



# Oil Spill Monitoring from Space

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## 2023 Mindoro Oil Spill

- February 28, 2023
- MT Princess Empress carrying 800,000L of oil
- Environmental damage – Php41.2B

### **Mindoro oil spill damage valued at P41.2B – report**

- Socio-economic damage – Php1.1B

### **Damage cost, losses due to oil spill in Mindoro near P1-B: BFAR**

- Roughly 3 months to clean up

### **Mindoro oil spill cleanup enters final phase**

By Priam Nepomuceno  
June 1, 2023, 3:45 pm



## 2024 Manila Bay Oil Spill

- MT Terra Nova carrying 1,400,000L of oil, and MTKR Jason Bradley carrying 5,500L of oil
- Nearly Php18M income lost daily

### **OCD: Oil spill affects over 350K people in Cavite; nearly P18M income lost daily**

By JOVILAND RITA, GMA Integrated News  
Published August 2, 2024 11:43am

- Roughly 2 months to clean up

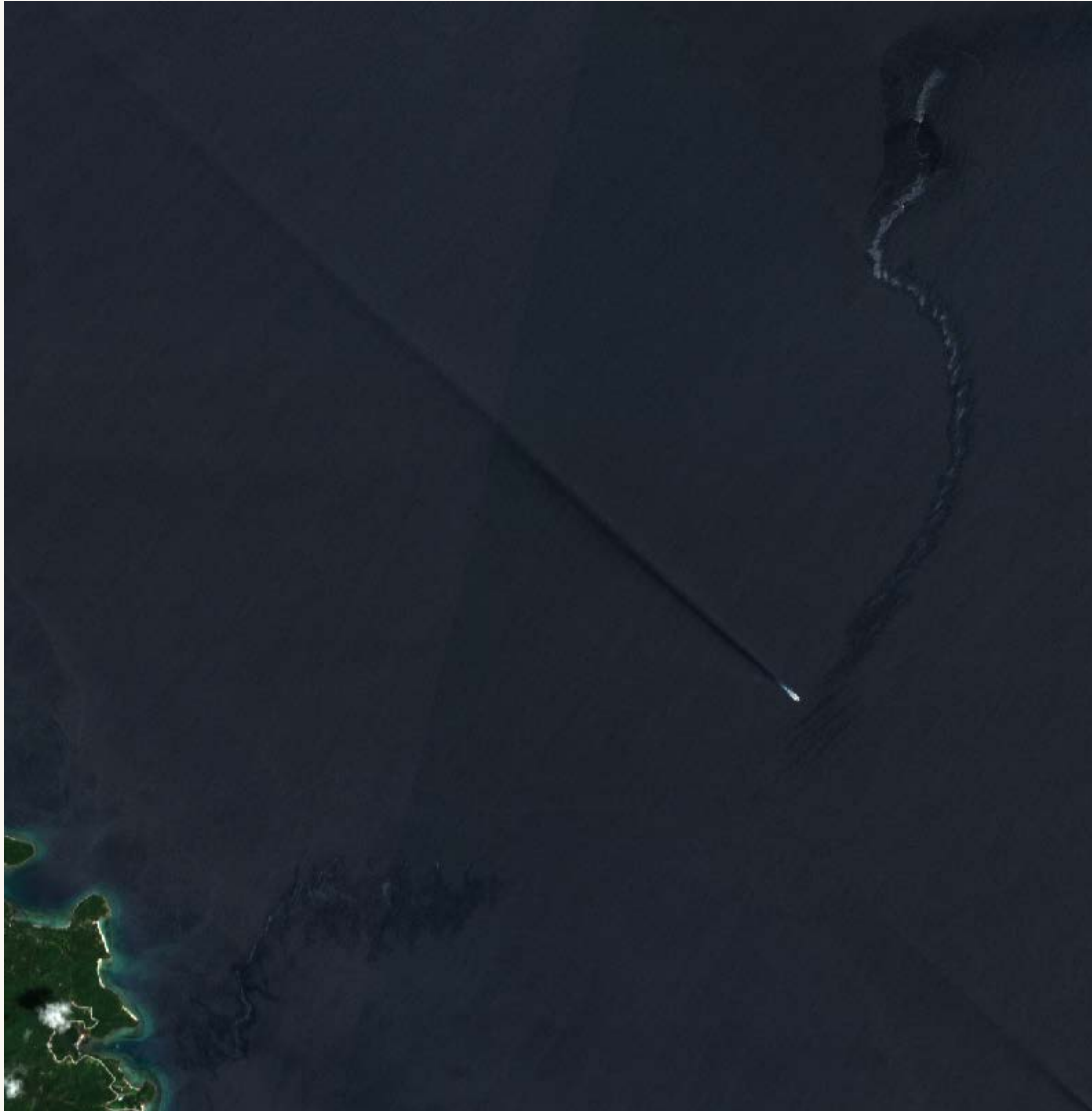
### **PCG nears completion of oil spill cleanup**

Dominique Nicole Flores - Philstar.com  
September 10, 2024 | 6:42pm

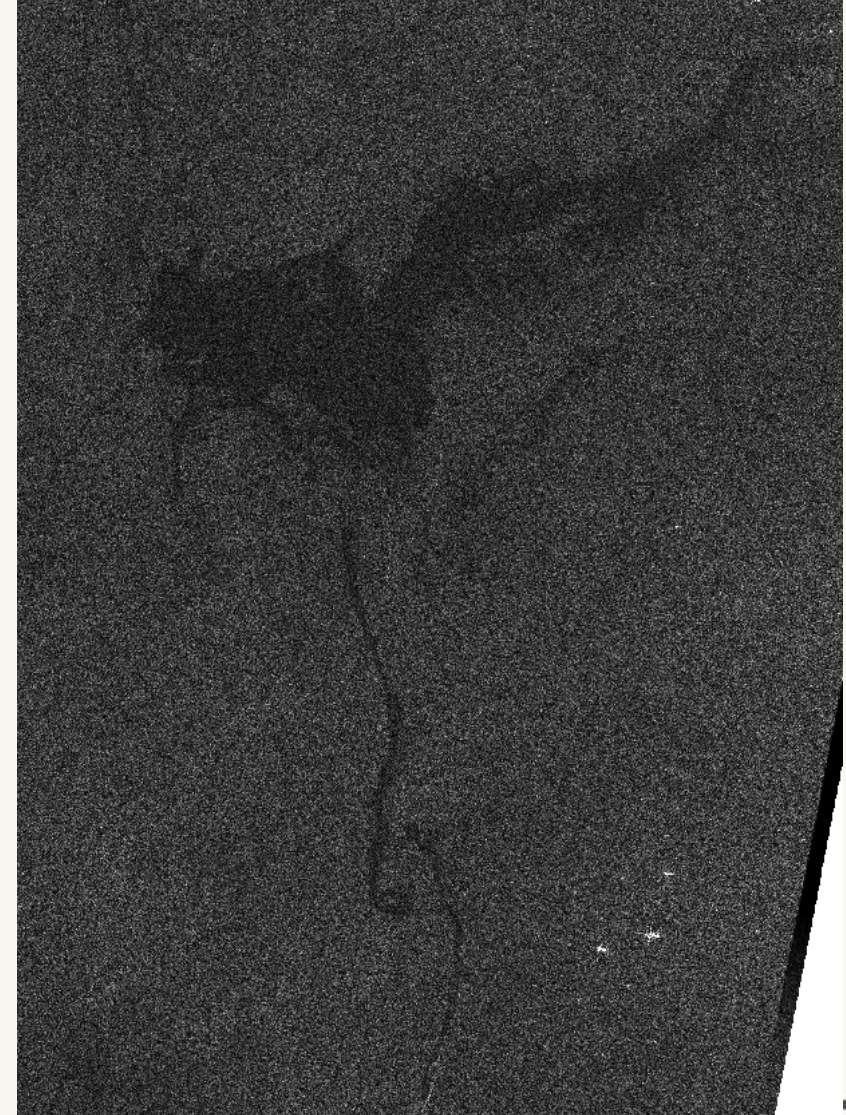
- “For us in Oriental Mindoro, we have lost a year’s worth of income, and our fish catch has yet to return to normal”.
- Moreover, some fisherfolk reported that even after the fishing ban was lifted, their daily catch has not returned to normal. As of the FGDs conducted on November 12 and 13, 2023, fishers who were invited from Naujan, Calapan, Pinamalayan, and Pola expressed that from around five to ten kilos of fish they were catching before the oil spill, their daily yield has fallen to around one to three kilos.



