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An Industry in Transition:  
Emerging Challenges for Deepwater  
Oil Transportation in the Gulf of Mexico

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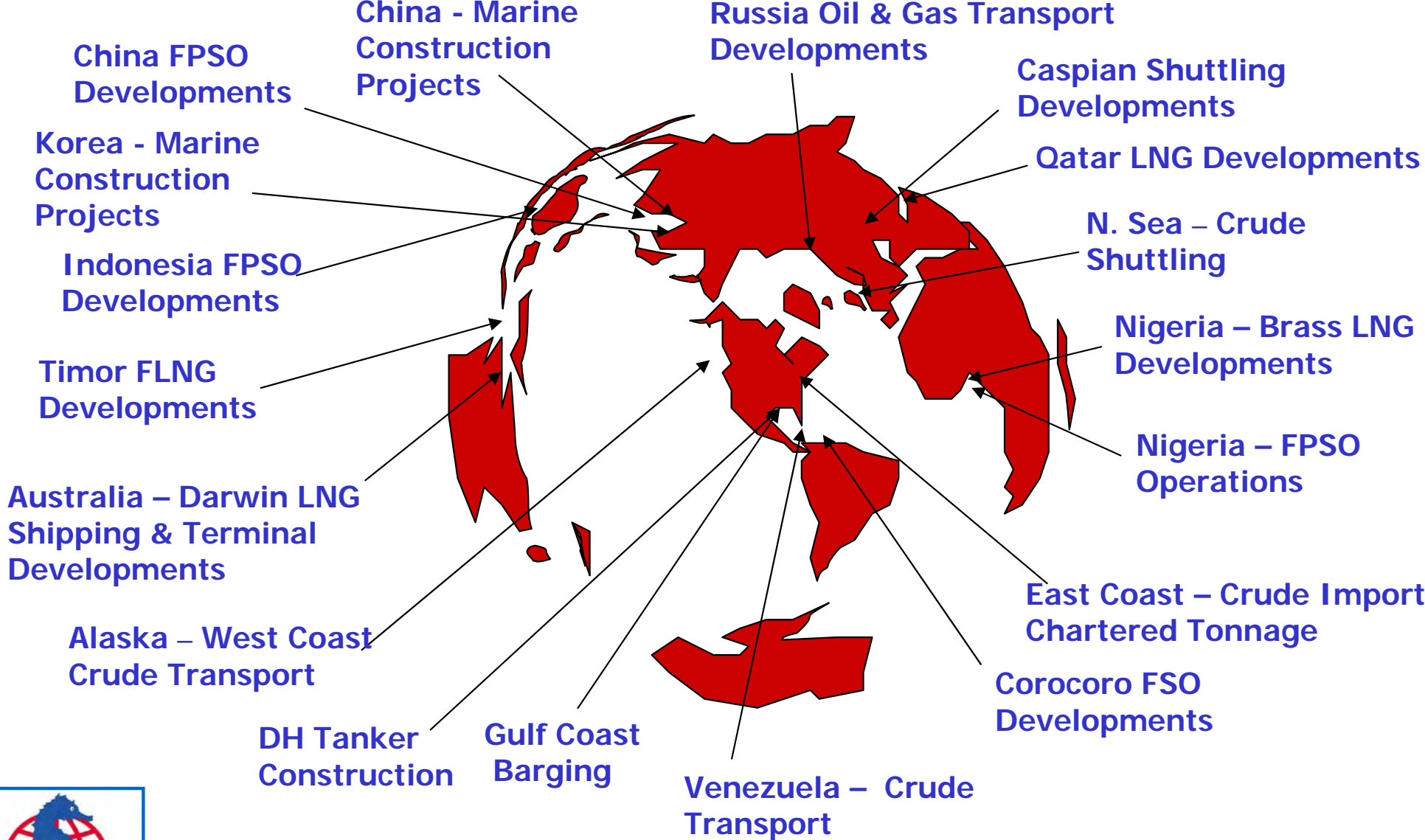
# Postmerger ConocoPhillips Marine



