# COASTAL DATA EXCHANGE

# MAUI ISLAND SHORELINE STRUCTURE INVENTORY



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#### **Data Collection: General**

- Student internship, Summer 2003
- Structure types: seawall, revetment, grouted revetment, sandbags, groin, other
- Structure locations and lengths documented by walking the shoreline with GPS
- Structures photographed to capture extent (height and width dimensions) and character
- Impacts assessed (beach processes, lateral access, view plane) through standard questions aligned with criteria for a variance in the Maui County Shoreline Rules



### **Data Collection: Impact Assessment**

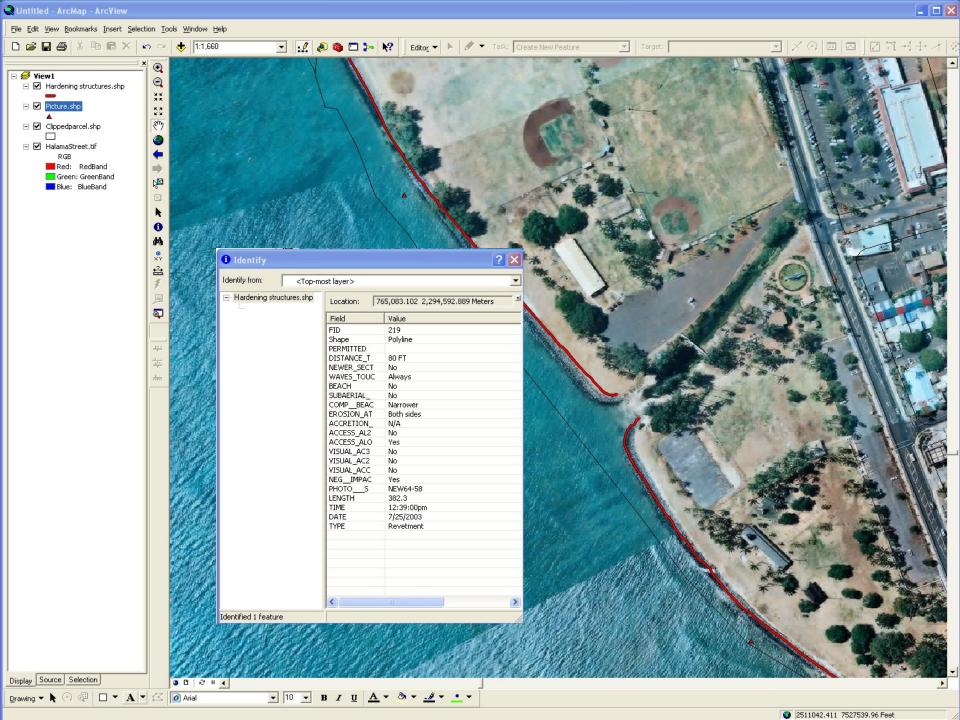
- What is the distance from the structure to the protected building?
- Is there a newer section of the structure?
- Do waves touch the structure?
- Is there a beach in front of the structure?
- Is there a subaerial (dry sand) beach in front of the structure?
- What is the beach width compared to the adjacent unprotected beach?
- Is there erosion at the sides of the structure?
- Is there lateral access along the shoreline?
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- Is there visual access to the shoreline from inland?
- Is there visual access from the shoreline looking inland?
- Is there visual access along the shoreline?
- In summary, is a negative impact likely?

