Fishing Vessel Trip Report (VTR) Reporting Instructions

These instructions may be found on our website at: http://www.nero.noaa.gov/ro/fso/vtr_inst.pdf

These instructions are intended to aid owner/operators in determining when they need to submit VTRs and how to properly complete them. If you have any questions, or require clarification, please don't hesitate to contact the VTR support team at (978) 281-9246.

Reporting regulations [50 CFR 648.7 and 50 CFR 648.4(b)] require:

- All Northeast Region federally permitted vessels must submit a VTR for each trip taken regardless of where the trip took place (Eastern Seaboard, Gulf of Mexico etc.), in state or federal waters or species targeted. The one exception to this is for vessels that are **only** permitted for American Lobster. Having an observer present for a trip does not relieve you of this responsibility.

- **Any vessel issued a Federal Northeast Multispecies (limited access, open access or Charter/Party), Atlantic Herring, Surf Clam\Ocean Quahog or a Mackerel Tier 3 permit, must submit VTRs on a weekly basis.** VTRs must be submitted by midnight of the Tuesday following the reporting week (Sunday through Saturday).

- All other vessels must submit their VTR's on a monthly basis. Reports must be received by NMFS or postmarked by the 15th day of the month following the month in which the trip occurred.

- Did Not Fish reports are due in accordance with the above submission schedule.

- A vessel holding a federal fishery permit must report all of its activity occurring in either federal or state waters even if not fishing for a permitted species. For example, if a vessel holds a Federal Northeast Multispecies permit and is only fishing for lobster or tuna, the owner/operator must submit a VTR for each trip the vessel makes in those fisheries.

- **A new report page is required if during a trip there is any change in gear type, area fished, or mesh/ring size.**

- All fields on the VTR must be completed using blue or black ink only.

- Incomplete, incorrect, and illegible VTRs will be returned to the vessel owner for correction.

Multiple Chart Area Trips:

Filling out VTR's based solely upon where the haul back occurs is incorrect. If your trip encompasses multiple chart areas you must submit a VTR for each area where fishing activity takes place. In the event that tows or placement of fixed gear (gillnets, long lines, etc.) crosses chart area boundaries **you must fill out a VTR for each area and apportion your catch based upon a good faith estimate**. For example, if you're a trawler and your tows go across areas 515 and 521 with 80% of your time spent in area 515 you would allocate 80% of your total catch for the tows to chart area 515 and the remaining 20% to area 521. The same basic method applies to fixed gear. If your gillnet string or long line straddles a chart area boundary you must apportion the total catch based upon what

percentage of the string was in each chart area. Please contact the VTR Support Team at 978-281-9246 if you require clarification of this requirement.

Did Not Fish Reports:

If a vessel doesn't fish for an entire reporting period it is necessary to submit a 'Did Not Fish' report. Only one such trip report is needed per reporting period regardless of the number of permits held.

Any fishing activity during a reporting week, including starting a trip, landing, or offloading catch, counts as fishing during that reporting week and eliminates the need to submit a "Did Not Fish" report for that week. Example: If a vessel started a trip on Wednesday, but lands and offloads catch the following Monday (i.e., after a trip of 6 days), the VTR must be submitted by midnight Tuesday of the third week and no "Did Not Fish" reports are required for either week.

DNF reports may be submitted on the NMFS issued paper VTR or through our secure webpage, "Fish-On-Line" at https://www.nero.noaa.gov/NMFSlogin/ **DNF reports submitted electronically through Fish-On-Line do not need to be mailed into NMFS.**

If you need your confidential vessel PIN or cannot access Fish-On-Line please contact NMFS at (978) 281-9133 or by email at fso.data.requests@noaa.gov

Protected Species Mandatory Reporting :

All species caught, including all protected species, are required to be reported on the FVTR. To report sea turtles or ESA-listed fish species (e.g., Atlantic salmon or sturgeon) incidentally caught, injured or killed, enter the species code for each turtle or fish under the species code name column (#17) on the FVTR. The sea turtle and ESA-listed fish species codes are found in the **Species Codes** below. Enter the actual number (count) of sea turtles or listed fish caught in the discard column (#19). Under the dealer name column (#21), comment on the condition of the sea turtles or listed fish (e.g., alive, injured, or dead).

When an incidental mortality or injury of a marine mammal (seals, dolphins, porpoises, and whales) occurs during commercial fishing activities, you must fill out and return the Marine Mammal Authorization Program Mortality & Injury Reporting Form within 48 hours of returning from the trip on which the incident occurred. To obtain a reporting form visit: www.nero.noaa.gov/mmap or call 978-281-9328.

For additional information on protected species, contact the Protected Resources Division, Northeast Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, Gloucester, MA 01930, (978) 281-9328.

Common Questions and Issues

Question: If I change gear type, mesh size, or area fished during a trip, how do I complete my VTR?
Answer: Complete a separate report for any change in gear type, mesh/ring size or chart area.

Question: Do I have to complete a report if I am going out just to set gear or returned to port prior to engaging in any fishing activity (e.g., mechanical breakdown, bad weather) or am fishing recreationally?
Answer: Yes. Federally permitted vessels must report every trip that they take.

- For trips whose only purpose is to set fixed gear complete all of the trip, gear and location information fields with the exception of 'Number of Hauls' and 'Tow\Soak Time' which should be left blank.
- For trips that don't involve any effort (i.e. pulling nets, jigging, trawling, etc) due to mechanical breakdown, illness, bad weather and the like complete the trip information fields and write the reason for terminating the trip in the lower part of the VTR.
- Recreational trips which use a federally permitted vessel require a VTR to be filled out and submitted. All of the sections, including species caught and\or discarded, are to be filled out.

Question: What if I don't land any fish on a trip?
Answer: If during fishing operations no species are caught (kept or discarded), complete all of the trip and gear information fields and enter No Catch or NC in the species code name column (#17). If any species are kept or discarded they must be properly annotated on the VTR.

Question: If I send in several reports at one time, do I have to sign and date every report?
Answer: Yes. All VTRs must be signed and dated or they will be returned to you for completion.

Question: Why are there so many copies of the VTR?
Answer: The white copy of the VTR is submitted to NMFS and the yellow copy should be retained for your records. The pink copy is for dockside monitors for ground fish vessels who are a member of a sector. The blue copy is for your State agency. (Contact your State fisheries agency to determine if you have reporting requirements to the State.) If necessary, the green and gold copies may be submitted to the dealer(s) to whom you sold your catch so dealer and vessel data can be verified. At a minimum, you are required to provide the VTR serial number to each Federal dealer to whom you sell your catch.

Question: My supply of VTRs is getting low. How do I get more?
Answer: VTRs can be obtained by mailing the renewal form contained in each VTR packet to the NMFS address below. You may also obtain VTRs by contacting the NMFS Vessel Trip Reporting Office, either in person, or by telephone at (978) 281-9157 or by contacting your local NMFS Field Office.

Question: How long am I required to keep copies of my VTRs?
Answer: VTRs and any records upon which the reports were based must be kept on board the vessel for at least one year and retained by the owner/operator for a total of three years after the date of the last entry on the report.

Question: I gave the wrong VTR serial number to my dealer. Can I alter the serial number on my VTR to match the number I gave my dealer?

Answer: No. The serial number is a preprinted unique number and is used as a control number by NMFS. Contact your dealer(s) to have them alter their dealer reports.

Question: If I'm fishing outside of the Northeast Region (e.g. in the Gulf of Mexico or off the coast of Florida or on the High Seas for Tuna) do I have to submit VTR's?

Answer: Yes. If your vessel is issued a permit from the Northeast region you are required to submit a VTR to us regardless of where the fishing activity took place or the species targeted. The one exception to this is for vessels that are **only** permitted for American Lobster.

