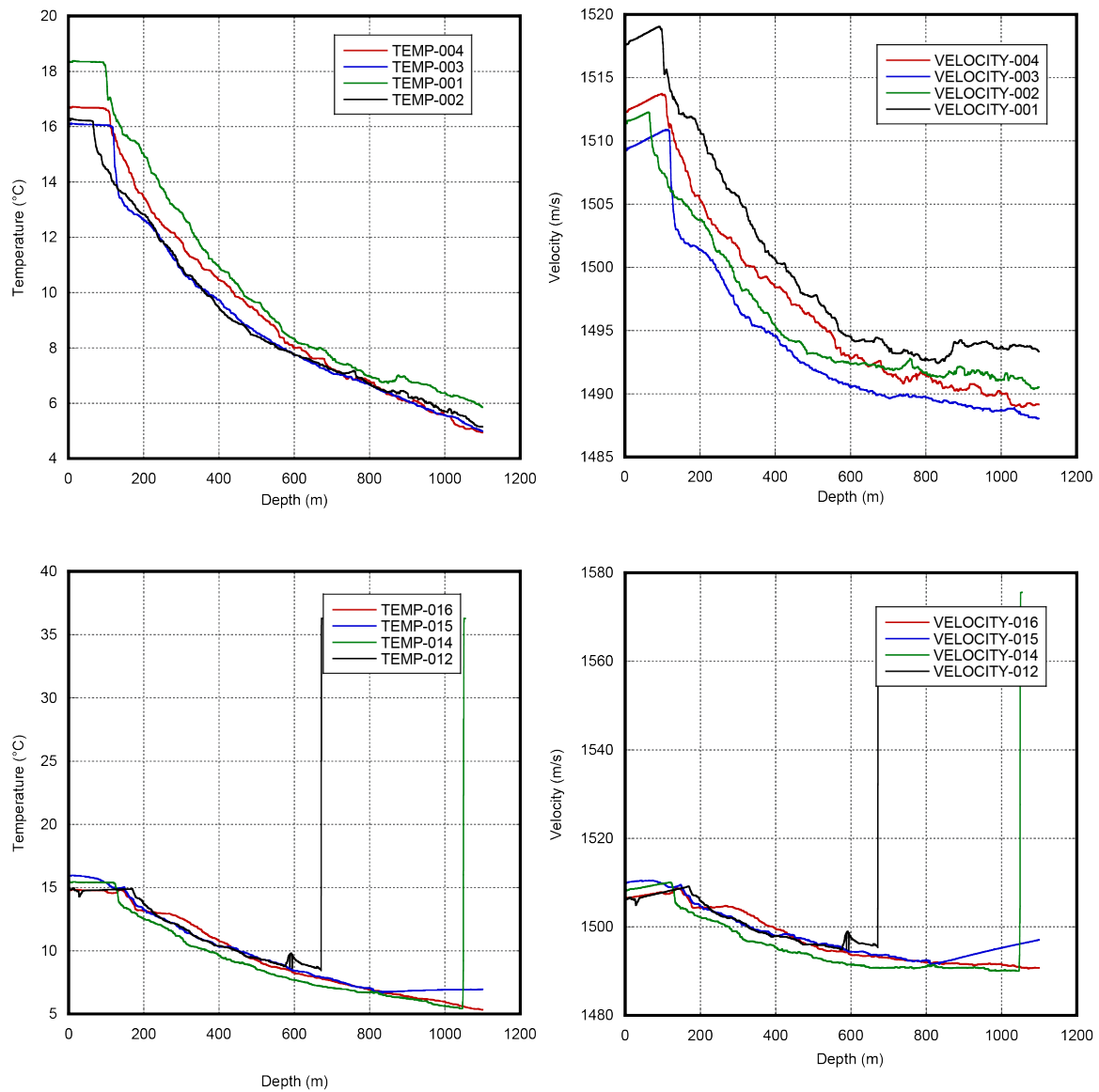


Figure V-3. XBT data. Temperature is shown on the left; acoustic velocity is shown on the right. See Table V-2 for location of all 25 XBT casts attempted during RR1508.



