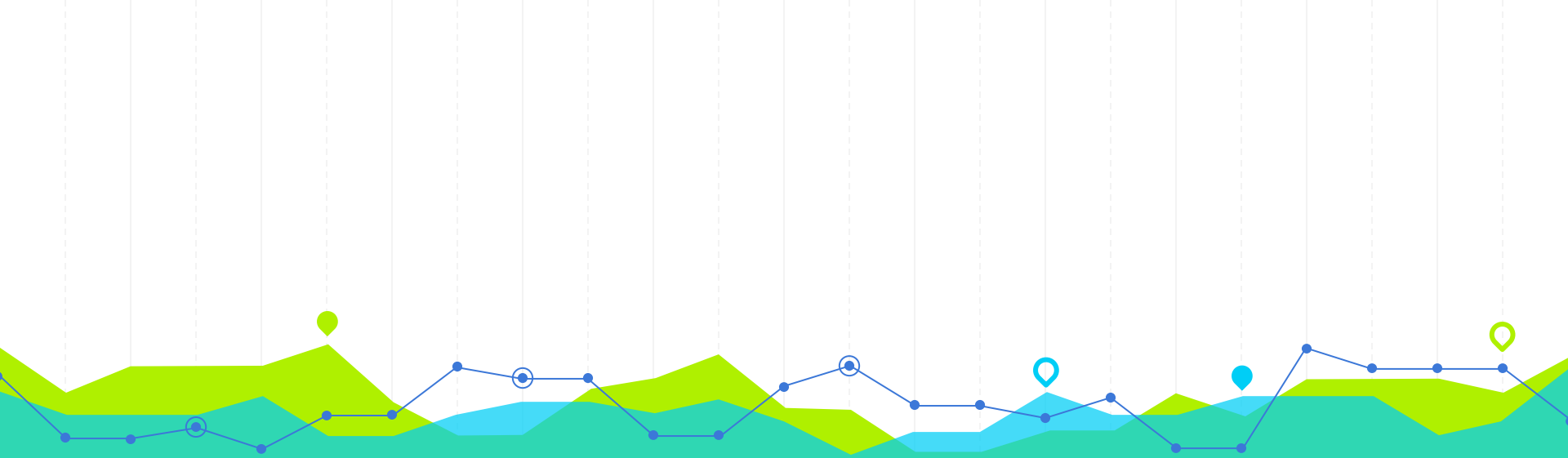


# Understanding the Bay: Visualization of CBIBS Data

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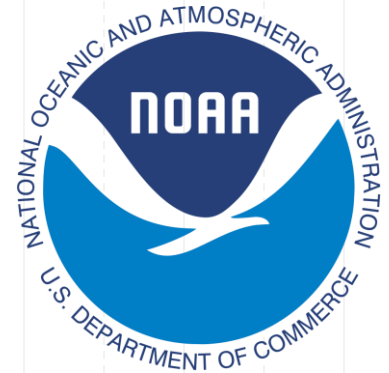
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About the Organization

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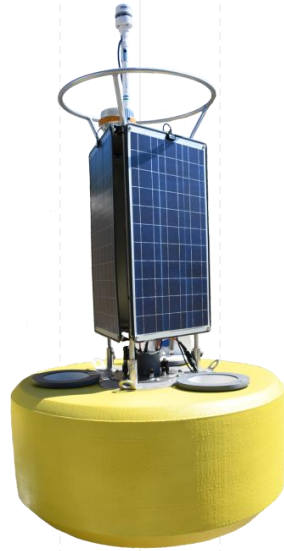
# About NOAA

- Help shape international ocean, fisheries, climate, space and weather policies.
- Mission
  - To understand and predict changes in climate, weather, oceans and coasts
  - To share that knowledge and information with others
  - To conserve and manage coastal and marine ecosystems and resources
- NOAA Fisheries