# Oil Spills in Satellite Imagery



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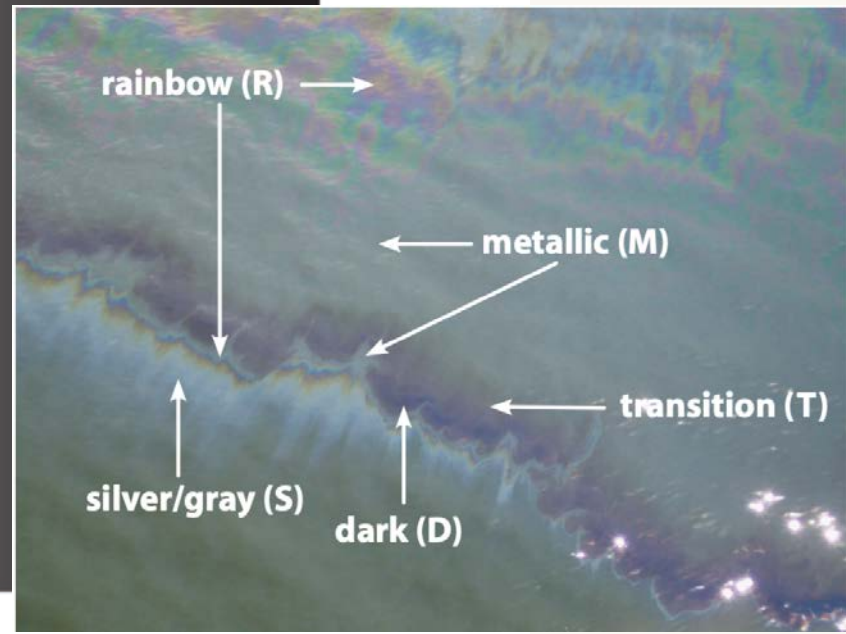
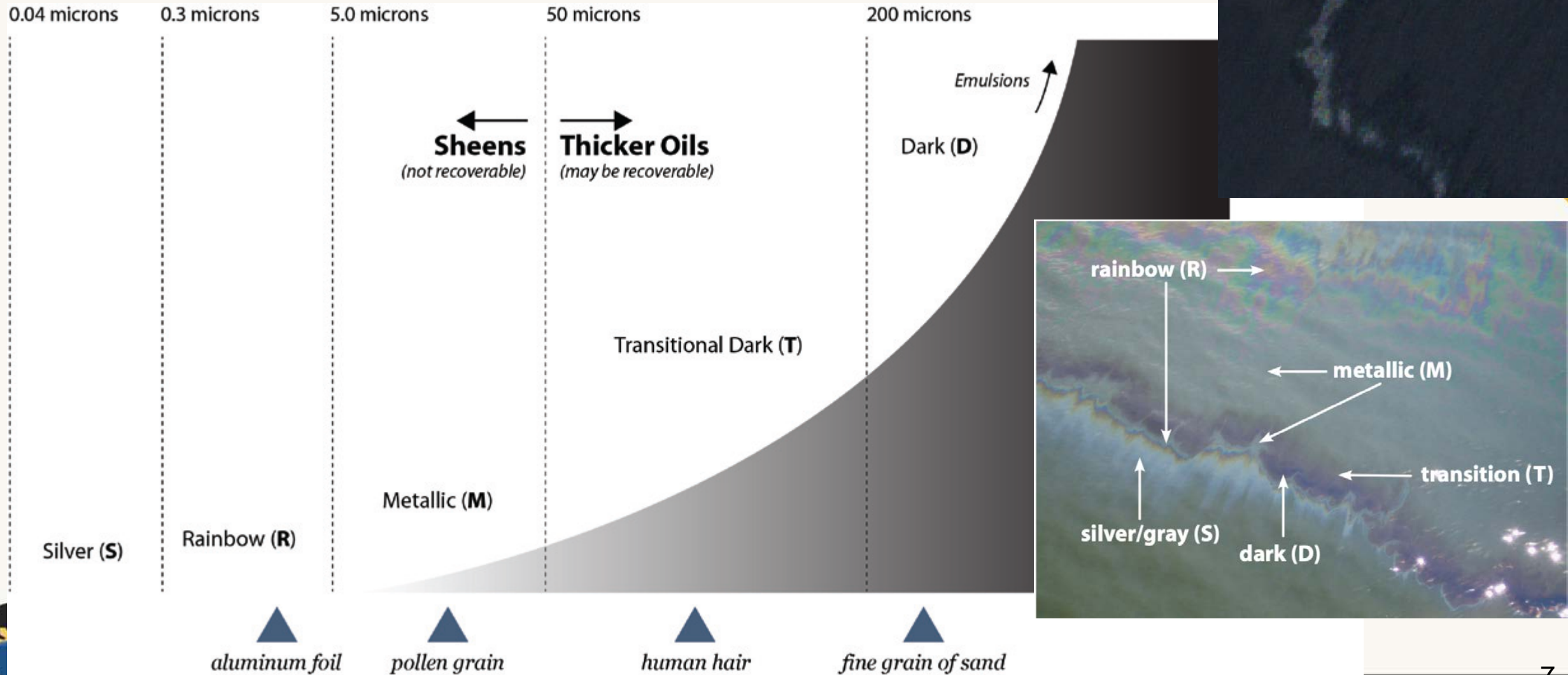


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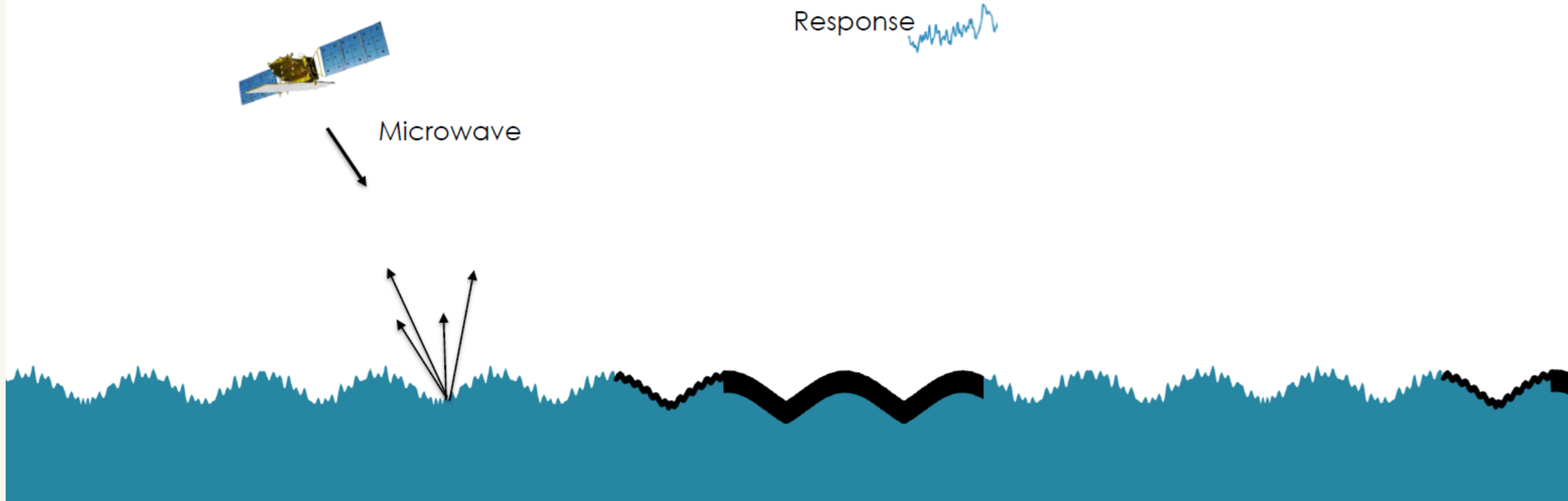
- As a general rule, 90% of the oil is located in 10% of observable oil.
- Diligent mapping of the area affected by thick oil will assist the response teams in planning, guiding skimmers, and positioning booms effectively.
- Oil that is thicker than a sheen is more susceptible to environmental influences, such as wind and surface currents, causing the oil to move across the water's surface and spread.
- Thus, it's crucial to not only detect but also track the drift and spread.