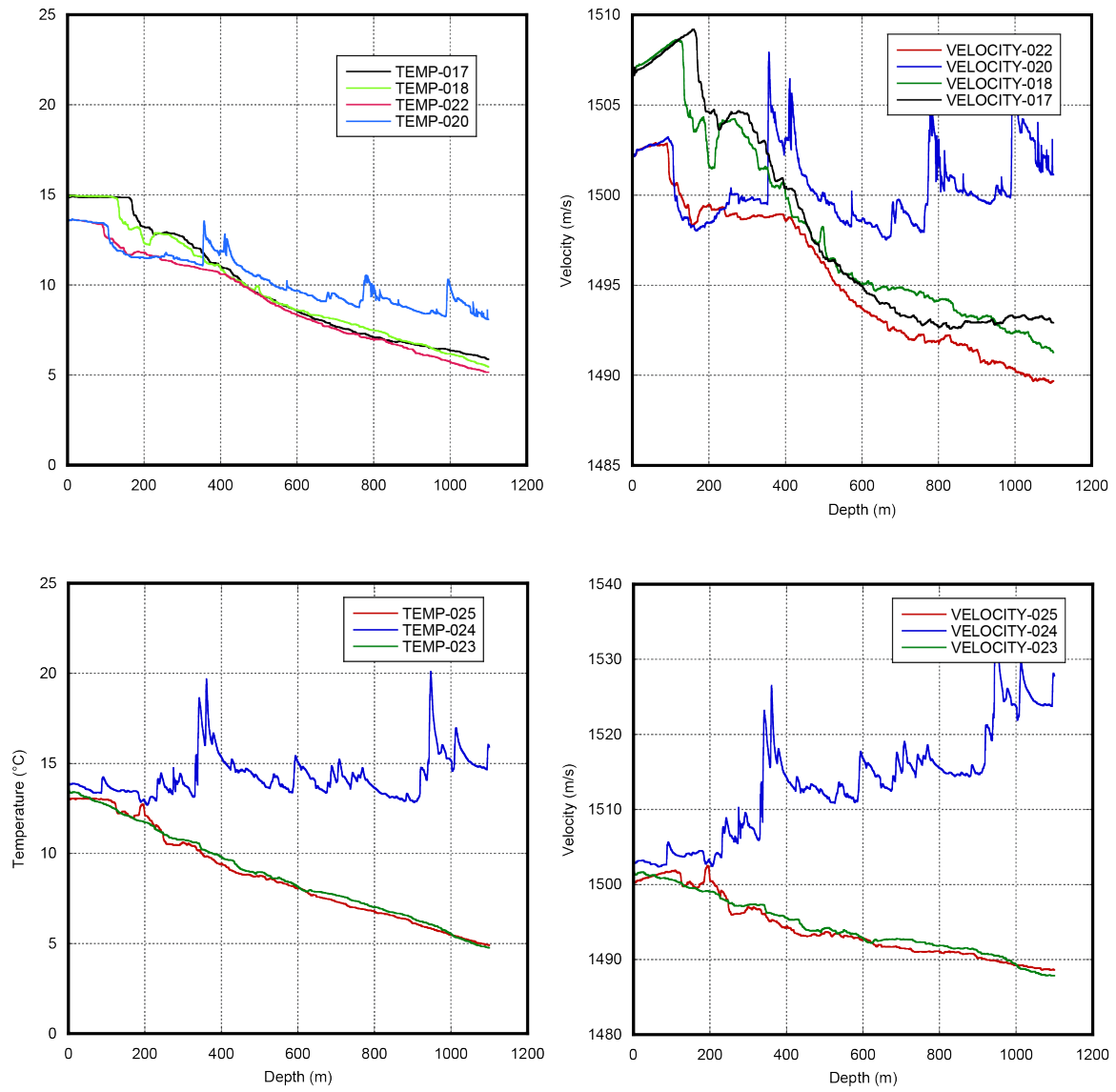


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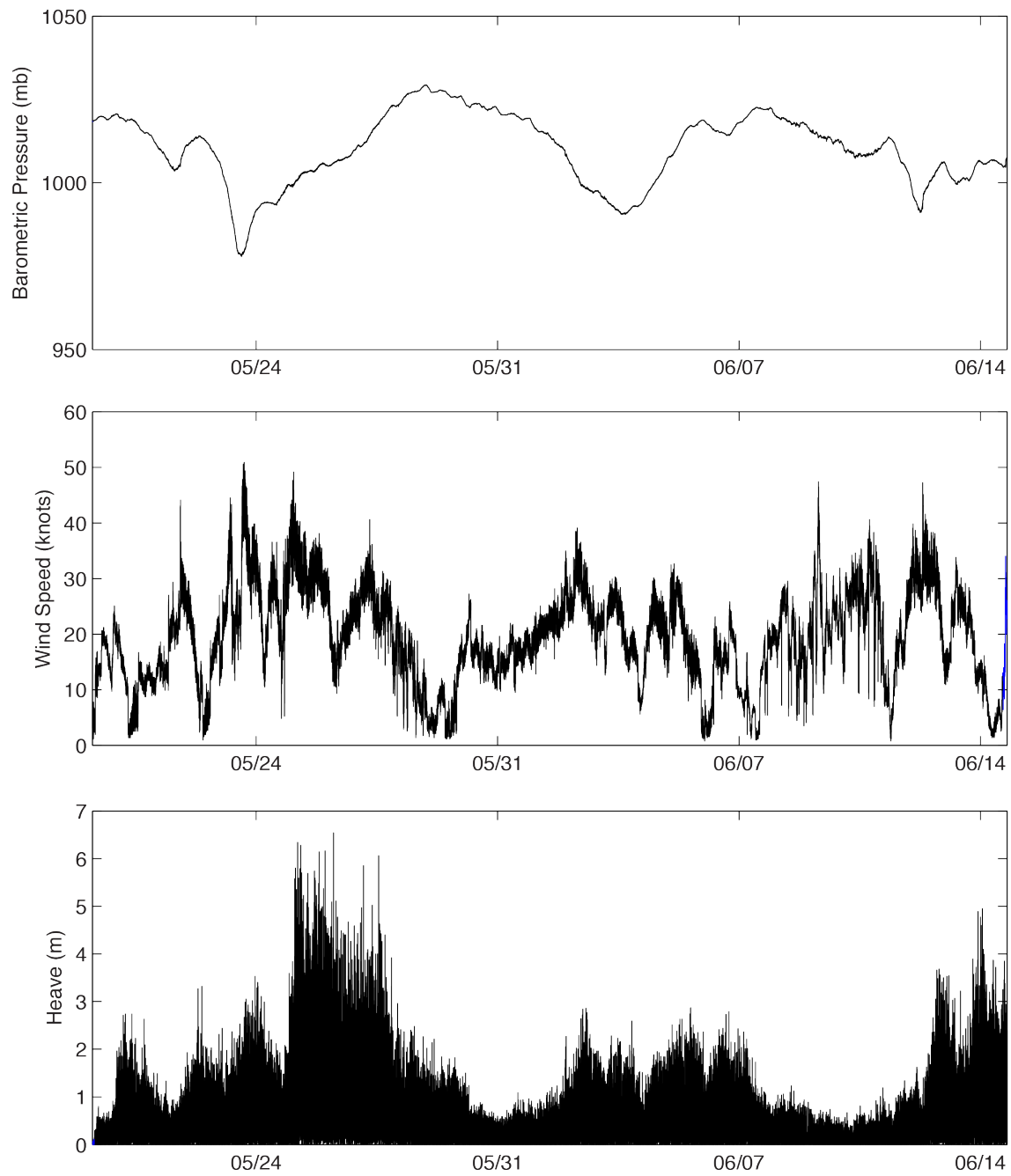


Figure V-4. Meteorological data collected during RR-1508. Heave is used as a proxy for swell height. The R/V Revelle can not hold position in winds greater than about 30 knots.



Table IV-1. Starting and ending points for each seismic line

| Seismic Line | First SP | Last SP | First Day (JJJ) | First Hr:Min | Last Day (JJJ) | Last Hr:Min | First CDP | Last CDP | Max CDP Fold | Line Length (km) | First CDP Location | Latitude Deg | Last CDP Location | Latitude Deg |
|--------------|----------|---------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|----------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|
| HKS01_03     | 1001     | 3262    | 147             | 5:00         | 147            | 14:31       | 100       | 9209     | 17           | 57               | 178.6742           | -38.5703     | 178.3214          | -39.0004     |
| HKS01_04     | 3264     | 5298    | 147             | 15:22        | 147            | 22:22       | 100       | 8301     | 14           | 51               | 178.3638           | -39.0108     | 178.9104          | -39.1843     |
| HKS01_05     | 5343     | 6280    | 147             | 22:45        | 148            | 2:00        | 100       | 3941     | 15           | 24               | 178.9025           | -39.1741     | 178.9017          | -38.9586     |
| HKS01_05A    | 6101     | 7931    | 148             | 3:11         | 148            | 9:24        | 100       | 7477     | 14           | 46               | 178.9014           | -39.0038     | 178.8969          | -38.5897     |
| HKS01_06     | 1002     | 2176    | 148             | 10:14        | 148            | 14:20       | 100       | 4846     | 14           | 30               | 178.8967           | -38.5900     | 179.1900          | -38.7244     |
| HKS01_07     | 2179     | 3540    | 148             | 15:51        | 148            | 20:01       | 100       | 5053     | 14           | 31               | 179.1627           | -38.7169     | 178.8277          | -38.6257     |
| HKS01_08     | 3543     | 4900    | 148             | 21:04        | 149            | 1:27        | 100       | 5488     | 14           | 34               | 178.8353           | -38.6276     | 179.1718          | -38.7755     |
| HKS01_09     | 1002     | 2233    | 149             | 2:13         | 149            | 6:13        | 100       | 5078     | 14           | 31               | 179.1623           | -38.7717     | 178.8209          | -38.6907     |
| HKS01_09A    | 1002     | 1421    | 149             | 6:21         | 149            | 7:51        | 100       | 1860     | 15           | 11               | 178.8117           | -38.6892     | 178.8189          | -38.5932     |
| HKS01_02     | 1001     | 1877    | 149             | 8:02         | 149            | 11:15       | 100       | 3723     | 20           | 23               | 178.8179           | -38.5825     | 179.0676          | -38.6237     |
| HKS01_02A    | 1001     | 1825    | 149             | 11:21        | 149            | 14:06       | 100       | 3480     | 20           | 21               | 179.0720           | -38.6243     | 179.1524          | -38.7995     |
| HKS01_01     | 1828     | 3347    | 149             | 14:13        | 149            | 19:17       | 100       | 6254     | 14           | 38               | 179.1545           | -38.8049     | 178.9807          | -39.1213     |
| HKS01_10     | 3349     | 4809    | 149             | 21:32        | 150            | 2:21        | 100       | 6001     | 14           | 37               | 179.0674           | -39.0773     | 178.6819          | -38.9386     |
| HKS02_01     | 1002     | 1880    | 158             | 0:05         | 158            | 3:05        | 100       | 3664     | 16           | 22               | 176.8176           | -41.4841     | 176.6611          | -41.3220     |
| HKS02_01A    | 2002     | 3496    | 158             | 5:54         | 158            | 11:00       | 100       | 6130     | 17           | 38               | 176.7491           | -41.4132     | 176.4852          | -41.1388     |
| HKS02_02     | 1002     | 1792    | 158             | 11:44        | 158            | 14:14       | 100       | 3311     | 18           | 20               | 176.5053           | -41.1236     | 176.6442          | -41.2706     |
| HKS02_03     | 1002     | 1810    | 158             | 15:07        | 158            | 17:51       | 100       | 3383     | 18           | 21               | 176.6074           | -41.2912     | 176.4610          | -41.1433     |
| HKS02_04A    | 1003     | 1451    | 158             | 18:16        | 158            | 19:39       | 100       | 1941     | 16           | 12               | 176.4456           | -41.1563     | 176.5234          | -41.2415     |
| HKS02_04B    | 1002     | 2710    | 158             | 23:35        | 159            | 5:22        | 100       | 6988     | 17           | 43               | 176.5032           | -41.2201     | 176.7902          | -41.5414     |
| HKS02_05     | 1002     | 1287    | 158             | 20:17        | 158            | 21:14       | 100       | 1288     | 15           | 7                | 176.5178           | -41.2412     | 176.5903          | -41.2029     |
| HKS02_06     | 1002     | 1099    | 158             | 22:30        | 158            | 22:50       | 100       | 536      | 14           | 3                | 176.5254           | -41.2117     | 176.4990          | -41.2261     |
| HKS02_09     | 1002     | 1524    | 159             | 15:59        | 159            | 17:37       | 100       | 2237     | 16           | 13               | 176.4691           | -41.4920     | 176.5731          | -41.5833     |
| HKS02_10     | 1002     | 1577    | 159             | 10:34        | 159            | 12:22       | 100       | 2450     | 17           | 15               | 176.4428           | -41.4901     | 176.5594          | -41.5891     |
| HKS02_11     | 1002     | 1537    | 159             | 18:24        | 159            | 20:30       | 100       | 2290     | 15           | 14               | 176.5393           | -41.5919     | 176.4321          | -41.4989     |
| HKS02_12     | 1002     | 1548    | 159             | 13:12        | 159            | 15:14       | 100       | 2334     | 16           | 14               | 176.5243           | -41.6001     | 176.4178          | -41.5033     |
| HKS02_30     | 1002     | 1395    | 158             | 3:57         | 158            | 5:18        | 100       | 1720     | 16           | 10               | 176.6581           | -41.3466     | 176.7295          | -41.4201     |
| HKS02_31     | 1002     | 2044    | 159             | 6:03         | 159            | 9:54        | 100       | 4333     | 16           | 26               | 176.7643           | -41.5527     | 176.4658          | -41.4733     |
| HKS02_13     | 1003     | 1620    | 159             | 21:15        | 159            | 23:11       | 100       | 2618     | 15           | 16               | 176.3989           | -41.5132     | 176.5181          | -41.6229     |
| HKS02_13A    | 1002     | 1721    | 160             | 0:12         | 160            | 2:55        | 100       | 3027     | 17           | 18               | 176.5337           | -41.6379     | 176.3953          | -41.5103     |
| HKS02_16     | 1003     | 1822    | 161             | 8:22         | 161            | 10:45       | 100       | 3428     | 15           | 21               | 175.8523           | -41.6964     | 176.0762          | -41.6136     |
| HKS02_17     | 1003     | 1842    | 161             | 15:26        | 161            | 18:00       | 100       | 3505     | 16           | 21               | 175.8585           | -41.7061     | 176.0892          | -41.6240     |
| HKS02_18     | 1002     | 1934    | 160             | 3:24         | 160            | 7:31        | 100       | 3931     | 18           | 24               | 176.3644           | -41.5105     | 176.1243          | -41.6248     |
| HKS02_18A    | 2002     | 2950    | 161             | 3:47         | 161            | 7:28        | 100       | 3943     | 15           | 24               | 176.1239           | -41.6256     | 175.8630          | -41.7175     |
| HKS02_19     | 1002     | 1879    | 161             | 18:37        | 161            | 21:33       | 100       | 3658     | 17           | 22               | 176.1108           | -41.6419     | 175.8701          | -41.7286     |
| HKS02_20     | 1002     | 1892    | 161             | 11:53        | 161            | 14:41       | 100       | 3715     | 16           | 23               | 176.1230           | -41.6497     | 175.8783          | -41.7372     |
| HKS02_21     | 1002     | 1268    | 161             | 23:41        | 162            | 0:27        | 100       | 1212     | 16           | 7                | 175.9667           | -41.7170     | 175.9295          | -41.6610     |
| HKS02_22     | 1003     | 1557    | 162             | 0:54         | 162            | 2:32        | 100       | 2365     | 16           | 14               | 175.9499           | -41.6588     | 176.1096          | -41.7023     |

