



Monitoring Harmful Algal Bloom Indicators for Aquaculture using NASA
Remote Sensing Observations
Hands-On Exercise: Data Search and Visualization using NASA Worldview
Aquaculture 2025 Meeting

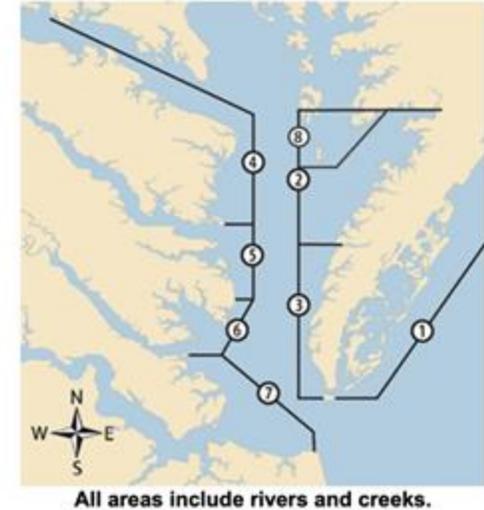
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Case Study: Examine Water Quality in the Chesapeake Bay

- Virginia is in the [top five states](#) in the U.S. in the value of aquaculture products sold.
- Aquaculture sites in Virginia are in the Chesapeake Bay¹, including creeks and rivers
- We will examine water quality data in the Chesapeake Bay using [Worldview](#).

Virginia Oyster Growers
Regional Zones for Virginia Aquaculture Oyster Growers



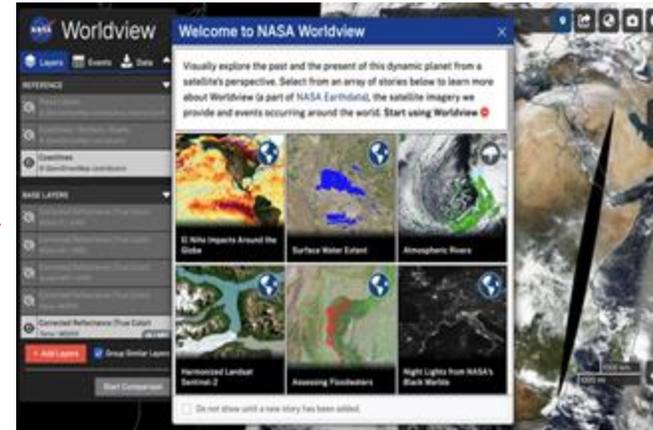
1. Seaside
2. Upper Bay Eastern Shore
3. Lower Bay Eastern Shore
4. Upper Bay Western Shore
5. Middle Bay Western Shore
6. Lower Bay Western Shore
7. Tidewater
8. Tangier/Middle Chesapeake Bay

Source: ¹[NOAA Oyster Directory](#)



Demonstration and Hands-On Exercise: NASA Worldview

- Click on the link: [Worldview](#).
- The Worldview window will open.
- Scroll down in the 'Welcome to NASA Worldview' and select **'Introduction to Worldview'** window to learn more about this site.
- Close the 'Welcome—' window by clicking on the 'x' in the top right corner.

