









▲ WERA linear antenna array at a public beach on Key Biscayne, USA

WERA combines all information for modern Coastal Management; Measurements with high spatial and temporal resolution of Surface Currents, Wind Direction and Wave Parameters. Over the horizon Ship Tracking is under development.

Range of operation:

CURRENT

More than 200 km Range resolution as fine as 250 m Temporal resolution 3 to 10 min

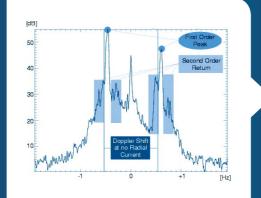
WAVES

Significant waveheight and directional spectra up to 100 km WIND

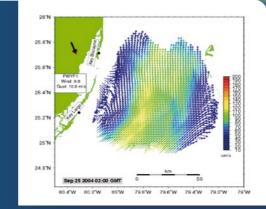
Direction up to 200 km Wind speed (under investigation)

SHIP TRACKING

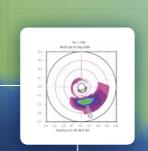
Up to 200 km (under investigation)



▲ Doppler spectrum

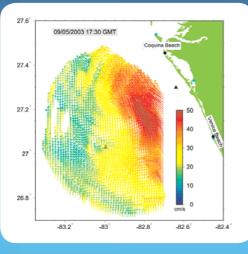


▲ Surface current image during the passage of Hurricane Jeanne, September 2004*



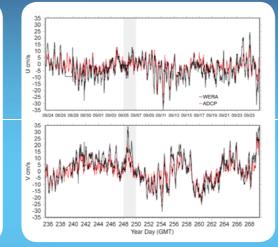
Directional wave spectra can be generated up to half of the maximum range. Time series of current, wind and wave data can be extracted and archived at each grid point as well.

RELIABLE



The robust shore based system delivers reliable data even under extreme weather and very dynamic ocean current conditions.

This surface current image was taken during the passage of Tropical Storm Henri on the 5th of September 2003.*



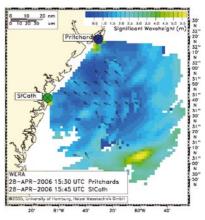
HIGH QUALITY

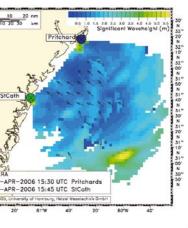
Time series comparison of the surface currents (WERA data in black) and sub-surface currents measured with an ADCP current meter during the experiment at the west coast of Florida.

The grey hatched area depicts the time when Tropical Storm Henri passed north of the HF-

**ADCP data kindly provided by Prof. Bob Weisberg

OCEAN DATA





Maps of Significant Wave Height are available for each grid point within half of the radar range. This wave map was taken at the east coast of South Carolina and

Georgia.***

This current map was generated with a pair of 16 channel, 16 MHz WERA systems providing a temporal resolution of 10 minute

COASTAL MANAGEMENT

By monitoring with the highest temporal resolution for various applications:

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▲ WERA Rack ▲ Screenshot of WERA Control Center

Search & Rescue Operations can narrow down the search radius for overboard persons or material.

Port authorities can use the data to improve vessel traffic services.

- Scientists can use the complex current and wave maps for their research.
- Met-offices benefit from WERA real-time data for forecasts.
- Fishing Industry can optimise their operational area.
- Environmental Protection benefits from this information in case of oil spills or lost containers.
- Data can be used for planning of Off-shore installations like windfarms or oil rigs.
- Homeland Security is given a powerful tool to detect vessels beyond the horizon up to 200 km.
- Tourism Industry can be supplied with information for yachting & recreation divers.





Features:

- Flexible system (5 to 50 MHz) easily configured for long ranges (more than 200 km @ 5 MHz) or short range applications with highest spatial resolution (250 m)
- High temporal resolution 30 s for ship tracking 3 min for currents 10 min for waves
- Safe and low noise operation mode: Low and non-harmful RF-power (7.5 Watts per transmit antenna). Almost no interference with other radio band users due to FMcw operation mode
- Near real-time mapping for measuring surface currents wind direction significant wave height
- Extraction of data from each grid point to generate time series of ocean data and directional wave spectra

We provide:

Support of your site configuration and installation of modular hardware that adapts easily to your requirements.

Our complete on-site support package includes site-planning, user-training and maintenance. Optional control, signal processing software and application software and regional service support are all available through our global partners.



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