Table V-1. Gaps in 3.5/12 kHz data.

| Start time     | End time      | Comment   |
|----------------|---------------|---|
| 2015_140_0518  | 2015_140_2001 | transit   |
| 2015_141_0955  | 2015_141_1313 | heat flow measurement   |
| 2015_142_1127  | 2015_142_1329 | probe recovery  |
| 2015_143_0105  | 2015_147_1158 | hove to for weather   |
| 2015_147_1445  | 2015_150_0706 | seismic acquisition   |
| 2015_150_1241  | 2015_150_1411 | transit   |
| 2015_152_0751  | 2015_152_0822 | heat flow measurement   |
| 2015_153_0108  | 2015_153_0205 | probe recovery  |
| 2015_154_2233  | 2015_155_0402 | heat flow measurement   |
| ~2015_156_0230 | 2015_160_1532 | 3 full, non-contiguous files recorded in this<br>time window; seismic |
| 2015_161_0239  | 2015_162_0722 | 1 full file recorded in this time window;<br>seismic acquisition      |
| 2015_163_0249  | 2015_163_2240 | heat flow measurement   |

Table V-2. Calibration Coefficients for the Heat Flow Probe

| Thermistor | A      | B     | C          | D         |
|------------|--------|-------|------------|-----------|
| 1          | -4.430 | 0.807 | -4.340E-03 | 1.184E-04 |
| 2          | -4.465 | 0.813 | -4.933E-03 | 1.324E-04 |
| 3          | -4.480 | 0.814 | -4.981E-03 | 1.333E-04 |
| 4          | -4.432 | 0.811 | -4.782E-03 | 1.284E-04 |
| 5          | -4.418 | 0.810 | -4.753E-03 | 1.275E-04 |
| 6          | -4.388 | 0.801 | -3.952E-03 | 1.084E-04 |
| 7          | -4.438 | 0.808 | -4.545E-03 | 1.221E-04 |
| 8          | -4.384 | 0.799 | -3.885E-03 | 1.063E-04 |
| 9          | -4.405 | 0.800 | -3.951E-03 | 1.077E-04 |
| 10         | -4.336 | 0.795 | -3.566E-03 | 9.819E-05 |
| 11         | -4.345 | 0.791 | -3.239E-03 | 9.023E-05 |
| 12         | -4.946 | 0.896 | -1.073E-02 | 0.000252  |

$$CTD\ T=A + B\ T + C\ T^2 + D\ T^3$$

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Table V-3. XBTs during RR1508

