Slough Modification Overview

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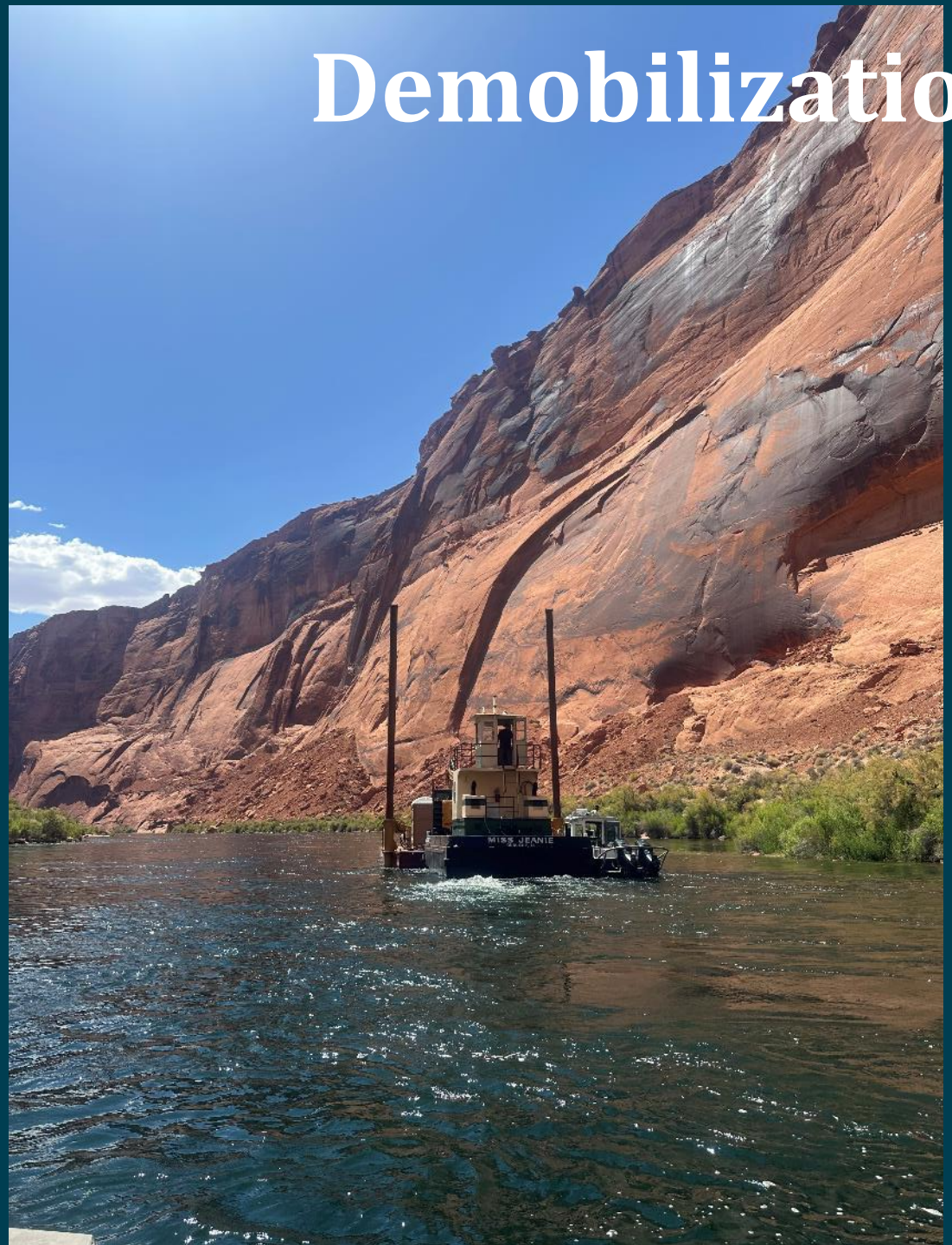
Demobilization May 31/June 1