# Oil Spills in Optical Satellite Imagery



# Oil Backscatter in SAR

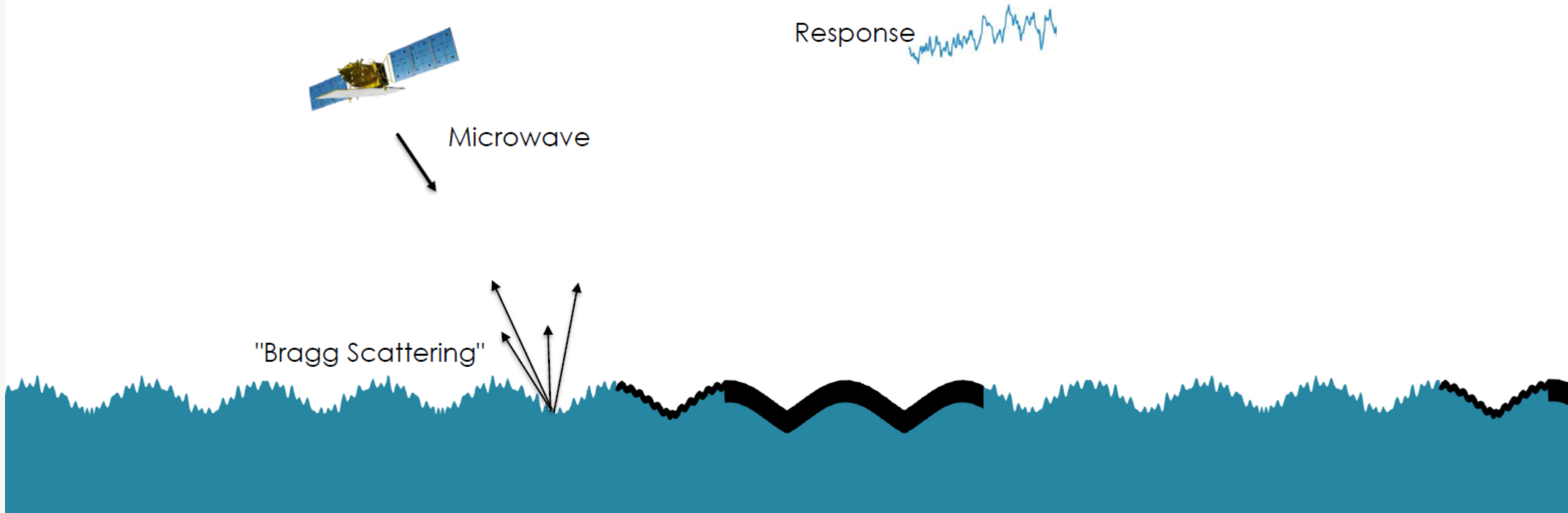


Source: NASA's Applied Remote Sensing Training Program





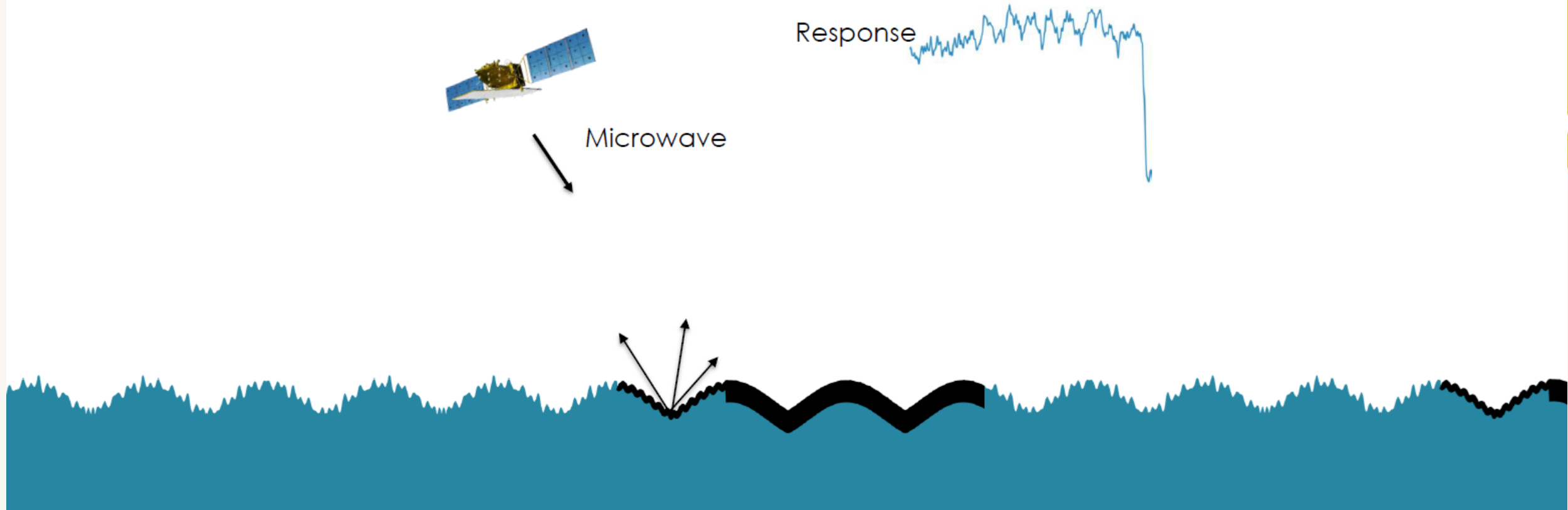
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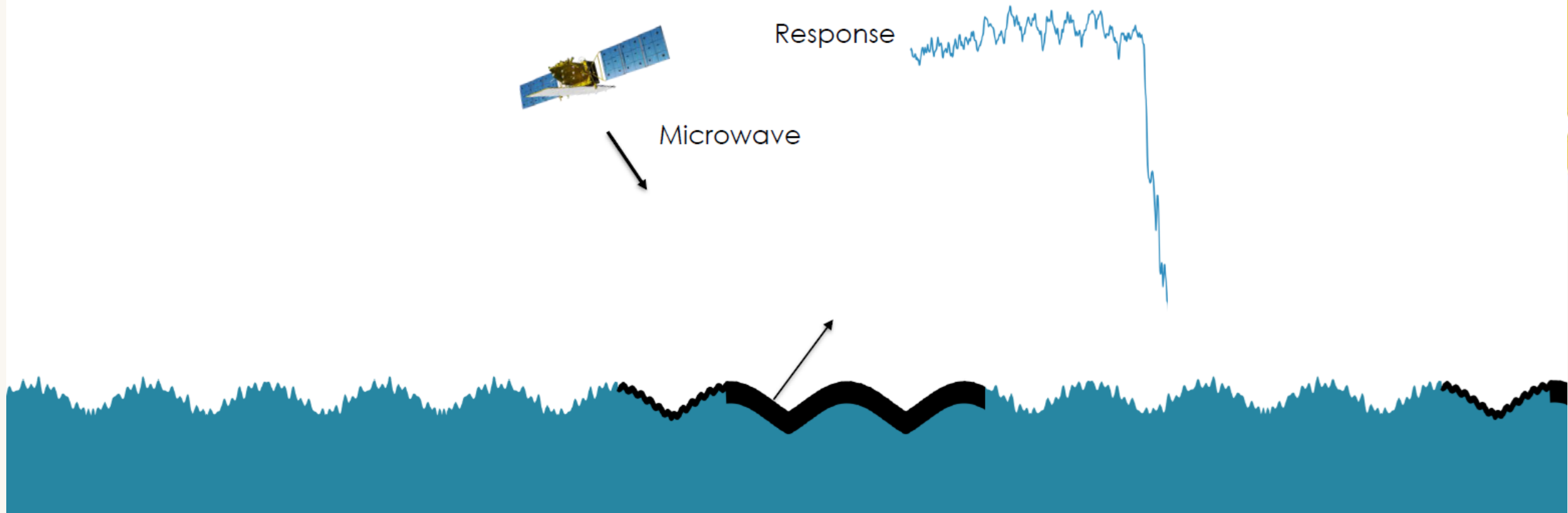
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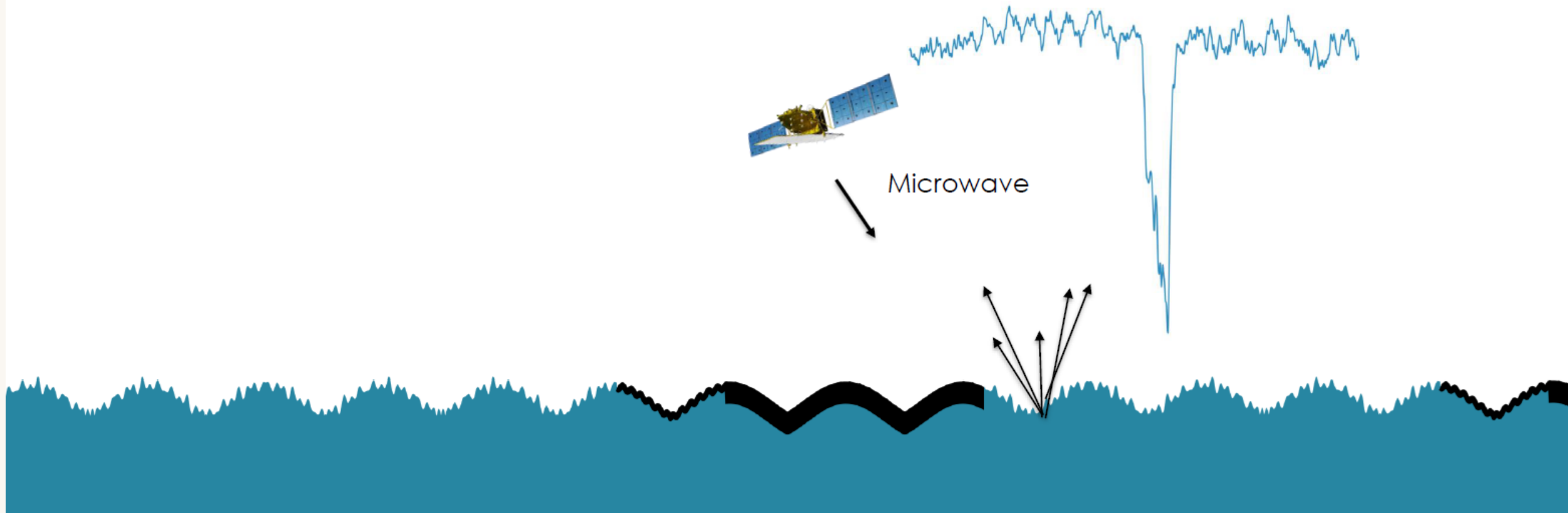
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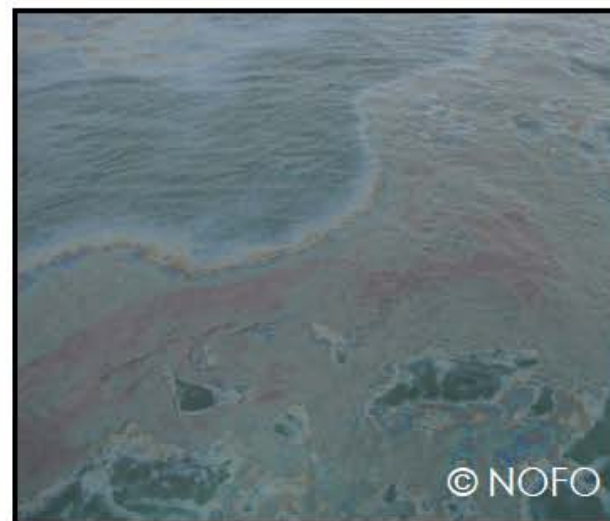
# Oil Look-Alikes in SAR