| Station Name | Date        | Time     | Latitude<br>Deg Min |       | Longitude<br>Deg Min |       | Water<br>Depth<br>(m) | XBT<br>Depth<br>(m) | Salinity<br>PSU | Sea<br>surface<br>Temp<br>C | Comment                                 |
|--------------|-------------|----------|---------------------|-------|----------------------|-------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| drop001      | 19-May-2015 | 19:05:47 | -37                 | 08.04 | 177                  | 50.91 | 1829                  | 1100                | 34.79           | 18.44                       |   |
| drop002      | 21-May-2015 | 08:06:15 | -38                 | 48.33 | 179                  | 01.28 | 3000                  | 1100                | 34.32           | 16.2                        |   |
| drop003      | 21-May-2015 | 09:13:12 | -38                 | 56.09 | 179                  | 14.50 | 6000?                 | 1100                | 34.21           | 16.07                       |   |
| drop004      | 22-May-2015 | 09:10:21 | -39                 | 09.45 | 179                  | 38.17 | 3628                  | 1100                | 35.27           | 16.74                       |   |
| drop005      |             |          |                     |       |                      |       |                       |                     |                 |                             | no drop005<br>ignore data<br>below 650m |
| drop006      | 27-May-2015 | 00:20:38 | -38                 | 25.97 | 178                  | 49.17 | 650                   | 1100                | 35.16           | 15.66                       |   |
| drop007      | 27-May-2015 | 14:09:30 | -38                 | 58.75 | 178                  | 20.41 | 1295                  | 128                 | 35.14           | 15.64                       |   |
| drop008      | 27-May-2015 | 14:16:47 | -38                 | 59.26 | 178                  | 19.93 | 1369                  | 200                 | 35.15           | 15.68                       | premature<br>stop                       |
| drop009      | 27-May-2015 | 14:43:31 | -39                 | 00.27 | 178                  | 19.08 | 1345                  | 95                  | 35.17           | 15.79                       | premature<br>stop                       |
| drop010      | 27-May-2015 | 14:54:22 | -39                 | 00.00 | 178                  | 19.00 | 1350                  | 180                 | na              | na                          | retry - drop011                         |
| drop011      | 28-May-2015 | 00:42:40 | -39                 | 02.86 | 178                  | 54.09 | 2772                  | 326                 | 35.02           | 14.82                       | premature<br>stop                       |
| drop012      | 28-May-2015 | 01:14:41 | -39                 | 01.62 | 178                  | 54.11 | 3000                  | 650                 | na              | NA                          | retry with stick<br>- drop013           |
| drop013      |             |          |                     |       |                      |       |                       |                     |                 |                             | no drop                                 |
| drop014      | 29-May-2015 | 10:16:17 | -38                 | 36.82 | 178                  | 59.02 | 3000                  | 1055                | 35.17           | 15.48                       |   |
| drop015      | 30-May-2015 | 04:47:29 | -38                 | 48.76 | 178                  | 35.66 | 760                   | 1100                | 45.24           | 15.87                       | ignore data<br>below 760 m              |
| drop016      | 05-Jun-2015 | 04:31:05 | -39                 | 34.37 | 178                  | 40.01 | 3040                  | 1100                | 35.256          | 14.90                       |   |
| drop017      | 05-Jun-2015 | 20:02:03 | -42                 | 05.45 | 177                  | 26.36 | 2835                  | 1100                | 35.279          | 14.88                       |   |
| drop018      | 06-Jun-2015 | 22:01:10 | -41                 | 33.71 | 176                  | 53.53 | 2850                  | 1100                | 35.29           | 14.93                       |   |
| drop019      | 08-Jun-2015 | 04:09:28 | -41                 | 25.95 | 176                  | 41.62 | 1644                  | 152                 | 34.99           | 13.50                       | premature<br>stop                       |
| drop020      | 08-Jun-2015 | 03:39:23 | -41                 | 26.53 | 176                  | 43.14 | 1648                  | 1100                | 34.99           | 13.49                       | not reliable<br>below ~300 m            |
| drop021      | 08-Jun-2015 | 04:01:06 | -41                 | 27.45 | 176                  | 42.92 | 1700                  | 199                 | 34.99           | 13.5                        | premature<br>stop                       |
| drop022      | 08-Jun-2015 | 04:09:28 | -41                 | 28.20 | 176                  | 43.61 | 3200                  | 1100                | 35.00           | 13.52                       |   |
| drop023      | 09-Jun-2015 | 03:39:52 | -41                 | 30.68 | 176                  | 21.78 | 2000                  | 1100                | 34.83           | 13.30                       | questionable                            |
| drop024      | 10-Jun-2015 | 02:14:44 | -41                 | 39.79 | 176                  | 12.34 | 2100                  | 1100                | 34.86           | 13.71                       | not reliable                            |
| drop025      | 11-Jun-2015 | 04:11:07 | -41                 | 42.46 | 176                  | 13.15 | 1996                  | 1100                | 34.97           | 13.08                       |   |

Table VI-1

| Sgt Id | Time (UTC)           | Species                  | Sgt Dist (km) | Beh State       | Count | Age/Sex/ Size                | Reax   | Take? | Notes  | Sgt Lat  | Sgt Lon  | Depth (m) |
|--------|----------------------|--------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------|------------------------------|--------|-------|--|----------|----------|-----------|
| 1      | 2015-05-19T 21:12:18 | Unid Beaked Whale        | 0.1           | Moderate Travel | 1     | unknown                      | None   | N     | Very brief glimpse of back and dorsal fin as it swam away on terminal dive. Light brown body, slightly falcate smallish dorsal fin, one white mark on back was probably a scar. Body length approx 5 to 6 meters. Depth about 1500m. | -37.2957 | 178.3660 | -1821     |
| 2      | 2015-05-20T00:52:20  | New Zealand Fur Seal     | 0.1           | Slow Travel     | 1     | Female                       | None   | N     |  | -37.6599 | 179.0068 | -555      |
| 3      | 2015-05-20T 01:13:00 | Unid Pilot Whale         | 0.5           | Moderate Travel | 25    | 1 calf and males and females | Parall | N     | Pilot whales associated with dolphins. Turned and paralleled ship, traveling in opposite direction from ship. About 950 m deep. Associated with dolphins also reported with this sighting number. -                                  | -37.7294 | 179.0056 | -1134     |
| 3      | 2015-05-20T 01:20:40 | Unid Dolphin or Porpoise | 0.5           | Moderate Travel | 10    | unknown                      | Bow    | N     | Not sure of spp. but most likely a couple dusks and some bottlenose. Associated with pilot whales also reported with this sighting number.   | -37.7542 | 179.0035 | -1276     |
| 4      | 2015-05-20T 02:54:28 | Unid Mysticete           | 0.6           | Slow Travel     | 4     | unknown                      | None   | N     | Saw during drills from deck. They were heading down our stb side slowly away from the ship.  | -38.0435 | 178.9767 | -598      |
| 5      | 2015-05-20T 04:29:50 | Unid Pilot Whale         | 3             | Slow Travel     | 15    | Male and female              | None   | N     | Males and females, blowing and traveling at the surface, moving opposite the ship's course - -   | -38.3584 | 178.9705 | -2070     |

|    |                      |                      |                     |  |                  |  |                         |
|----|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--|------------------|--|-------------------------|
| 6  | 2015-05-22T 00:32:16 | Unid Pilot Whale     | 0.05 Milling        | 75 6+ calves (one to two with fetal folds), only one adult male seen | None N           | Seen out galley window on weather check. Likely same group reported by crew to PSOs at lunch. They were also diving, riding large waves, | -39.1494 179.6220 -3360 |
| 7  | 2015-05-27T 03:23:37 | Unid Pilot Whale     | 0.35 Fast Travel    | 40 unknown   | Other Y          |  | -38.5128 178.7352 -801  |
| 8  | 2015-05-28T 01:41:42 | Unid Pilot Whale     | 0.4 Moderate Travel | 20 two juveniles   | Appr N each Boat | #####<br>Whales still nearby after 15 minutes so decision made to turn vessel and circle back to trackline.                              | -38.9808 178.9005 -2760 |
| 9  | 2015-05-28T 21:01:32 | Unid Pilot Whale     | 1.36 Fast Travel    | 30 some calves   | Other Y          | 15 taken within 400m; approached boat within 50 m off starboard side, then continued, changing heading to 160L. Group was spread out.    | -38.6338 178.8478 -2001 |
| 10 | 2015-05-28T 21:19:25 | Bottlenose Dolphin   | 0.15 Surface Active | 4 unknown  | None N           | 2 lept out of the water; picture taken. Seem to be loosely associated with the pilot whales.   | -38.6387 178.8569 -2001 |
| 11 | 2015-05-28T 22:16:57 | Bottlenose Dolphin   | 6.11 Unknown        | 20 adults  | None N           |  | -38.7048 178.9853 -3616 |
| 11 | 2015-05-28T 22:16:57 | Unid Pilot Whale     | 6.11 Surface Active | 60 adults, m/f, juveniles  | None N           |  | -38.7048 178.9853 -3616 |
| 12 | 2015-05-29T 01:45:22 | New Zealand Fur Seal | 0.1 Milling         | 1 female   | Other Y          | #####<br>Dove/sunk before the guns were turned off and I didn't see her again.   | -38.7884 179.1920 -3544 |

