## **USArray Status Update**

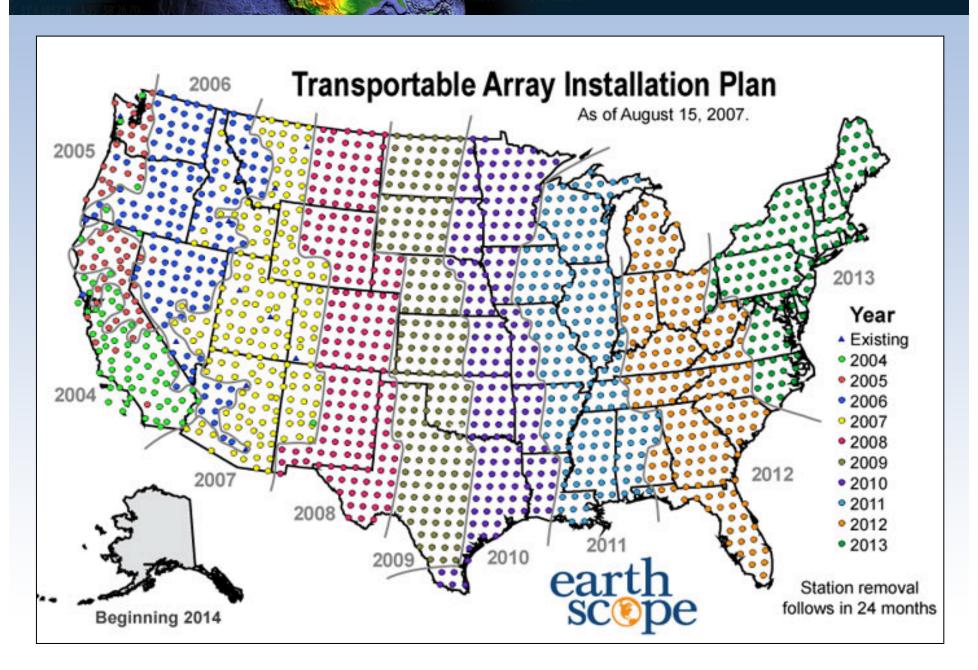


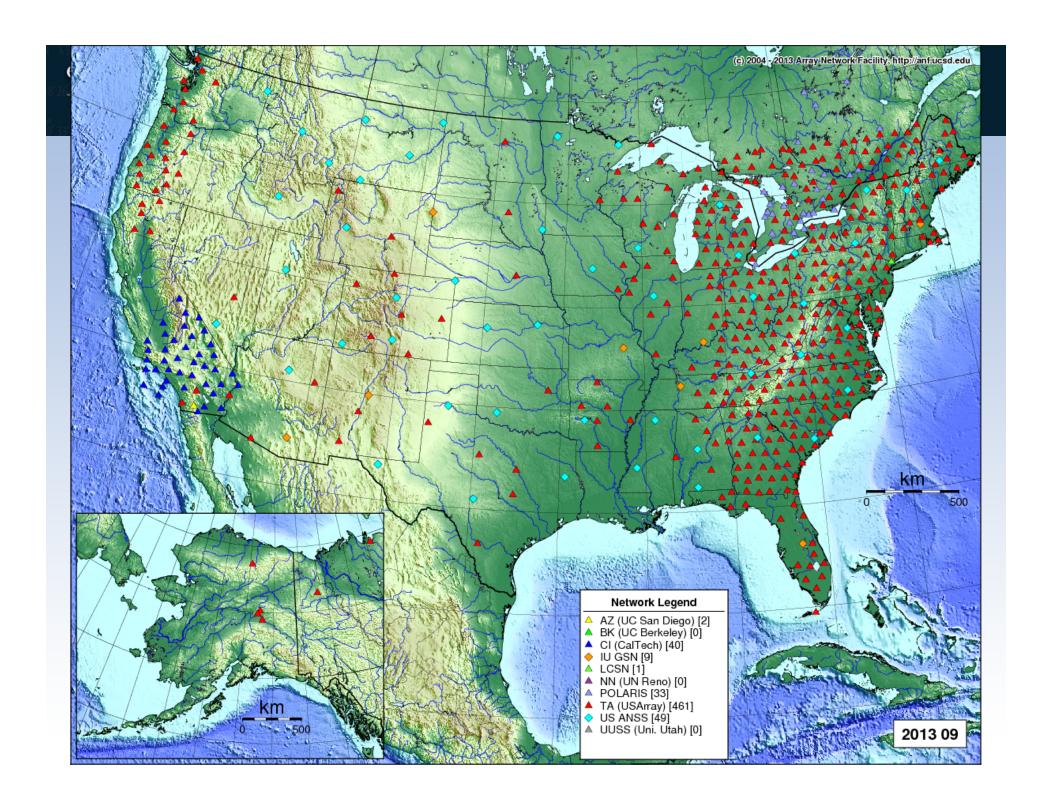
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EarthScope Steering Committee October 8, 2013 Boulder, CO