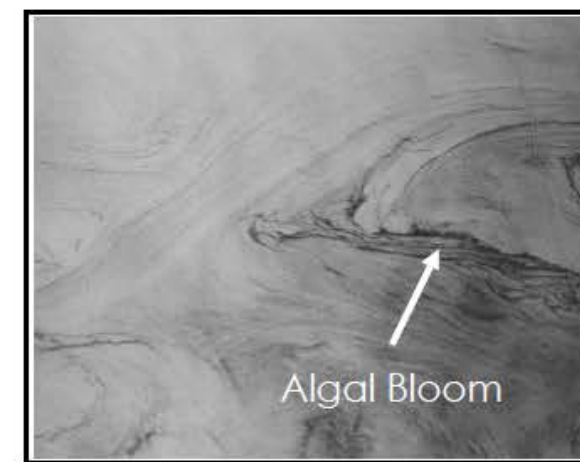
## Newly-Formed Sea Ice



## Oil Spills



## Algal Blooms



# Oil Look-Alikes in SAR

- Natural slicks
- Newly formed sea ice
- Low wind regions
- Internal waves
- Upwelling
- Algae blooms

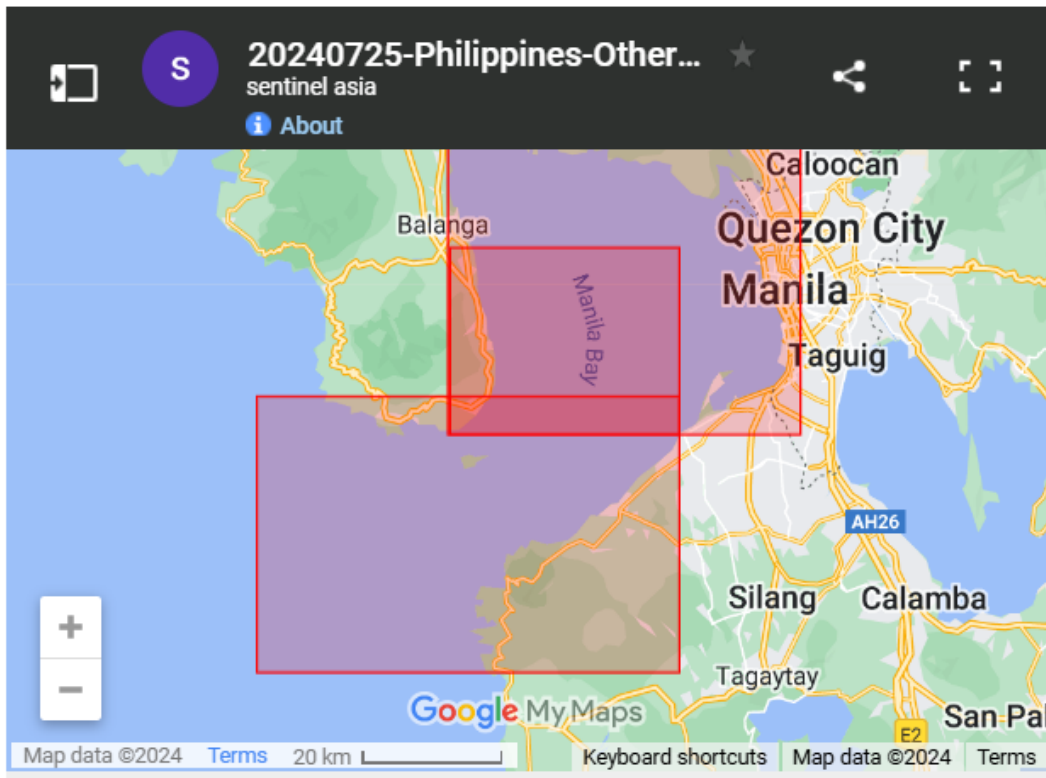
Be careful with dark area detection!