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Completed project

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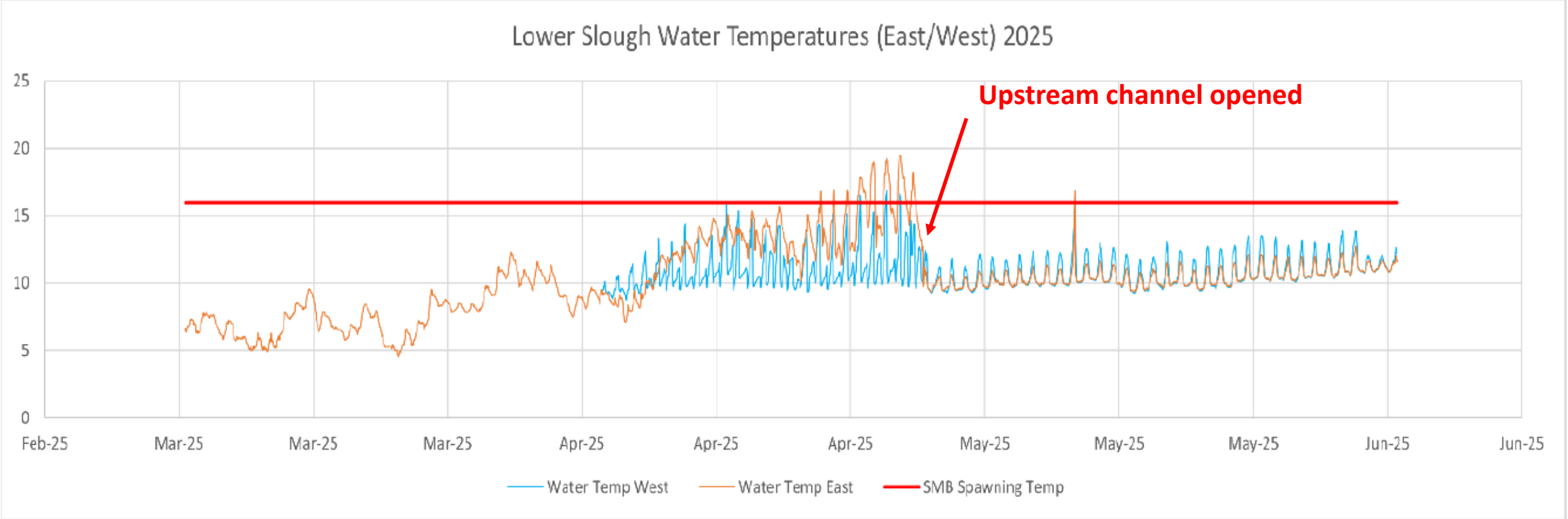
Slough water temps, NPS



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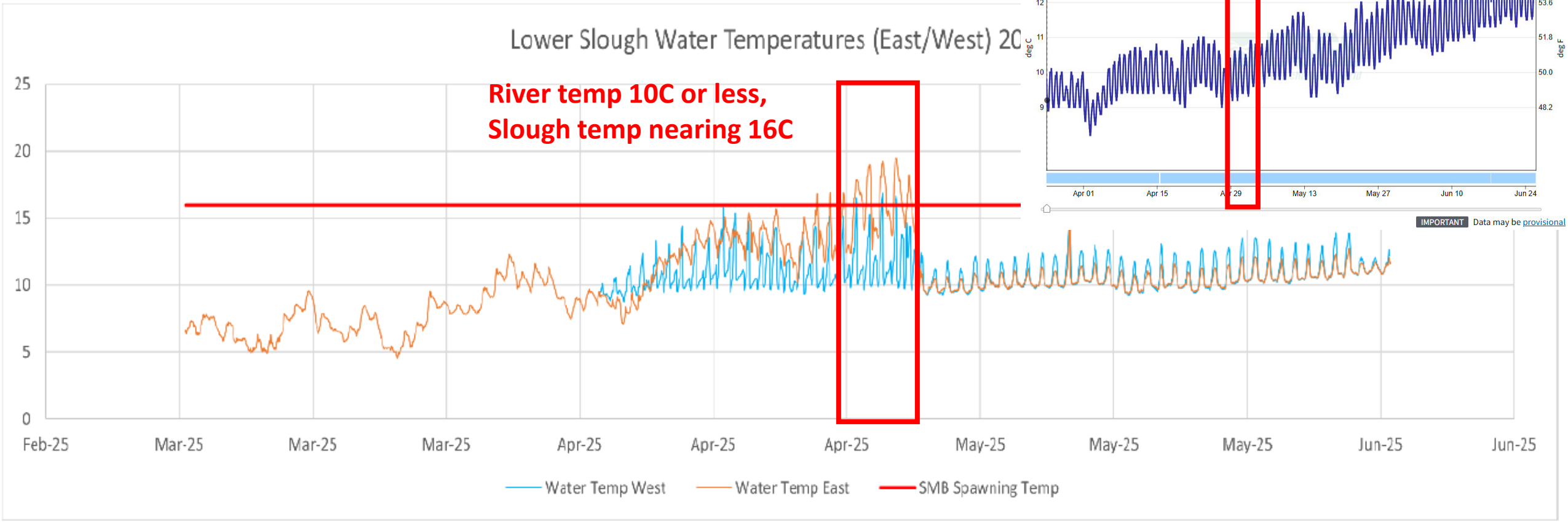
Water temps, NPS & USGS