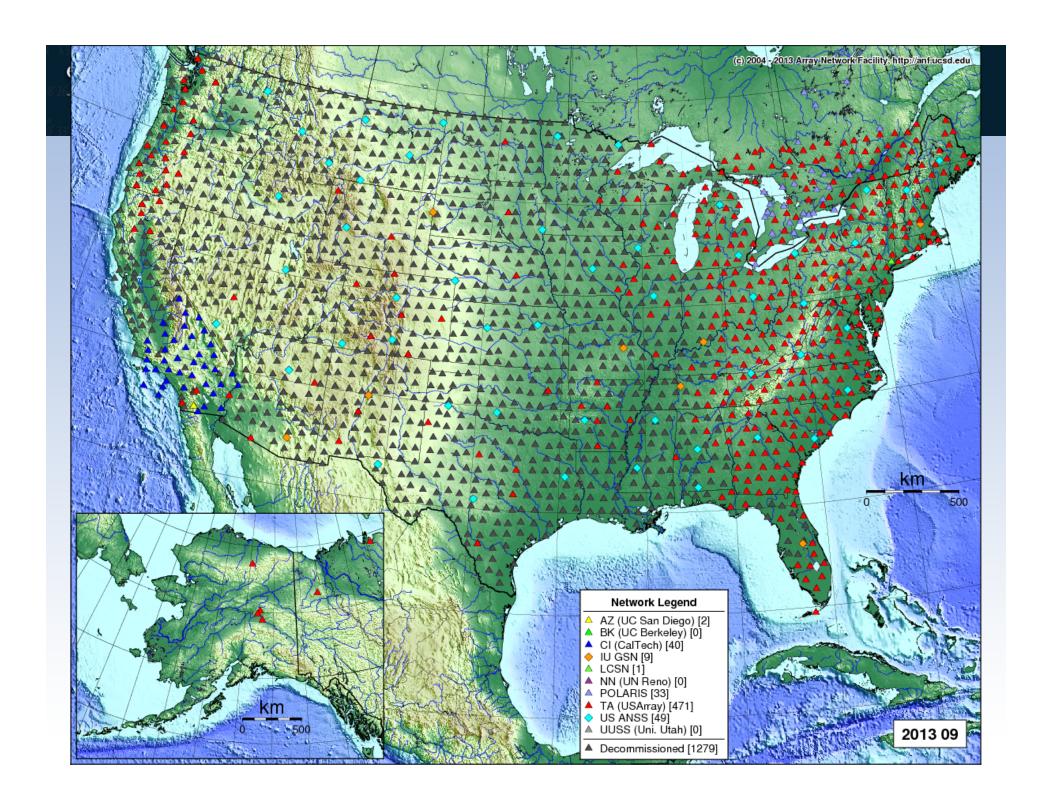


#### A Ten Year Plan











# TA Science Symposium and All Hands Team Meeting

- Celebrating the completion of the TA deployment
- September 30, 2013
- Woods Hole











# TA Science Symposium and All Hands Team Meeting

An afternoon of talks highlighting the science resulting from the TA

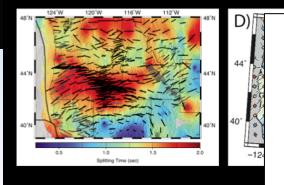
## Fine-Scale Continental Tomography

Scott Burdick
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USArray Transportable Array Research Symposium September 30, 2013 **Understanding deformation of the western US:** *what have we learned from USArray?* 