# CBIBS

## Chesapeake Bay Interpretive Buoy System





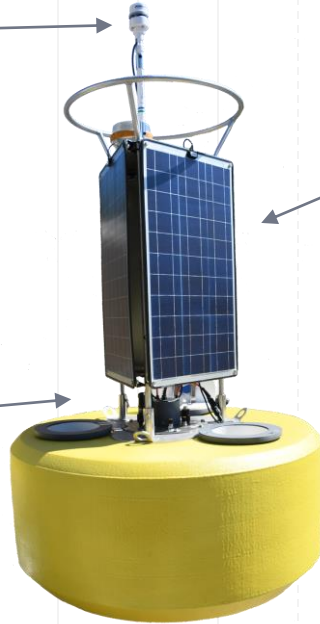
Weather Station



Solar Panels



On Board Computer

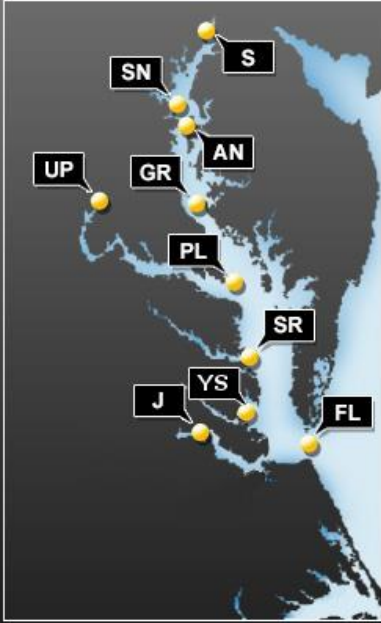


Water Quality Monitor (left) and  
Acoustic Current Profiler (right)

More Info: <https://buoybay.noaa.gov/>

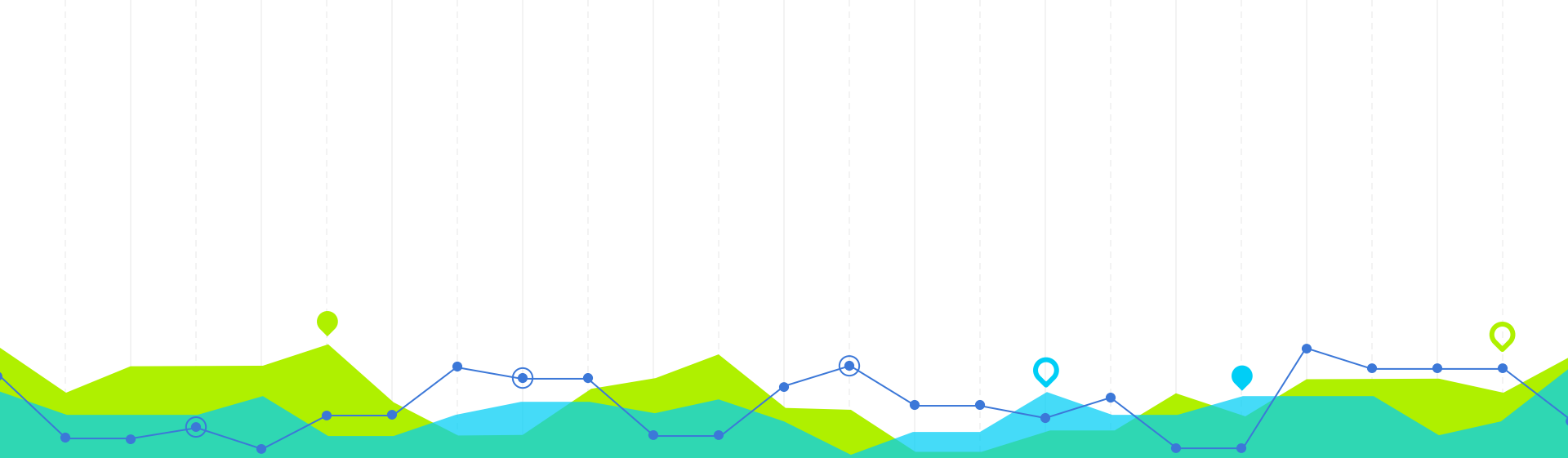
- Gather real-time weather and environmental data
- Current active locations: Jamestown, York Spit, Gooses Reef, Potomac, Annapolis, Stingray Point

Click on map to learn specific buoy information:



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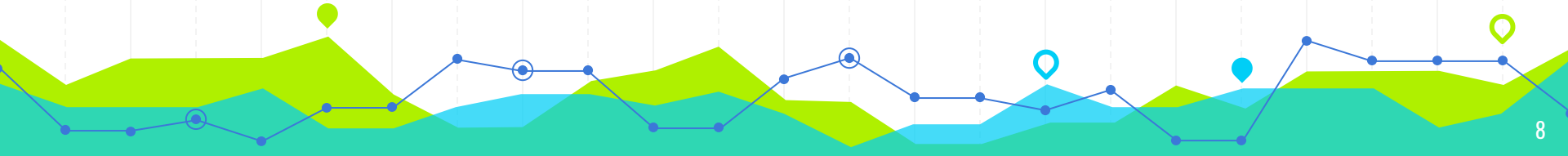
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Position Overview & Objectives