2024-07-25

## Oil Spill in Philippines on 25 July, 2024

### Emergency Obs. Request Information



Disaster Type: Oil Spill

Country: Philippines

Occurrence Date (UTC): 25 July, 2024

SA activation Date(UTC): 25 July, 2024

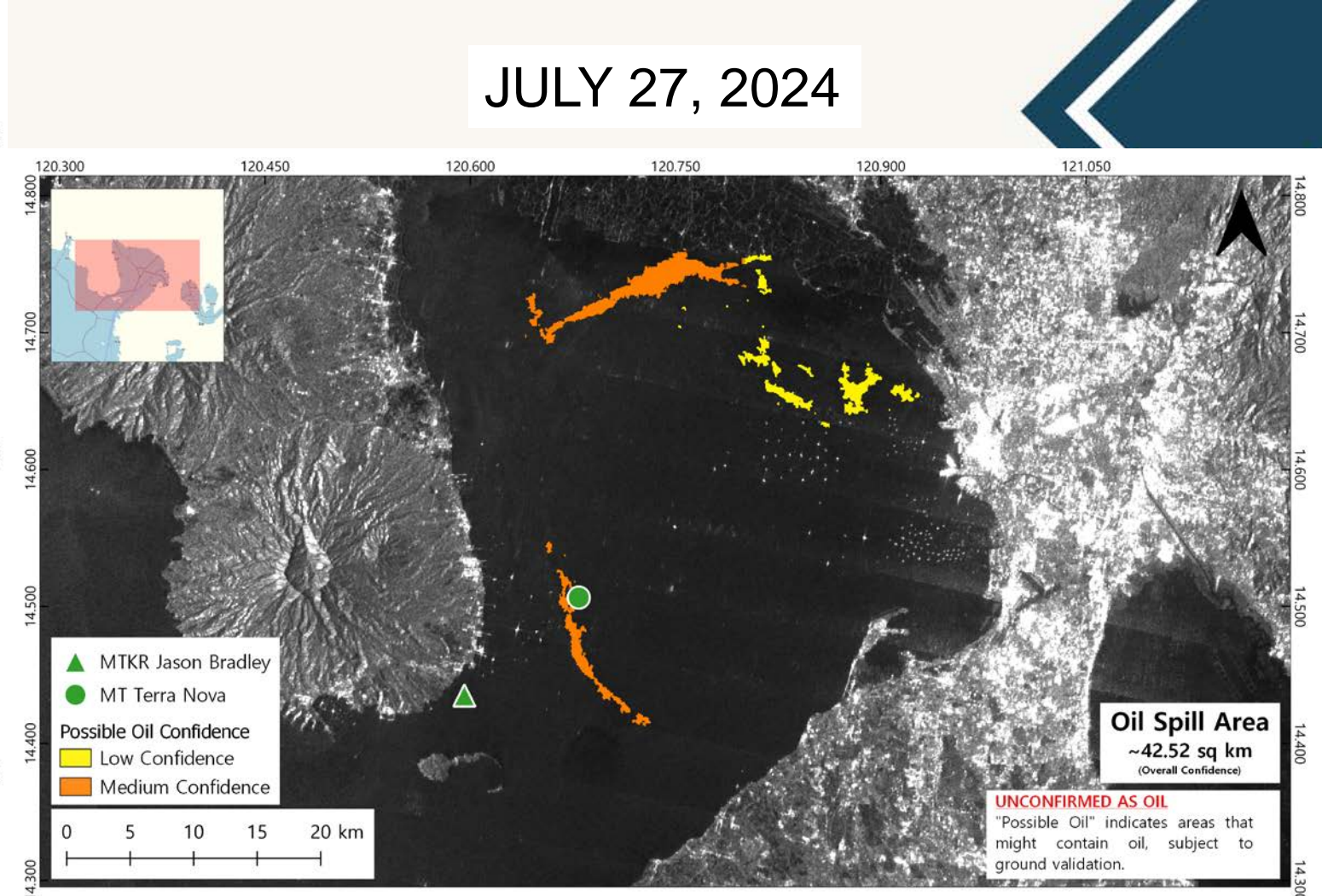
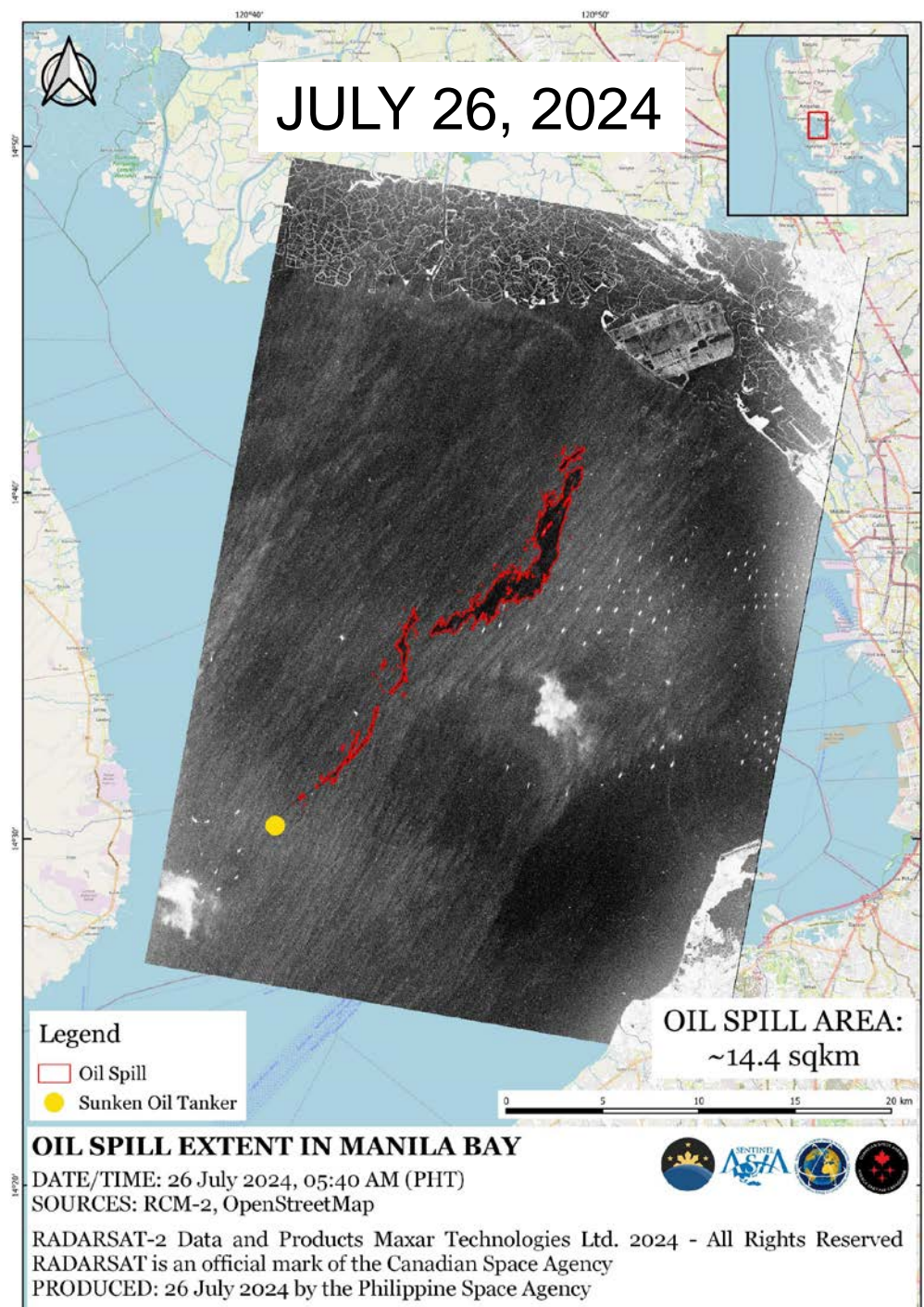
Requester: Philippine Space Agency (PhilSA)