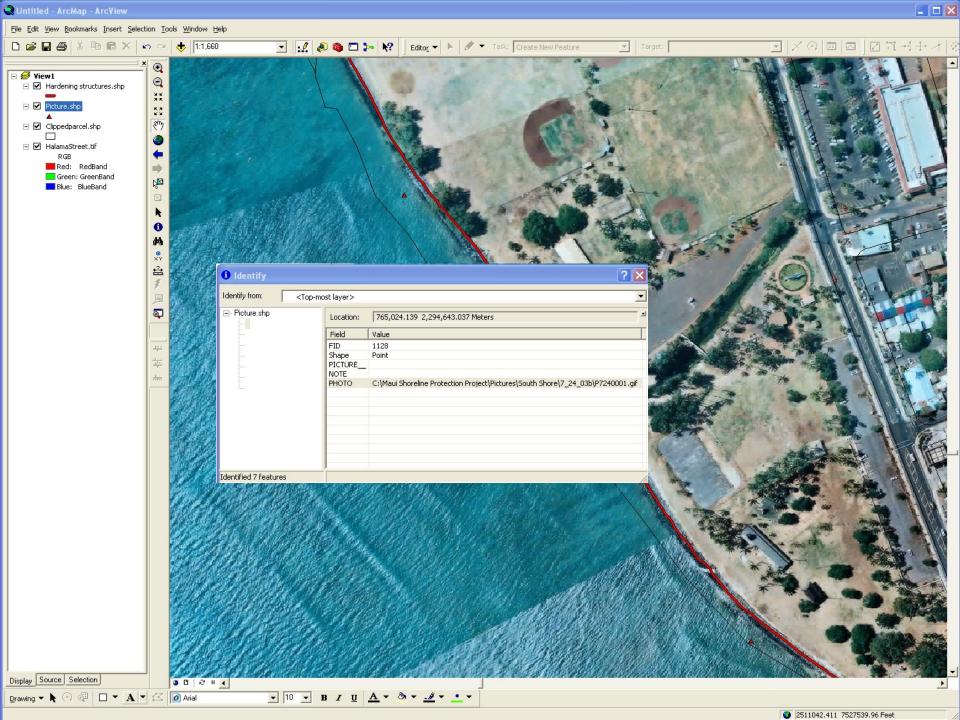


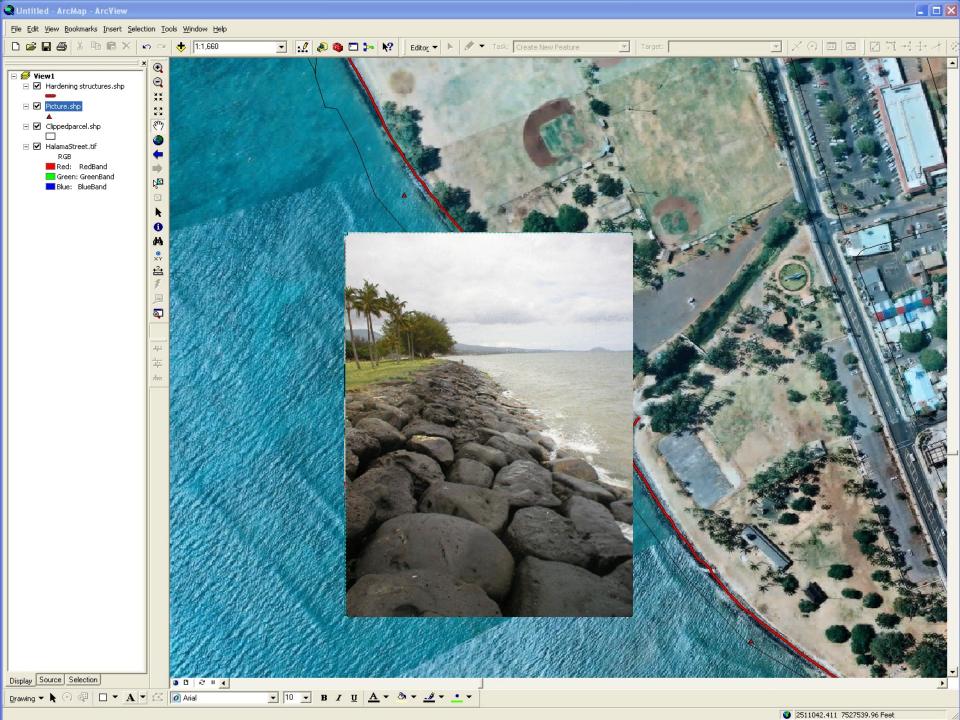
#### **Data Products**

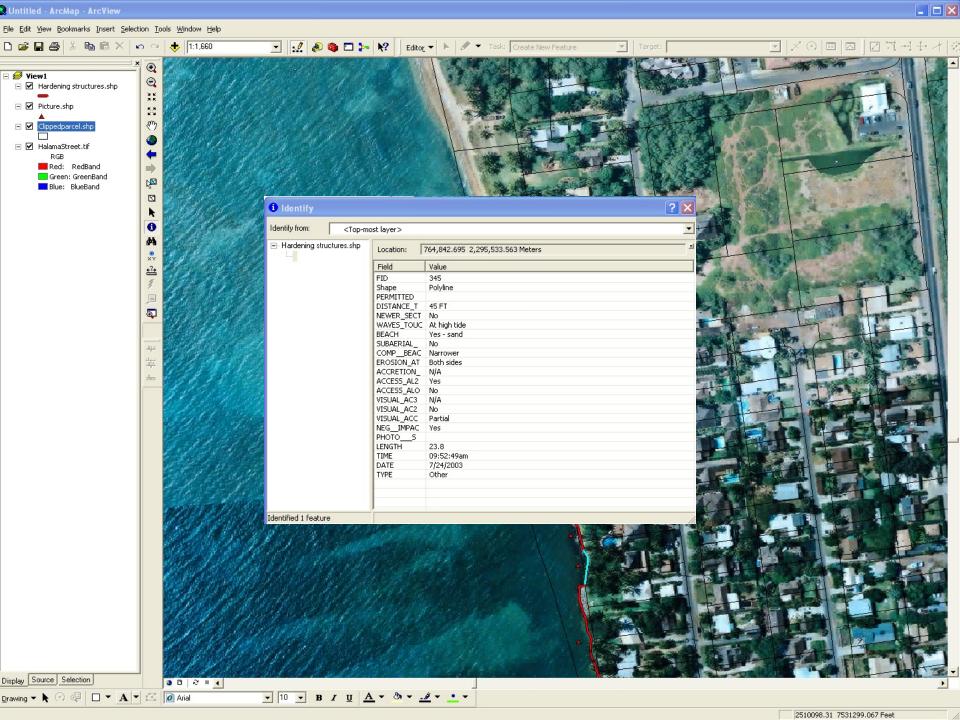
- GIS layer for structures (lines)
- GIS layer for photo locations (points)
- Photos (jpegs)
- Data tables for structure impact assessments
- ArcMap project