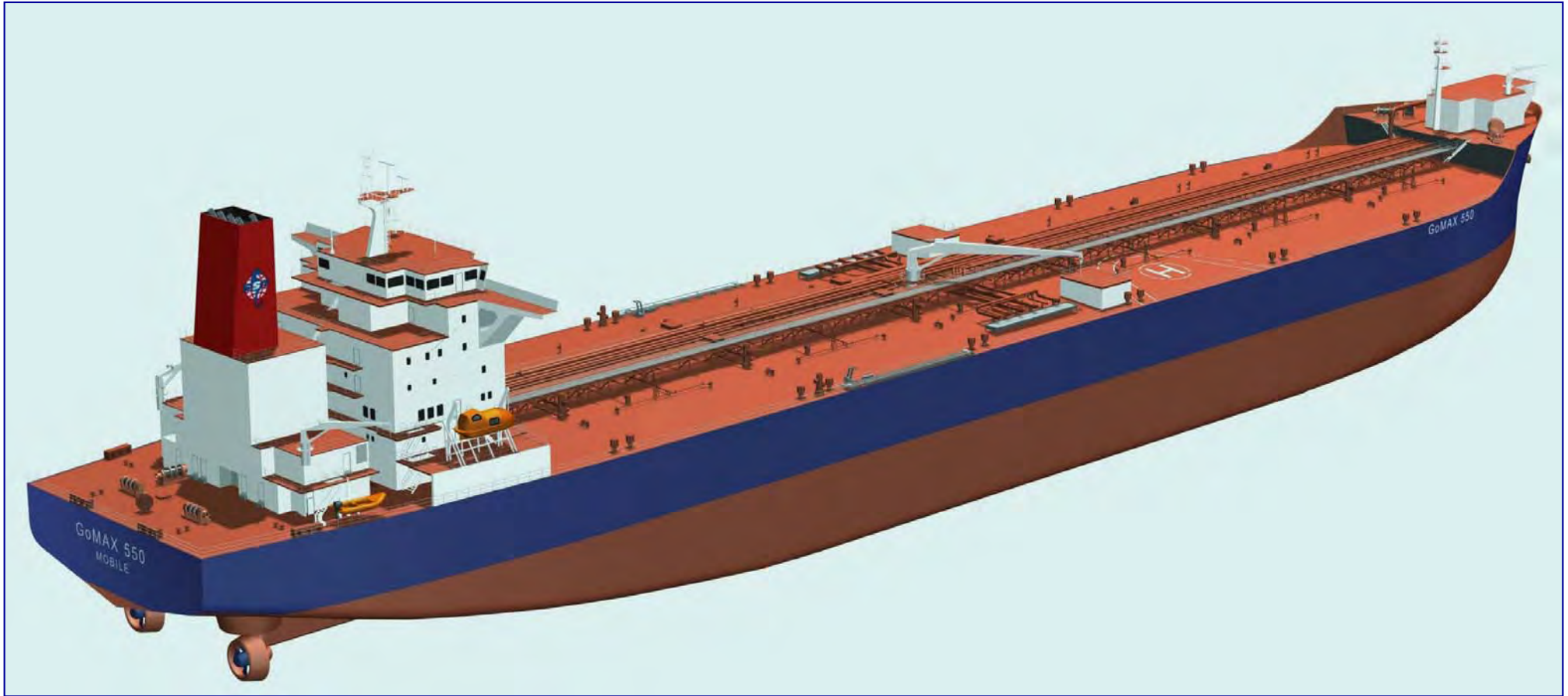
- >85% of all CoP crude oil supply delivered by ship
- 2 million bbls of crude delivered per day
- 16 million bbls afloat at any time.
- Crude Tankers
- Shuttle Tankers
- Gas Carriers
- Drillships
- FPSOs
- Towboats
- Barges