Escalation to the International Charter: Yes

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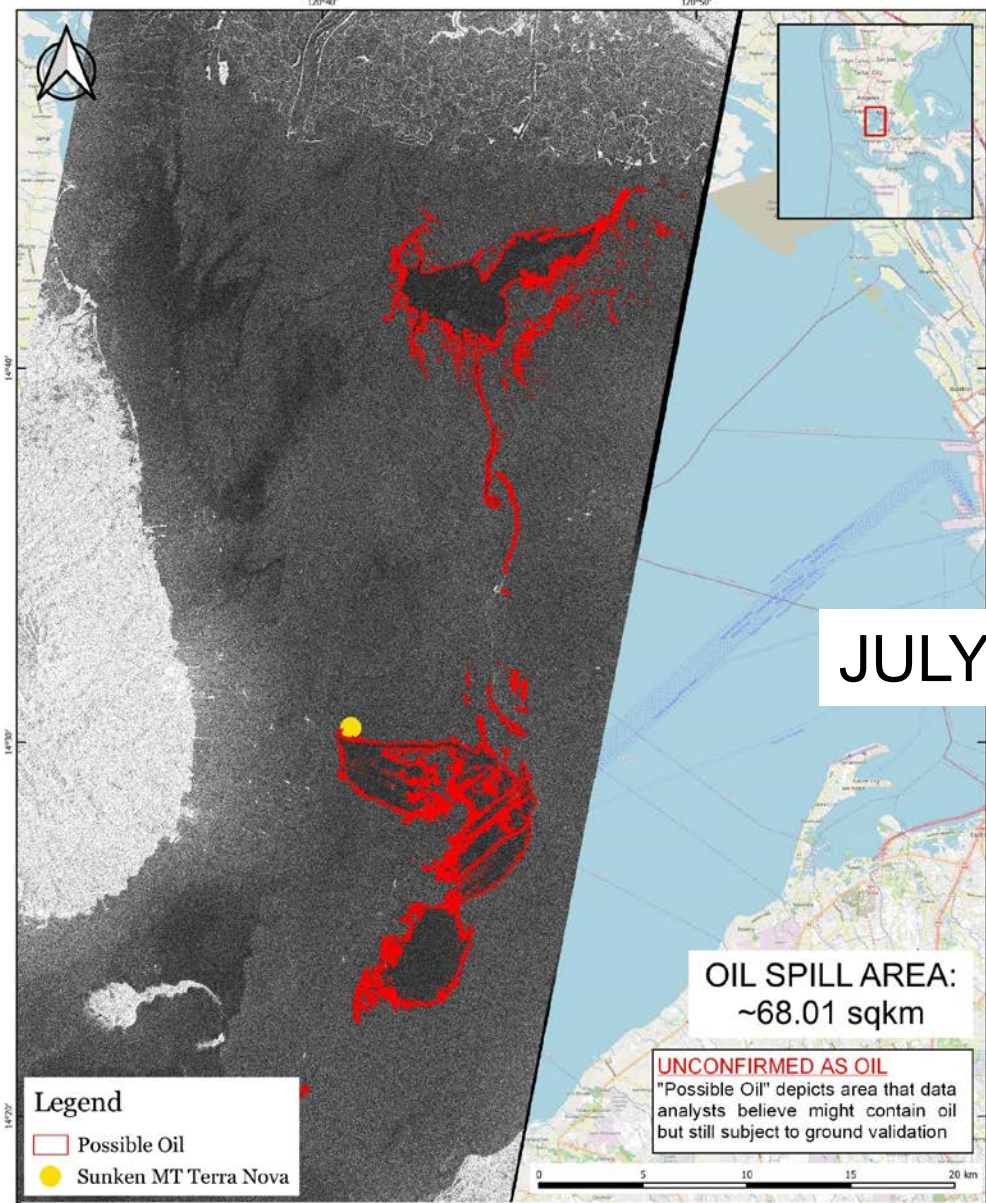


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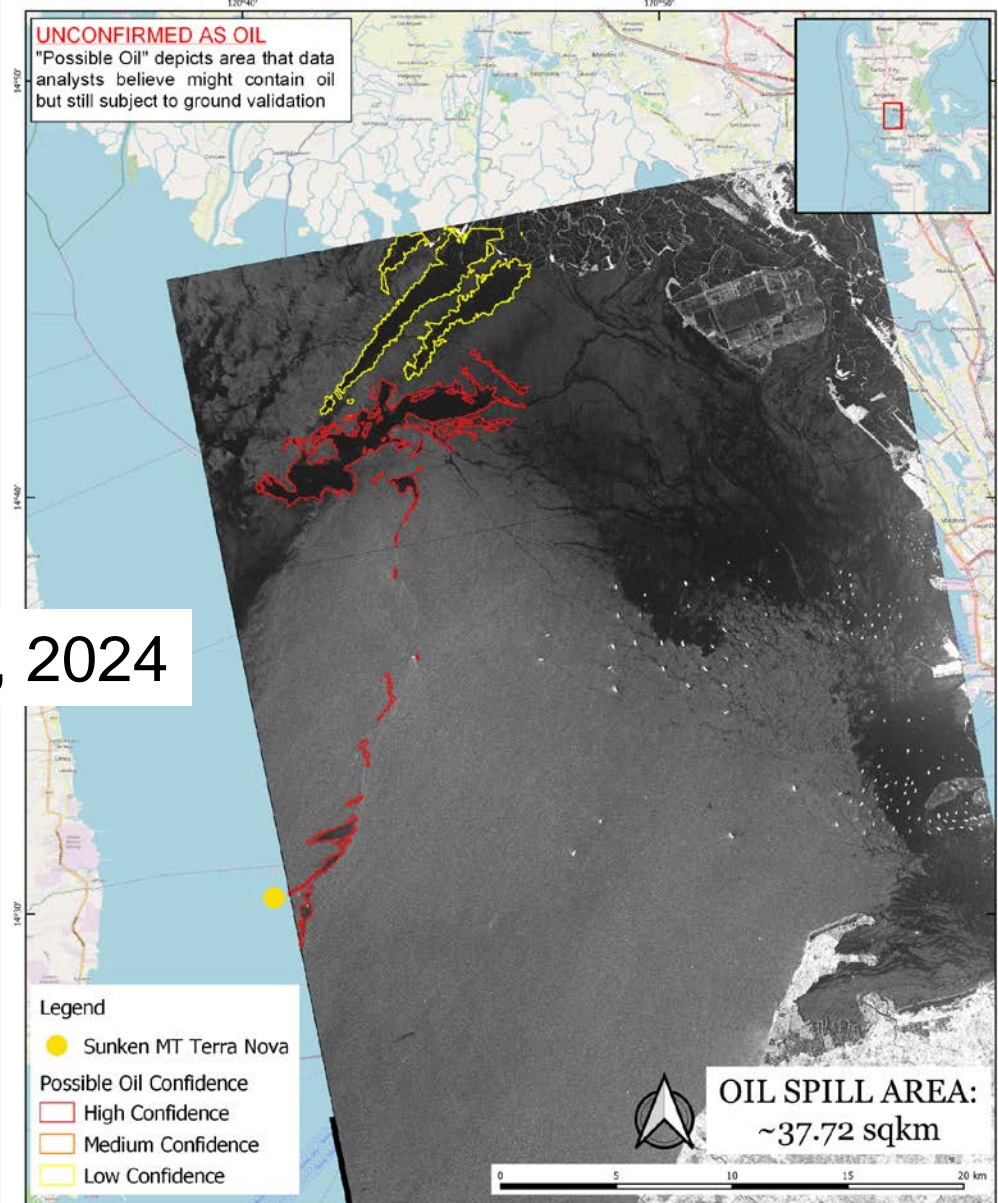