SUBMISSION OF REPORTS:

VTRs, including DNF reports, must be received or postmarked by the 15th day of the month following the month in which the trip landed. **For those vessels possessing a Northeast Multi species or an Atlantic Herring permit, VTRs must be received or postmarked by midnight Tuesday for all trips landing in the previous reporting week (Sunday - Saturday).**

Submit the original white VTR copy to:

NOAA Fisheries Service
Vessel Trip Reporting Office
55 Great Republic Drive
Gloucester, MA 01930-2276

If you have any questions regarding VTRs, please call the Vessel Trip Reporting office at (978) 281-9246.

The National Marine Fisheries Service requires this information for the conservation and management of marine fishery resources in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The data reported will be used to develop, implement, and monitor fishery management strategies and for a variety of other uses. Submission is mandatory for those persons falling under the requirements of 50 CFR 648.7 (b). All data submitted will be handled as Confidential material in accordance with NOAA Administrative Orders. Public reporting burden for the survey is estimated to average 5 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to NMFS, 55 Great Republic Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930.

Notwithstanding any other provision of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

FISHING VESSEL TRIP REPORT

NOAA Form No. 88-30
OMB No. 0648-0212
Expires 1/31/2013

DID NOT FISH

Start Date	End Date
_____ / _____ / _____ (MM DD YY)	_____ / _____ / _____ (MM DD YY)

VTR Serial Number: 12345678

1. Vessel Name	2. USCG Documentation or State Registration	3. NMFS Vessel Permit Number

4. Date and Time Sailed	5. Date and Time Landed
Date: _____ / _____ / _____ (MM DD YY) Military Time: _____ : _____ (HH MM)	Date: _____ / _____ / _____ (MM DD YY) Military Time: _____ : _____ (HH MM)

6. Trip Type – **check one box and record the number of crew including the captain. Party/Charter must also include the number of anglers.**

☐ Commercial: # of Crew_____ ☐ RSA/EFP: # of Crew_____ ☐ Party: # of Crew _____ # of Anglers _____ ☐ Charter: # of Crew _____ # of Anglers _____

COMPLETE A NEW FORM FOR EACH DIFFERENT CHART AREA, GEAR TYPE OR MESH/RING SIZE USED ON A TRIP.

7. Gear Code	8. Mesh/Ring Size	9. Gear Quantity	10. Gear Size	11. Fishing Depth (Fathoms)	12. Number of Hauls

13. Chart Area	14. Latitude	15. Longitude	16. Tow / Soak Time
	_____ : _____ (DEGREES MINUTES)	_____ : _____ (DEGREES MINUTES)	_____ : _____ (HOURS MINUTES)

17. Species Code	18. Kept	19. Discarded	20. Dealer Permit Number	21. Dealer Name	22. Date Sold MM/DD/YY	23. Offloading Port for each species City	State

I certify that the information provided on this form is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge, and made in good faith. Making a false statement on this form is punishable by law (18 U.S.C. 1001).

24. Operator Permit Number	25. Operator Name	26. Operator Signature	27. Date Signed MM/DD/YY

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DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Vessel Name**: Enter the name of your vessel. If your vessel does not have a name use UNNAMED.

2. **USCG Documentation or State Registration**: Enter the official documentation number of your vessel. If your vessel is not documented with the Coast Guard, enter the state registration number of your vessel.

3. **NMFS Vessel Permit Number**: Enter the six digit number printed on the fishing permit issued to your vessel by NMFS, Northeast Regional Office, Gloucester, Massachusetts.

4. **Date and Time Sailed**: Enter the month, day, year and time (**using the 24 hour clock/military time**) you sailed. For example, January 1, 2010 at 4:15 PM should be recorded as 1/1/10 for date and 16:15 for time.

5. **Date and Time Landed**: Enter the month, day, year and time (**using the 24 hour clock/military time**) you arrived in port. For example, January 1, 2010 at 4:15 PM should be recorded as 1/1/10 for date and 16:15 for time.

24 Hour Time Conversions	
12:00 AM = 00:00	12:00 PM = 12:00
1:00 AM = 01:00	1:00 PM = 13:00
2:00 AM = 02:00	2:00 PM = 14:00
3:00 AM = 03:00	3:00 PM = 15:00
4:00 AM = 04:00	4:00 PM = 16:00
5:00 AM = 05:00	5:00 PM = 17:00
6:00 AM = 06:00	6:00 PM = 18:00
7:00 AM = 07:00	7:00 PM = 19:00
8:00 AM = 08:00	8:00 PM = 20:00
9:00 AM = 09:00	9:00 PM = 21:00
10:00 AM = 10:00	10:00 PM = 22:00
11:00 AM = 11:00	11:00 PM = 23:00

6. **Trip Type**: Check the box for the appropriate trip type: Commercial, RSA/EFP, Party or Charter. Note: Only a single trip type box should be checked for any given trip.

   - **# of Crew**: Enter the total number of crew members **including the captain**. Party/Charter vessels should include all crew members or employees on board for the trip.
   - **# of Anglers**: For **party/charter trips only:** enter the total number of anglers, **excluding** the vessel's crew.

7. **Gear Code**: Enter the three letter code found in the **Gear Codes Table** (below) of the gear being fished. If more than one gear type was used during this trip, **a separate report page must be completed for each gear used**. If you are fishing with a gear type not provided in the table below, please contact the Vessel Trip Reporting office at (978)281-9246 for guidance.

Gear Codes Table

	Code	Gear Description
TRAWL	OHS	OTTER TRAWL, HADDOCK SEPARATOR
	OTB	OTTER TRAWL, BEAM
	OTC	OTTER TRAWL, BOTTOM, SCALLOP
	OTF	OTTER TRAWL,BOTTOM,FISH
	OTM	OTTER TRAWL,MIDWATER
	OTO	OTTER TRAWL, BOTTOM, OTHER
	OTR	OTTER TRAWL, RUHLE
	OTS	OTTER TRAWL, BOTTOM, SHRIMP
	PTM	PAIR TRAWL,MIDWATER
	PTB	PAIR TRAWL,BOTTOM
	PUR	EINE, PURSE
	SED	SEINE, DANISH
	SEH	SEINE, HAUL
	SES	SEINE, SCOTTISH
	STS	SEINE, STOP
GILLNETS	GND	GILL NET,DRIFT,LARGE MESH
	GNO	GILL NET, OTHER
	GNR	GILL NET,RUNAROUND
	GNS	GILL NET,SINK
	GNT	GILL NET,DRIFT,SMALL MESH
HOOK AND LINE	LLB	LONGLINE,BOTTOM
	LLO	LONGLINE, OTHER
	LLP	LONGLINE, PELAGIC
	HND	HAND LINE/ROD & REEL

	Code	Gear Description
DREDGES	DRC	DREDGE,OCEAN QUAHOG/SURF CLAM
	DRM	DREDGE,MUSSEL
	DRO	DREDGE,OTHER
	DRS	DREDGE,SCALLOP,SEA
	DSC	DREDGE, SCALLOP-CHAIN MAT
	DRU	DREDGE, URCHIN
POTS AND TRAPS	PTC	POT, CRAB
	PTE	POT, EEL
	PTF	POT,FISH
	PTH	POT, HAG
	PTL	POT,LOBSTER
	PTO	POT,OTHER
	PTS	POT,SHRIMP
	PTW	POT, CONCH/WHELK
	PTX	POTS,MIXED
	TRP	TRAP
	WEI	WEIR
OTHER	CAR	HERRING CARRIER VESSEL
	CST	CAST
	DIV	DIVING GEAR
	FYK	FYKE NET
	HRP	HARPOON
	MIX	MIXED GEAR
	RAK	HAND RAKE
	OTH	OTHER GEAR

8. **Mesh/ Ring Size**: Enter mesh/ring size of the gear being fished. Use the definitions in the **Fishing Effort Information by Gear Type Table** located below. If more than one mesh/ring size was used in a haul (for example, multiple mesh sizes in a string of gillnets), enter the average per haul. If you changed mesh/ring size during this trip (for example, changing from a large mesh trawl to a small mesh trawl), **complete a separate report page** for each mesh/ring size used.