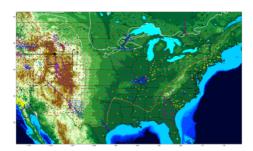
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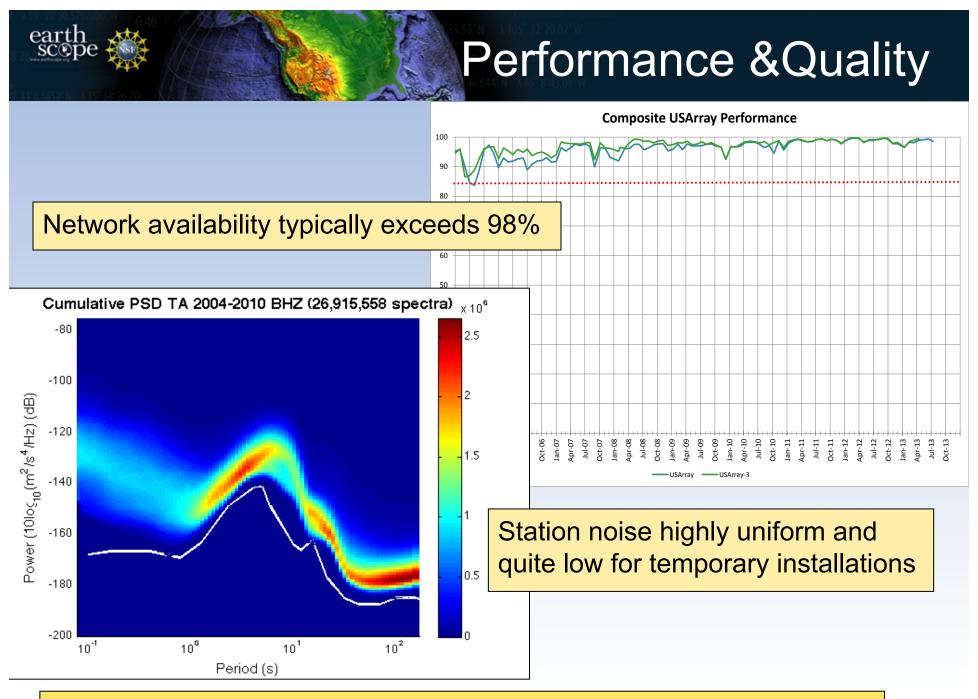


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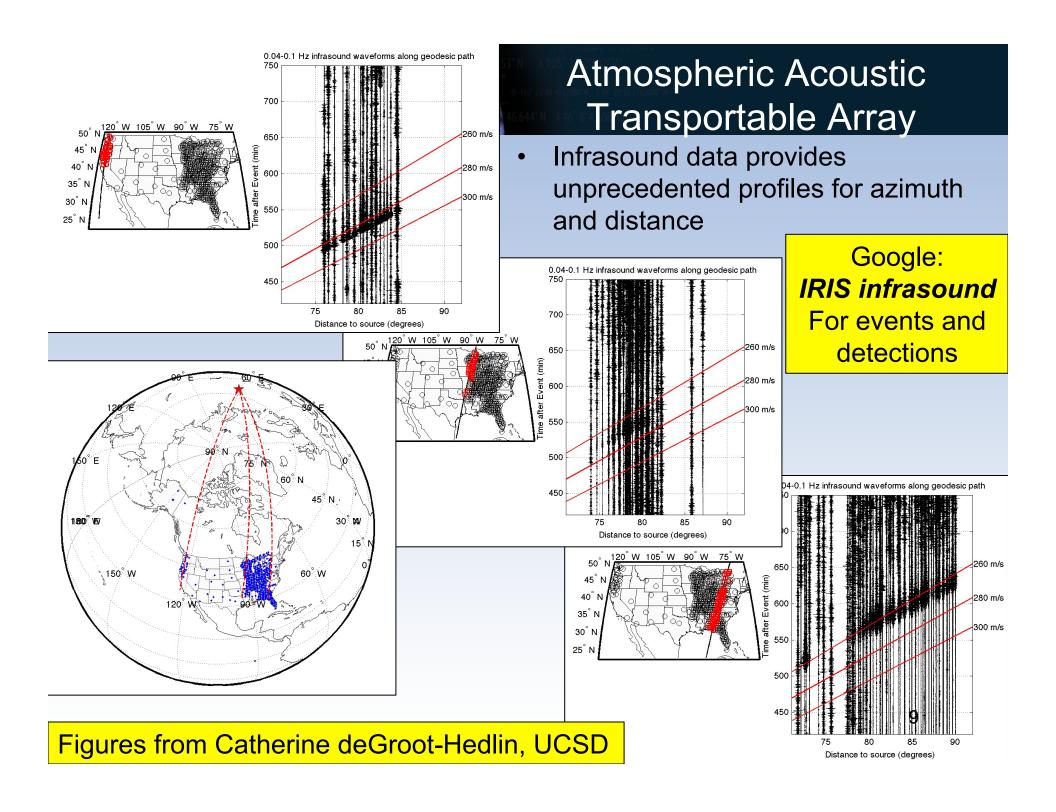
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The quality and consistency of the data have been key to the science