|    |                         |                          |                      |   |               |   |                         |
|----|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|---|---------------|---|-------------------------|
| 12 | 2015-05-29T<br>02:04:14 | New Zealand Fur Seal     | 1.24 Other           | 1 unknown                                   | None N        | Resting (jug-handle position) on surface. No movement. Likely same individual seen by PH on line above.   | -38.7644 179.1664 -3549 |
| 13 | 2015-05-29T<br>02:38:25 | New Zealand Fur Seal     | 0.75 Other           | 1 juvenile                                  | None Y        | Resting at surface, very small. No noticeable reaction as we passed within 50 meters.   | -38.7595 179.1178 -3537 |
| 14 | 2015-05-29T<br>03:10:02 | Unid Mysticete           | 6.11 Moderate Travel | 2 unknown                                   | None N        | Very falcate pointed fin. Probably minke but very far to tell for sure. JO also got a look at it in big eyes after some minutes as it surfaced at 35 R.   | -38.7171 179.0234 -3586 |
| 15 | 2015-05-29T<br>21:17:13 | Bottlenose Dolphin       | 0.89 Surface Active  | 2 unknown                                   | None N        | Saw a splash then one jumped out of the water. Never saw them again. Very close to sun glare so not 100% on ID.   | -39.0745 179.0834 -3512 |
| 16 | 2015-05-29T<br>22:37:26 | Bottlenose Dolphin       | 2.79 Moderate Travel | 6 unknown                                   | None N        | Moderate speed swimming. With the pilot whales on the next line.  | -38.9920 178.8691 -2597 |
| 16 | 2015-05-29T<br>22:37:26 | Unid Pilot Whale         | 2.79 Moderate Travel | 12 calves, females, possible juvenile males | Parall N      | very active, splashes, fast-swimming when first sighted. group was not very tight relative to previous sightings. surface activity continued but decreased somewhat as the group pass behind ships' beam. - | -39.0239 178.9615 -3367 |
| 17 | 2015-05-30T<br>03:59:26 | Unid Dolphin or Porpoise | 7.52 Fast Travel     | 50 unknown                                  | Approach Boat |   | -38.8452 178.5406 -736  |

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|-------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------|--|-------------------------|
| 18 2015-06-04T 01:53:21 | 1.6 Slow Travel  | 15 Couple of adult males | None N | Saw many blows close together for about a minute, then no animals for about 3 to 4 minutes, then up again. Animals traveling slowly away from us; no reaction, and ship finishing CTD. | -38.9425 179.1060 -3500 |
| 18 2015-06-04T 02:05:20 | 2.28 Slow Travel | 6 Couple of adult males  | None N | Seen concurrently by all observers.  | -38.9695 179.0943 -3504 |



Table VI-2.

| Sgt Id | Time (UTC)           | Species              | Sgt Dist (km) | Beh State   | Count | Age/Sex/Size                       | Reax          | Take? | Notes  | Sgt Lat  | Sgt Lon  | Depth (m) |
|--------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------|-------|------------------------------------|---------------|-------|--|----------|----------|-----------|
| 19     | 2015-06-05T 02:54:42 | Unid Pilot Whale     | 0.35          | Approaching | 7     | one calf and maybe two adult males | Approach Boat | N     | Saw two on fast approach coming most of the way out of the water, then saw group of 3 at 550m behind ship, then another group of 4 including one calf at 120L, approaching, then paralleling, then falling behind the ship. Initial two and group that fell behind is likely the same group. | -39.3323 | 178.7850 | -3317     |
| 20     | 2015-06-05T 20:36:54 | New Zealand Fur Seal | 0.1           | Other       | 1     | unknown                            | Run from Boat | N     | Initial behavior was resting, then it dove, reappeared and dove again. It moved slowly away from the ship.   | -43.0915 | 177.5835 | -232      |
| 21     | 2015-06-05T 22:17:10 | Unid Mysticete       | 7.52          | Slow Travel | 1     | unknown                            | None          | N     | Large, blue. A few blows ~25second apart, then disappeared   | -42.3959 | 177.3858 | -2472     |
| 22     | 2015-06-06T 21:12:48 | New Zealand Fur Seal | 0.31          | Resting     | 1     | female                             | None          | N     |  | -41.6841 | 176.9634 | -2864     |
| 23     | 2015-06-06T 21:18:14 | New Zealand Fur Seal | 0.4           | Resting     | 1     | unknown                            | Run from Boat | N     | Resting at surface and dove as we approached.  | -41.6671 | 176.9526 | -2854     |
| 24     | 2015-06-06T 22:18:37 | New Zealand Fur Seal | 0.18          | Resting     | 2     | females                            | None          | N     | Resting. Separation about 2 meters.  | -41.5501 | 176.8783 | -2871     |
| 25     | 2015-06-06T 23:57:27 | New Zealand Fur Seal | 1.44          | Resting     | 4     | unknown                            | None          | N     | Resting at surface. 2 jughandling. Pace = 0.   | -41.4782 | 176.8109 | -2579     |

|                            |                         |              |           |                  |   |          |          |       |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|-----------|------------------|---|----------|----------|-------|
| 25 2015-06-07T<br>00:11:52 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.08 Resting | 1 unknown | Run from<br>Boat | Seen ~80m from observer<br>platform, so still >100m<br>from gear. Animal is one<br>of the 4 seen by Julia<br>previously; others were<br>further away. Animal was<br>lounging at the surface but<br>swam away (not really<br>running") about 20m when<br>the ship was alongside.<br>Reaction seemed to be<br>more from the ship than<br>guns." | -41.4753 | 176.8088 | -2579 |
| 26 2015-06-07T<br>00:20:11 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.21 Resting | 2 unknown | None             | Guns were already shut<br>down when I saw them;   | -41.4680 | 176.8001 | -2611 |
| 27 2015-06-07T<br>00:27:19 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.88 Other   | 3 unknown | None             | not taken.<br>Guns were already shut<br>down, so no take.   | -41.4580 | 176.7874 | -2643 |
| 28 2015-06-07T<br>00:32:27 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.31 Resting | 1 unknown | None             | flippers held outside the<br>water, while animal<br>apparently drifting with the<br>current--> this behavior is<br>referred to as resting in<br>the behavior column   | -41.4562 | 176.7892 | -2643 |
| 29 2015-06-07T<br>00:36:18 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.74 Other   | 1 unknown | None             | Single gun firing; shut off<br>in time to not take.   | -41.4501 | 176.7822 | -2643 |
| 30 2015-06-07T<br>00:42:38 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.22 Other   | 1 unknown | None             | Guns already shut down.<br>Animal passed ~30m from<br>ship.   | -41.4480 | 176.7815 | -2643 |
| 31 2015-06-07T<br>00:45:02 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.69 Resting | 3 unknown | None             | Guns off. flippers held<br>outside the water, while<br>animal apparently drifting<br>with the current -   | -41.4416 | 176.7779 | -2606 |

|    |                         |                         |              |           |                  |   |   |          |          |       |
|----|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|-----------|------------------|---|---|----------|----------|-------|
| 32 | 2015-06-07T<br>00:48:55 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 1.24 Resting | 2 unknown | None             | N | flippers held outside the<br>water, while animal<br>apparently drifting with the<br>current   | -41.4326 | 176.7779 | -2606 |
| 33 | 2015-06-07T<br>00:50:41 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 1.24 Resting | 1 unknown | None             | N | flippers held outside the<br>water, while animal<br>apparently drifting with the<br>current   | -41.4403 | 176.7623 | -2589 |
| 34 | 2015-06-07T<br>00:51:11 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 1.24 Resting | 2 unknown | None             | N | flippers held outside the<br>water, while animal<br>apparently drifting with the<br>current   | -41.4359 | 176.7638 | -2589 |
| 35 | 2015-06-07T<br>00:51:55 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 1.72 Resting | 1 unknown | Run from<br>Boat | N | Swam away from boat;<br>not really running.   | -41.4281 | 176.7649 | -2319 |
| 36 | 2015-06-07T<br>01:04:13 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.81 Resting | 1 unknown | None             | N |   | -41.4250 | 176.7584 | -2157 |
| 37 | 2015-06-07T<br>01:15:07 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.58 Resting | 1 unknown | None             | Y |   | -41.4187 | 176.7502 | -2157 |
| 38 | 2015-06-07T<br>01:36:59 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.88 Resting | 1 unknown | None             | N |   | -41.4015 | 176.7277 | -1719 |
| 39 | 2015-06-07T<br>01:47:24 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.4 Resting  | 1 female  | Run from<br>Boat | Y | Resting. Was two together<br>but this one rested and<br>the following sighting dove<br>in a direction 90L, moved<br>away and was not taken. | -41.3931 | 176.7243 | -1549 |
| 40 | 2015-06-07T<br>01:51:35 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.52 Resting | 1 unknown | None             | N | Resting   | -41.3912 | 176.7202 | -1549 |
| 41 | 2015-06-07T<br>01:54:54 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.4 Milling  | 1 unknown | Unknown          | Y | Dove. Saw again at 300m<br>with flippers up.  | -41.3830 | 176.7189 | -1549 |