9. **Gear Quantity**: Enter the quantity of gear being fished per haul. Use the definitions in the Fishing Effort Information by Gear Type table located below. If more than one of this gear type was used during the trip, enter the average quantity of gear used per haul.

10. **Gear Size**: Enter size of the gear being fished using the definitions in the Fishing Effort Information by Gear Type table located below.

11. **Fishing Depth**: Enter the average depth fished in **fathoms**.

12. **Number of Hauls**: Enter the total number of tows, sets, or strings you hauled as appropriate for your gear using the Fishing Effort Information by Gear Type table located below.

13. **Chart Area**: Enter the **three digit** area fished from the charts supplied below. If fishing south of the area depicted on chart #8, enter 799; if fishing east of charts 1, 2, 4, or 8, enter 899. If more than one chart area was fished during a trip, **a separate VTR page** for each area must be completed. If fishing in the areas found on the inshore charts for MA, RI, CT, and NY state waters, use the codes supplied on the inshore charts. ***Note*: Do <u>not</u> fill out a separate trip report if fished in more than one inshore chart area**, **as long as they are within the same offshore area.**

    Some vessels have been filling out VTR's based solely upon where the haul back occurs; this is incorrect. If your fishing activity during a trip encompasses multiple chart areas or crosses chart area boundaries **you must fill out a VTR for each area where fishing activity takes place and apportion your catch based upon a good faith estimate**.

14. **Latitude:** Enter a **single set** of latitude bearings (**degrees** and **minutes**) where **most** of your fishing effort occurred.

15. **Longitude:** Enter a **single set** of longitude bearings (**degrees** and **minutes**) where **most** of your fishing effort occurred.

16. **Tow/Soak Time**: Depending upon the gear used, you will enter either the **<u>average</u>** tow time per haul, the total time that the gear soaked or the estimated time you spent fishing (not including travel time). Enter the total estimated amount of time fishing (hours and minutes).

    - **Mobile Gear (trawl, dredges, etc.):** Enter the **average** amount of time per tow which is defined as from the time the gear is completely hooked up to when the gear is completely hauled back.
    - **Fixed Gear (gill nets, long lines, pots, etc.):** Enter the total time that the gear soaked which is defined as from when the first piece of gear is deployed until the last piece of gear is hauled back.
    - **Rod & Reel / Hand Line:** Enter the average amount of time the lines were actually fishing.
    - **Harpoon:** Enter the total amount of time spent searching for targeted species.
    - **Diving:** Enter dive time

The **Fishing Effort Information by Gear Type Table** below summarizes how mesh/ring size, gear quantity, gear size, number of hauls and tow/soak time should be filled out for different gear types.

Fishing Effort Information by Gear Type Table

Trawl	Mesh/Ring Size	Smallest mesh size used in Cod end or liner
	Gear Quantity	Number of individual trawls being hauled at one time
	Gear Size	Sweep (foot rope) length in feet
	Number of Hauls	Number of tows hauled per trip
	Tow/Soak Time	Average tow time per haul
Dredge	Mesh/Ring Size	Ring size
	Gear Quantity	Number of dredges
	Gear Size	Dredge width in inches
	Number of Hauls	Number of tows hauled per trip
	Tow/Soak Time	Average tow time per haul
Gillnet	Mesh/Ring Size	Mesh size
	Gear Quantity	Average number of nets per string
	Gear Size	Average length of the nets used in a string (not the entire string)
	Number of Hauls	Number of strings hauled per trip
	For example, a string 3000 feet in total length would typically consist of 10 nets (Gear Quantity) with an average length of 300 feet (Gear Size).	
	Tow/Soak Time	Average soak time per haul
Pots	Mesh/Ring Size	Entrance (ring, hoop) size
	Gear Quantity	Average number of pots per string
	Gear Size	Total number of pots in the water
	Number of Hauls	Number of strings hauled per trip
	Tow/Soak Time	Average soak time per haul
Seines	Mesh/Ring Size	Mesh size
	Gear Quantity	Number of nets
	Gear Size	Length of head rope in feet
	Number of Hauls	Number of strings hauled per trip
	Tow/Soak Time	Average soak time per haul
Rod & Reel \ Hand Line	Mesh/Ring Size	Leave blank
	Gear Quantity	Number of hooks per line
	Gear Size	Leave blank
	Number of Hauls	Leave blank
	Tow/Soak Time	Total length of trip minus steam time
Diving	Mesh/Ring Size	Leave blank
	Gear Quantity	Leave blank
	Gear Size	Leave blank

	Number of Hauls	Leave blank
	Tow/Soak Time	Dive time
Longline	Mesh/Ring Size	Leave blank
	Gear Quantity	Number of hooks per line
	Gear Size	Main line length to the nearest tenth of a nautical mile e.g. 1.5
	Number of Hauls	Number of sets hauled
	Tow/Soak Time	Average soak time per haul
Harpoon	Mesh/Ring Size	Leave blank
	Gear Quantity	Number of harpoons
	Gear Size	Leave blank
	Number of Hauls	Number of throws
	Tow/Soak Time	Total amount of time spent searching for targeted species
Cast Net	Mesh/Ring Size	Mesh size
	Gear Quantity	Leave blank
	Gear Size	Average radius of net(s)
	Number of Hauls	Number of hauls
	Tow/Soak Time	Total amount of time spent searching for targeted species
Traps	Mesh/Ring Size	Mesh size of crib
	Gear Quantity	Number of traps
	Gear Size	Length of leader (feet)
	Number of Hauls	number of sets lifted
	Tow/Soak Time	Average soak time per haul
Hand Rake	Mesh/Ring Size	Leave blank
	Gear Quantity	Leave blank
	Gear Size	Leave blank
	Number of Hauls	Leave blank
	Tow/Soak Time	Total time spent fishing

17. **Species Code**: Enter the code of each species caught. Use the codes found below in the **Species Code Table**. If other species were caught that are not provided in the table please call the Vessel Trip Reporting office at (978)281-9246 for guidance.

18. **Kept**:
- **Commercial & RSA/EFP Trips:** Enter the **hail weight (in pounds)** of each species in the KEPT column.
- **Party & Charter Trips:** Enter the **count** of each species in the KEPT column.

19. **Discarded**:
- **Commercial & RSA/EFP Trips:** Enter the **hail weight (in pounds)** of each species in the DISCARDED column.
- **Party & Charter Trips:** Enter the **count** of each species in the DISCARDED column.

20. **Dealer Permit Number**: Enter the NMFS Northeast Region permit number issued to each dealer purchasing your catch. If all species for the trip are sold to the same dealer, only enter the dealer number for the first species and draw a line down through the following DEALER PERMIT No. lines. Do not enter State or NMFS Southeast Region permit numbers.

If any portion of the catch of a species landed is not sold to a Federally permitted dealer, enter the appropriate code listed in the **Dealer Codes Table** below.

Dealer Codes Table

CODE	DEFINITION
1	Seized for violations
2	Sold to another vessel for bait or retained for bait
4	Retained for future sale
5	Sold to a non-Federal dealer (non-Federally regulated species only)
6	Sub legal catch landed for research
7	Legal catch landed for research (EFP trips only)
8	Landed, unmarketable catch (LUMF)
99998	Used for home consumption

21. **Dealer Name**: Enter the name of the dealer who purchased each species of your catch for this trip. If all species for the trip are sold to the same dealer, only enter the dealer name for the first species and draw a line down through the following DEALER NAME lines.

22. **Date Sold**: Enter the month, day and year that each species of your catch for this trip was sold or otherwise disposed of. If all species for the trip are sold on the same date, only enter the date sold for the first species and draw a line down through the following DATE SOLD lines.

23. **Offloading Port** : (Equivalent to Landing Port for Party\Charter vessels)
- **Commercial & RSA/EFP Trips:** Enter the city and state of the port where each species was physically offloaded. This includes all catch that is offloaded but not sold to a seafood dealer.
- **Party & Charter Trips***:* Enter the city and state of the port where the trip ended\landed.

24. **Operator Permit Number:** Print your NMFS Operator's Permit Number. This is the 8 digit number on the Operator's Permit issued by the NMFS/NERO Permit Office.

