

POLARIS INTEGRATED SCAT MANAGEMENT APPLICATION (PRISM)

Improved SCAT Field Data Collection, Management, Distribution & Storage

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PRESENTATION

- 1. Traditional SCAT data workflow and limitations
- 2. Desired improvements to the SCAT data workflow
- 3. Details of PRISM



BACKGROUND - TRADITIONAL WORKFLOW

Traditional SCAT data workflow:

- Notebooks or paper forms
- Handheld GPS units
- Camera
- Maps, previous paperwork
- Turn into data personnel
- Data/GIS products





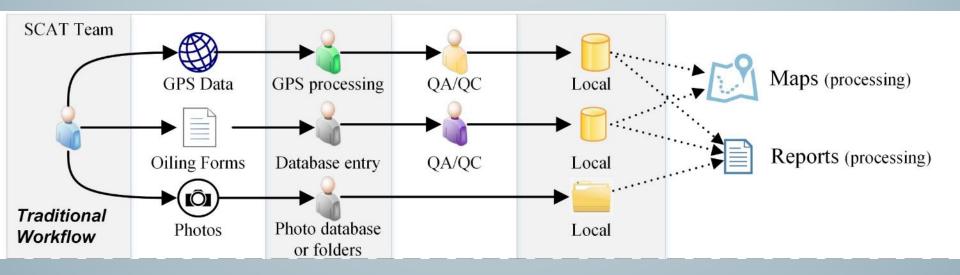
BACKGROUND - TRADITIONAL LIMITATIONS

Traditional SCAT workflow is proven and effective but is outdated and can be prone to errors

- Disconnected field data
- Data handling increases potential errors
- Single access database structure
- Inability to query or develop reports
- Data residing in multiple locations



BACKGROUND - TRADITIONAL WORKFLOW





BACKGROUND - IMPROVED WORKFLOW

Desired improvements in the workflow:

Decrease errors, increase efficiency, data connectedness and access

Mobile data collection

- Controlled vocabulary selections, integrated photos, data and GPS, increased spatial and situational awareness
- Elimination of transcription errors (notebook to forms, form interpretation, forms to database)

Database

- Web-enabled, multi-access
- Tiered permissions for various user groups
- More Team Lead control
- Simple queries, reports and summaries generated by end user
- Export field data to GIS and data team for analyses
- Consistent Team Lead and Data Manager QA/QC



BACKGROUND - IMPROVED WORKFLOW

Development of improved workflow:

- Reviewed many mobile data collection options
 - > 3rd party apps available for download
 - SCAT specific/designed apps
 - Most lacking robust database components

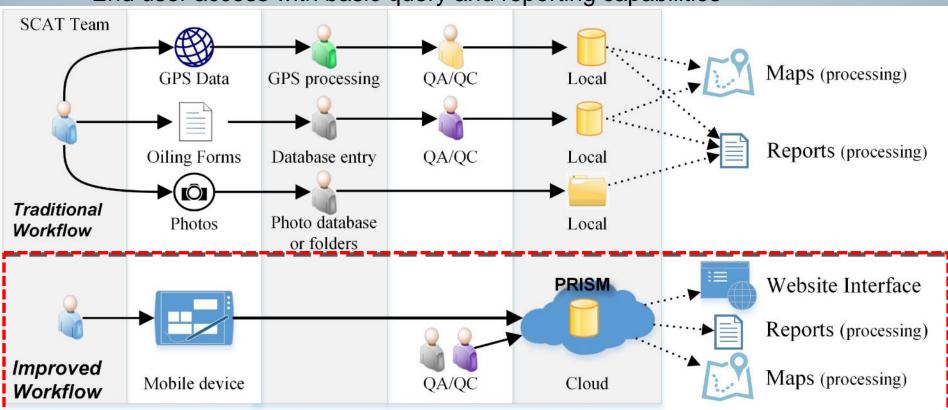
Development of a SCAT specific database (PRISM)



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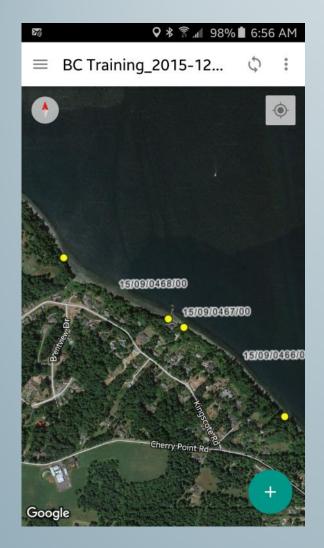
Key components of improved workflow:

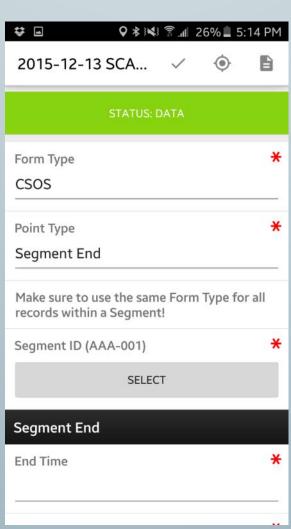
- Hand held phone or tablet with customized data collection app
- Web enabled database (PRISM) with tiered permission user access
- SCAT Team owned and managed data through the process
- End user access with basic query and reporting capabilities





MOBILE DATA COLLECTION - FULCRUM



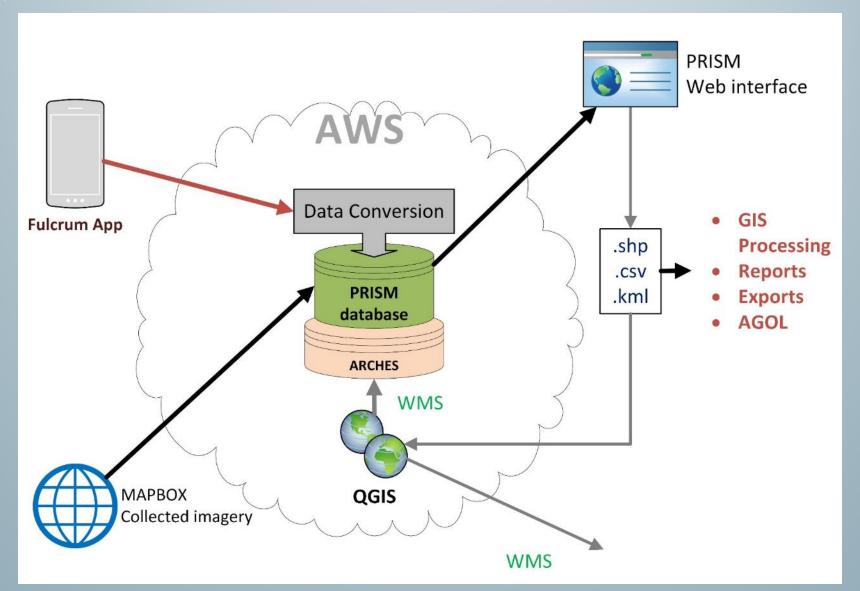


- Easily customizable forms (CSOS, Lake, River, Pre-Spill, etc.)
- Add layers and other imagery
- Photos collected, details added and associated with a segment/zone/pit

PRISM doesn't require Fulcrum, can use other data collectors.