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| 42 | 2015-06-07T<br>01:59:17 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.89 Resting     | 1 unknown  | None             | N | Resting.   | -41.3735 | 176.7203 | -1523 |
| 43 | 2015-06-07T<br>02:02:31 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.27 Resting     | 2 female   | None             | Y | Resting.   | -41.3761 | 176.7151 | -1523 |
| 44 | 2015-06-07T<br>02:02:44 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.4 Resting      | 2 unknown  | None             | N | Resting.   | -41.3748 | 176.7143 | -1523 |
| 45 | 2015-06-07T<br>02:04:22 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.31 Resting     | 2 unknown  | Other            | Y | Resting.   | -41.3752 | 176.7170 | -1523 |
| 46 | 2015-06-07T<br>02:09:54 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.27 Fast Travel | 6 unknown  | Run from<br>Boat | Y | Saw them porpoising<br>away from boat and finally<br>stopped and rested at<br>surface at about 450m<br>from us.          | -41.3705 | 176.7120 | -1523 |
| 47 | 2015-06-07T<br>02:11:19 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.06 Resting     | 3 female   | None             | N | Came within 50m of ship.<br>Take at > 100m.  | -41.3701 | 176.7082 | -1523 |
| 48 | 2015-06-07T<br>02:14:02 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.1 Resting      | 2 juvenile | Run from<br>Boat | N | Resting. Swam away from<br>ship when we were next to<br>them.  | -41.3681 | 176.7044 | -1523 |
| 49 | 2015-06-07T<br>02:17:35 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.6 Other        | 2 unknown  | None             | N | Guns shut down already.<br>flippers held outside the<br>water, while animal<br>apparently drifting with the<br>current - | -41.3624 | 176.6961 | -1543 |
| 50 | 2015-06-07T<br>02:20:53 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.1 Fast Travel  | 5 unknown  | Run from<br>Boat | N | Guns off.  | -41.3610 | 176.7003 | -1543 |
| 51 | 2015-06-07T<br>02:21:40 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 1.9 Resting      | 2 unknown  | None             | N | Resting  | -41.3482 | 176.6840 | -1574 |
| 52 | 2015-06-07T<br>02:23:31 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 1.72 Resting     | 2 unknown  | None             | N | Resting.   | -41.3439 | 176.6975 | -1591 |

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| 53 | 2015-06-07T<br>02:28:24 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.76 Resting      | 1 unknown  | None             | N | Resting.   | -41.3482 | 176.6914 | -1574 |
| 54 | 2015-06-07T<br>02:37:02 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.31 Resting      | 10 unknown | Run from<br>Boat | N | Resting and then<br>porpoising away.   | -41.3465 | 176.6818 | -1574 |
| 55 | 2015-06-07T<br>02:59:48 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 4.91 Fast Travel  | 7 unknown  | None             | N | Maybe chasing prey?<br>Porpoising and resting<br>and porpoising and diving.  | -41.3117 | 176.6097 | -1847 |
| 56 | 2015-06-07T<br>03:01:34 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.22 Milling      | 1 female   | None             | N | Doing headstands with<br>back end straight up out of<br>water, then twisted around<br>and porpoised away from<br>us. | -41.3226 | 176.6632 | -1729 |
| 57 | 2015-06-07T<br>03:06:16 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 1.36 Resting      | 1 unknown  | None             | N | Resting.   | -41.3099 | 176.6511 | -1797 |
| 58 | 2015-06-07T<br>03:07:39 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 1.07 Resting      | 1 unknown  | None             | N | Resting  | -41.3158 | 176.6462 | -1757 |
| 59 | 2015-06-07T<br>03:08:36 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 1.07 Resting      | 1 unknown  | None             | N | Resting  | -41.3153 | 176.6452 | -1757 |
| 60 | 2015-06-07T<br>03:09:12 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.83 Resting      | 1 unknown  | Run from<br>Boat | N | Resting, then swim away<br>from ship (not run").   | -41.3146 | 176.6480 | -1757 |
| 61 | 2015-06-07T<br>03:20:56 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.08 Moderate Tra | 1 unknown  | Run from<br>Boat | N | Looked small.  | -41.3137 | 176.6411 | -1787 |
| 62 | 2015-06-07T<br>03:21:56 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 4.15 Resting      | 2 unknown  | None             | N | Jughandling  | -41.3222 | 176.5918 | -1868 |
| 63 | 2015-06-07T<br>03:23:29 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 2.66 Fast Travel  | 4 unknown  | None             | N | Porpoising when first<br>seen, so marked as no<br>reaction.  | -41.2953 | 176.6194 | -1825 |

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| 64 | 2015-06-07T<br>03:27:38 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal     | 2.41 Resting      | 1 unknown  | None             | N | Resting.   | -41.3275 | 176.6083 | -1868 |
| 65 | 2015-06-07T<br>03:29:38 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal     | 1.1 Resting       | 1 unknown  | None             | N | Resting.   | -41.3262 | 176.6233 | -1834 |
| 66 | 2015-06-07T<br>03:34:20 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal     | 2.79 Resting      | 2 unknown  | None             | N | Resting. flippers held<br>outside the water, while<br>animal apparently drifting<br>with the current   | -41.3447 | 176.6623 | -1687 |
| 67 | 2015-06-07T<br>03:42:24 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal     | 1.1 Resting       | 1 unknown  | None             | N | Resting.   | -41.3423 | 176.6550 | -1725 |
| 68 | 2015-06-07T<br>03:55:28 | Unid Dolphin<br>or Porpoise | 4.37 Fast Travel  | 60 unknown | None             | N | Breaching and fast travel.   | -41.3099 | 176.6748 | -1774 |
| 69 | 2015-06-07T<br>03:58:38 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal     | 0.48 Resting      | 1 unknown  | Run from<br>Boat | N | Resting at first, seemed to<br>be heading away, then<br>surfaced within 400m<br>zone.                  | -41.3543 | 176.6631 | -1623 |
| 70 | 2015-06-07T<br>04:06:37 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal     | 2.41 Resting      | 1 unknown  | None             | N | Resting. flippers held<br>outside the water, while<br>animal apparently drifting<br>with the current - | -41.3790 | 176.6719 | -1578 |
| 71 | 2015-06-07T<br>04:10:37 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal     | 1.57 Resting      | 4 unknown  | None             | N | Resting.   | -41.3739 | 176.6802 | -1545 |
| 72 | 2015-06-07T<br>04:11:49 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal     | 2.12 Resting      | 1 unknown  | None             | N | Resting. flippers held<br>outside the water, while<br>animal apparently drifting<br>with the current   | -41.3796 | 176.6835 | -1560 |
| 73 | 2015-06-07T<br>04:36:12 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal     | 0.05 Moderate Tra | 1 unknown  | Run from<br>Boat | N | Surfaced near ship and<br>then immediately dove  | -41.3845 | 176.6948 | -1539 |
| 74 | 2015-06-07T<br>04:42:26 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal     | 2.12 Resting      | 1 unknown  | None             | N | and swam away from us.<br>Resting.   | -41.4083 | 176.7066 | -1607 |