25. **Operator Name**: Print your name as it appears on your Operator's Permit.

26. **Operator Signature**: Signature of the vessel operator, Captain or person responsible for the truth and accuracy of the VTR.

27. **Date Signed:** The date the report was signed in MM/DD/YY format.

Species Codes Table

	Code	Species Name
GROUNDFISH	COD	COD
	CUSK	CUSK
	HADD	HADDOCK
	RHAK	HAKE, RED/LING
	SHAK	HAKE, SILVER/WHITING
	WHAK	HAKE, WHITE
	MONK	MONKFISH/ANGLERFISH/GOOSEFISH
	MONKL	MONK LIVERS
	MONKT	MONK TAILS
	POUT	OCEAN POUT
	POLL	POLLOCK
	RED	REDFISH/OCEAN PERCH
	CAT	WOLFISH/OCEAN CATFISH
FLOUNDERS	FLDAB	AMERICAN PLAICE/DAB
	FLFSP	FOURSPOT
	FLSD	SAND-DAB/WINDOWPANE/BRILL
	FLSOU	SOUTHERN
	FLUKE	SUMMER/FLUKE
	FLBB	WINTER/BLACKBACK
	FLGS	WITCH/GRAY SOLE
	FLYT	YELLOWTAIL
	HAL	HALIBUT, ATLANTIC
	HALG	HALIBUT, GREENLAND
OTHER FINFISH-NOTHERN	SAL	ATLANTIC SALMON
	BBR	BLACK BELLIED ROSEFISH
	BSB	BLACK SEA BASS
	CUN	CUNNER
	JDO	JOHN DORY
	LUMP	LUMPFISH
	PERW	PERCH, WHITE
	PUF	PUFFER, NORTHERN
	RPG	RED PORGY
	RSC	ROUGH SCAD
	SCUL	SCULPINS
	SCUP	SCUP/PORGY
	SRAV	SEA RAVEN
	SROB	SEA ROBINS
	SIL	SILVERSIDES, ATLANTIC
	SPOT	SPOT
	STB	STRIPED BASS/ROCKFISH
	STUR	STURGEON, ATLANTIC
	STSN	STURGEON, SHORT-NOSE
	TAU	TAUTOG
	TILEB	TILEFISH, BLUELINE
	TILEG	TILEFISH, GOLDEN
	TILES	TILEFISH, SAND
	TOAD	TOADFISH, OYSTER
	WHB	WHITING, BLACK

	Code	Species Name
PELAGICS	ALWF	ALEWIFE
	HERR	HERRING, ATLANTIC
	HRBB	HERRING, BLUE BACK
	MEN	MENHADEN
	ESC	ESCOLAR
	SMLT	SMELT
	BLU	BLUEFISH
	BON	BONITO
	BUT	BUTTERFISH
	HARV	HARVEST FISH
	MACK	MACKEREL, ATLANTIC
	MACC	MACKEREL, CHUB
	FRI	MACKEREL, FRIGATE/BOO HOO
	KGM	MACKEREL, KING
	SSM	MACKEREL, SPANISH
	SHAD	SHAD, AMERICAN
	SHDG	SHAD, GIZZARD
	SHDH	SHAD, HICKORY
	DOL	DOLPHIN FISH/MAHI MAHI
	BUM	MARLIN, BLUE
	WHM	MARLIN, WHITE
	SUN	OCEAN SUNFISH/ MOOLA
	SWO	SWORDFISH
	OPAH	OPAH/MOONFISH
SKATES	SKBARN	SKATE, BARNDOOR
	SKCL	SKATE, CLEARNOSE
	SKL	SKATE,LITTLE (SUMMER)
	SKLWIN	SKATE, LITTLE/WINNER
	SKROSE	SKATE, ROSETTE
	SKSM	SKATE, SMOOTH
	SKTHOR	SKATE, THORNY
	SKWIN	SKATE, WINTER
	SKATE	SKATE, UNCLASSIFIED
	SKBARNW	SKATE WINGS, BARNDOOR
	SKCLW	SKATE WINGS, CLEARNOSE
	SKLW	SKATE WINGS, LITTLE(SUMMER)
	SKLWINW	SKATE WINGS, LITTLE/WINTER
	SKROSEW	SKATE WINGS, ROSETTE
	SKSMW	SKATE WINGS, SMOOTH
	SKTHORW	SKATE WINGS, THORNY
	SKWINW	SKATE WINGS, WINTER
	SKATW	SKATE WINGS, UNCLASSIFIED
	SKSMALL	SMALL SKATES
	SKLARGE	LARGE SKATES

Species Codes Table (Continued...)

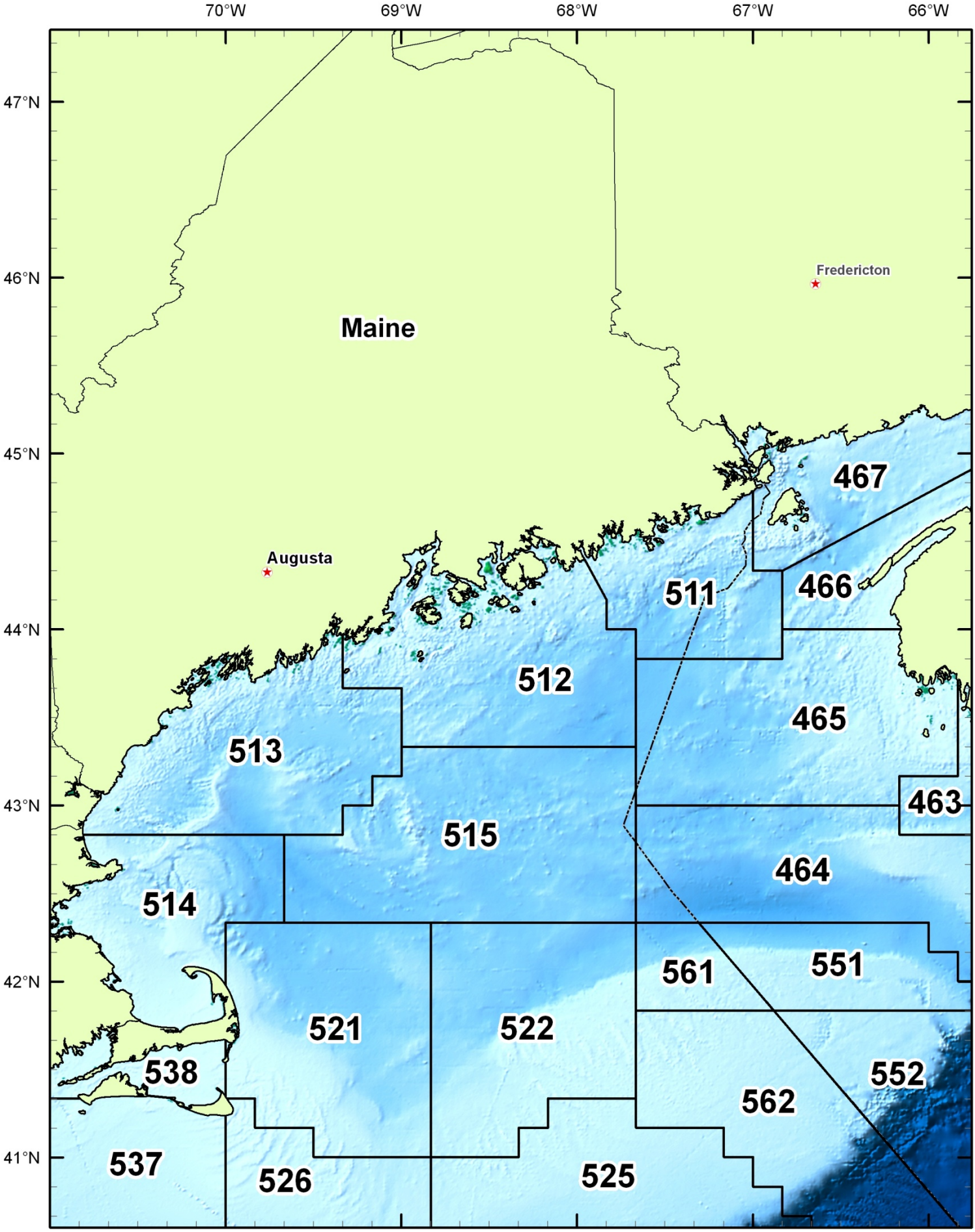
	Code	Species Name
OTHER	EELA	EEL, AMERICAN
	EELC	EEL, CONGER
	HAG	HAGFISH
OTHER FINFISH - SOUTHERN	BARRA	BARRACUDA
	RUNB	BLUE RUNNER
	COBIA	COBIA
	CREV	CREVALLE
	CRO	CROAKER, ATLANTIC
	DRUMB	DRUM, BLACK
	DRUMR	DRUM, RED
	GAR	GARFISH
	GRPSN	GROUPER, SNOWY
	GRPR	GROUPER, OTHER
	GRUNT	GRUNT
	HGF	HOGFISH
	LADY	LADYFISH
	MUL	MULLETS
	PERSA	PERCH, SAND
	PIG	PIGFISH
	POM	POMPANO, COMMON
	RIB	RIBBONFISH
	SHEEP	SHEEPSHEAD
	SNAPR	SNAPPER, RED
	SNAPV	SNAPPER, VERMILLION
	SNAP	SNAPPER, OTHER
	SPADE	SPADEFISH
	SQRF	SQUIRRELFISH
	TRIG	TRIGGERFISH
	WAH	WAHOO
	WKSQ	WEAKFISH/ SEA TROUT SQUETEAGUE
	WKSP	WEAKFISH/ SEA TROUT SPOTTED
	WHK	WHITING, KING/KINGFISH
TUNA	ALB	ALBACORE
	AMB	AMBERJACK
	BET	BIG EYE
	BLKFT	BLACKFIN
	BFT	BLUEFIN
	LTA	LITTLE
	SKJ	SKIPJACK
	YFT	YELLOWFIN