# ConocoPhillips Global Marine Activities



# Seahorse Shuttling and Technology

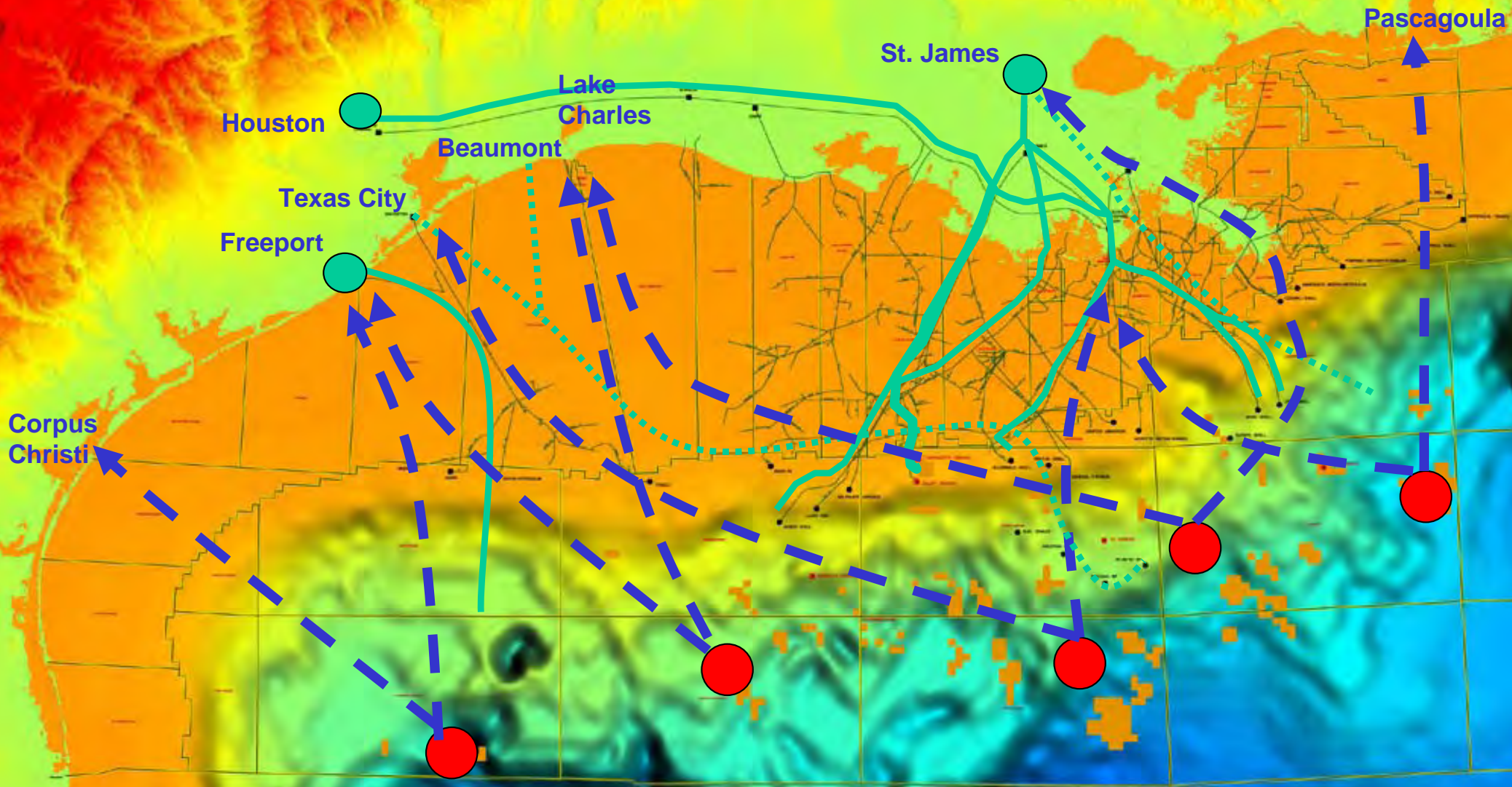


**Seahorse GoMAX 550 Shuttle Tanker**





# Shuttling Value Proposition



**Delivering Deepwater Crude Oil safely, reliably and economically throughout the Gulf of Mexico**



# Shuttling Value Proposition

## Producer Benefits

- As an Enabler
  - Technically Stranded Reserves
    - Location: Water Depth, Seafloor Gradient, Distance from Pipelines
- As a Cost Competitor - Higher Field NPV, IRR & PI
  - Value Preservation
    - Lower tariff than deepwater pipeline alternative?
  - Value Creation
    - Higher revenue from marketing flexibility
      - Location differential pricing (discharge port flexibility)
      - Crude quality premium (cargo segregation)
    - Earlier cash flow
      - Pipeline capacity availability?
      - Shorter lead time for FPSO / Shuttle than TLP / Pipeline?