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| 75 | 2015-06-07T<br>04:42:42 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 1.9 Resting      | 1 unknown                    | None    | N | Resting. Additional<br>behavior is dive. Dove<br>while >400m away from<br>ship, probably not in<br>reaction.<br>Saw animal swimming<br>toward us with its head<br>out of the water.<br>Immediately shutdown<br>guns. Animal kept<br>swimming toward the ship,<br>then turned and porpoised<br>away a couple times (after<br>guns were shut down).<br>then stopped and looked<br>back at us. No apparent<br>reaction to guns on;<br>probably just to ship, or<br>even to guns being turned<br>off. | -41.4024 176.7156 | -1655 |
| 76 | 2015-06-07T<br>19:38:27 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.05 Approaching | 1 unknown                    | Other   | N | 2 animals hangin' out at<br>the surface (resting). Shut<br>down guns immediately;<br>no reaction -<br>Saw them together but<br>one had head up and one<br>only saw a bit of its back.<br>Then I lost them.<br>Saw only one, only the<br>back but it was large, and<br>it dove. I believe it is one<br>of the animals from the<br>sighting line just above<br>this.  | -41.2418 176.5238 | -946  |
| 77 | 2015-06-07T<br>20:11:09 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.31 Resting     | 2 unknown                    | None    | N |   | -41.2404 176.5130 | -946  |
| 78 | 2015-06-07T<br>21:51:59 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.42 Milling     | 2 at least one<br>adult male | Unknown | N |   | -41.1915 176.5676 | -1080 |
| 78 | 2015-06-07T<br>21:55:19 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.35 Slow Travel | 1 adult male                 | Unknown | N |   | -41.1931 176.5637 | -1080 |

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| 79 | 2015-06-07T<br>22:13:30 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.01 Moderate Tra | 1 probably<br>female | None             | N | Saw it swimming to<br>starboard from just port of<br>the bow. It swam just in<br>front of the ship and kept<br>going. One gun shut down<br>immediately (we were in<br>ramp up).   | -41.2019 | 176.5421 | -1086 |
| 80 | 2015-06-07T<br>22:15:39 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.03 Resting      | 2 2 juveniles        | Run from<br>Boat | N | Saw 2 resting in front of<br>ship, then they porpoised<br>away from the ship and<br>dove. Guns not on when<br>seen.   | -41.2031 | 176.5395 | -1144 |
| 79 | 2015-06-07T<br>22:21:13 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.43 Moderate Tra | 1 unknown            | None             | N | JO resighted them behind<br>the boat through BigEyes.   | -41.2060 | 176.5377 | -1144 |
| 80 | 2015-06-07T<br>22:23:27 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.74 Moderate Tra | 2 2 juveniles        | None             | N | JO resighted them behind<br>the boat through BigEyes.   | -41.2069 | 176.5387 | -1144 |
| 81 | 2015-06-07T<br>22:59:20 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 1.44 Moderate Tra | 1 unknown            | None             | N |   | -41.2174 | 176.4779 | -1047 |
| 82 | 2015-06-07T<br>23:06:34 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.05 Moderate Tra | 1 unknown            | Other            | N | Looked at boat and dove.  | -41.2232 | 176.4802 | -1047 |
| 83 | 2015-06-07T<br>23:15:22 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.74 Resting      | 1 unknown            | None             | N | Might be resight of one of<br>the animal in sighting just<br>above this line.   | -41.2217 | 176.4831 | -1047 |
| 84 | 2015-06-08T<br>01:33:31 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.02 Slow Travel  | 3 unknown            | Run from<br>Boat | N | Mate saw 3 animals<br>swimming in generally<br>same direction as ship.<br>They swam at our speed,<br>crossed under the bow<br>and came up on port, still<br>traveling at ~4 kts. Then<br>changed direction to head<br>away from the ship (90L)<br>and we slowly pulled away<br>from them. | -41.3302 | 176.6028 | -1840 |



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| 85 | 2015-06-08T<br>01:43:07 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.05 Fast Travel  | 2 one possible<br>male | Unknown  | N | JO saw 2-3 animals just<br>off bow, running away<br>from the ship. Unsure if<br>they were running before<br>the ship was close or if we<br>influenced them.  | -41.3386 | 176.6106 | -1814 |
| 86 | 2015-06-08T<br>01:58:02 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.25 Moderate Tra | 1 juvenile             | Approach | N | BW saw it swimming<br>toward us from in front of<br>the ship with its head out<br>of the water looking at us.<br>Then lost from view. Julia<br>then saw it porpoising<br>toward the ship off the<br>starboard quarter, keeping<br>pace with us. Last seen at<br>02:04. Waiting 15 min to<br>start ramp up. | -41.3500 | 176.6215 | -1797 |
| 87 | 2015-06-08T<br>02:18:47 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.2 Fast Travel   | 1 unknown              | Approach | N | Porpoising out of water<br>coming towards ship.  | -41.3721 | 176.6379 | -1687 |
| 88 | 2015-06-08T<br>02:25:40 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.48 Resting      | 2 unknown              | Run from | N | Flippers up and down,<br>appear to be grooming,<br>perhaps. two separated by<br>about 4m. As we<br>approached to approx<br>200m they looked at ship<br>and swam away 90left<br>together.   | -41.3776 | 176.6485 | -1628 |
| 89 | 2015-06-08T<br>02:29:34 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.05 Moderate Tra | 1 juvenile             | Run from | N | Came within 20m of ship.   | -41.3800 | 176.6468 | -1590 |

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| 90 | 2015-06-08T<br>02:48:09 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.07 Moderate Tra | 2 unknown   | Run from<br>Boat | Julia saw them come up<br>from below, look at the<br>boat and move away.<br>They stopped moving<br>away and looked at boat<br>again around 300m from<br>ship. They went into sun<br>glare. | -41.3976 | 176.6638 | -1623 |
| 91 | 2015-06-08T<br>03:17:11 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.48 Fast Travel  | 2 unknown   | Approach<br>Boat | Saw them porpoising out<br>of wave headed towards<br>ship.   | -41.4284 | 176.6848 | -1706 |
| 92 | 2015-06-08T<br>03:26:33 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.58 Diving       | 1 unknown   | Unknown          | Saw a dive and then lost<br>it. Outside zone, and guns<br>shut down anyway.  | -41.4385 | 176.6928 | -1954 |
| 93 | 2015-06-08T<br>03:40:56 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.27 Fast Travel  | 3 unknown   | Approach<br>Boat | Porpoising against swell<br>direction towards boat.  | -41.4502 | 176.7074 | -2074 |
| 94 | 2015-06-08T<br>03:53:17 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.4 Fast Travel   | 1 unknown   | Approach<br>Boat | Animal seen heading<br>toward boat from directly<br>ahead.   | -41.4569 | 176.7180 | -2268 |
| 93 | 2015-06-08T<br>04:02:40 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.06 Fast Travel  | 4 two<br>juveniles, at<br>least one<br>adult female | Approach<br>Boat | Likely same sighting as<br>two lines<br>above. Porpoising towards<br>bow and then passing in<br>front and continuing at 20L<br>heading.  | -41.4701 | 176.7260 | -2526 |
| 95 | 2015-06-08T<br>04:17:28 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.05 Fast Travel  | 2 unknown   | Unknown          | Porpoising.  | -41.4846 | 176.7399 | -2610 |
| 96 | 2015-06-08T<br>04:39:42 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.03 Fast Travel  | 3 juveniles   | Approach<br>Boat | Porpoising on approach to<br>ship, then milling around it<br>for awhile, then moving<br>away and putting flippers<br>in the air.   | -41.5059 | 176.7586 | -2623 |
| 97 | 2015-06-08T<br>21:56:41 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.48 Resting      | 7 at least two<br>juveniles                         | None             | Resting. Lots of kelp in<br>area. Closest approach<br>about reticle 7.   | -41.5606 | 176.4466 | -1718 |

