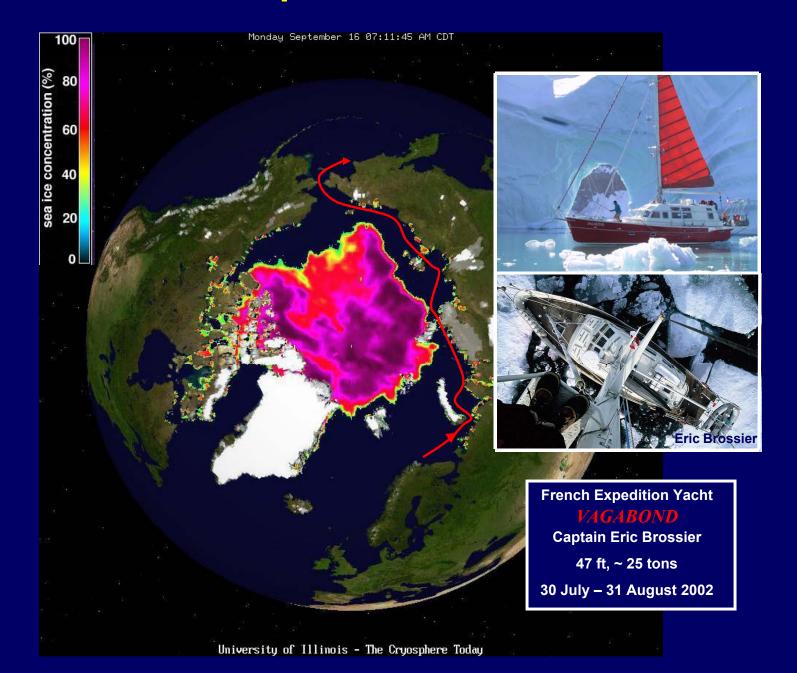
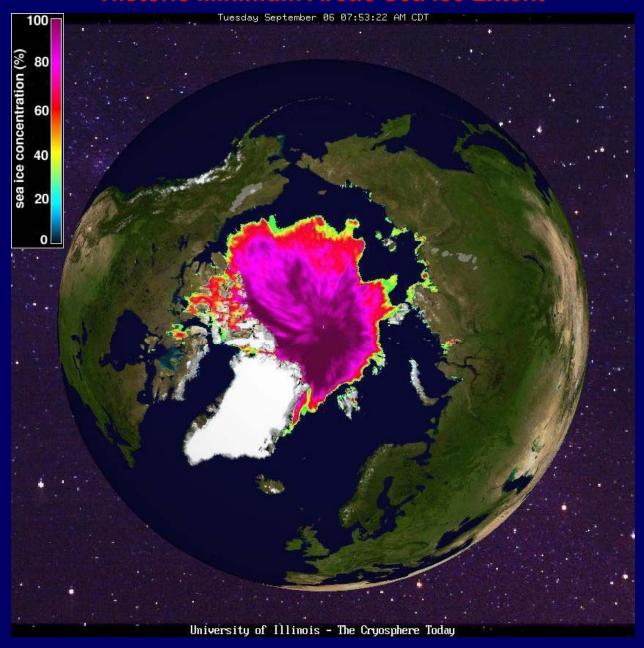
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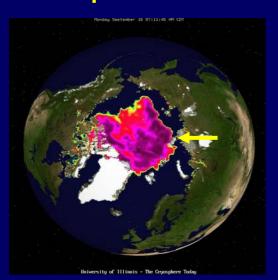


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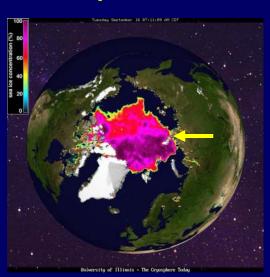
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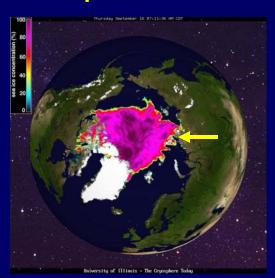
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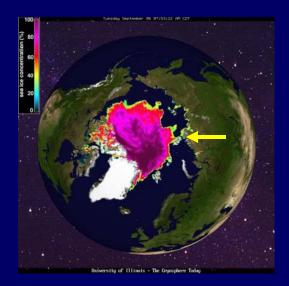


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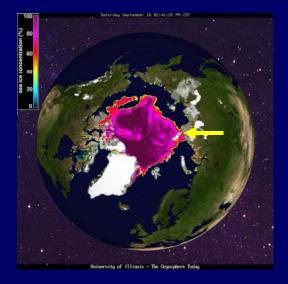