# Shuttling View in October 2000

- Conoco's GB783 Magnolia discovery, ~4700 ft WD
  - Development scenarios include FPSO & shuttle tankers
- BP, BHP & Unocal's GC 826 Mad Dog, ~6,500 ft WD
- Significant Conoco/Industry exploration in >5,000 ft WD
  - S Green Canyon, Walker Ridge, Keathley & Alaminos Canyons
- Forecast 18 BBOE deepwater GoM discoveries from 2000-2010
- Forecast 10 FPSOs in Deepwater GoM by 2010
- Estimated 2012 GoM production peak of 2.5 MMBOPD:
  - 1.5 MMBbl via pipelines, filling existing trunklines
  - 1.0 MMBbl via ten shuttle fleet to Gulf Coast ports
- Only HOOPS oil pipeline extends to ~5,000 ft WD



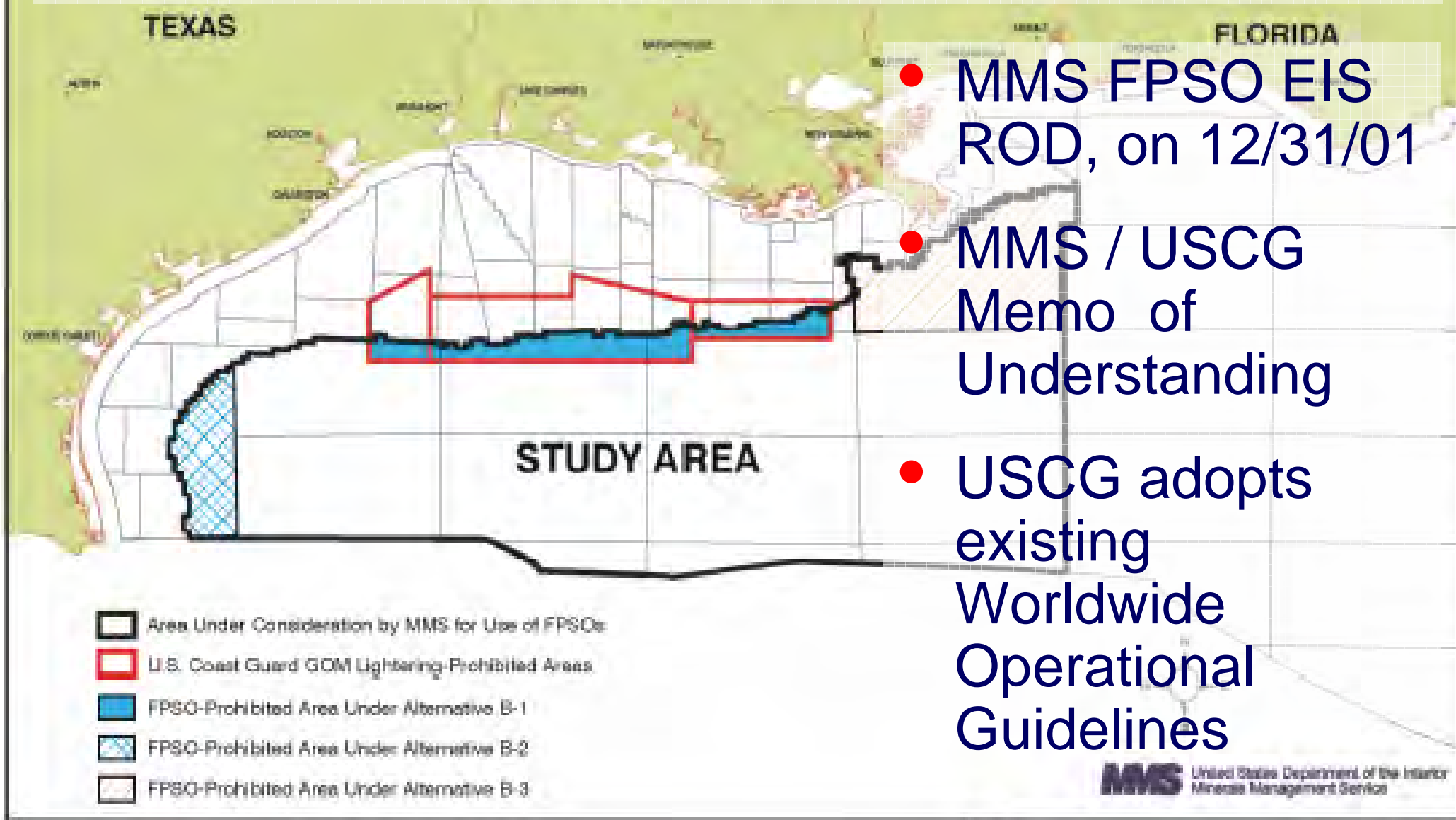


# Shuttling Issues - October 2000

- MMS Evaluating FPSOs and Shuttling in GoM
  - FPSO Environmental Impact Statement Pending
- FPSOs
  - USCG / MMS Jurisdiction (Hulls and Topsides)
  - General Rules and Guidelines for operations
  - Manning requirements (Foreign or US Nationals)
- Jones Act Compliance for GoM Shuttle Tankers
  - US Shipyards, capability and vessel cost
    - Ship shape vs. ATB
  - US Crew availability and training