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| 98  | 2015-06-08T<br>22:01:37 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.35 Resting       | 4 1 juvenile                     | None             | N | Resting and one has no<br>flippers in the air.  | -41.5607 | 176.4546 | -1718 |
| 99  | 2015-06-08T<br>22:08:08 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.81 Resting       | 4 unknown                        | Run from<br>Boat | N | Resting on surface. They<br>were ahead of us and as<br>we approached they<br>looked at ship and moved<br>away 75R.  | -41.5719 | 176.4637 | -1757 |
| 100 | 2015-06-08T<br>22:28:04 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.35 Resting       | 1 juvenile                       | Unknown          | N | Saw flipper tips very<br>briefly, then back, then<br>nothing. Very small<br>animal.                                 | -41.5861 | 176.4797 | -2284 |
| 100 | 2015-06-08T<br>22:38:52 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.22 Slow Travel   | 1 juvenile                       | Unknown          | N | Saw surface 3x close to<br>port side of ship but swam<br>into sun glare and lost it.                                | -41.5934 | 176.4893 | -2284 |
| 101 | 2015-06-08T<br>22:51:55 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.48 Surface Activ | 2 one juvenile                   | Approach<br>Boat | N | Saw one animal porpoise<br>out of water and then a<br>second animal join.   | -41.6070 | 176.5055 | -2820 |
| 101 | 2015-06-08T<br>22:55:50 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.27 Milling       | 2 one juvenile                   | None             | N | Saw surface several times<br>and put flippers up briefly.   | -41.6084 | 176.5062 | -2820 |
| 102 | 2015-06-08T<br>23:06:21 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.4 Slow Travel    | 2 females or<br>younger<br>males | Other            | N | Looked at ship a few<br>times.  | -41.6198 | 176.5180 | -2940 |
| 103 | 2015-06-08T<br>23:11:11 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.13 Slow Travel   | 3 unknown                        | Other            | N | Looking at boat<br>occasionally and rolling<br>around at surface.   | -41.6234 | 176.5194 | -2940 |
| 104 | 2015-06-08T<br>23:34:17 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.15 Slow Travel   | 1 unknown                        | None             | N | Looking at boat.<br>swimming slowly<br>perpendicular to boat's<br>heading -   | -41.6466 | 176.5188 | -2906 |
| 105 | 2015-06-08T<br>23:39:17 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.81 Resting       | 5 unknown                        | Run from<br>Boat | N | group of 3 and group of 2<br>nearby each other. All<br>resting, but then resighted<br>porpoising away from<br>ship. | -41.6529 | 176.5281 | -2875 |

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| 106 | 2015-06-09T<br>00:48:22 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.41 Resting     | 4 1 juvenile | Run from<br>Boat | 4 resting, then started to<br>moderate-travel in same<br>direction as ship when we<br>were beside them (guns<br>shut down when first<br>seen), then slowly making<br>their way away from us.<br>Probably same sighting as<br>before but don't know<br>which one so made it a<br>new sighting.<br>Resting as the ship<br>passed by. | -41.5990 | 176.4951 | -2820 |
| 107 | 2015-06-09T<br>01:18:57 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.4 Resting      | 2 unknown    | None             |  | -41.5775 | 176.4672 | -1757 |
| 108 | 2015-06-09T<br>01:27:13 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.31 Resting     | 1 unknown    | Other            | Looked at ship. Swam<br>parallel at slow pace for a<br>bit, then away (90L) at<br>slow pace.   | -41.5710 | 176.4609 | -1757 |
| 109 | 2015-06-09T<br>03:20:23 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.41 Milling     | 5 unknown    | Unknown          | Saw milling around and<br>then at 90L moving<br>quickly away from the<br>ship. Only saw two at time<br>of shutdown.  | -41.5128 | 176.3643 | -1903 |
| 109 | 2015-06-09T<br>03:22:38 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.52 Fast Travel | 5 unknown    | Run from<br>Boat | PH got this resight and<br>there are more than seen<br>at shutdown time. Several<br>stopped and looked back<br>at ship.  | -41.5145 | 176.3679 | -1908 |
| 110 | 2015-06-09T<br>03:33:33 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.07 Fast Travel | 1 unknown    | Approach<br>Boat | Saw one porpoising out of<br>water heading towards<br>stern of ship.   | -41.5197 | 176.3507 | -1905 |
| 111 | 2015-06-09T<br>03:45:07 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.1 Moderate Tra | 2 unknown    | Approach<br>Boat |  | -41.5287 | 176.3386 | -1908 |
| 112 | 2015-06-09T<br>03:48:54 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.03 Fast Travel | 8 unknown    | Run from<br>Boat | Several times individuals<br>in group stopped to rise<br>high up and look at ship.   | -41.5308 | 176.3344 | -1917 |

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| 113 | 2015-06-09T<br>03:58:37 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.15 Resting      | 1 unknown               | None          | N | flippers in the air. -  | -41.5377 | 176.3228 | -1927 |
| 113 | 2015-06-09T<br>04:07:38 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.58 Moderate Tra | 1 unknown               | Unknown       | N |   | -41.5467 | 176.3181 | -1984 |
| 114 | 2015-06-09T<br>04:16:08 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.25 Fast Travel  | 1 unknown               | None          | N | Animal kept pace beside the orange ball for several minutes   | -41.5487 | 176.3033 | -1974 |
| 115 | 2015-06-09T<br>04:35:31 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.1 Fast Travel   | 2 unknown               | Unknown       | N | Animals seen porpoising fast across the front of the ship. in no particular direction   | -41.5584 | 176.2880 | -1974 |
| 116 | 2015-06-10T<br>02:12:24 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.3 Resting       | 1 unknown               | Unknown       | N | Lost after entering sighting time in computer.  | -41.6642 | 176.2089 | -2056 |
| 117 | 2015-06-10T<br>02:22:59 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.4 Moderate Tra  | 1 unknown               | Unknown       | N | Saw animal porpoising away from ship and watched it until it cleared the 400-m zone. It stopped to look at the ship a couple times but otherwise kept moving away.    | -41.6576 | 176.1993 | -2062 |
| 118 | 2015-06-10T<br>21:36:51 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.05 Fast Travel  | 4 at least one juvenile | Run from Boat | Y | Saw one briefly at surface moving slowly, then suddenly they started to travel quickly, porpoising, away from the ship. At 90R and 10 ret (300m) when restarted guns. | -41.7305 | 175.8648 | -2320 |

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| 119 | 2015-06-10T<br>21:53:57 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.04 Milling     | 4 adult<br>females | Run from<br>Boat | Y | Saw them slowly milling at<br>surface, then look at boat,<br>mill some more, and<br>finally move away 90R.<br>Saw at 11 ret (250m)<br>when the guns were<br>turned back on.   | -41.7467 | 175.8541 | -2340 |
| 120 | 2015-06-11T<br>02:59:28 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.04 Other       | 1 adult female     | Parallel<br>g    | N | Saw at stern and was very<br>curious, it finally paralleled<br>the course next to the<br>starboard side, porpoising<br>as it progressed towards<br>the bow.   | -41.7009 | 176.1458 | -2053 |
| 121 | 2015-06-11T<br>03:11:29 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.04 Milling     | 1 unknown          | Parallel<br>g    | N | Likely same as prior<br>animal, still very curious<br>about the ship.   | -41.6972 | 176.1583 | -2053 |
| 122 | 2015-06-14T<br>01:26:37 | Unid<br>Odontocete      | 1.86 Slow Travel | 40 unknown         | None             | N | Hard to get a look with<br>wave height today. Then<br>we started traveling away<br>from them. Saw them<br>again traveling down wave<br>towards us, but so brief<br>look with lots of wave<br>splashing. Could be<br>dolphins. Could be pilot<br>whales. | -41.5749 | 176.5220 | -2180 |
| 123 | 2015-06-14T<br>01:56:09 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0 Resting        | 1 unknown          | Other            | N | Animal's fins were straight<br>up out of the water; it sank<br>as we passed by and I<br>didn't see it again.  | -41.5179 | 176.6105 | -2371 |
| 124 | 2015-06-14T<br>02:17:13 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.35 Resting     | 3 unknown          | Run from<br>Boat | N | Resting at surface, as we<br>approached they looked at<br>us and finally moved<br>quickly away from us. Saw<br>one porpoising.  | -41.4845 | 176.6990 | -2449 |

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| 125 | 2015-06-14T<br>02:21:54 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.4 Diving        | 1 unknown                                       | Unknown          | N | Only saw a small bit of the<br>back once.  | -41.4760 | 176.7168 | -2414 |
| 126 | 2015-06-14T<br>02:24:33 | New Zealand<br>Fur Seal | 0.06 Resting      | 3 females                                       | Parallelin<br>g  | N | Looked at ship then they<br>porpoised a couple of<br>times going the same<br>direction as us when<br>about parallel with bow,<br>then didn't see them. | -41.4747 | 176.7249 | -2414 |
| 127 | 2015-06-16T<br>01:07:53 | Unid Pilot<br>Whale     | 0.02 Moderate Tra | 40 all types at<br>least 3<br>juveniles<br>seen | Approach<br>Boat | N | They seemed interested in<br>the ship.   | -41.6080 | 176.5740 | -2752 |