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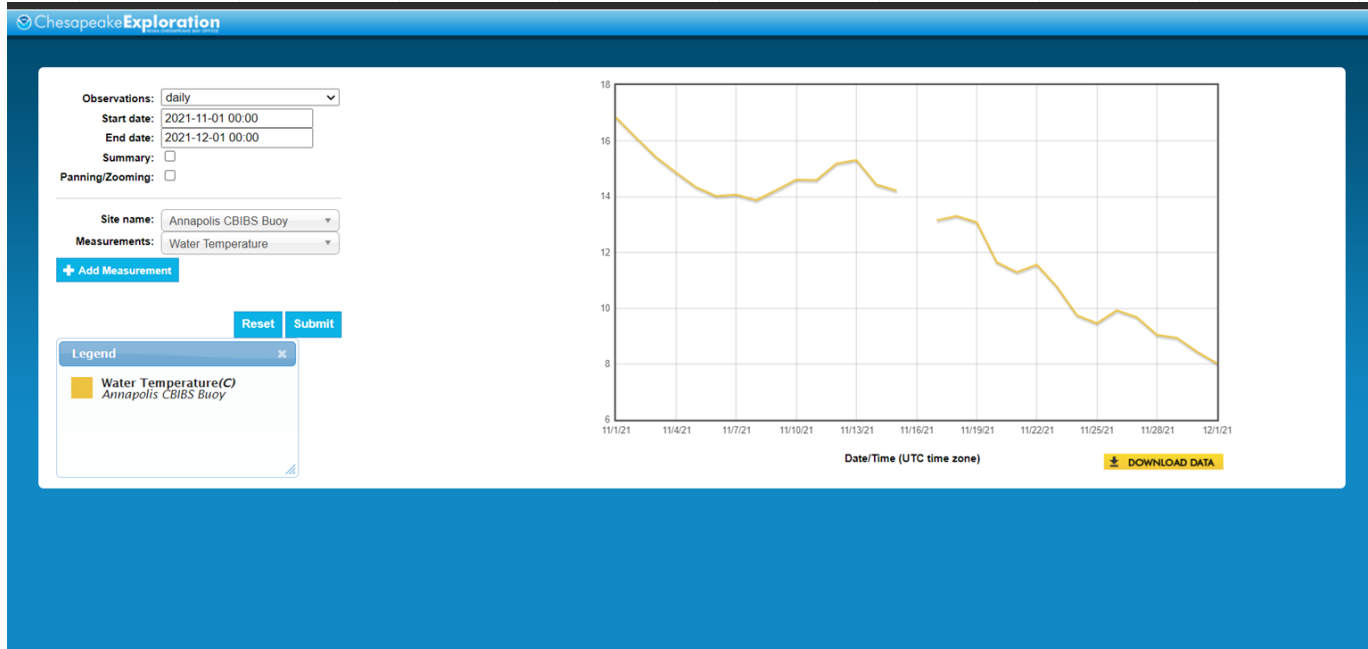
# Position OVERVIEW

- Data Visualization Intern
- Update capabilities of a data visualization application for CBIBS