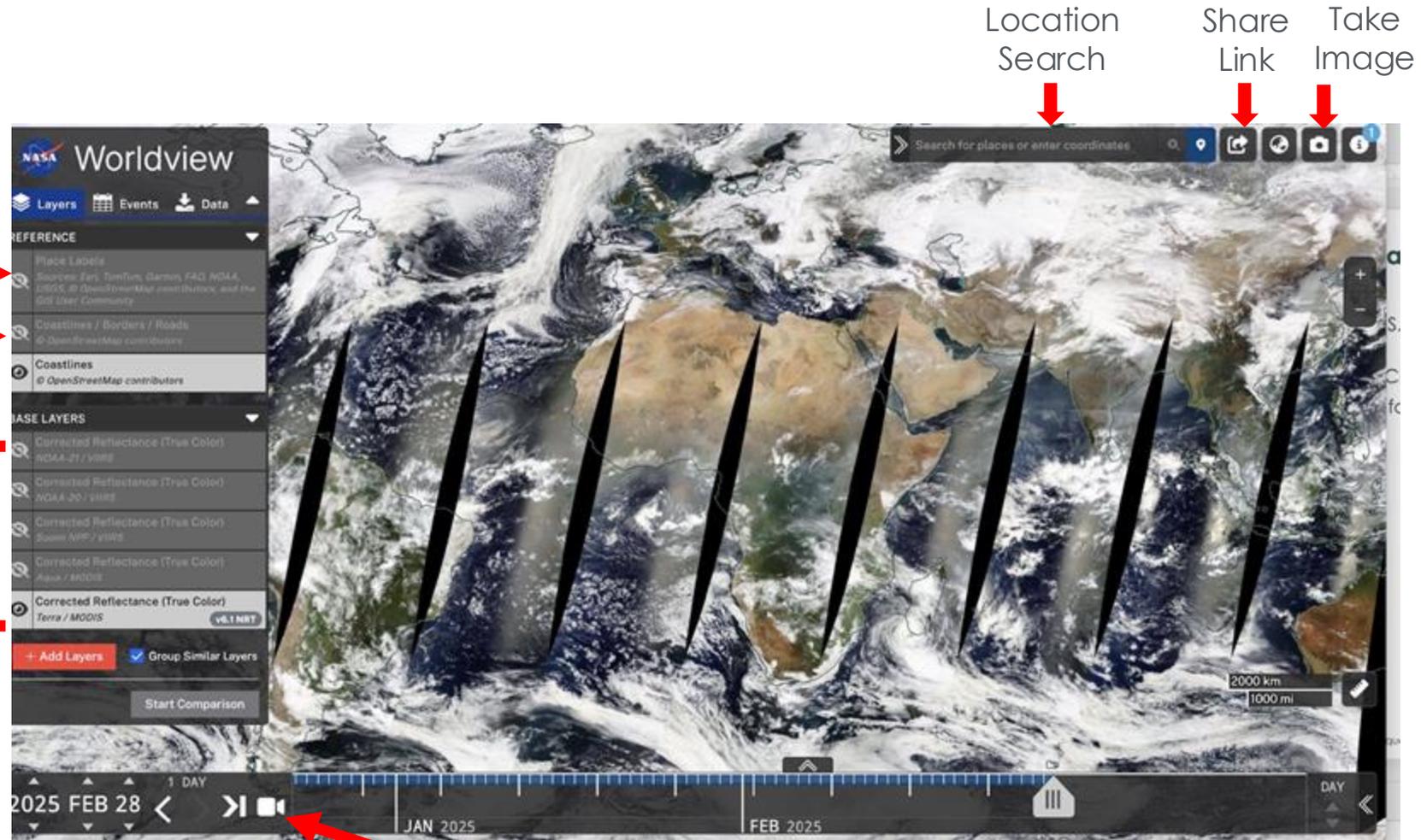


Explore Worldview

Turn **Place Labels** and **Coastline/Boarders/Roads** on by clicking on the the 'eye' symbol to turn layers on and off.