	Code	Species Name
SHELLFISH	CLA	CLAM, ARCTIC SURF
	CLR	CLAM, RAZOR
	CLSO	CLAM, SOFT
	CLSU	CLAM, SURF
	CLH	HARD QUAHOG
	CLQU	OCEAN QUAHOG
	CRB	CRAB, BLUE
	CRC	CRAB, CANCER
	CRG	CRAB, GREEN
	CRHS	CRAB, HORSESHOE
	CRJ	CRAB, JONAH
	CRQS	CRAB, QUEEN SNOW
	CRRD	CRAB, RED
	CRRK	CRAB, ROCK
	CRSP	CRAB, SPIDER
	LOB	LOBSTER, AMERICAN
	SHRM	SHRIMP (MANTIS)
	SHRP	SHRIMP (PANAEID)
	SHR	SHRIMP (PANDALID)
	SCAL	SCALLOP, SEA
	SCB	SCALLOP, BAY
	SCC	SCALLOP,CALICO
	SCI	SCALLOP,ICELANDIC
	WHKC	WHELK, CANNELED
	WHKN	WHELK, KNOBBED
	WHKL	WHELK/CONCH OTHER
	WHWV	WHELK, WAVED
	MUS	MUSSELS
	OYS	OYSTERS
INVERTEBRATES	JLY	JELLY FISH
	OCT	OCTOPUS
	CUC	SEA CUCUMBERS
	URCH	SEA URCHINS
	ILX	SQUID/ILLEX
	LOL	SQUID/LOLIGO
	STAR	STARFISH

Species Codes Table (Continued...)

	Code	Species Name
SHARKS	DGCH	DOGFISH, CHAIN
	DGSM	DOGFISH, SMOOTH
	DGSP	DOGFISH, SPINY
	SHBA	SHARK, BASKING
	SHBN	SHARK,BIGNOSE
	SHBT	SHARK, BLACKTIP
	SHBL	SHARK,BLUE
	SHBU	SHARK,BULL
	SHDU	SHARK,DUSKY
	SHHA	SHARK,HAMMERHEAD
	SHLE	SHARK,LEMON
	SHML	SHARK,MAKO, LONGFIN
	SHMS	SHARK,MAKOM SHORTFIN
	SHNI	SHARK,NIGHT
	SHNU	SHARK,NURSE
	SHPB	SHARK,PORBEAGLE
	SHST	SHARK,SAND TIGER
	SHSB	SHARK,SANDBAR
	SHSN	SHARK,SHARPNOSE
	SHSI	SHARK,SILKY
	SHSP	SHARK,SPINNER
	SHTH	SHARK,THRESHER
	SHTB	SHARK,THRESHER, BIGEYE
	SHTI	SHARK,TIGER
	SHWH	SHARK,WHITE
	SHWT	SHARK, WHITETIP

	Code	Species Name
TURTLES	GRTU	GREEN
	HATU	HAWKSBILL
	RITU	KEEMPS RIDLEY
	LETU	LEATHERBACK
	LOTU	LOGGERHEAD
	UNTU	UNIDENTIFIED



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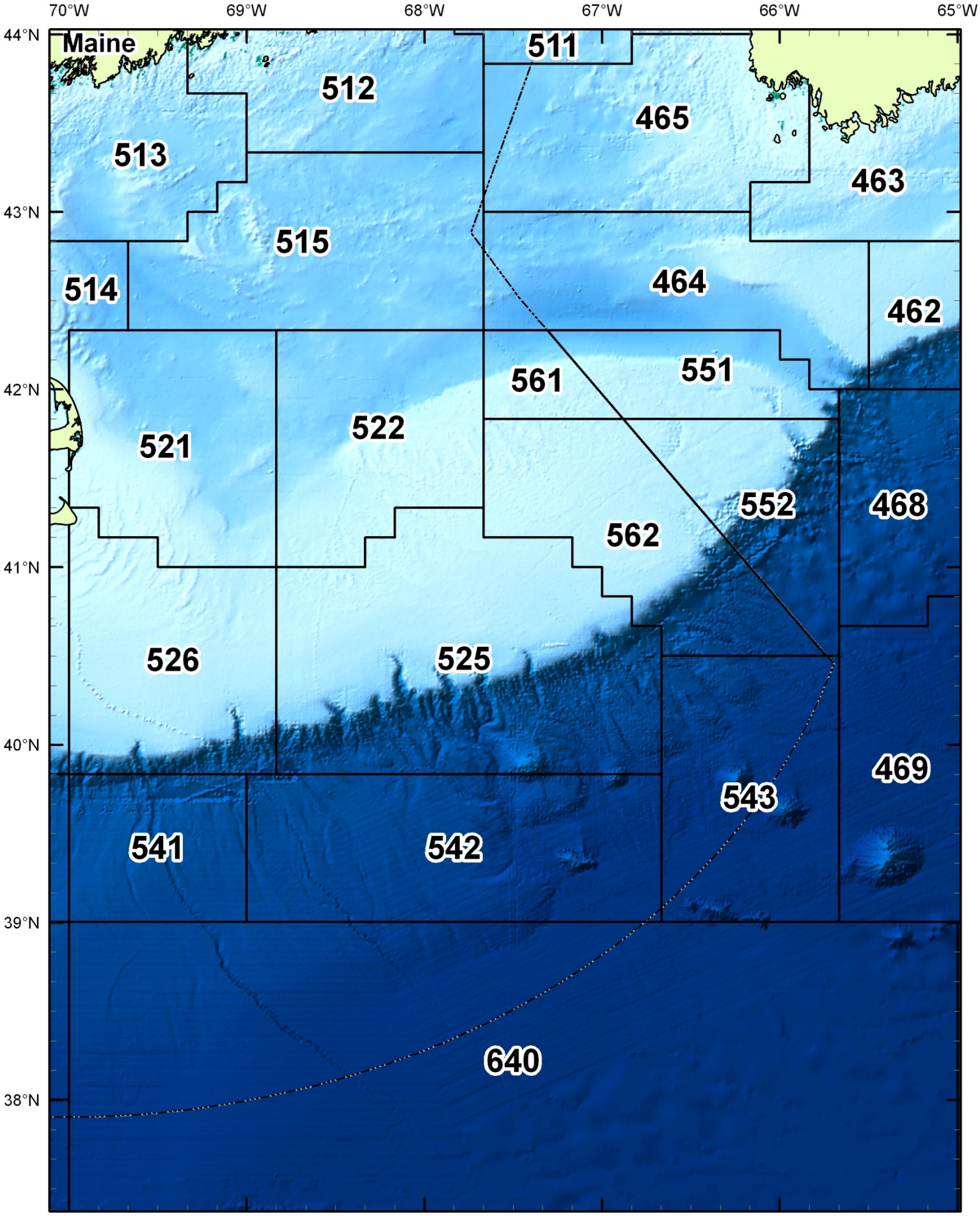