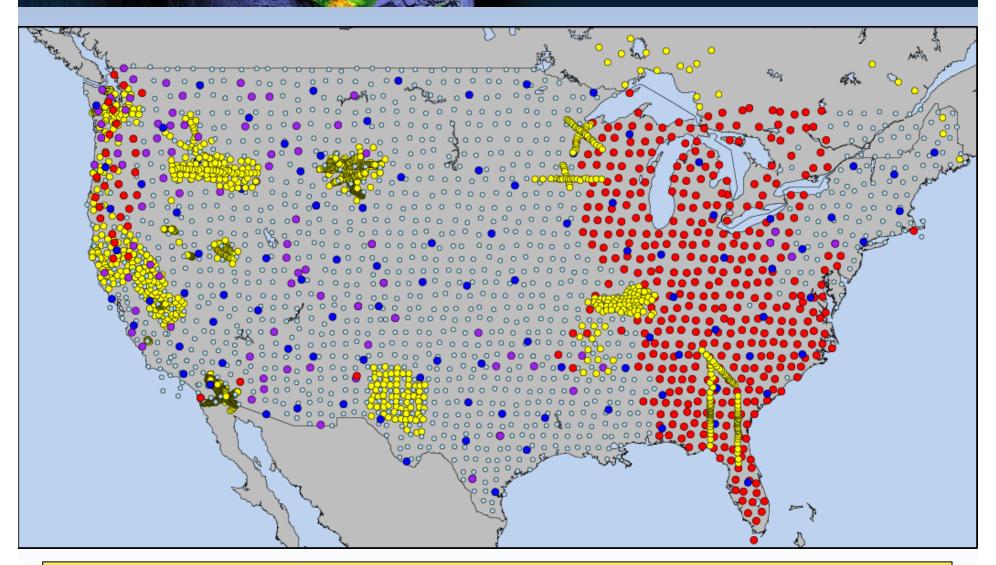


### Legacy of Permanent Stations

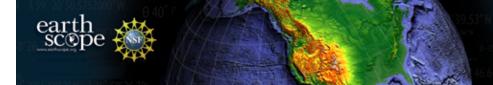




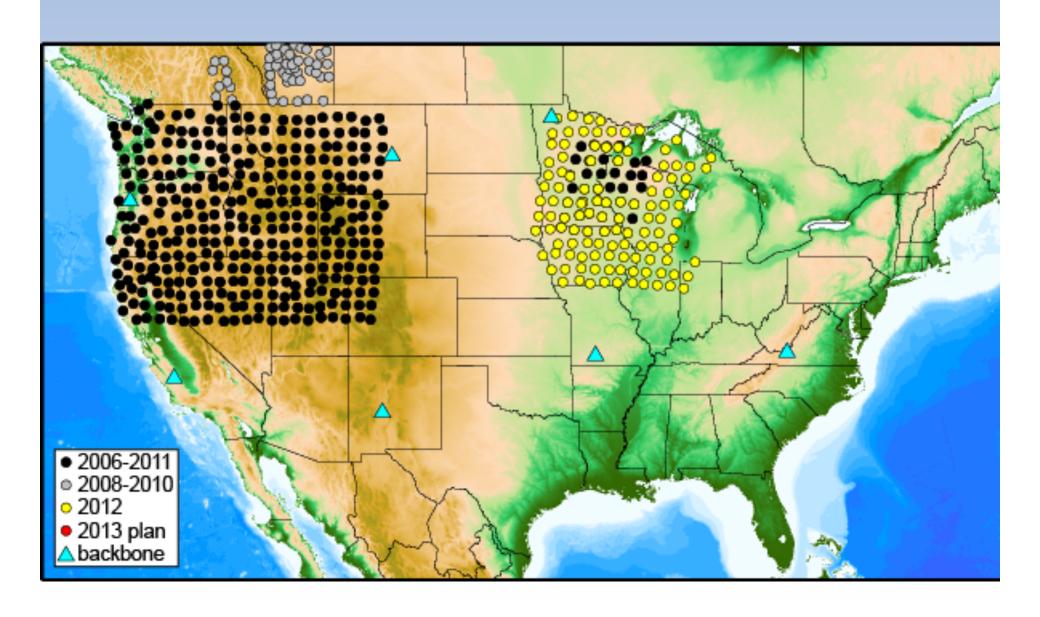
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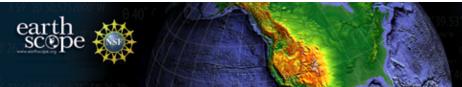