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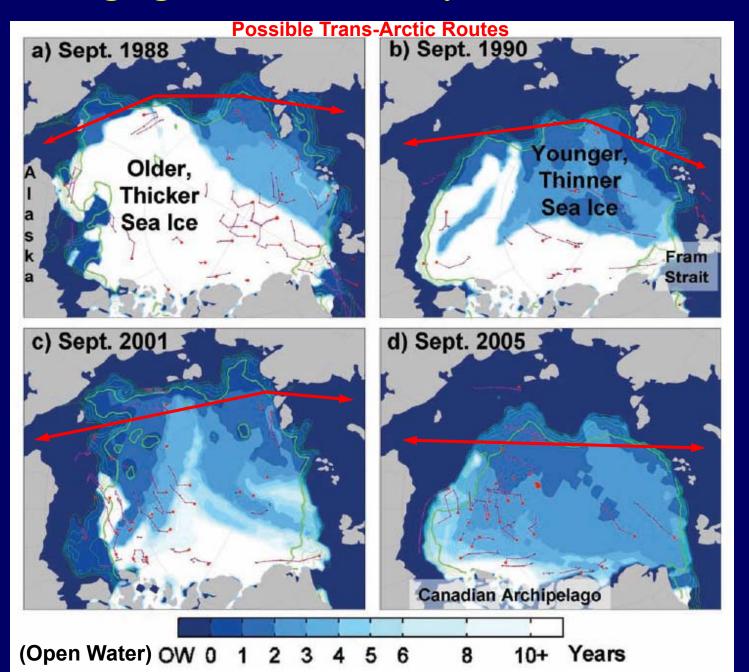
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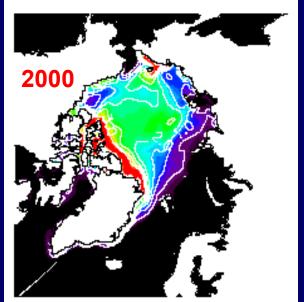
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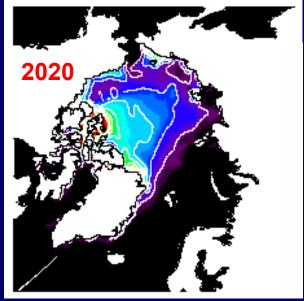
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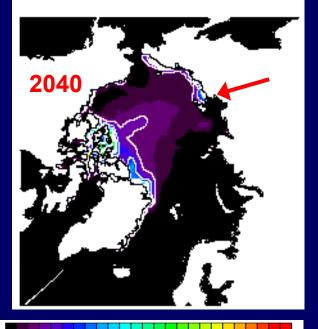
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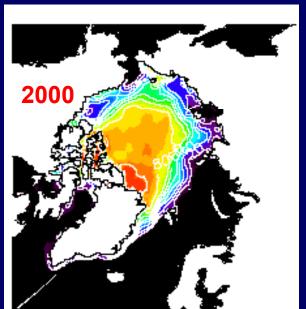
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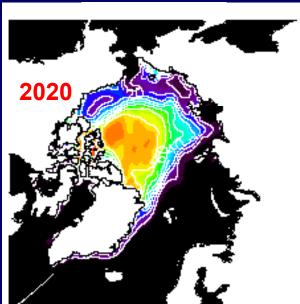