# Original Application



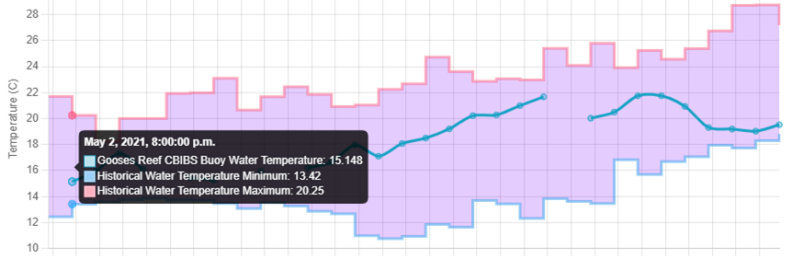


CBIBS API sends data to PostGRES database

- Stores hourly, daily, weekly, monthly averages
- Less rigorous QC

Scripts send Quality Controlled data to SQLite database

- Historical values
- Rigorous QC



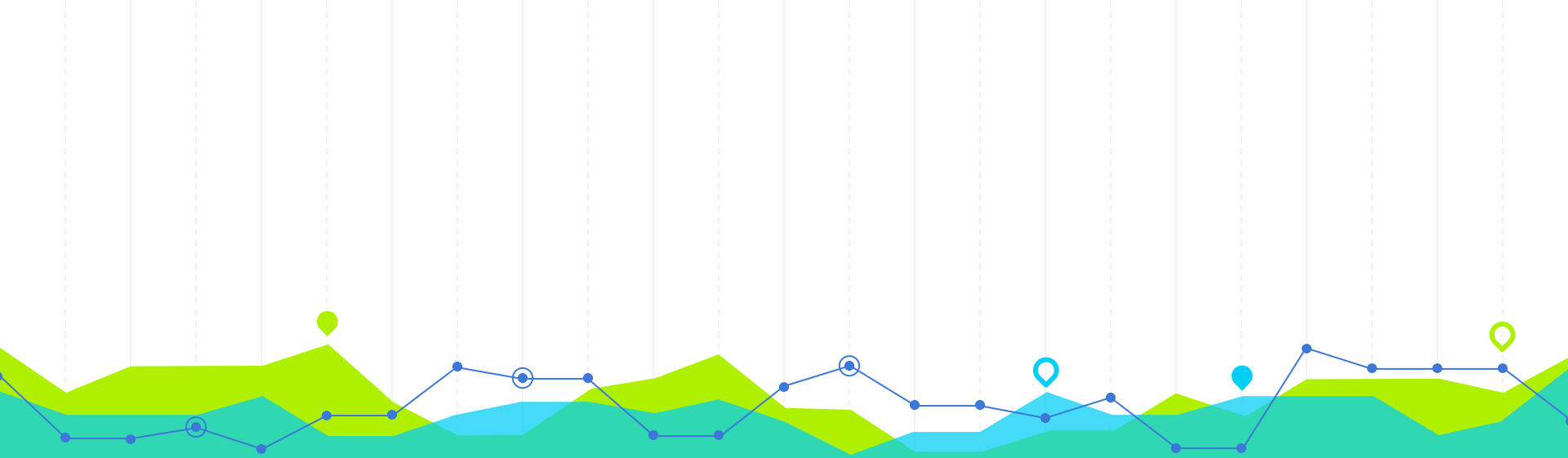
Graph app pulls data from both DB

- Can display average values w/ historical minimums and maximums



# Project Objectives

- Update tool for NOAA's education team that would support and enhance their programs
  - Chart historical data with current data
- Educators, students and the public as intended end users



# Internship Project

Approach and Process

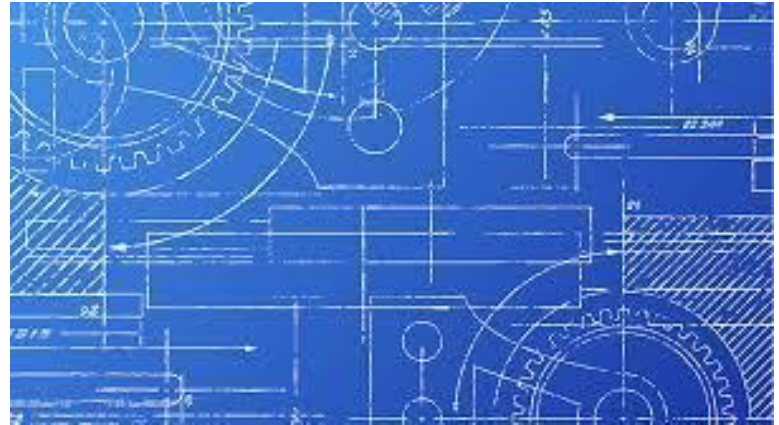
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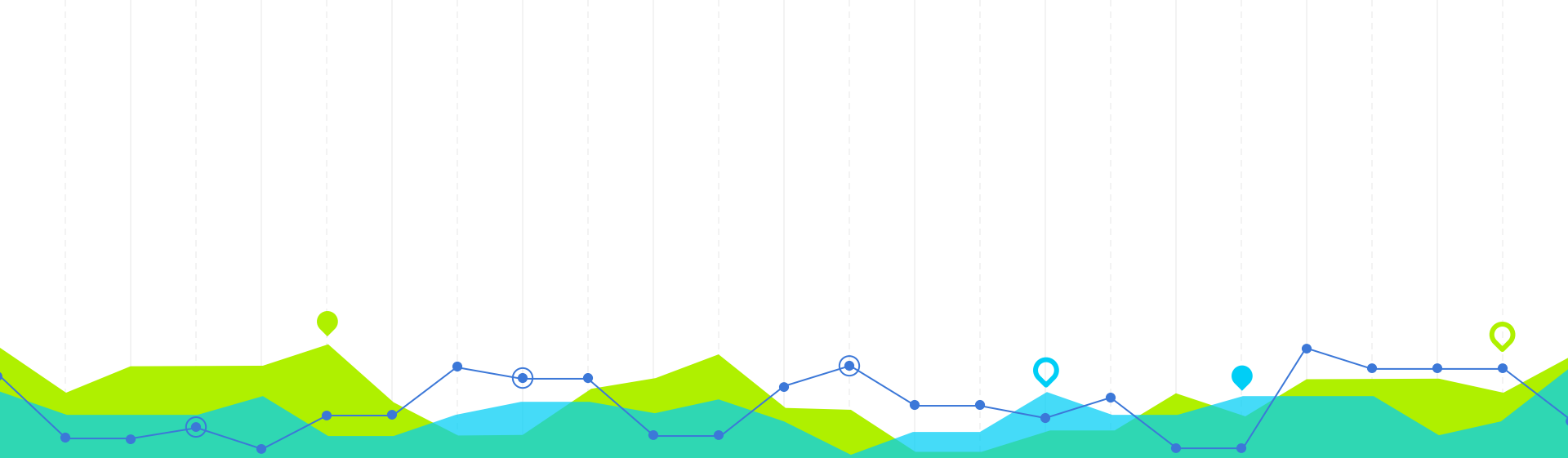
# Approach & PROCESS

