MAP KEY: Large Marine Ecosystems of the World Gulf of Alaska and Linked Watersheds California Current Gulf of California Newfoundland-Labrador Shelf Insular Pacific-Hawaiian Pacific Central-American Coastal Caribbean Sea Humboldt Current 14 Patagonian Shelf South Brazil Shelf 16 East Brazil Shelf North Brazil Shelf 24 Celtic-Biscay Shel 29 Benguela Current 37 Sulu-Celebes Sea 39 North Australian Shelf 40 Northeast Australian Shelf **Great Barrier Reef** East-Central Australian Shell 42 Southeast Australian Shelf 43 Southwest Australian Shelf 44 West-Central Australian Shelf Northwest Australian Shelf 49 Kuroshio Current 52 Sea of Okhotsk 53 West Bering Sea 54 Northern Bering - Chukchi Seas 55 Beaufort Sea 56 East Siberian Sea 57 Laptev Sea 59 Iceland Shelf and Sea 63 Hudson Bay Complex 65 Aleutian Islands 66 Canadian High Arctic - North LME Boundary Political Boundary SOUTH POLAR REGION NORTH POLAR REGION Scale = 1 : 54,500,000 1 in = 1,342 miles 1 cm = 850 km Bathymetry (2-minute): Smith and Sandwell, 1997 Bathymetry (5-minute): NAVOCEANO, DBDB5 Watersheds (HYDRO 1k): USGS Eros Data Center Terresterial Image, Political Boundaries: ESRI LARGE MARINE ECOSYSTEMS are areas of the ocean characterized by distinct bathymetry, hydrography, productivity, and trophic interactions. They annually produce 80 percent of the world's fish catch. They are national and regional focal areas of a global effort to reduce the degradation of linked watersheds, marine resources, and coastal environments from pollution, habitat loss, and over-fishing. For More Information Visit: http://www.lme.noaa.gov