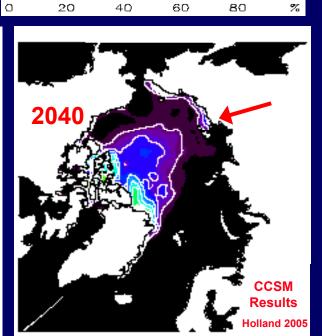


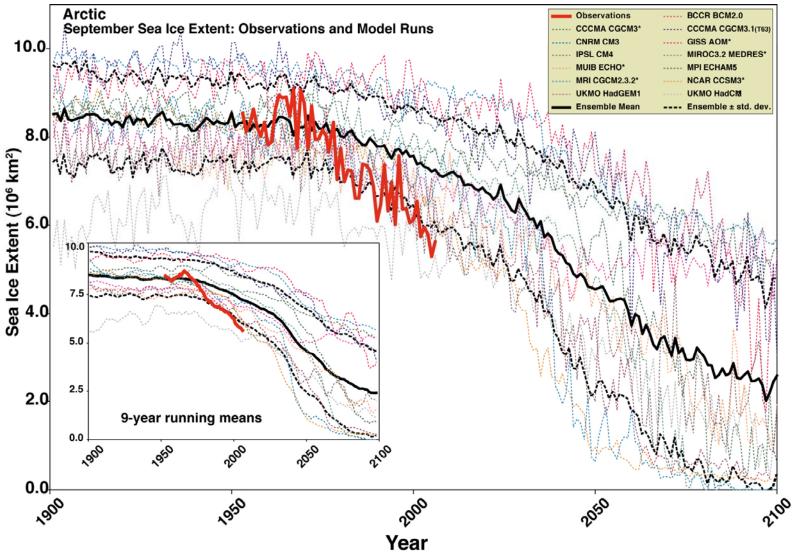


September Ice Concentration









September Arctic Sea Ice Extent ~ Stroeve et al. Fig 1

Arctic Sea Ice Decline: Faster Than Forecast (GRL,1 May 07)

Summary Points ~ **Sea Ice**

- Diminishing Arctic Sea Ice ~ Extent & Thickness
 - ~ Arctic coastal regions increasingly ice-free, but winter ice remains ~
- GCM Simulations ~ Show Diminishing Arctic Sea Ice Throughout the Century
- Plausible ~ 2040 Ice-free Arctic Ocean (Earlier??)
 - ~ Potential Disappearance of Multiyear Arctic sea ice ~
- Plausible ~ More Mobile Sea Ice, More Complex Situation
- Russian Arctic ~ Longer Seasons of Navigation
- Canadian Arctic ~ Large Sea Ice Variability
- Key: Uncertain Future Operating Conditions, Greater Marine Access & Longer Seasons of Navigation
- Required: Increased Monitoring for Arctic Changes

Scenarios on the Future of Arctic Marine Navigation in 2050

more demand

Arctic mediterranean Meltdown

High demand and unstable governance set the stage for a "no holds barred" rush for Arctic wealth and resources.

Arctic Saga

High demand and stable governance lead to a healthy rate of development that includes concern for preservation of Arctic ecosystems and cultures.

unstable & ad-hoc

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stable & rules-based

Polar Lows (Arctic Dystopia)

Low demand and unstable governance bring a murky and under-developed future for the Arctic.

Arctic Development Put on Ice

Low demand and stable governance slow development in the region while introducing regulatory transparency and protection for the region.

less demand



Themes to Consider

Broad Context

Indigenous communities

China, Japan, Korea

Maritime Disasters

World Trade Patterns

...Plus and from the list of 19 uncertainties and/or brainstorm

Marine Navigation Modes & Sectors

Regional

Trans-Arctic

Tourism

Oil and Gas

Minerals

Fisheries

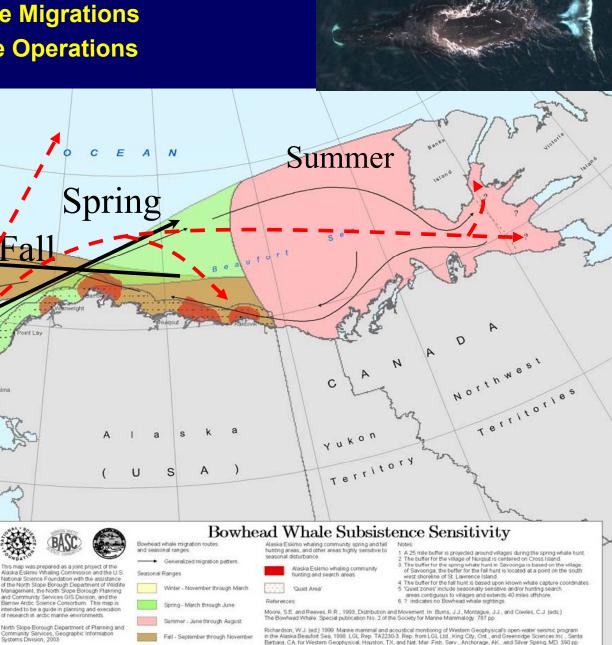


'Wild Card' Issue 1 ~ Multiple Ocean Uses

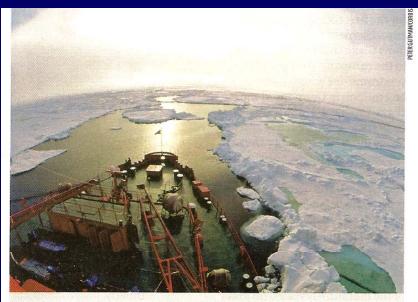
Bowhead Whale Migrations & Arctic Marine Operations

Winter

Possible Arctic/Shipping Routes



'Wild Card' Issue ~ Arctic Ship Emissions



New pathway to pollution in Arctic

ONE of the bonuses of global warming is the potential for new shipping routes to open up through the Arctic as ice retreats, shortening journeys by many thousands of miles. There is a downside, however. New northern passages could significantly boost levels of low-lying ozone as ship exhausts pump pollutants into the pristine environment.