Explore Base Layers: Red-Green-Blue True Color Satellite Images

Search Data Layers



Date Selection and Date Line

Data Animation

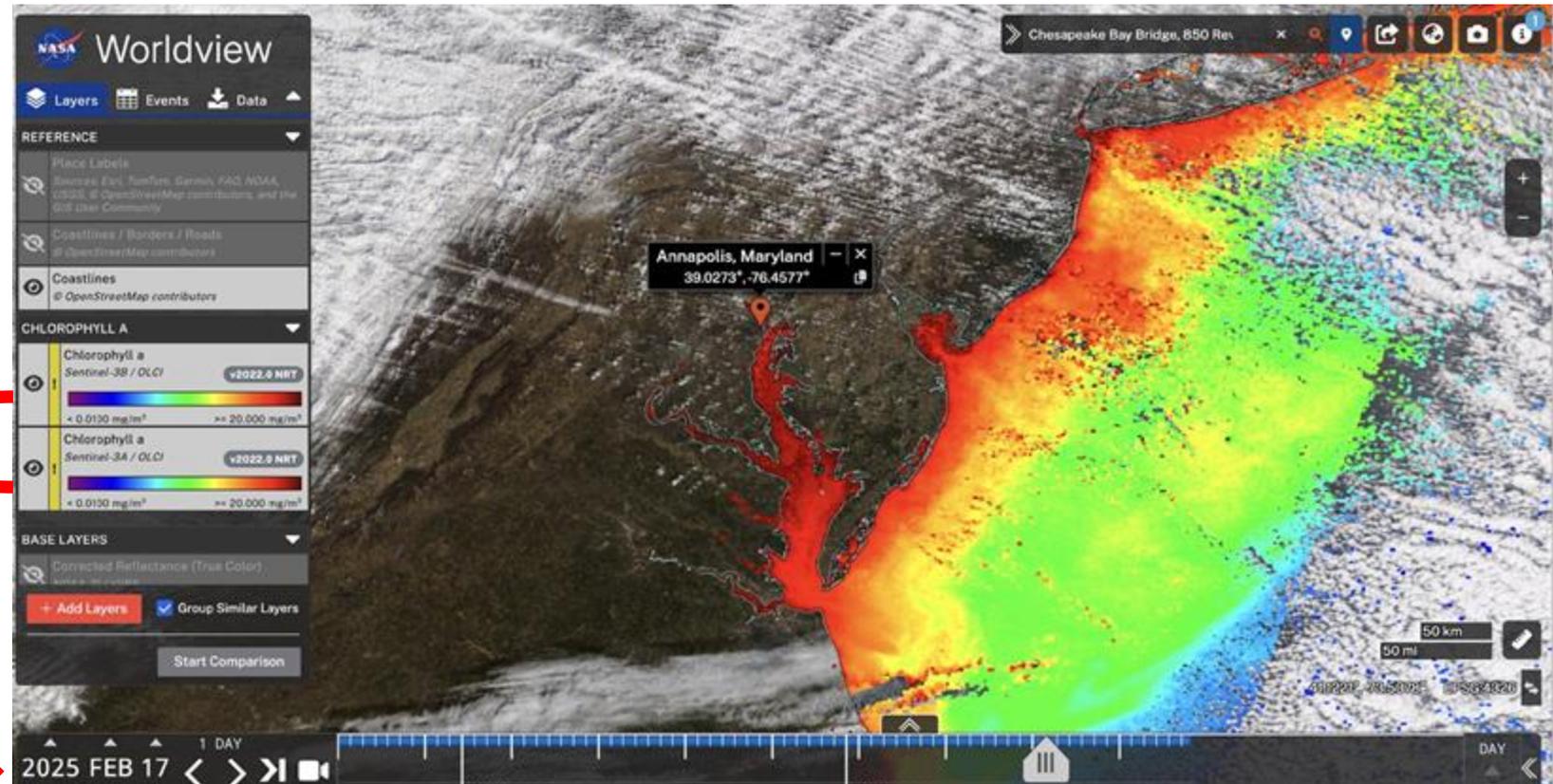


Search, Select, and Examine Data Layers

5. Enter **Chesapeake Bay** in the location search window click **return** on your computer to zoom to the region.

6. See color bar for Chlorophyll a.

7. Select dates and examine Chlorophyll a changes.

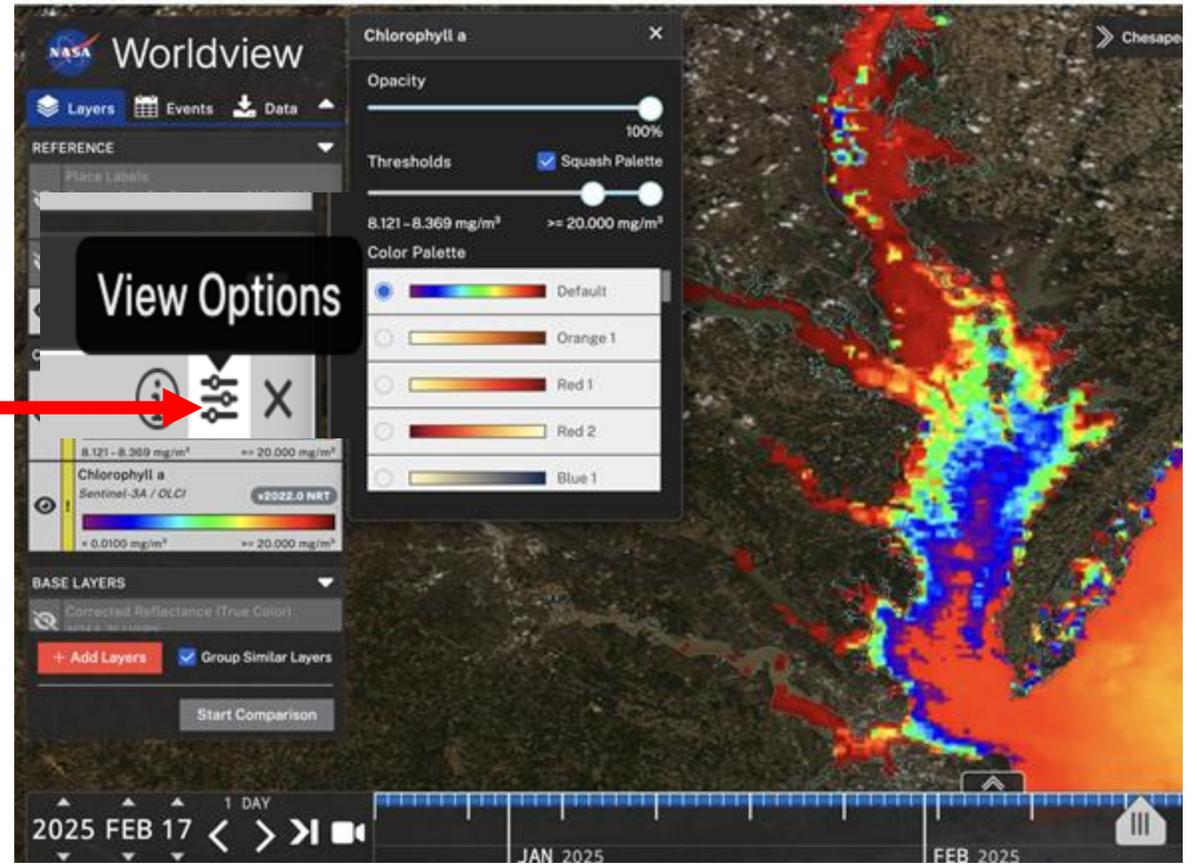


There was a shellfish closure after February 20 due to flooding in James River. Click on the arrow to change dates.