- Close Collaboration with Education team
  - Well defined project requirements
- Working with supervisor to understand CBIBS system
  - Environmental observations
  - Time series data
  - Sensor technology
  - Code base

# Approach & PROCESS

- Learn existing code structure
  - PHP, JavaScript, HTML/CSS
  - Current graphing package - Flot.js
- Create data wrappers for SQLite database
- Research and update to supported JS package - Chart.js



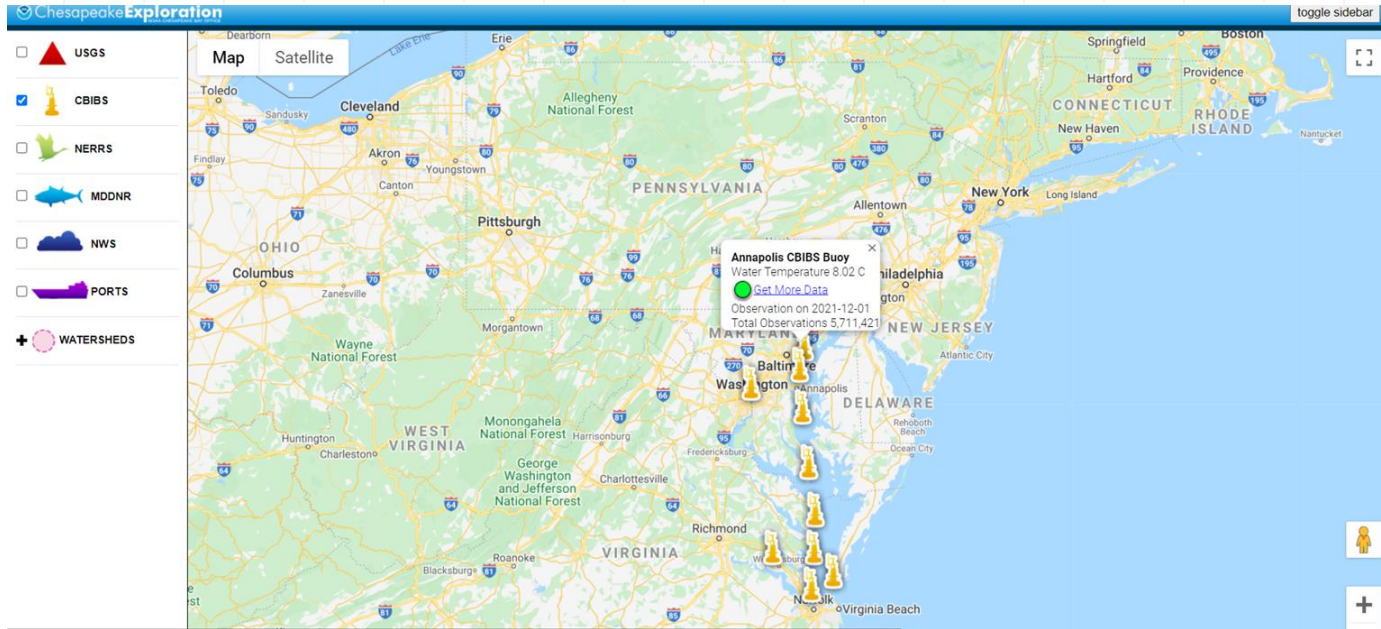


# Internship Project

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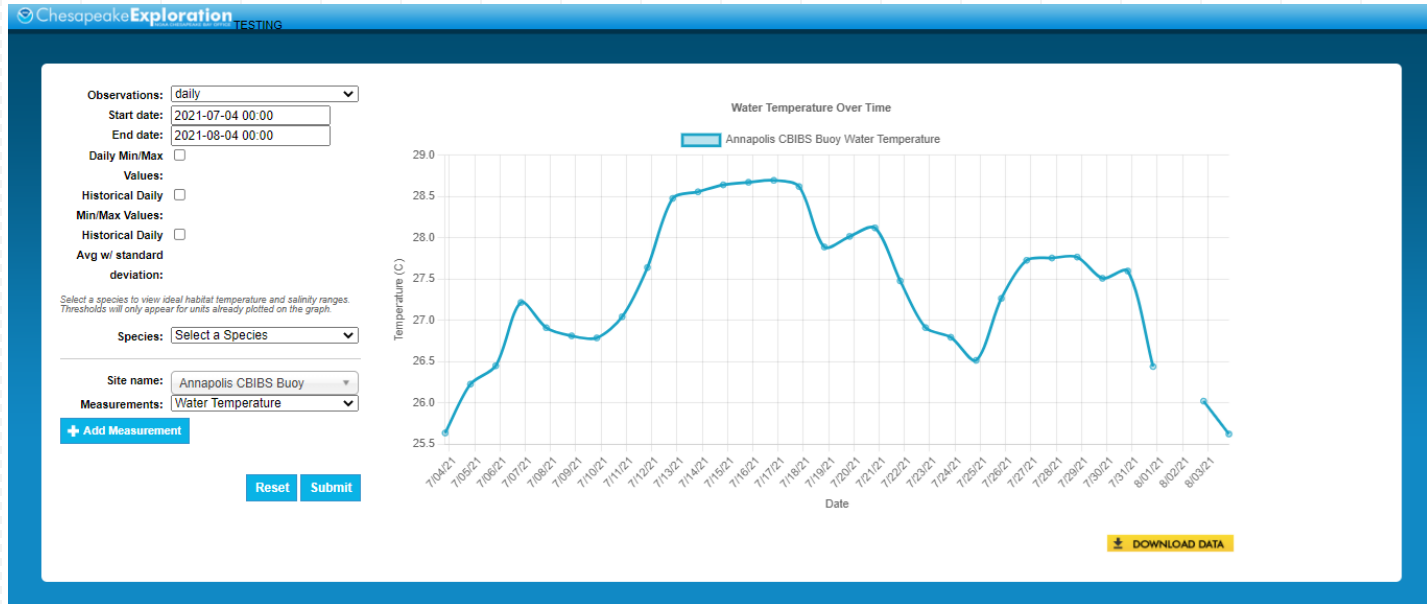
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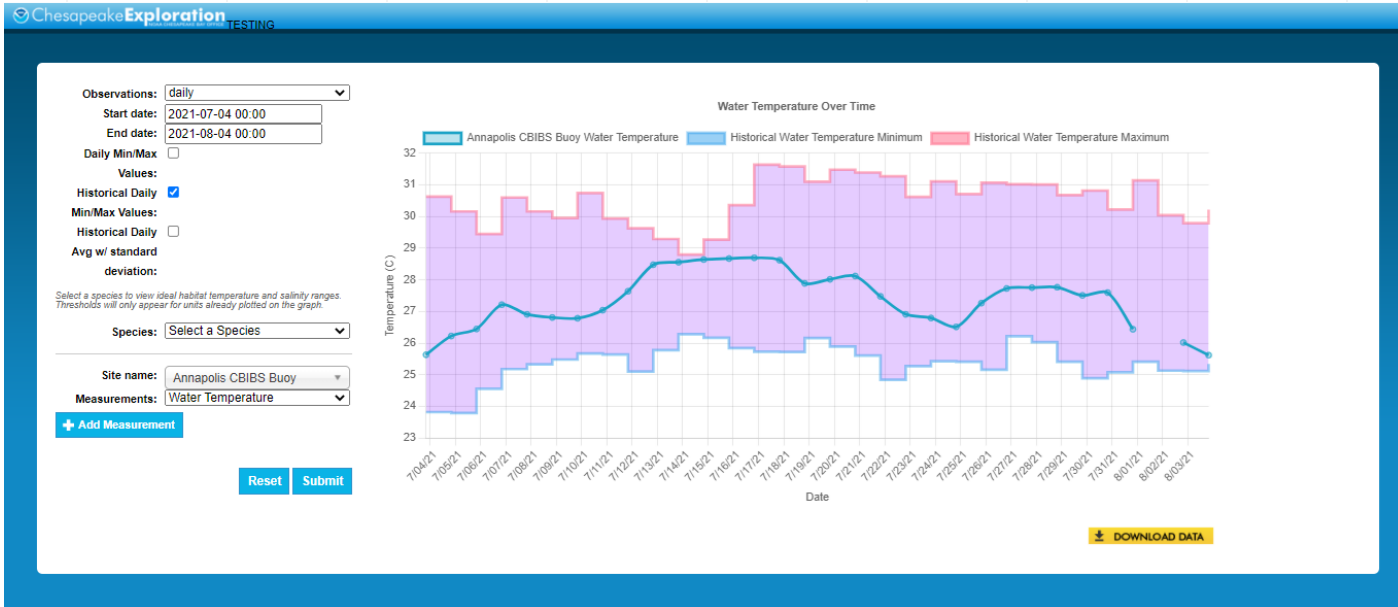