Climate models indicate that the northern passages – the north-east coast of Siberia, northern Alaska and around the Canadian archipelago – may be open to shipping during the summer months from around 2050 onwards. Claire Granier, from the University of Pierre and Marie Curie in Paris, France, and her colleagues calculated the likely ozone emissions associated with such a scenario, assuming that the routes would be accessible for six months of the year.

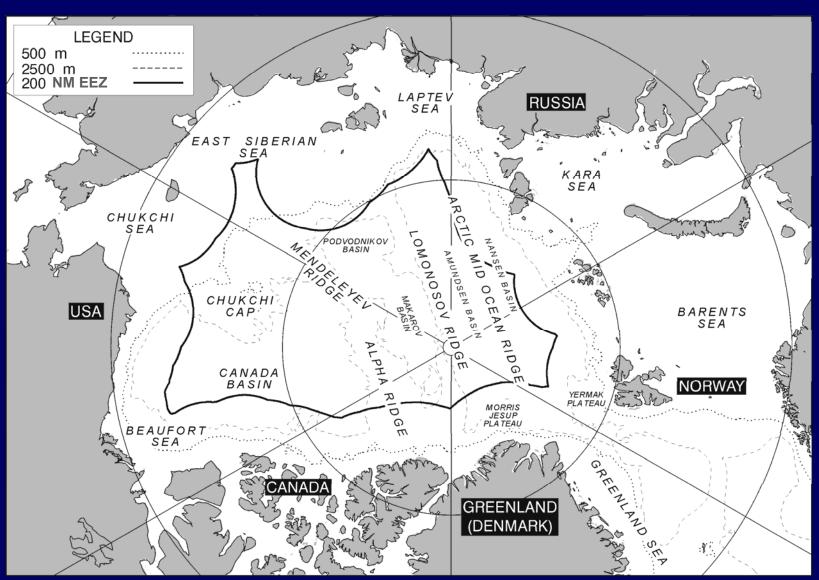
Emissions of nitrogen oxides and carbon monoxide from ships could triple ozone levels, making them comparable to those in industrialised regions today (*Geophysical Research Letters*, DOI: 10.1029/2006GL026180).

"The Arctic is a very sensitive region and these very high ozone levels are likely to have a serious impact on plant life," says Ulrike Niemeier, a co-author from the Max Plank Institute for Meteorology in Hamburg, Germany.

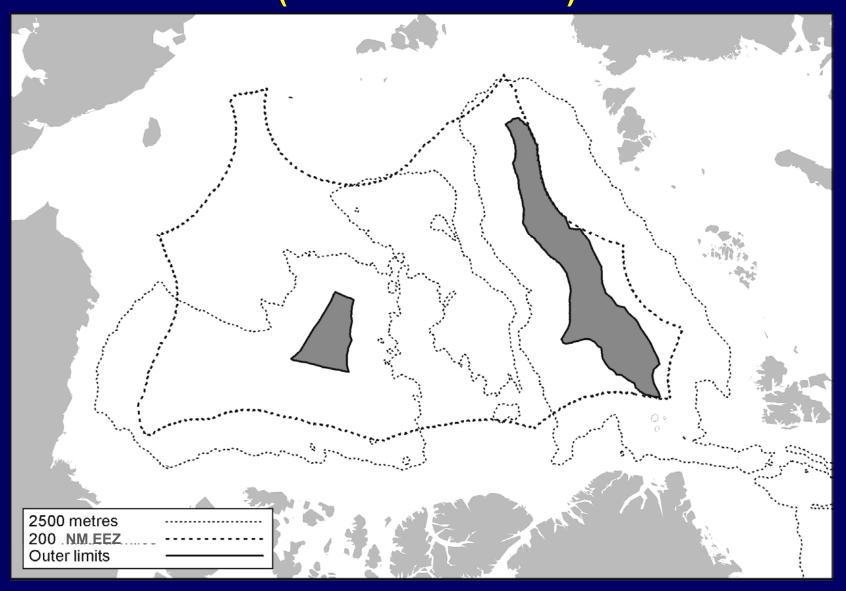
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Today's Maritime Arctic (200 NM Exclusive Economic Zone)