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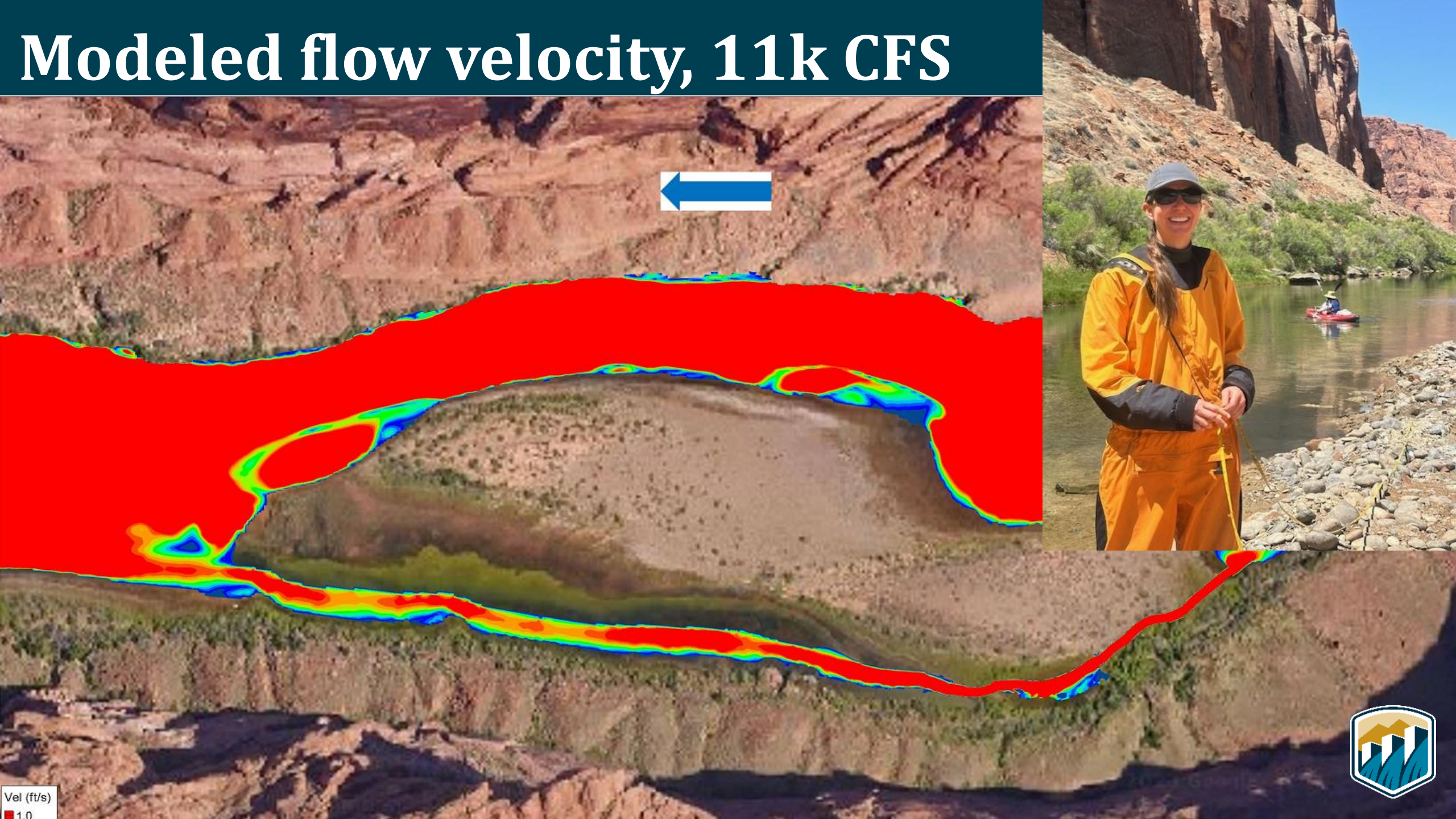