- FA experiments have leveraged the TA and drilled down on specific targets
- TA approach has also been emulated by some FA experiments

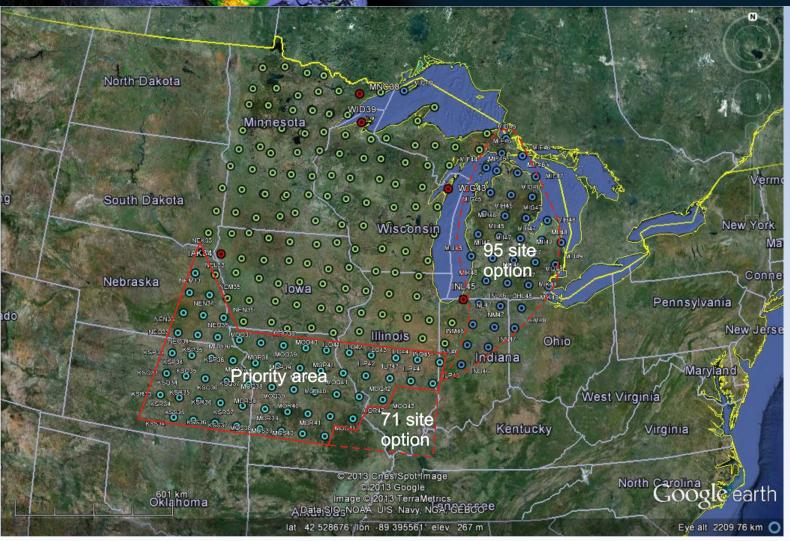


# Magnetotelluric TA

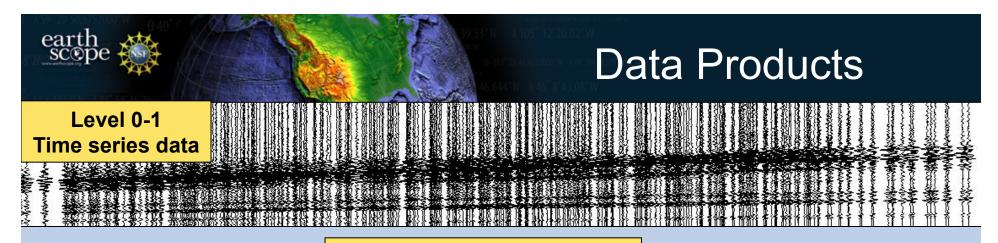




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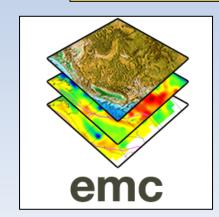


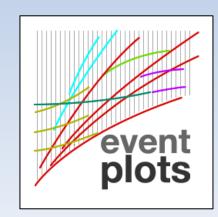
• 2013 field season well along



#### **Level 2-3 Products**

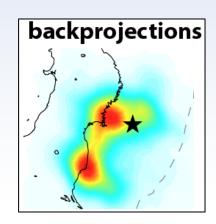


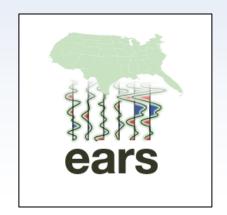


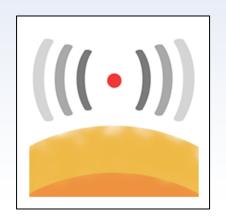


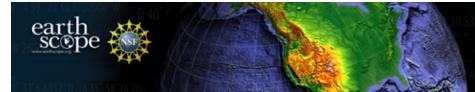












# Engaging Students in Site Reconnaissance

135 students, 50+ universities





Lamar University Texas A&M University Texas Tech University

> University of Texas at Austin



College Auburn

student Siting
2012 ■ 2008
2011 ■ 2007
2010 ■ 2006
2009 ■ 2005





### **Public Impact**



#### Technology » Science & Space ■Shop for Gadgets



An EarthScope field engineer piles dirt on the sealed vault for Transportable Array station I28A near Midland, S.D. The station is powered by solar energy and ntinuously transmits its data via cellphone.

nstitutions for Seismology

#### Nationwide project lends new details on earthquakes

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QUAKE MONITORING DEVICE

Seismographs to study earthquakes are installed across the USA in phases, says

Devices to be placed in 2011

Woodward USArray director Devices placed in 2010

Source: USArray By Julie Snider, USA TODAY

temperature fluctations.