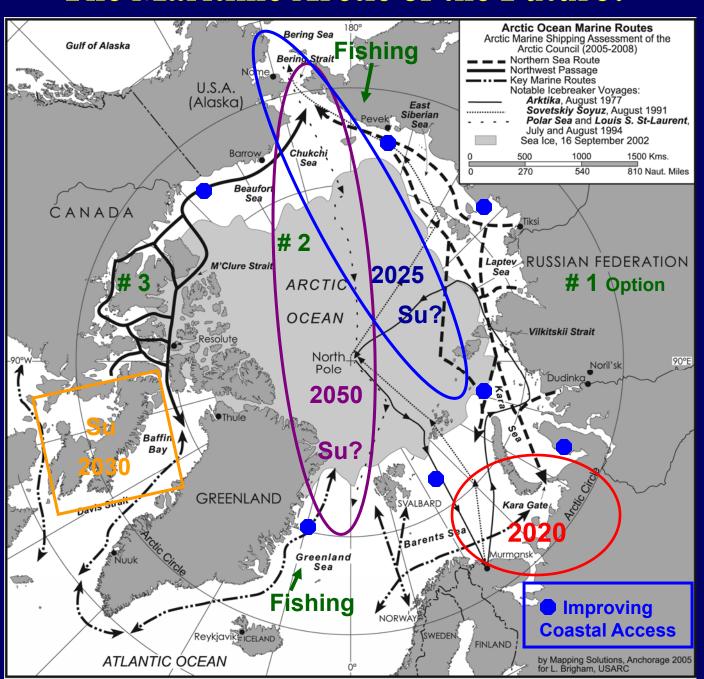
Hypothetical - Future Maritime Arctic (After UNCLOS Article 76)



(Macnab 2000)



The Maritime Arctic of the Future?



Potential AMSA Findings

Primary Driver ~ Regional & Global Natural Resource Development

Lack of Integrated Governance-Regulatory Framework

Continued Sea Ice Retreat ~ Increased Access

Winter Arctic Sea Ice Cover Remains

New Ship Technologies ~ Allow Greater Access & Independent Operations (No Convoys)

Global Maritime Industry ~ Key Stakeholders

Minimal Arctic Infrastructure to Support Expanded Marine Activity

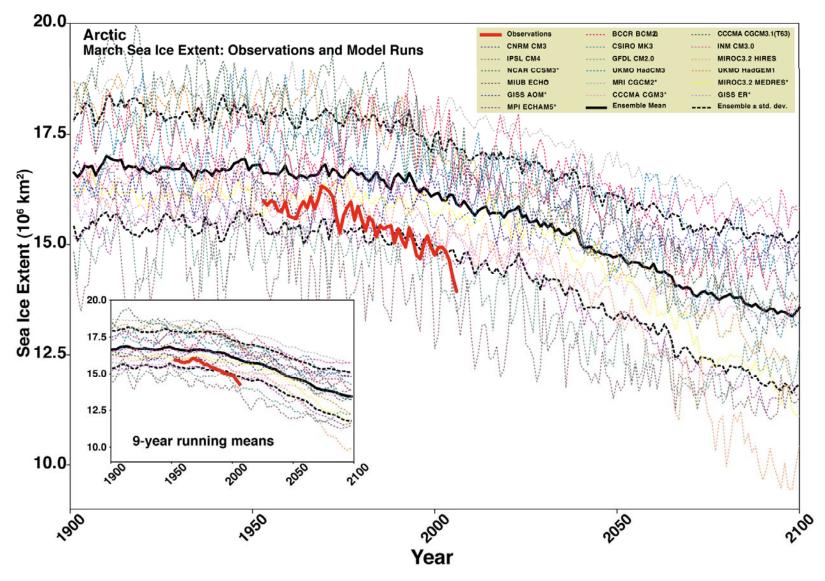
Sectors: Oil & Gas, Hard Minerals, Tourism & Fishing ~ Future: Timber & Water

Greatly Enhanced Monitoring Required

Intense Development ~ NW Russia & Norwegian-Barents-Kara Seas

Balance ~ Freedom of Navigation with Coastal State Marine Safety & Environmental Protection Interests

Lack of Experienced Mariners



March Arctic Sea Ice Extent ~ Stoeve et al., Fig 2

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