Gulf of Mexico Alliance
Water Quality
Priority Issue Team, Monitoring Workgroup

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GOMA

- Formalized in 2004
- All Five Gulf States, Federal and Non-Governmental Partners
- A Healthy and Resilient Gulf of Mexico
- Increased Integration of Resources, Knowledge, and Expertise to Address Regional Priorities
Priority Issue Teams

- Water Quality (FL)
- Habitat Conservation & Restoration (LA)
- Ecosystems Integration & Assessment (TX)
- Nutrients (MS)
- Coastal Community Resilience (MS & TX)
- Environmental Education (AL)
Water Quality Priority Issue
Team Workgroups

- Coastal Pathogens
- Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs)
- Mercury in Seafood
- Monitoring
Monitoring Workgroup Action Plan:

- WQ-4.2: Coordinate the collection and management of information about monitoring programs across the Gulf of Mexico and improve data dissemination tools to deliver information to resource managers
  - 4.2.3 Develop a data portal for accessing information about real time and/or continuous monitoring data for coastal and offshore waters
    - Task 1: Identify and contact existing data portals to locate potential partner for hosting real time and/or continuous monitoring data from the Gulf of Mexico
    - Task 2: Identify who is collecting real time monitoring data
    - Task 3: Identify who is collecting continuous monitoring data
    - Task 4: Identify which data portal to use and see if we can add additional information that was identified above
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Questions?