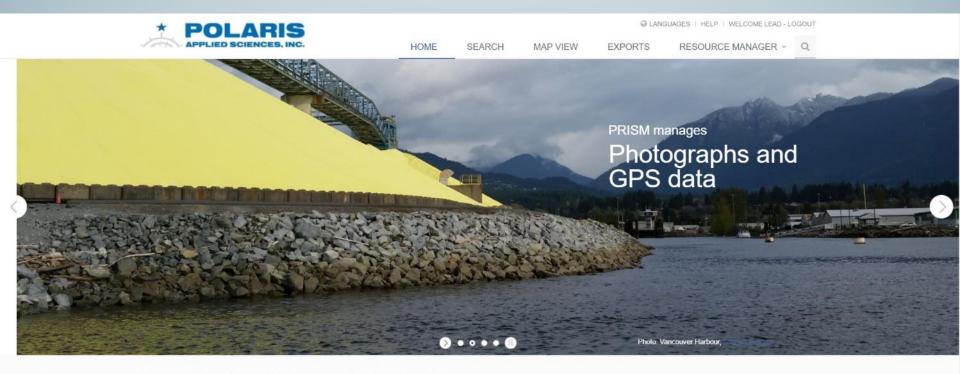


PRISM - DATABASE COMPONENTS





PRISM - Web-Interface Features



POLARIS Integrated SCAT Management (PRISM) Application

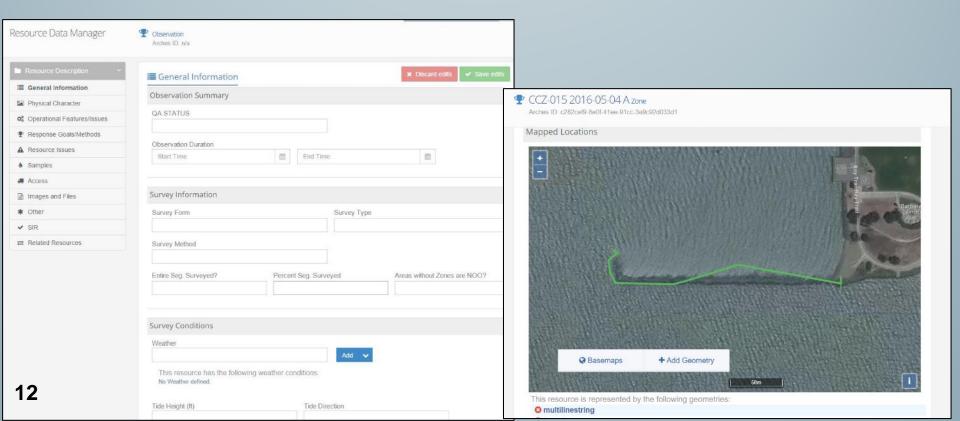
The Polaris Integrated SCAT Management Application provides a database and viewing platform for shoreline assessment data collected during response or pre-SCAT activities. SCAT and Pre-SCAT data can be edited, stored, queried and viewed over the internet from any computer. Permission based logins allow selective read or read/write capabilities. When integrated with the Fulcrum data collection app, SCAT data can be quickly collected in the field, uploaded, checked for accuracy and approved for distribution.



PRISM - DATA ENTRY

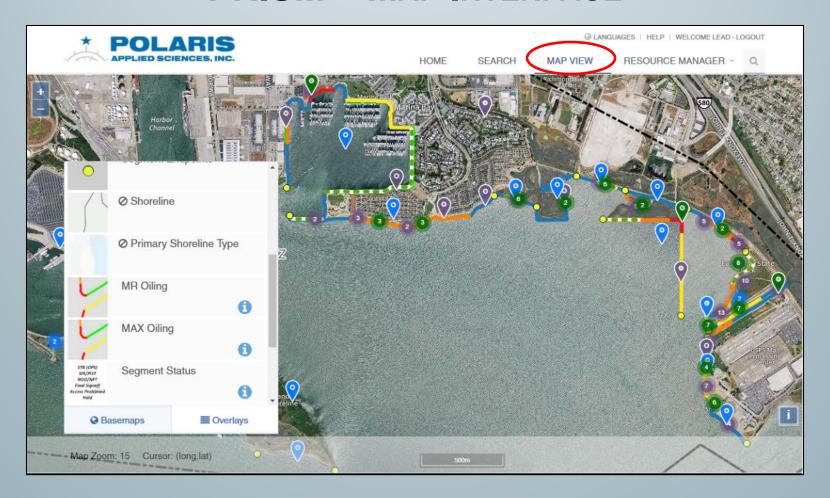
HOME SEARCH MAP VIEW EXPORTS RESOURCE MANAGER Q

- Finalize and approve field data
- Team and manager QA/QC
- New data creation
- Create STRs, SIRs, PISTs





PRISM - MAP INTERFACE



- Spatial access to data stored within PRISM
- Variety of basemaps and additional layers as desired (WMS)
- Interface to access data, not intended as a final product



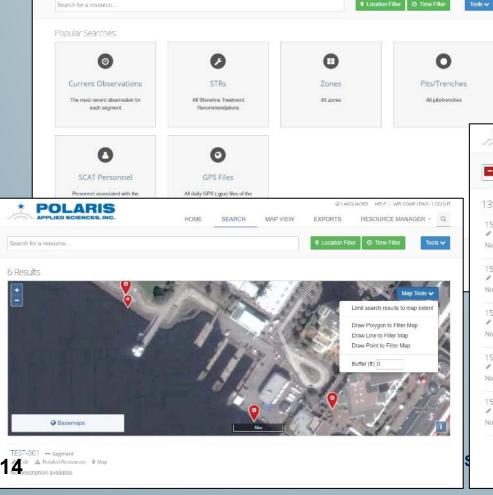
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PRISM - SEARCH CAPABILITIES



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RESOURCE MANAGER - Q



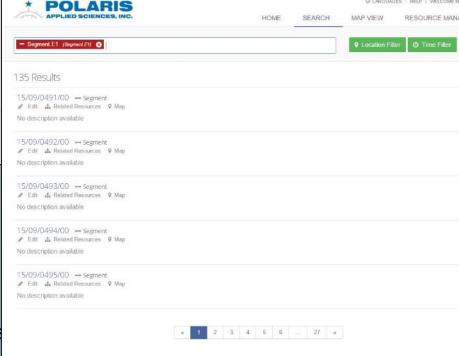
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SEARCH

MAP VIEW

- By location
- By date
- By data type
- By attributes/keywords
- Common predefined search