# FPSO & Shuttling Regulatory Progress



- MMS FPSO EIS ROD, on 12/31/01
- MMS / USCG Memo of Understanding
- USCG adopts existing Worldwide Operational Guidelines



Figure 2-1 LIGHTERING-PROHIBITED AREAS IN THE GULF OF MEXICO

# JAC Shuttle Build Solution

## Conoco / Samsung / Alabama Alliance



- US Owner and Operator
- Fit for Purpose Design
- Simplified Hull Form
- Modular Design for Vessel Assembly
- Proven Primary Vendor Alliance



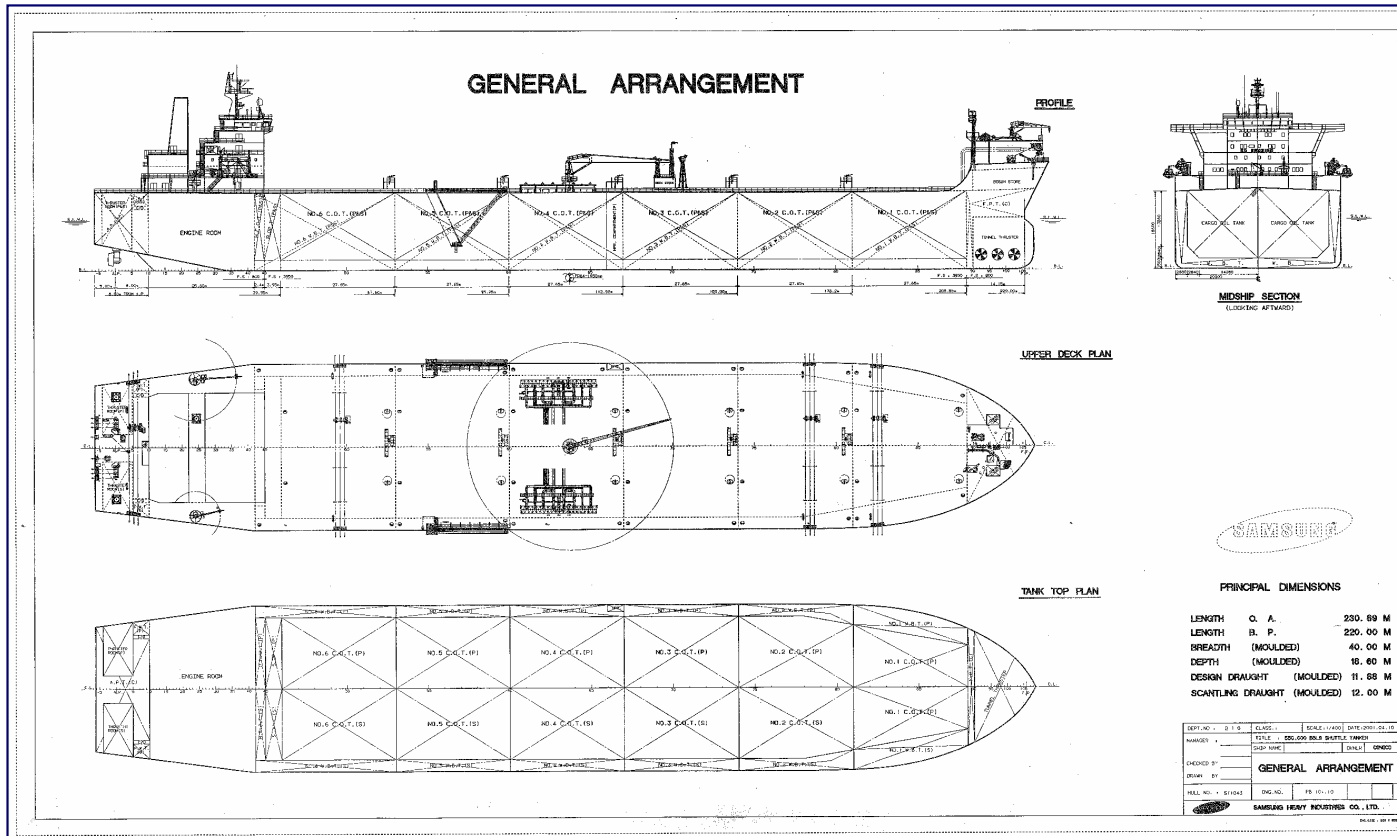
- High Efficiency Shipbuilding
- ABS/USCG/ACP Approved Design
- Total Material Procurement Package
- Pre-commissioned Engineering modules
- Personnel Exchange with Alabama