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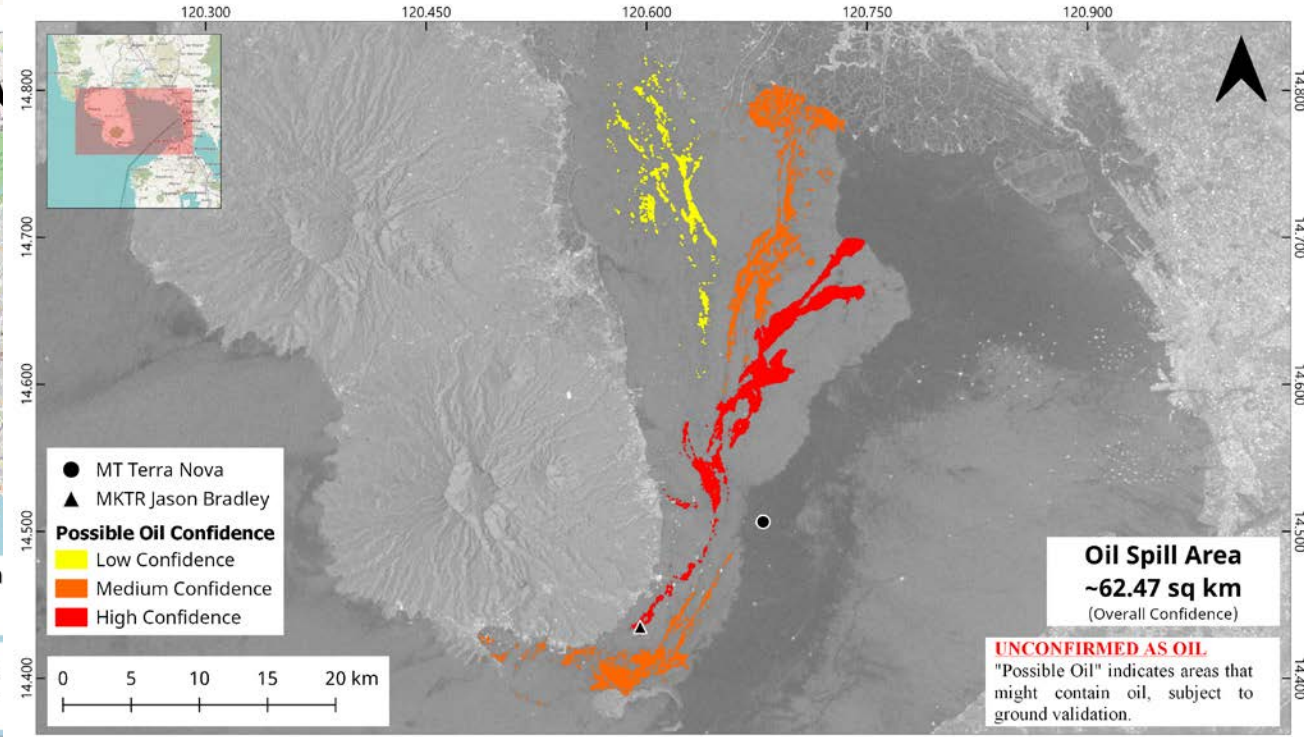
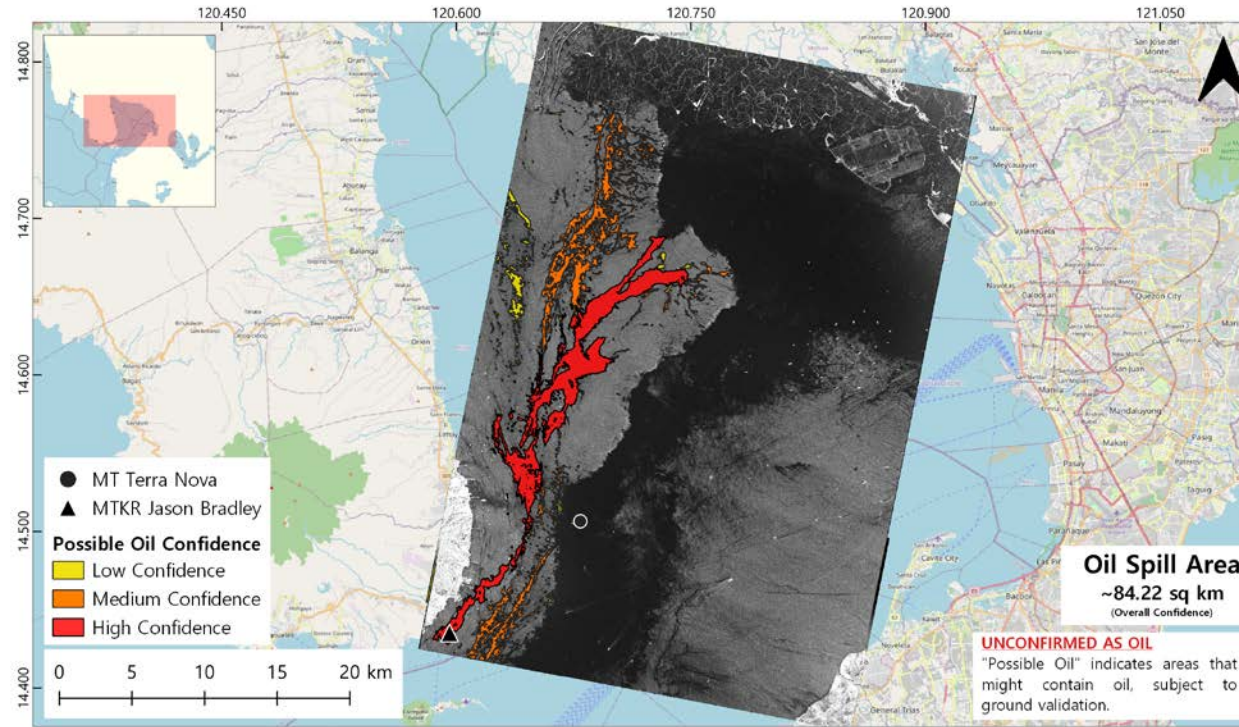


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## OIL SPILL EXTENT IN MANILA BAY

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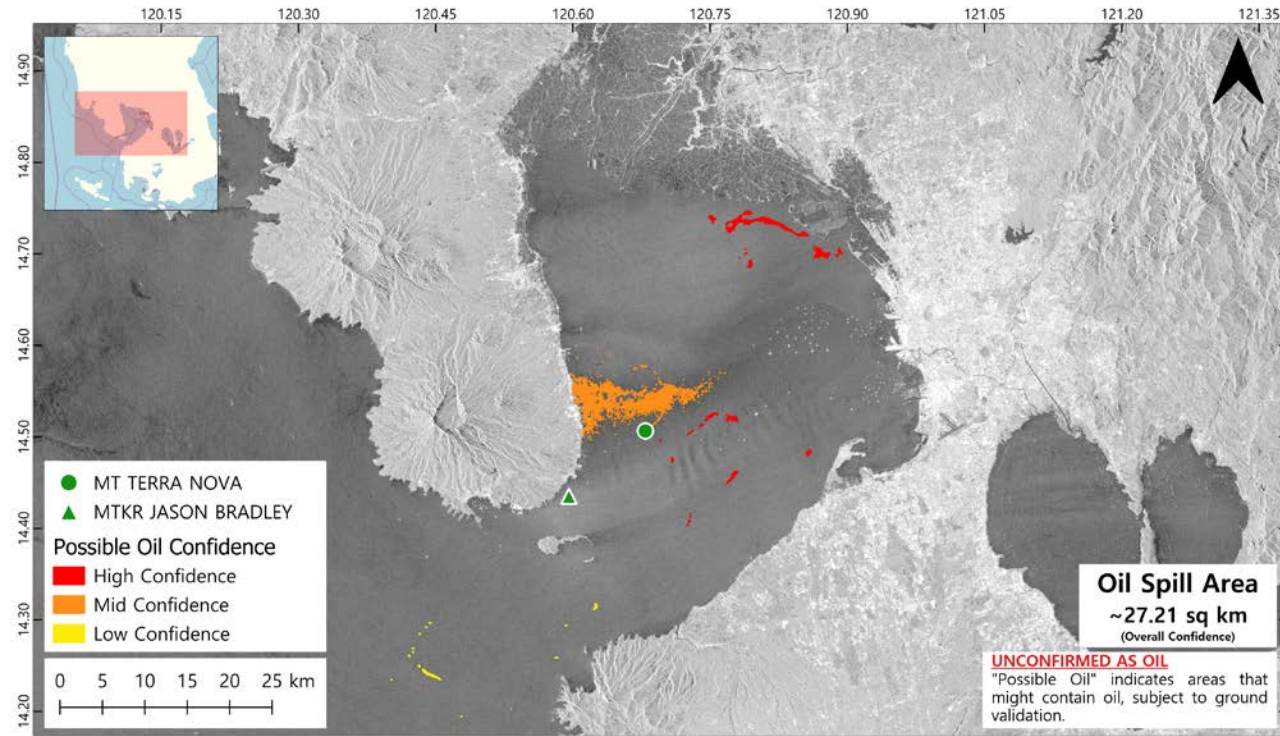
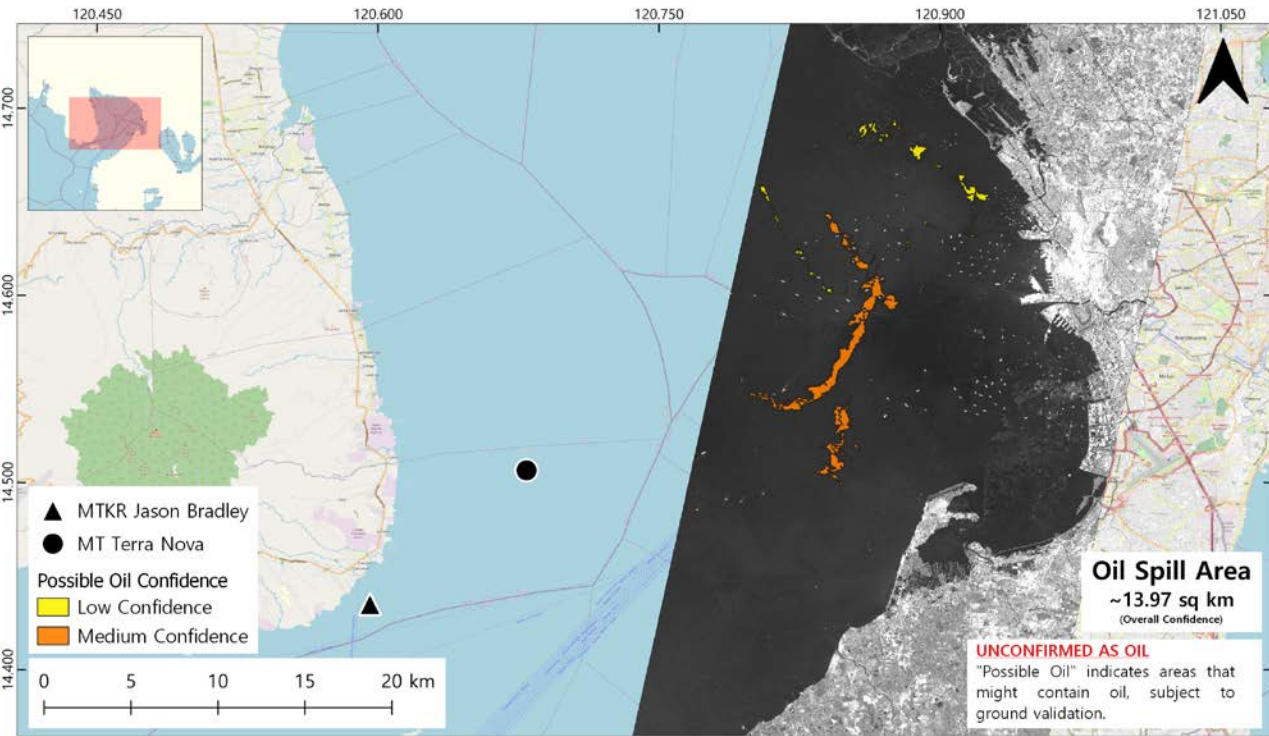
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**OIL SPILL EXTENT IN MANILA BAY**