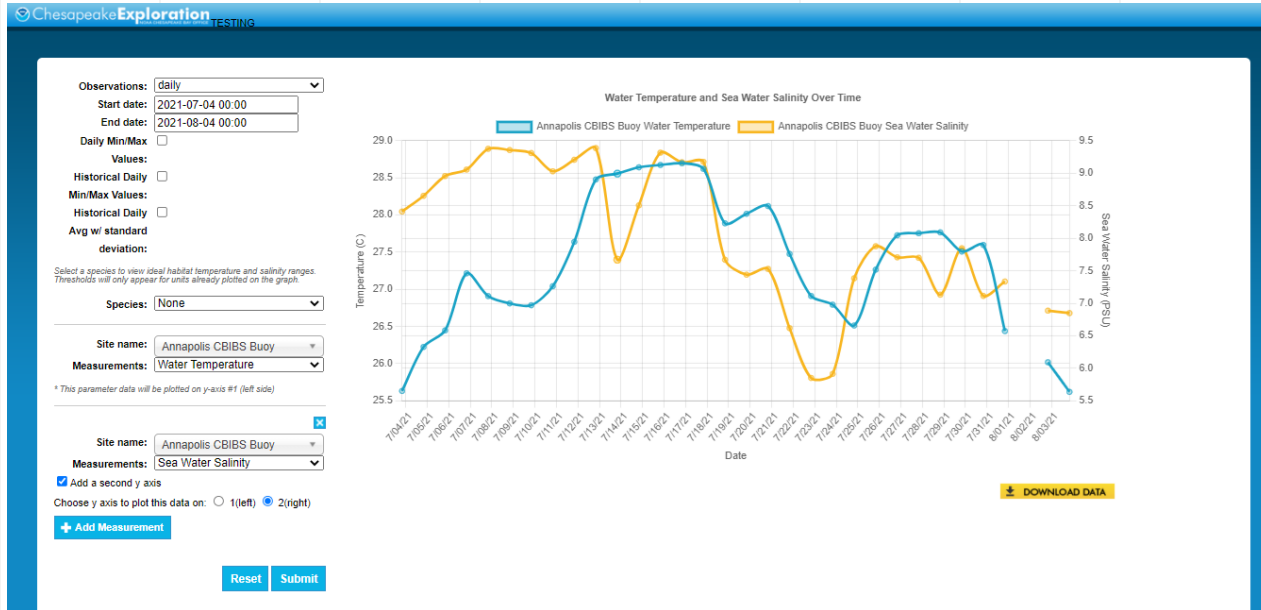
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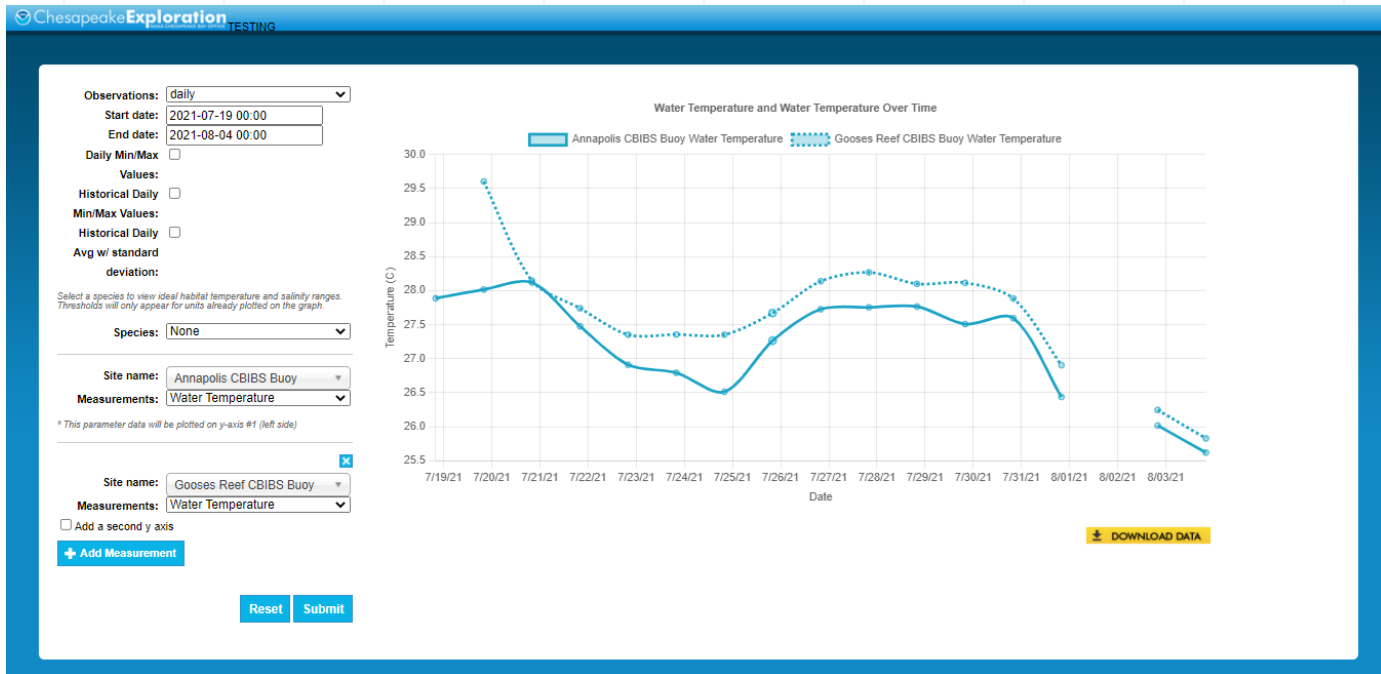
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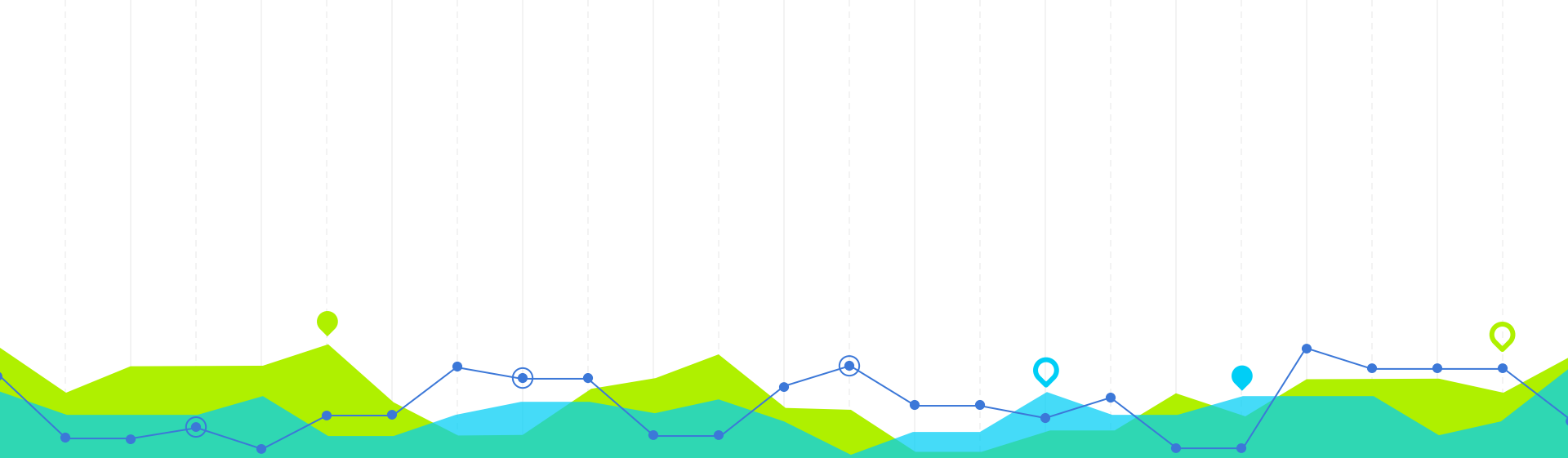


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- Additional Features
  - Historical average with standard deviation
  - Interactive display
  - Downloadable data



# Internship

Experience and Insights

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# Experience & INSIGHTS

- Software development cycle
- Buoy system technology
- How computer science helps NOAA's mission



# Applicable COURSEWORK

- Database Design and Implementation
  - SQL queries
  - Web development - PHP
- Software Engineering
  - SCRUM
  - Working with clients (meetings!)