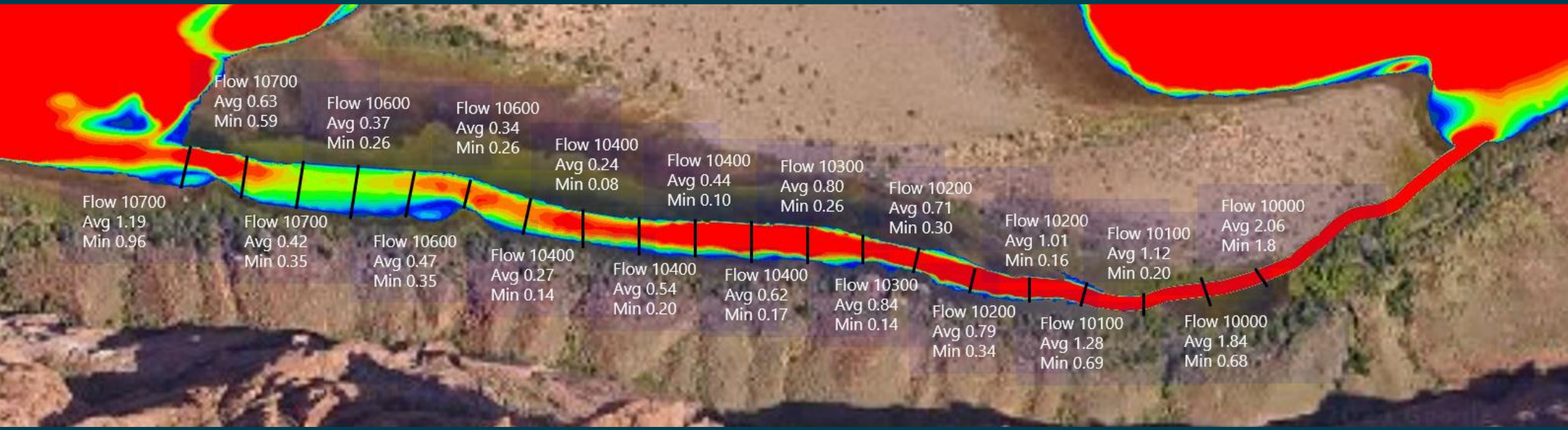
Modeled flow velocity, 11k CFS

