



Canadian Hydrographic Service Autonomous surveying 2019-20











National assets:

- Autonomous Hydrographic Autonomous Vehicles (AHSV) - SeaRobotics
 - 4 distributed in each region
 - Operationalization started in 2017 (official survey conducted for ECCC)
 - Fully operational in 2018 (8 surveys)
 - Autonomous Hydrographic Survey Launch (AHSL) ASV Global
 - 1 located in Mont-Joli
 - 26 foot launch (Garrot)





Pêches et Océans





AHSV:

- Pros
 - Quick and easy launching
 - Green: Reduced ecological footprint
 - Simple transportation logistics
 - Survey in very shallow water area
 - Reduced risk of damages or injuries
- Cons
 - Limited capacity in rough sea
 - Reduced autonomy, speed, range
 - Noise in the data (depth of transducer)

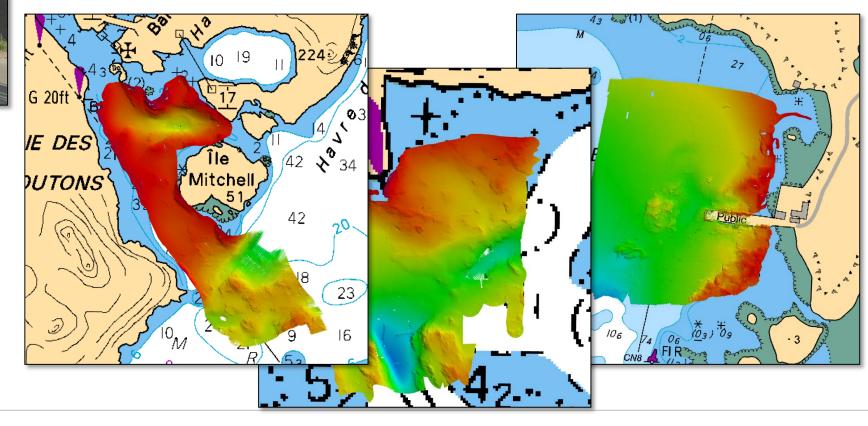


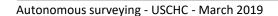




Some accomplishments (2018):

95% in full autonomous mode













AHSL:

- Not in operation yet
- Complex system
- More robust collision avoidance system
- Capacity to operate in manual or autonomous mode
- Need CCG acceptance
- Void in the regulation on autonomous navigation slows the implementation (work in progress with TC & CCG)









AHSL:

- Naval Oceanographic Office Visit
- Interested to convert many launches
- Visit CHS for 2 days (mid-October)
 - Denis Aidoo & Jack Love







'Liem' replacement:

- Light Science vessel 22m replaced by 28m
- CCG jump in innovation
- Agreed (CHS-Science) to add MB system
- Multitask versatile platform
- Addition of communications links to enable operations from the office









Next steps:

- Work on regulation with Transport Canada (lead) and CCG
- Opérationnalisation of all autonomous vehicles

Autonomous shipping progress

- National perspective of a worldwide initiative
- TC lead Marine Autonomous Surface Ship (MASS)
- Roger Côté (CHS) participates in 2 workshop
 - September: 2 days Workshop on MASS Ottawa
 - October: 1 day Symposium on Autonomous
 Navigation and Artificial Intelligence Montreal