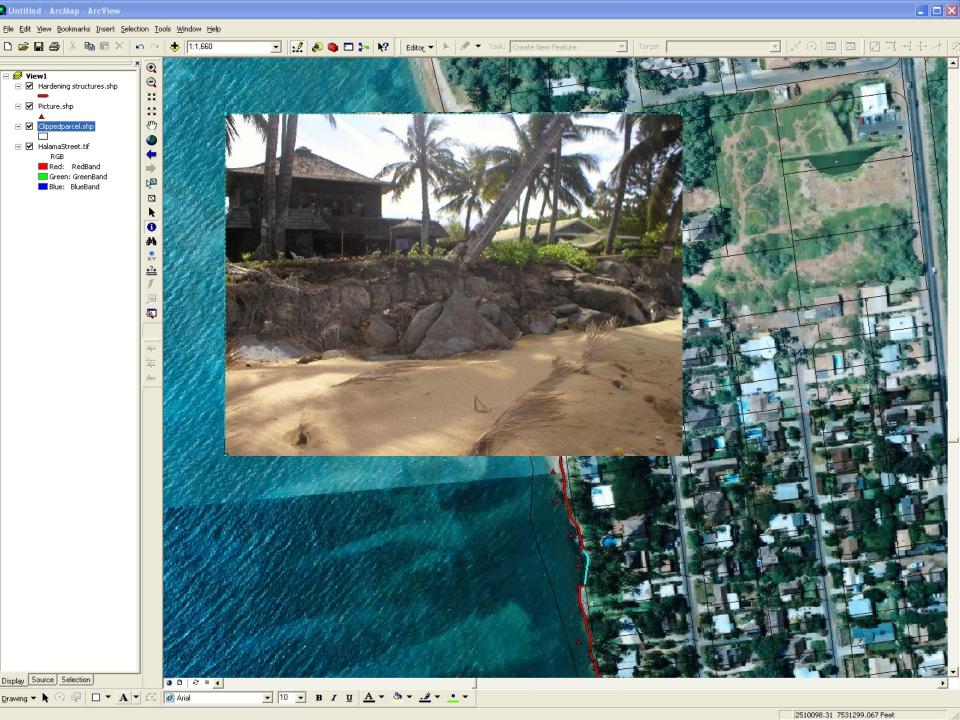


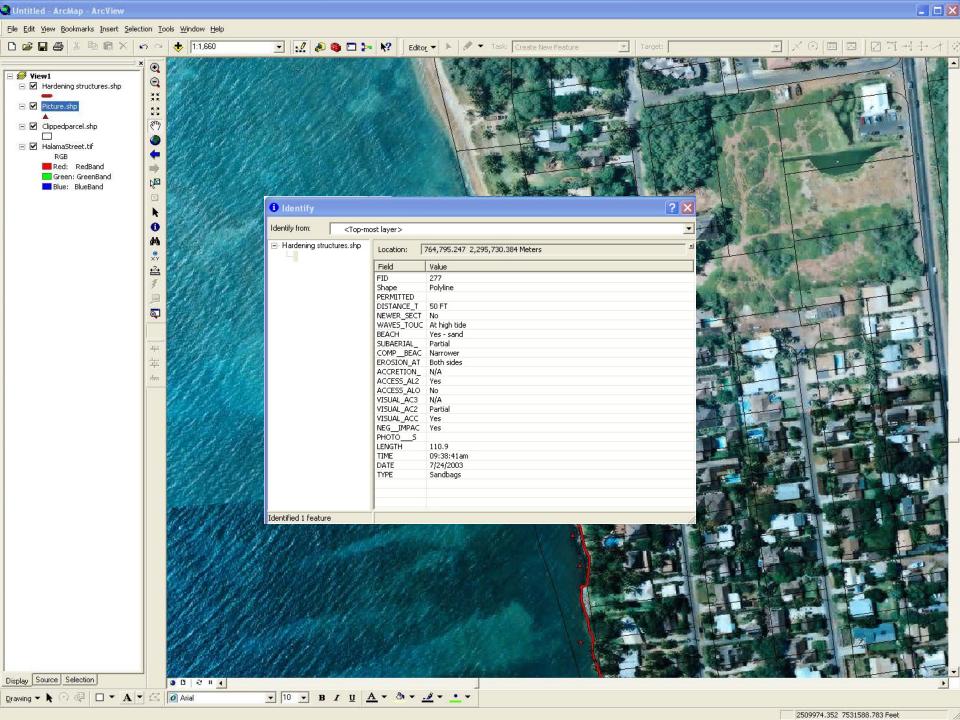


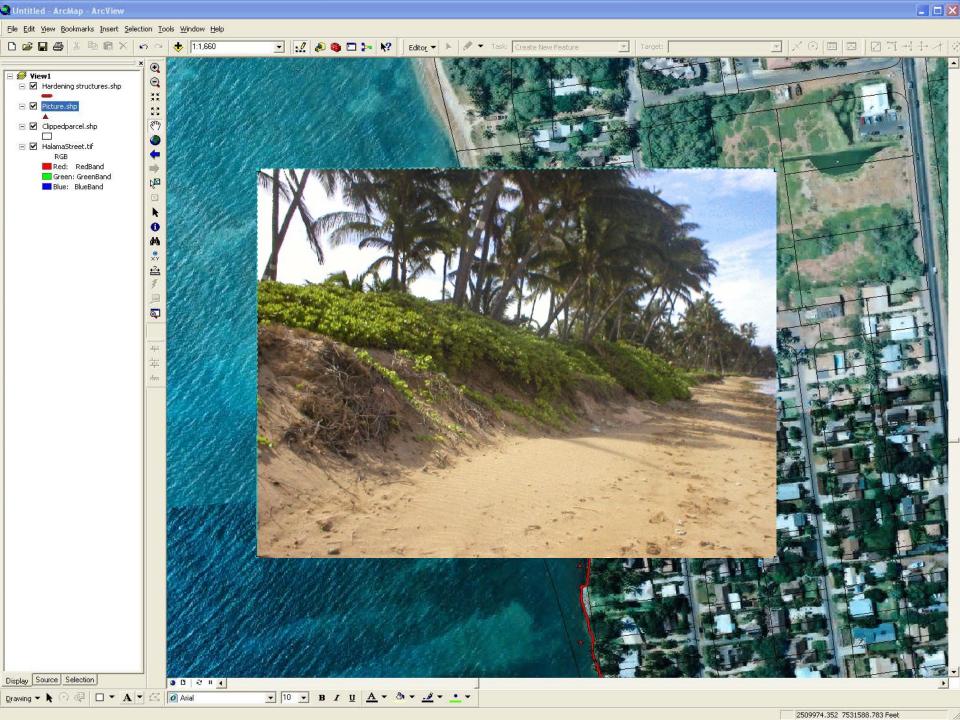












## **Project Findings**

- 371 structures documented
- 56 miles of shoreline surveyed
- 15.6 miles (28%) hardened
- Impacts to coastal processes or public access:
  - Likely to have impacts: 10.4 miles (66%)
  - May have impacts: 2.3 miles (15%)
  - Not likely to have impacts: 1.1 miles (7%)
  - Not assessed (harbor breakwaters): 1.8 miles (12%)
- Permit history <u>not</u> documented



## Planners use my data for

- County Plans
- General Plans
- Conservation District Use Permits
- Setbacks
- Shoreline Certification
- Shoreline Permits
- Building Permits
- Special Area Management Permits
- Flood Zones



## Planners could also use my data for

- **M** Community Plans
- General Plans
- Conservation District Use Permits
- Setbacks
- **Shoreline Certification**
- **Shoreline Permits**
- **M** Building Permits
- ☐ Flood Zones

## Million Dollar Questions

- Is this data useful to planners as is?
- Would this data be more useful to planners if integrated into a web-based tool?
- Would this data be significantly more useful if the permit history of each structure was included?