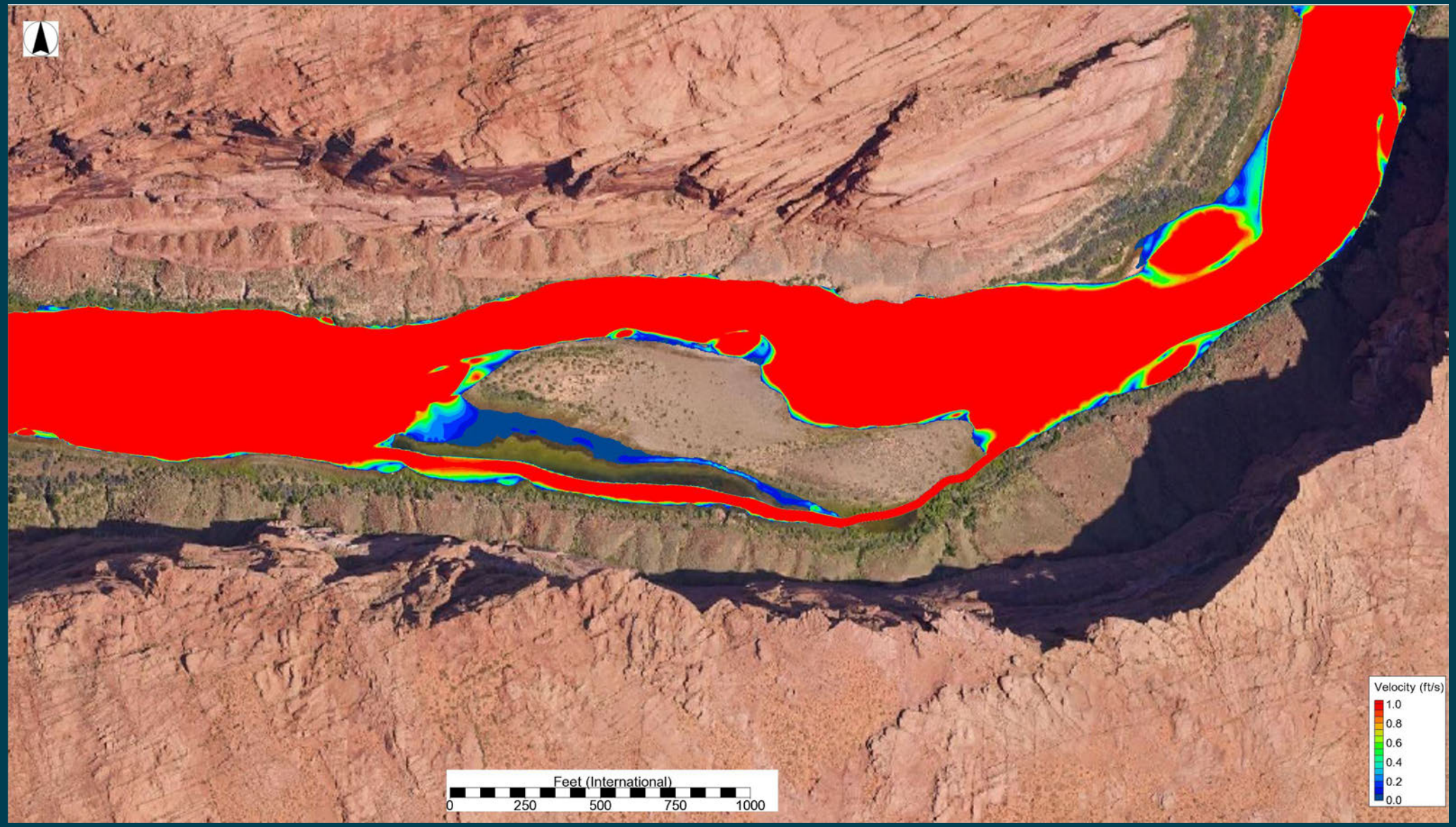


Measured Velocities 5/28/25
Modeled Discharge of 11,000 cfs
Realized Discharge (estimated)
10,000-10,700 CFS