- US Shipyard
- Hull Construction
- Vessel Assembly



# Principle Particulars - GoMax 550 Shuttle



Draft operating ~38.5 ft  
 Cargo Capacity 547,000 bbls  
 Service Speed 13.5 knots  
 Propulsion Power 2x6500 kw  
 Bow Thrusters 3x2000 kw

Length O.A. 758 ft  
 Beam 131 ft  
 Depth 61 ft



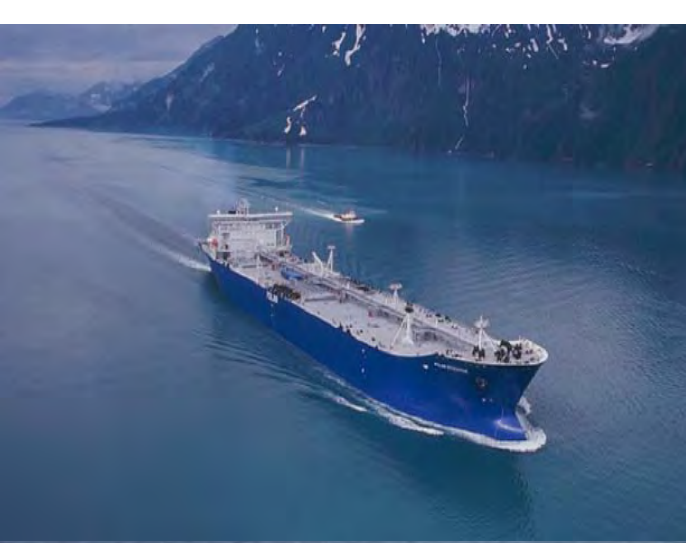


# Production Schedule and Fleet Capacity

- Alabama Shipyard capacity - 2 tankers per year
- SST tanker delivery schedule and fleet capacity:

<u>Vessel #</u>	<u>~Fleet Capacity</u>
	(bopd)
1st vessel, Q1 2006	125,000
2nd vessel, Q3 2006	250,000
3rd vessel, Q1 2007	375,000
4th vessel, Q3 2007	500,000





**US Ship Building & Operations**

**ConocoPhillips**

# Shuttling Issues - October 2003

- **CoP selected TLP & pipeline offtake for Magnolia Field**
- **Pipeline selected for SE Green Canyon discoveries**
- **No FPSOs proposed yet for deepwater GoM fields**
  - Impact of oil storage requirement and cost to make shuttling work:
    - FSO vessel or Direct Shuttle Loading and dedicated tankers
- **Lower volumes than anticipated available for shuttling**
  - Few fields identified as shuttle candidates
    - Field numbers, size, peak rates and decline rates suboptimal
    - Need for guaranteed shuttle offtake
      - Low vessel utilization rates
  - ⇒ No benefit from “fleet economies”
  - ⇒ Difficult to “Start-up” GoM Shuttling as a transportation business





# Magnolia DVA Drivers

- Reserves distributed over multiple horizons
- Reservoir continuity thought to be an issue
- Fluid properties not conducive to a long subsea tieback
- Future rig intervention required. Therefore...

FPSO Eliminated as Primary  
Development Option





# Shuttling Issues – October 2003

- Reservoir conditions favor “Dry Tree” solutions
- Pipeliners much more competitive than expected
  - No additional storage component for SPARS and TLPs
  - Willing to lay to deepwater fields at tariff rates competitive with fleet shuttling rates
  - Willing to take significant risks on future tieback volumes
- Oil pipelines under construction to >6,000 ft WD
  - Oil Trunkline capacity increases by >1.25MBOPD
- Cameron Highway - Cross GoM pipeline
  - Connection to Cameron Highway permits capture of differential location benefits



# Dry Trees with an FSO



- Full production TLP or Spar
- Export of Oil through midwater flowlines to FSO
- Gas export by pipeline

- FSO moored remote from TLP
- Offtake by shuttle tankers



# Dry Trees with Direct Shuttle Loading



- Full production TLP or Spar
- Volumes >150Mbopd
- Export of Oil via HiLoad direct to Shuttle Tankers
- Gas export by pipeline