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**OIL SPILL EXTENT IN MANILA BAY**

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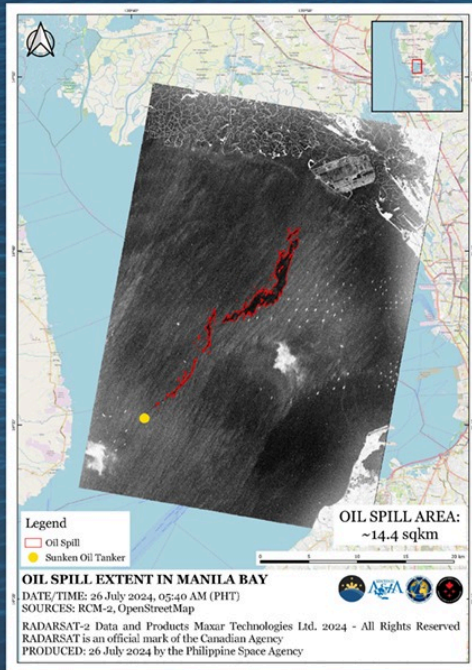


# Oil Spill Extent Maps to Oil Spill Trajectory Models

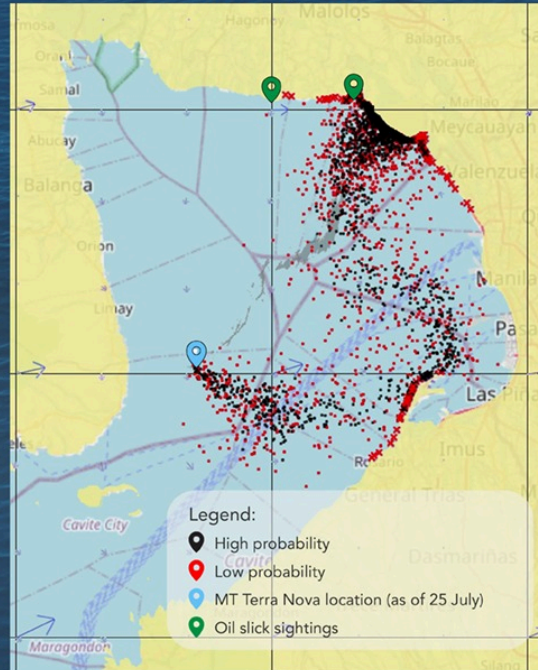
## BULLETIN #1 MT Terra Nova Oil Spill



PhilSA Oil Spill Extent Map  
as of 26 July 2024



Oil Spill Trajectory Model  
for 28 July 2024



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The model results are model forecasts and accuracy is difficult to determine. The model was implemented using the weathering characteristics of Bunker C - IFO-300 [1994] oil and a seepage rate of 100 barrels for three days (for point release) and 452 barrels across the estimated oil slick provided by PhilSA for spatial release. These assumptions used are based on best available information. **PLEASE USE MODEL RESULTS WITH CAUTION.**



## BULLETIN #3 MT Terra Nova Oil Spill

### Projected Landfall of Oil

Mariveles, Bataan	July 31, 7:30AM
<b>Low Confidence</b> Maragondon, Cavite	July 31, 7:30AM
Lian, Batangas	Aug 1, 6:00PM
Calatagan, Batangas	Aug 2, 9:00AM

Where the oil was

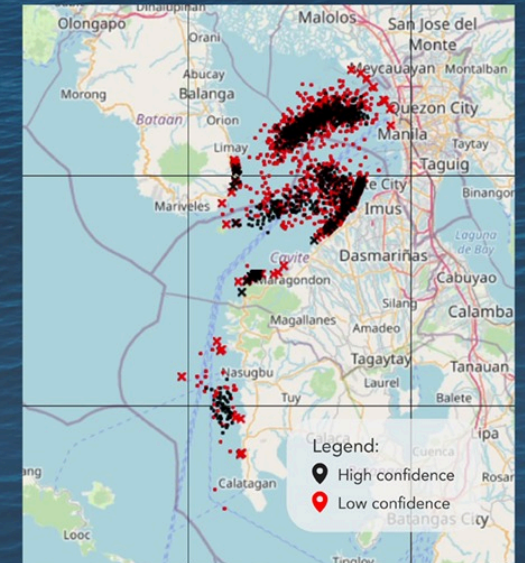


Copernicus EMS Oil Spill Extent Map  
30 July 2024, 6:07PM

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Where the oil might go



Oil Spill Trajectory Model  
1 August 2024, 5:22PM PHT

# Oil Spill Extent Maps Recipients



# Best Practices

- Activate early. Use the most out of every opportunity.
- Be accurate with selecting Area of Interest (AOI). The larger the AOI, the higher chances that some images might not be useful.
- Be familiar with the datasets from other countries/regions.



# Conclusions and Recommendations

- Mapping is possible with open-access and subscription images, but monitoring will be challenging.
- For oil spills, monitoring is important for forecasting, quick response, and recovery.
- Sentinel Asia helps agencies and organizations to be quick to respond to disaster emergencies and to monitor disaster progression frequently.
- We hope to further collaborate with the Asia-Pacific region thru Sentinel Asia.



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