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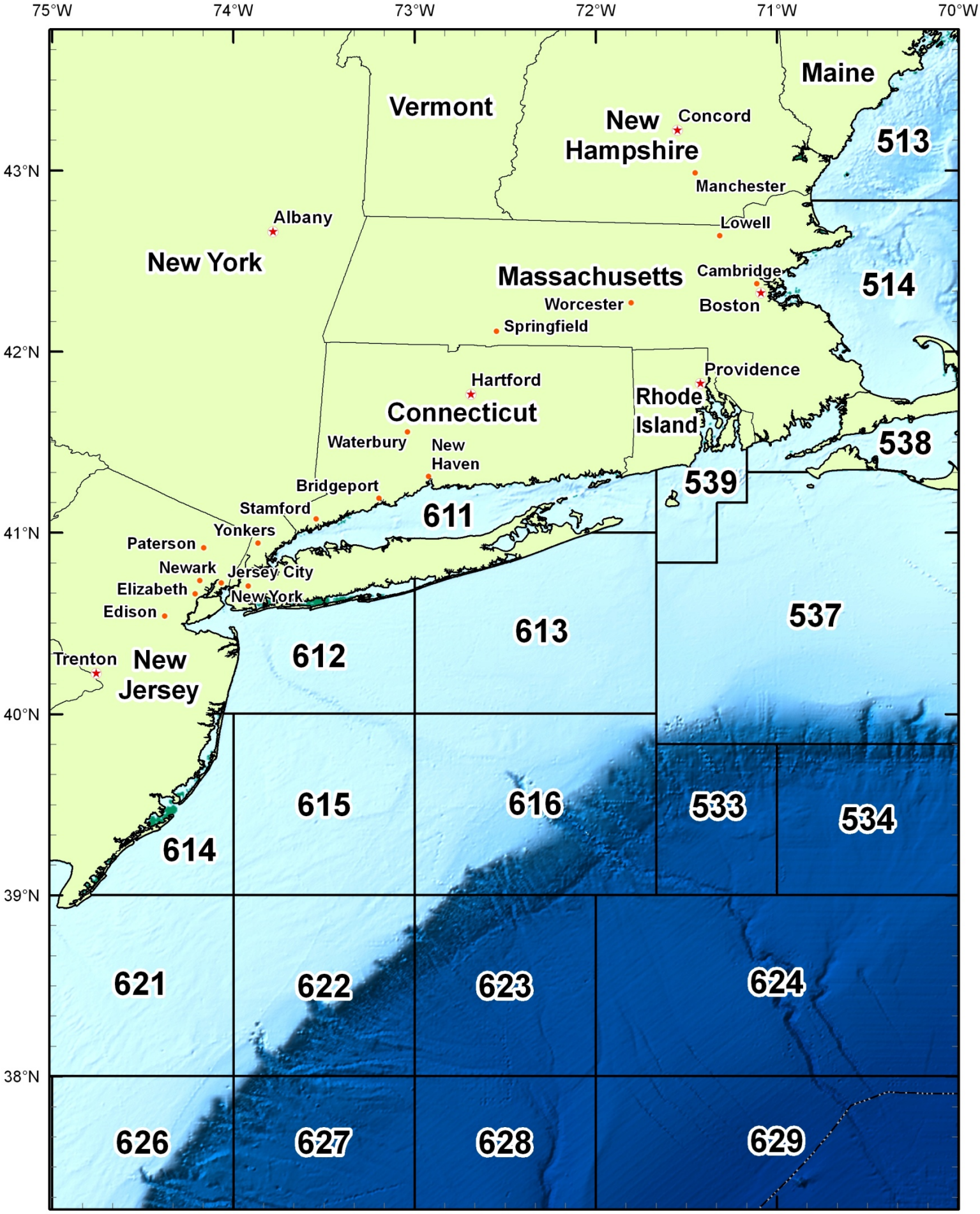

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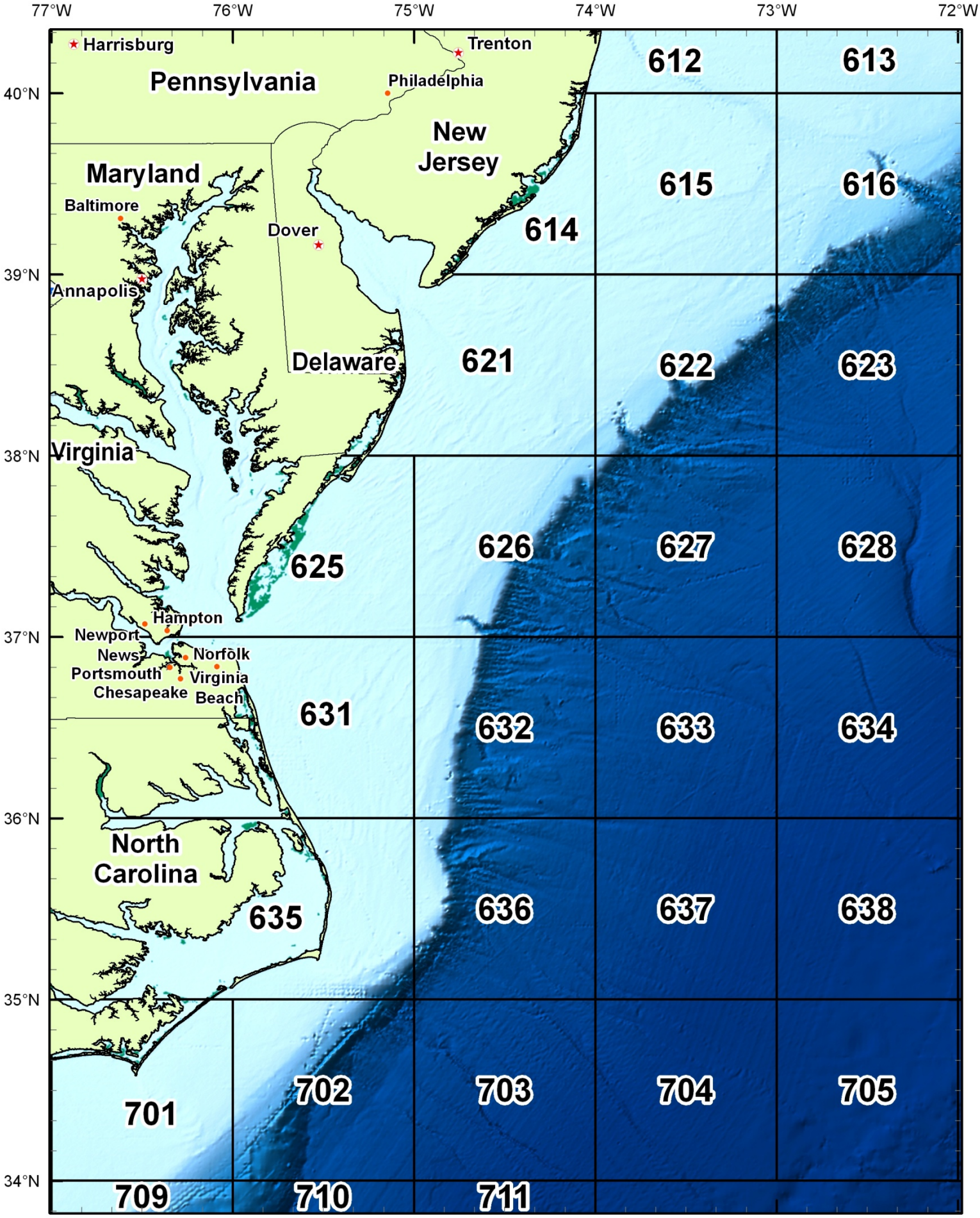