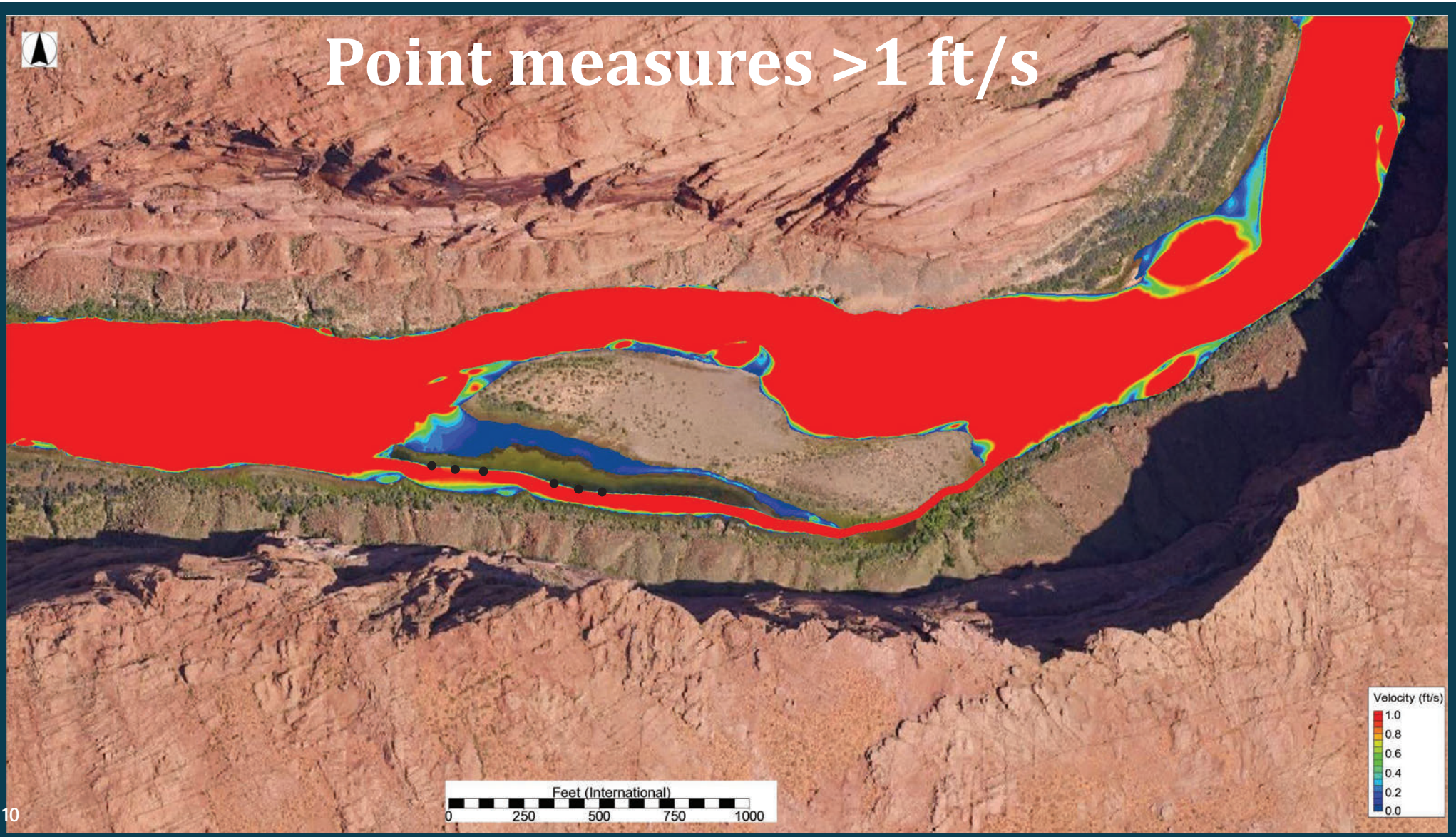
Flow in CFS, Avg and Min velocity in feet/sec.