"If we know about the hazards, then we can put ourselves at less risk," Lillie says.

When it comes to studying earthquakes,

protect themselves.

likely to topple, he says.

Lillie is part of a group of scientists involved in A seismometer is installed on a cement floor in the USArray, a nationwide research project that EarthScope Transportable Array station H28A lower compartment. A lid is placed on the vault before allows scientists to study earthquakes in sealed and covered with dirt to insulate it from

b Yahoo! Buzz Oregon State University geology professor Bob Lillie has a simple theory: The more that Add to Mixx is known, the better people can prepare and Facebook More knowledge about faults in certain parts E Twitter of the nation could lead to stricter building More codes in those places so structures are less

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SEISMOLOGICA RESEARCH LETTERS

Newspaper, television, magazines





# Student Impact: Training the Next Generation



- ~125 students over four summers
- Developing new strategies for dealing with the flood of data











# The TA Comes to Washington

















## Recent Meetings

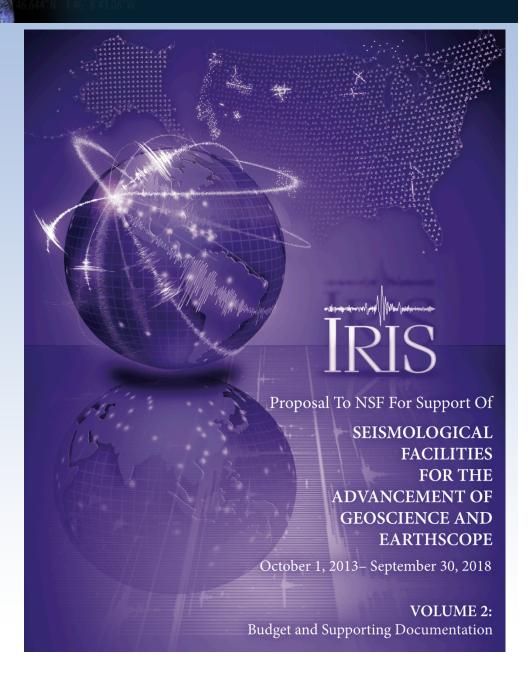
- USArray Canada Science Opportunities
  - Feb 19-20, Sidney, BC, Canada
  - Workshop report (Freymueller, Hyndman, eds.)





#### Good News: Funding!

- EarthScope funded in 5 year increments
- We just completed Year 10
  - As of midnight last night
- The August 2012 proposal was recommended for funding by the National Science Board
  - High marks
  - Numerous reviews, questions, and meetings
  - A new five year agreement

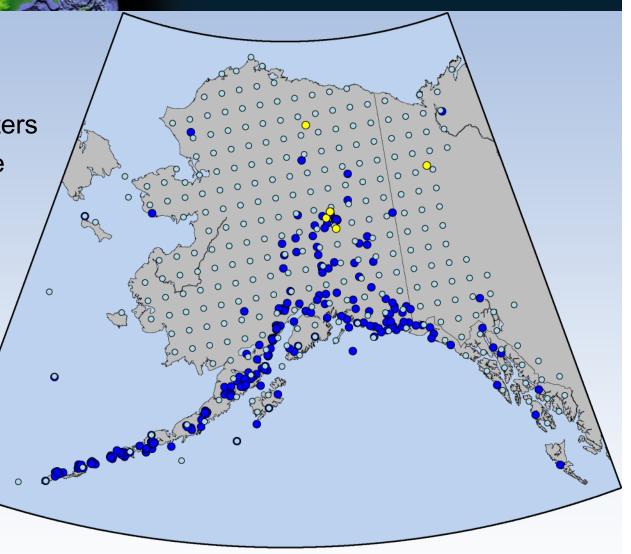




#### TA in Alaska / Yukon



- 85 km spacing
- Broadband Seismometers Infrasound, pressure
  - Some met packages
- Communications
- fully deployed 2017