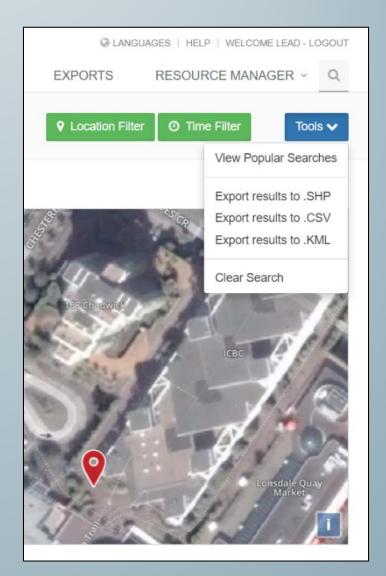
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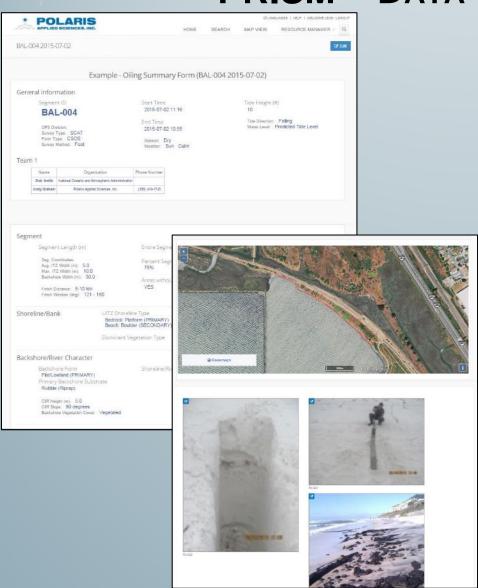
PRISM - EXPORTING

- Basic export of all data or queried data
 - > CSV, SHP, KML
 - Exported outputs used by GIS/data teams for processed data





PRISM - DATA PRESENTATION



Field Team Daily Summary

- High level summary by Survey
- Comments, Map & Photos

SOS (Shoreline Oiling Summary)

- Segment level summary by Observation
- Comments, Map & Photos

STR (Segment Treatment Report)

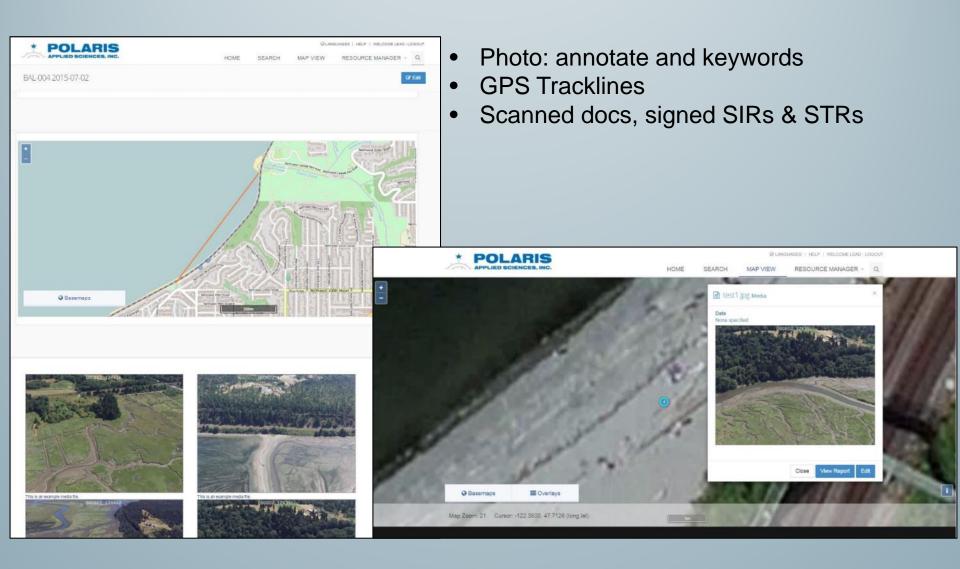
- Segments & zones affected
- History & specifics

SIR/PISTS

Add-ons to SOS



PRISM - INTEGRATED DATA





PRISM - TESTING/DEMOS

SCAT Training

- Western Canadian Marine Response Corporation (WCMRC) & British Columbia Ministry of Environment (BC MoE)
- Teach traditional workflow alongside the improved workflow using PRISM
- From experienced team leaders to those who are just learning about SCAT

Future Trainings/Testing

- WCMRC
- NOAA









PRISM - SUMMARY

- Not a COP, interactive data/mapping website or a black box
- Web-enable SCAT database and workflow, allowing for improved data collection, storage and access to SCAT data

Advantages

- Increase spatial/situational awareness
- Higher quality QA/QC
- Decrease in paperwork/time
- Integrated and accessible data
- Cost efficient, flexible, scalable

Considerations

- More moving parts to setup/maintain
- Increased reliance on technology
- Calibration and technology learning curve



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