Modeled flow, 15k CFS



Point measures >1 ft/s



Velocities at higher flows

- Drifted through the channel around 13-14k CFS
- Boat traveled at greater than 1ft/s for the whole area (estimated)
- Benthic algae showed flow effects
- Smaller (absent?) eddies and still areas

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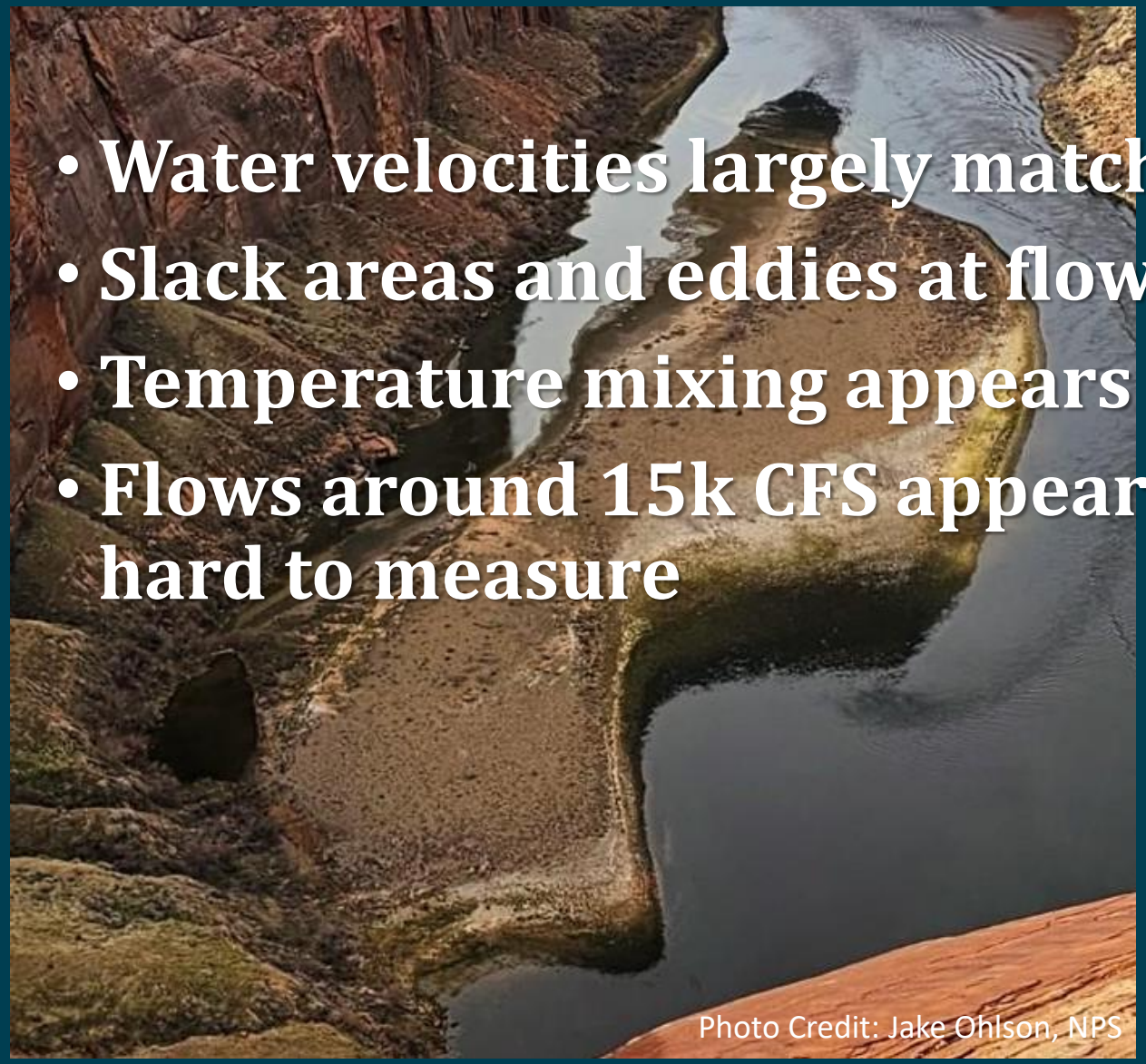
Low velocity/1-2m depth, 11k CFS

Inundated bar, 15k CFS

Conclusions

- Water velocities largely matching modeled velocities
- Slack areas and eddies at flows below 11k
- Temperature mixing appears effective regardless of flow
- Flows around 15k CFS appear much faster but will be hard to measure



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