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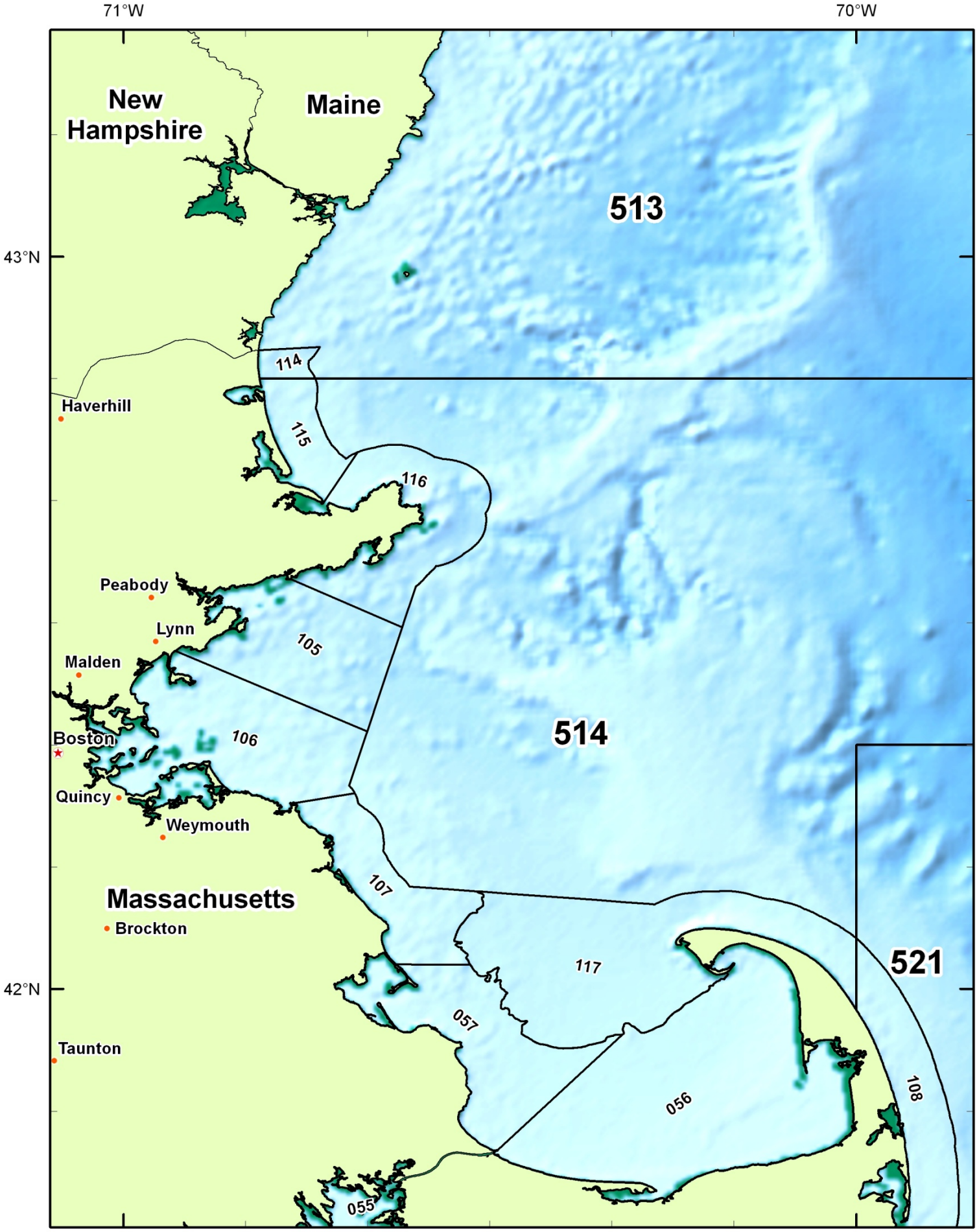

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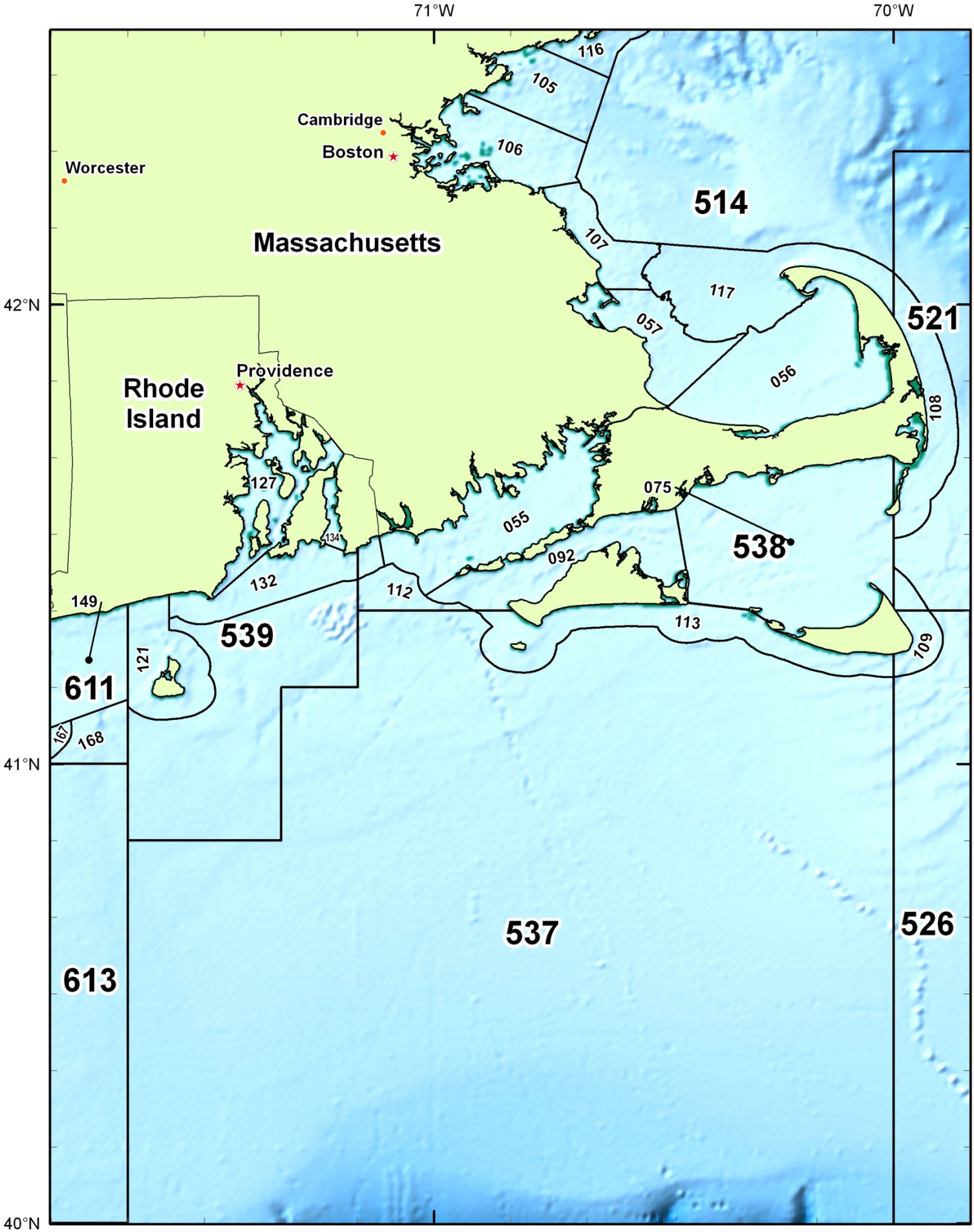