- Offtake by direct load shuttle tankers



# Dry Trees with some Production Facilities on FpSO

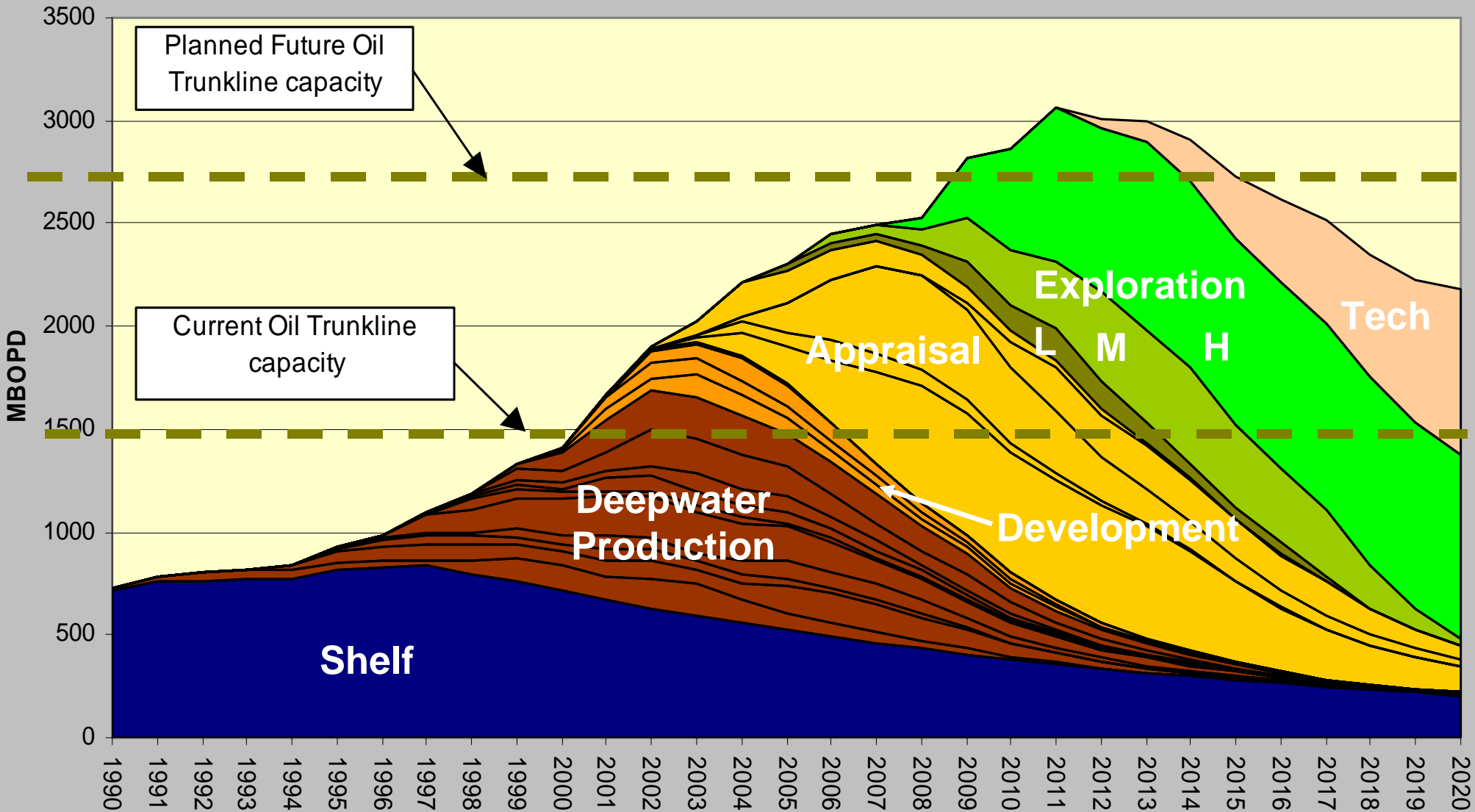


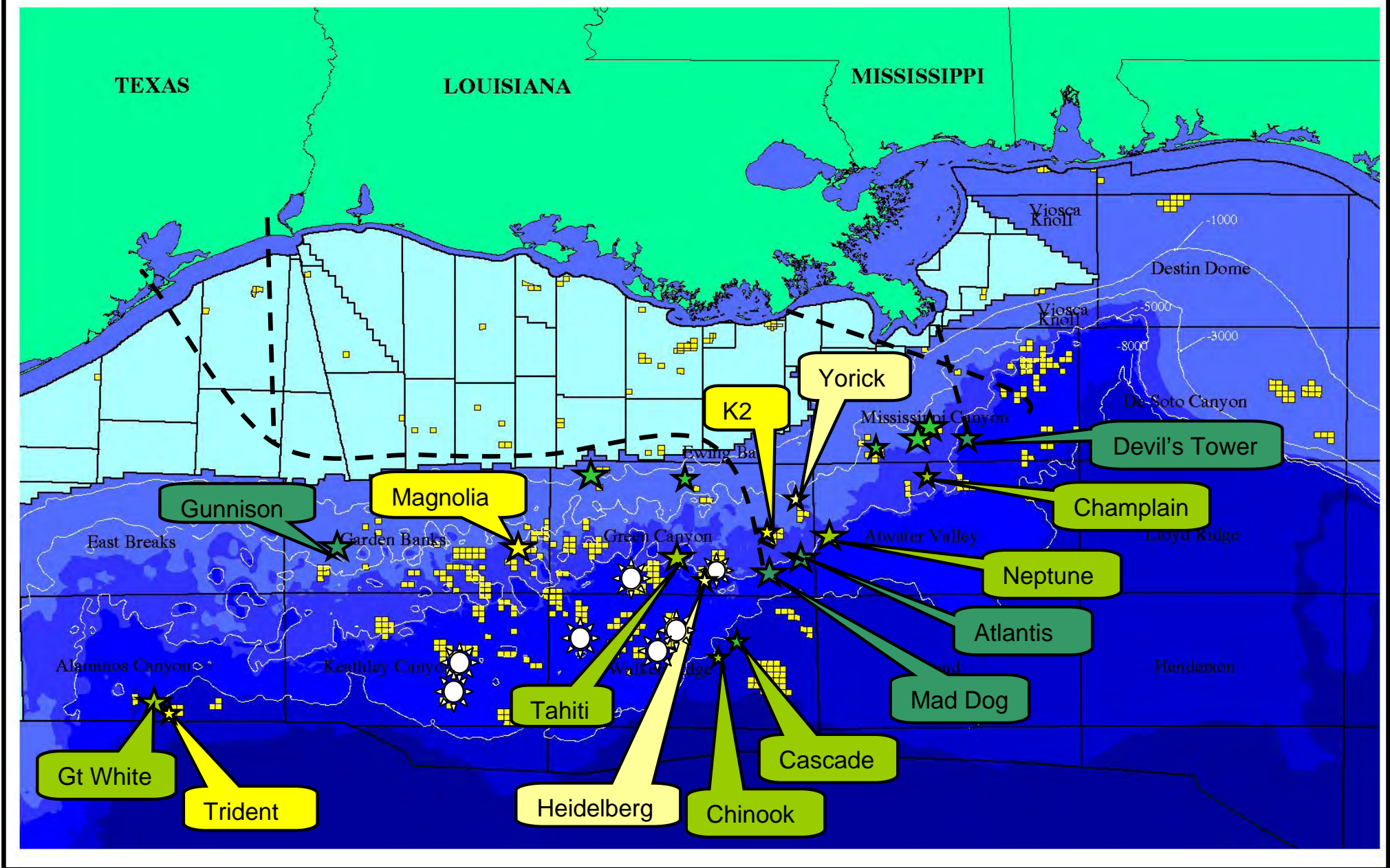
- Mini TLP wellhead platform
- First Stage separation
- Gas Export by Pipeline
- Non stabilized crude export to FpSO by midwater flowlines
- FpSO moored close by or coupled
- Second stage separation
- Oil Storage 5-10 days
- Shuttle Tanker Offtake





# Deepwater GoM Production Forecast (Q2 2002)





## Key Industry & ConocoPhillips Deepwater Activity



# ConocoPhillips & Seahorse

## Path Forward for Shuttling

- **CoP still believes shuttling can be a cost effective mode of deepwater oil transportation for GoM**
  - Have developed JAC shipbuilding solution & DSL capability
  - Have experience in US ship operations and access to trained US Mariners
- **Consider shuttling to be an enabling tool for our own deepwater developments**
  - CoP has not yet discovered commercially viable reserves in GoM deepwater that lend themselves to shuttling
- **CoP not now considering shuttling as 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Business**



However, will work with potential partners with applications for shuttling sooner than our own developments.