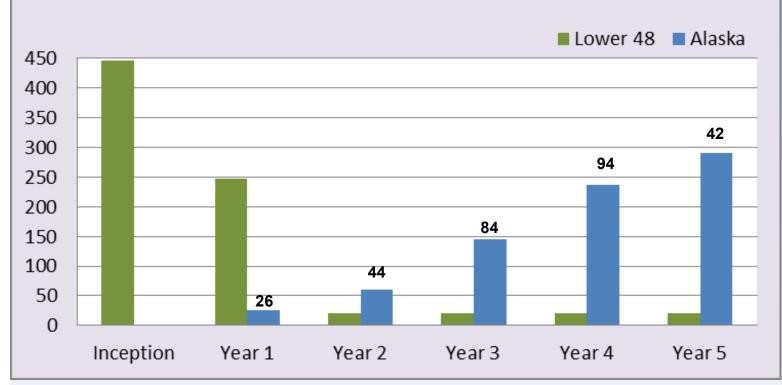


www.usarray.org/alaska



## Project Schedule

#### **Number of Stations Deployed**



- Schedule balances roll-up in east with roll-out in Alaska •
- Schedule provides longer operational window in AK

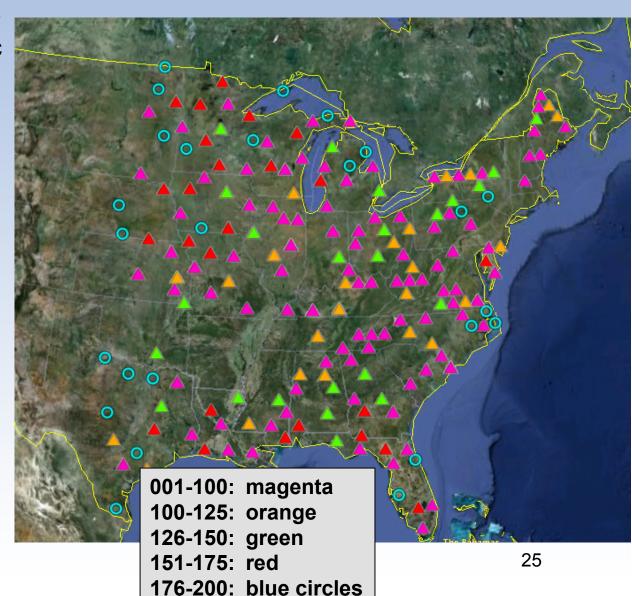
- · Alaska field schedule is seasonally driven
  - Late spring early fall

 Additional time for Alaska organizations to assemble plans to make selected stations permanent or collaborative science.



#### Central and Eastern US Network

- A five year plan to leave behind ~200 TA seismic stations for:
  - Research
  - Hazards assessment
  - Critical facilities
- Multi-agency collaboration
  - NSF
  - USGS
  - US NRC
  - DOE
- Funded in FY13
- "Good government"
  - Recognition of a unique opportunity to address multiple missions / needs