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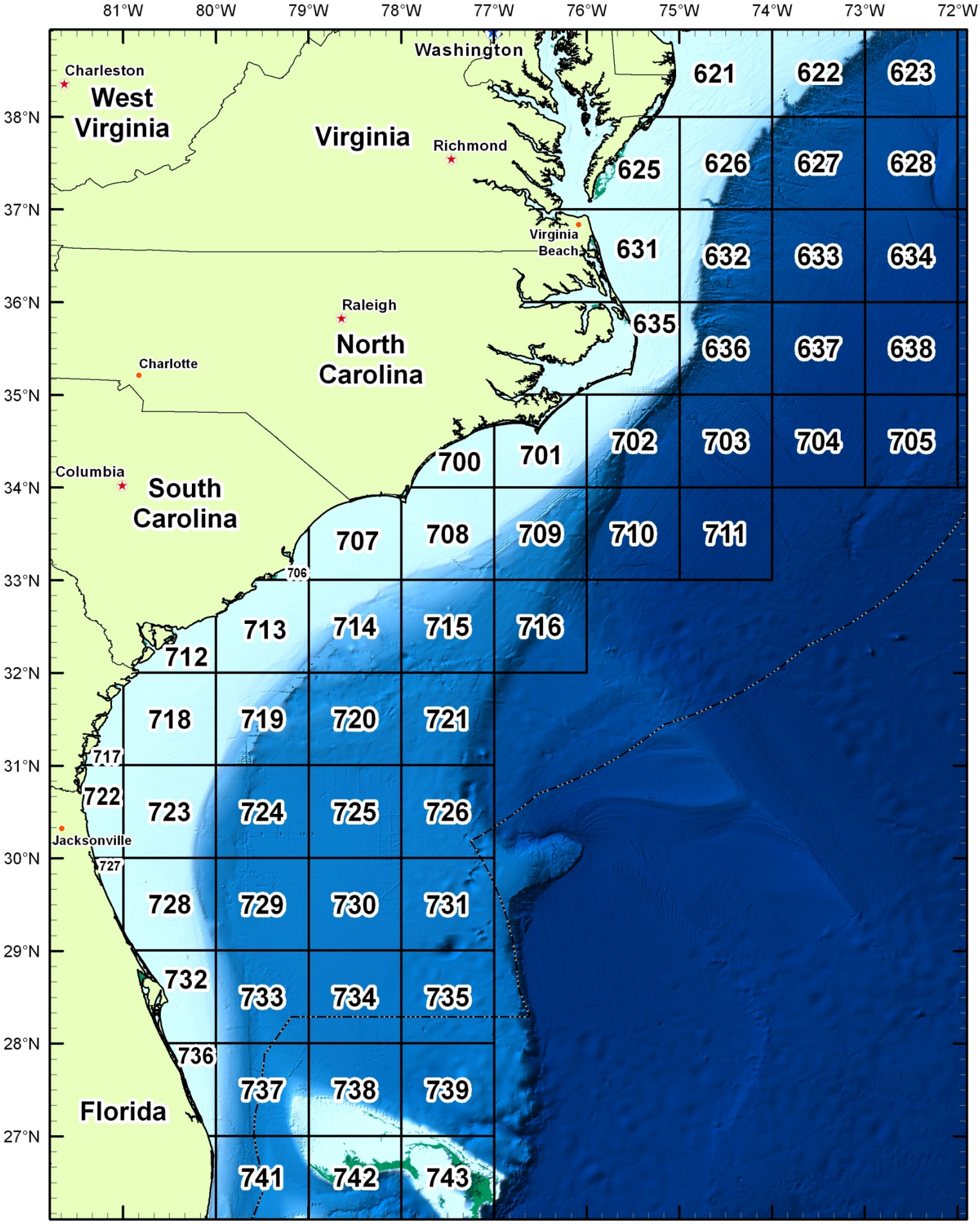

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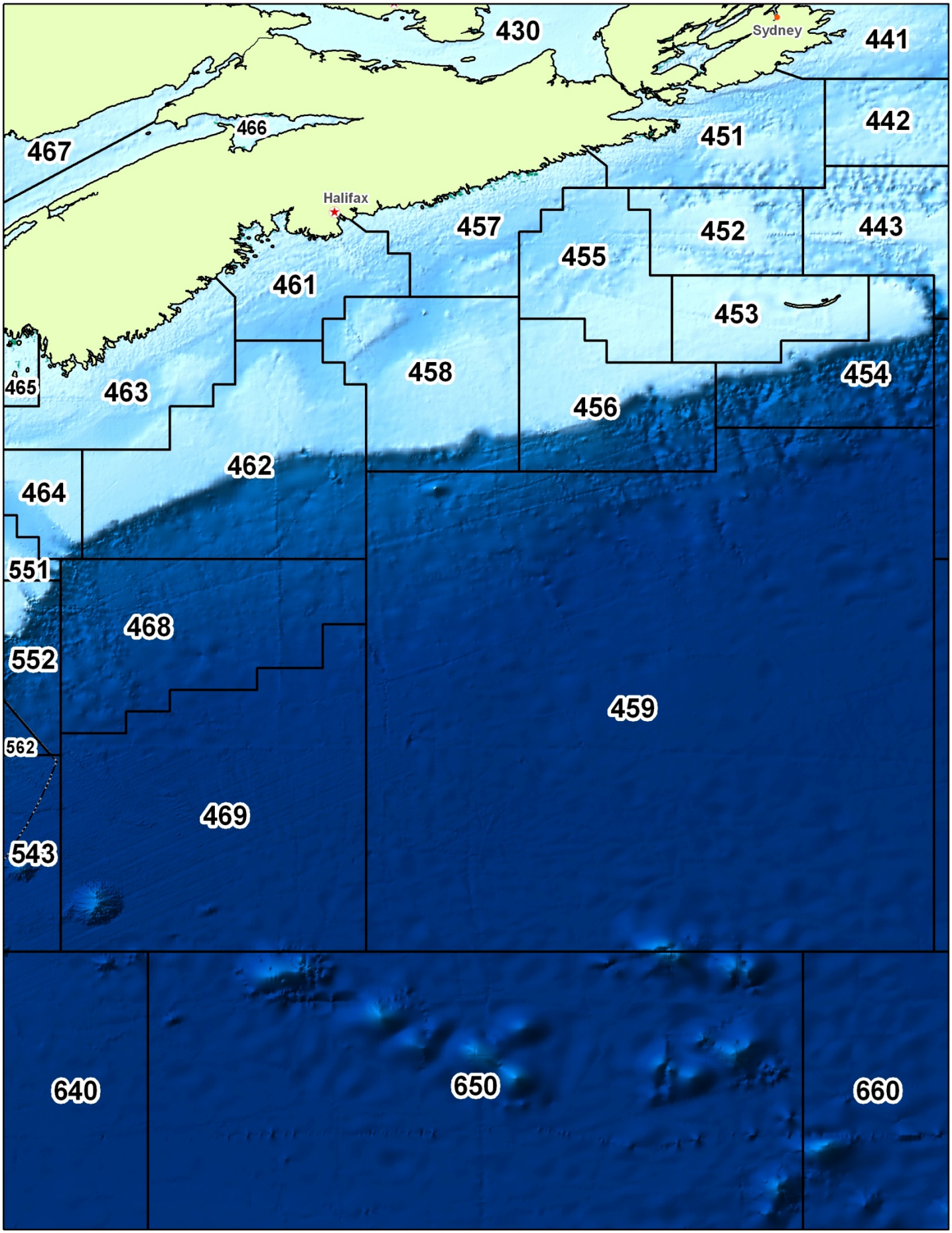

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