Option to Change Color Palette, Range, and Opacity

8. Click on **View Options** bars.
9. Adjust the Color Palette and Range by changing **Threshold**, select **Squash Palette** to get the image with new color range.
10. Change **Opacity** (optional).



Search and Include Additional Data Layers

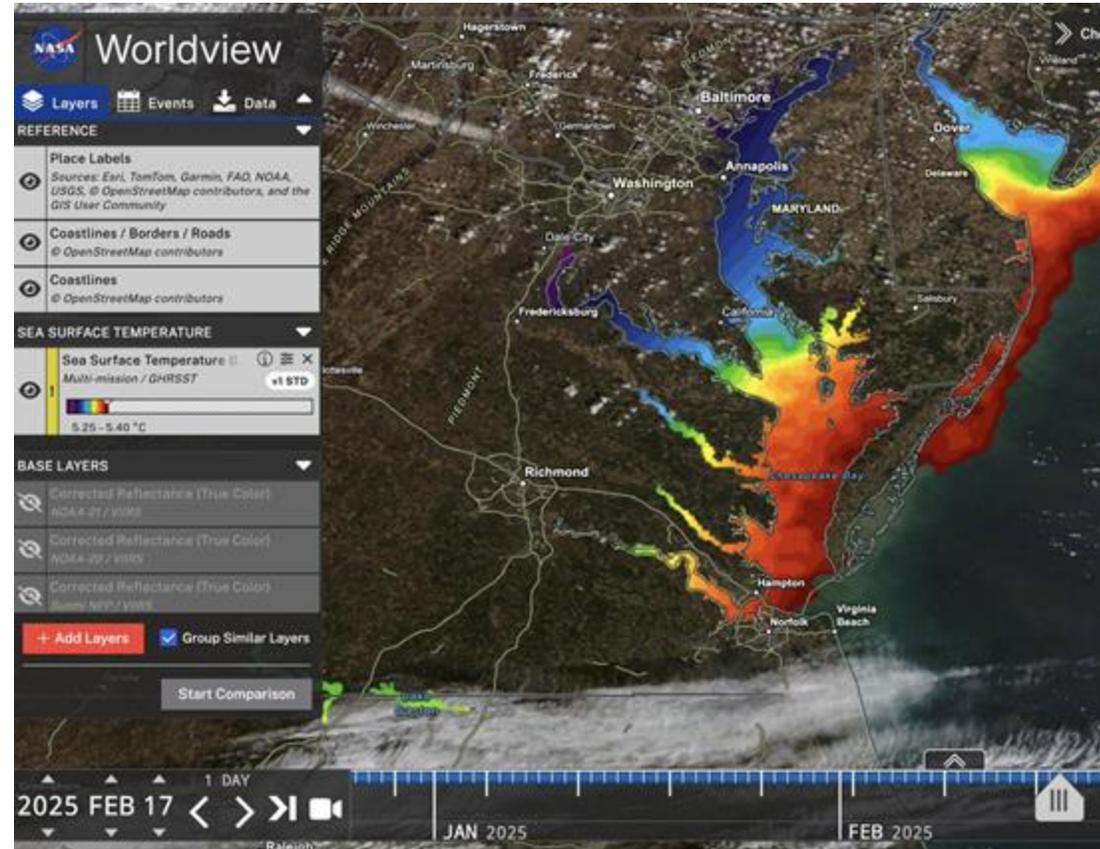
11. Repeat Steps 1 and 2, choosing Sea Surface Temperature (SST) as the next layer.

12. Select

Sea Surface Temperature
(L4, MUR)
Multi-mission / GHRSSST

13. Repeat Steps 8-9 to adjust colors for the SST layer.

14. Explore other regions/times/data layers.





Thank You!