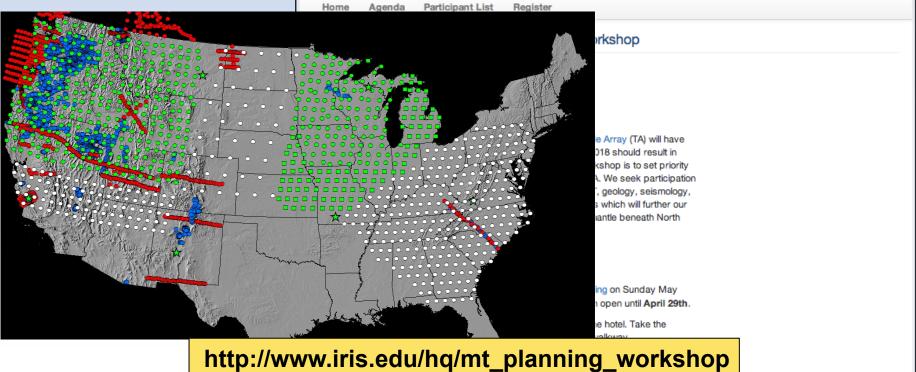




### Recent Meetings

MT Siting workshop in Raleigh, NC







#### EarthScope Symposium & Reception

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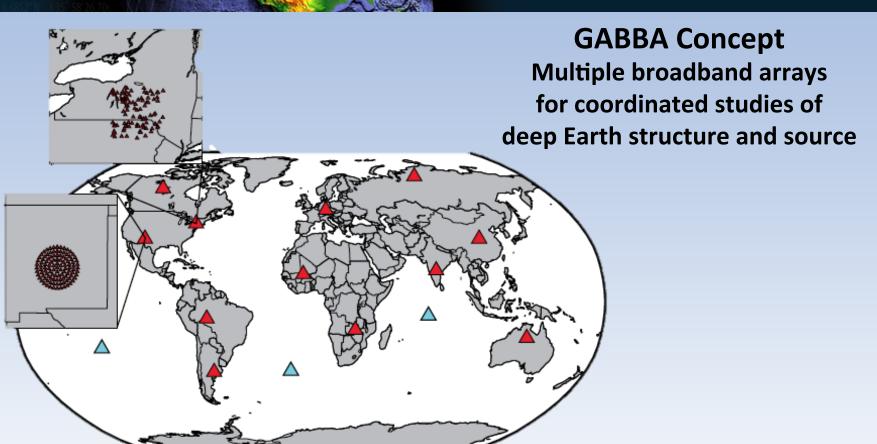
<u>ASU</u>: Jeff Roth, John West, Kevin Eagar, Lauren Mattatall

- 009, Washington D.C.
- Community sponsored
  - IRIS, UNAVCO, SSA, NMT, Stanford, AGI, GSA, AGU
- Attendance





# Global Array of Broadband Arrays

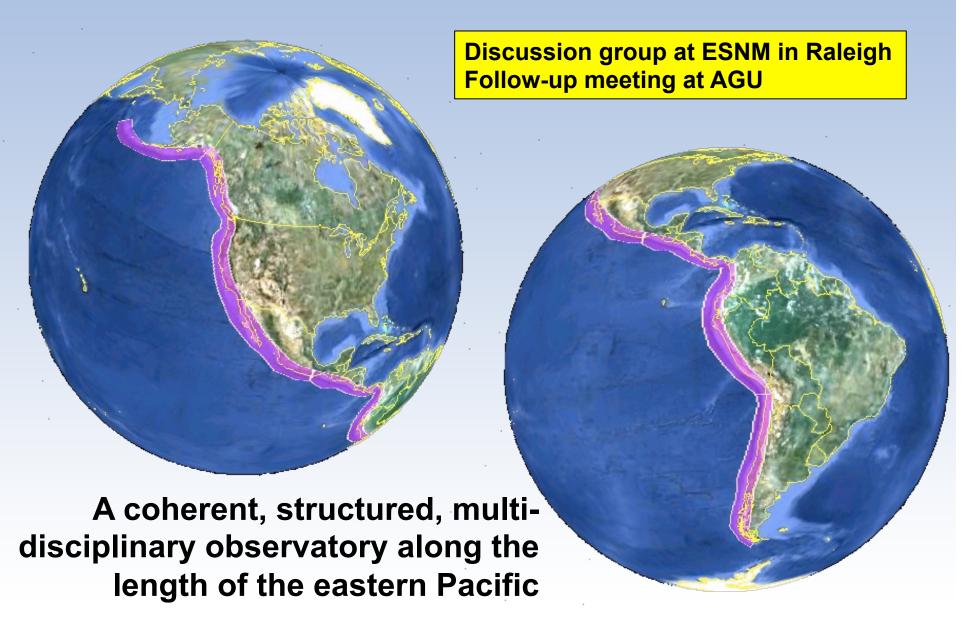


Workshop held in May 2013
Significant discussion of capabilities, results, and possibilities

http://www.iris.edu/hq/arrays\_workshop



# The Big Idea: A Subduction Zone Observatory





### Summary

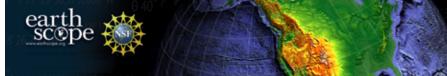
- The TA has already, and will continue, to enable breakthrough science
- The Transportable Array has changed the way our field thinks about "big science" projects
- The TA has reset the bar for what is possible in large seismic network operations
- The TA has been and continues to be a transformative project





# People Make it Happen





#### Want More Info?

#### On the Web

- EarthScope www.earthscope.org
- USArray www.iris.edu/usarray
- National Science Foundation *www.nsf.gov*

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