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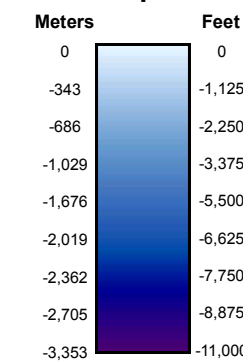
**LME Numbers:**

- 1 East Bering Sea
- 2 Gulf of Alaska
- 3 California Current
- 4 Gulf of California
- 5 Gulf of Mexico
- 6 Southeast U.S. Continental Shelf
- 7 Northeast U.S. Continental Shelf
- 8 Scotian Shelf
- 9 Newfoundland-Labrador Shelf
- 10 Insular Pacific-Hawaiian
- 11 Pacific Central-American Coastal
- 12 Caribbean Sea
- 13 Humboldt Current
- 14 Patagonian Shelf
- 15 South Brazil Shelf
- 16 East Brazil Shelf
- 17 North Brazil Shelf
- 18 Canadian Eastern Arctic - West Greenland
- 19 Greenland Sea
- 20 Barents Sea
- 21 Norwegian Sea
- 22 North Sea
- 23 Baltic Sea
- 24 Celtic-Biscay Shelf
- 25 Iberian Coastal
- 26 Mediterranean Sea
- 27 Canary Current
- 28 Guinea Current
- 29 Benguela Current
- 30 Agulhas Current
- 31 Somali Coastal Current
- 32 Arabian Sea
- 33 Red Sea
- 34 Bay of Bengal
- 35 Gulf of Thailand
- 36 South China Sea
- 37 Sulu-Celebes Sea
- 38 Indonesian Sea
- 39 North Australian Shelf
- 40 Northeast Australian Shelf - Great Barrier Reef
- 41 East-Central Australian Shelf
- 42 Southeast Australian Shelf
- 43 Southwest Australian Shelf
- 44 West-Central Australian Shelf
- 45 Northwest Australian Shelf
- 46 New Zealand Shelf
- 47 East China Sea
- 48 Yellow Sea
- 49 Kuroshio Current
- 50 Sea of Japan / East Sea
- 51 Oyashio Current
- 52 Sea of Okhotsk
- 53 West Bering Sea
- 54 Northern Bering - Chukchi Seas
- 55 Beaufort Sea
- 56 East Siberian Sea
- 57 Laptev Sea
- 58 Kara Sea
- 59 Iceland Shelf and Sea
- 60 Faroe Plateau
- 61 Antarctic
- 62 Black Sea
- 63 Hudson Bay Complex
- 64 Central Arctic Ocean
- 65 Aleutian Islands
- 66 Canadian High Arctic - North Greenland

LME Boundary

Political Boundary

**Depth**



Miles  
0 500 1,000 1,500

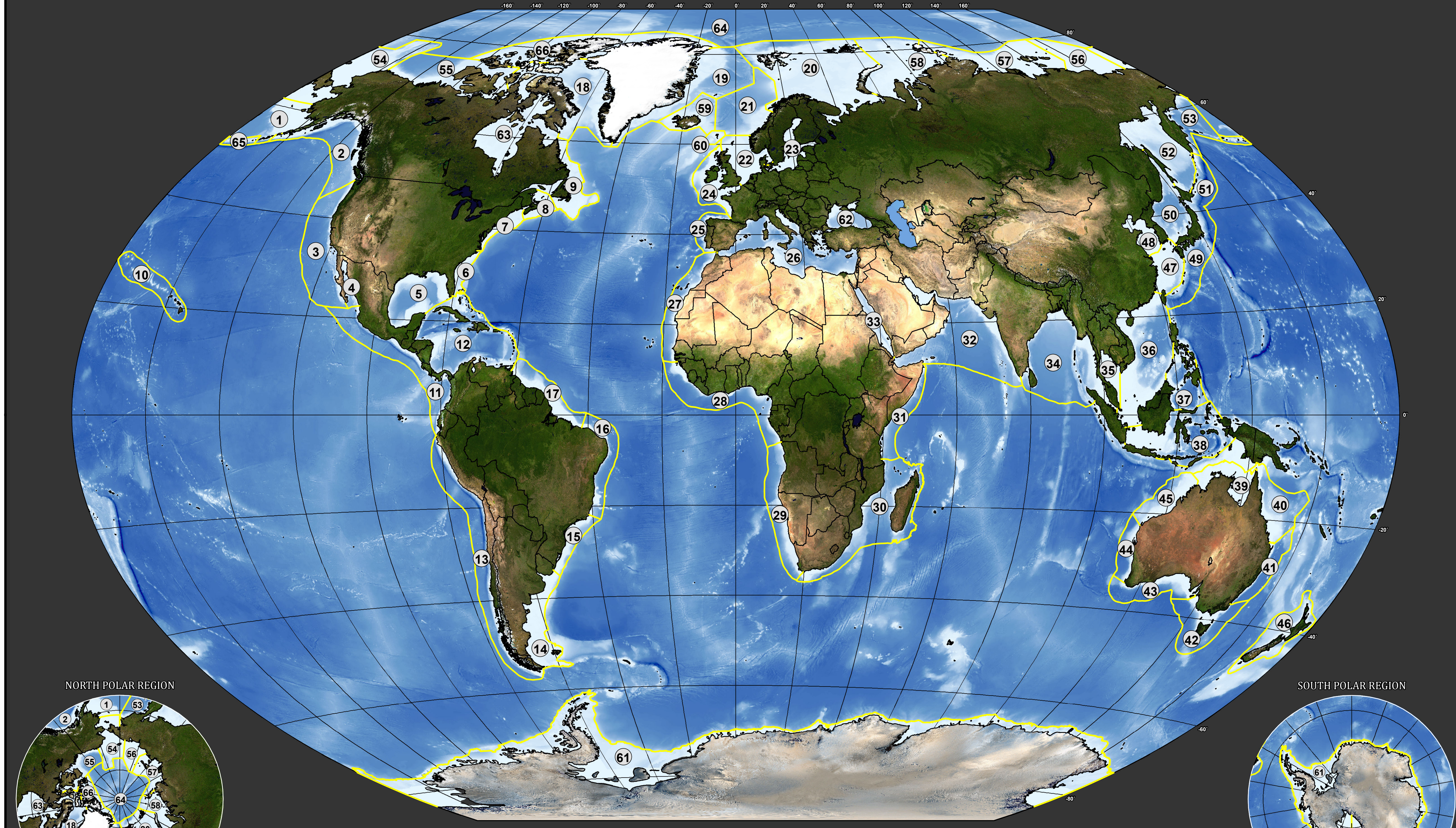
Kilometers  
0 500 1,000 1,500 2,000 2,500

Winkel Tripel Projection  
Scale = 1 : 54,500,000  
1 in = 1,342 miles 1 cm = 850 km

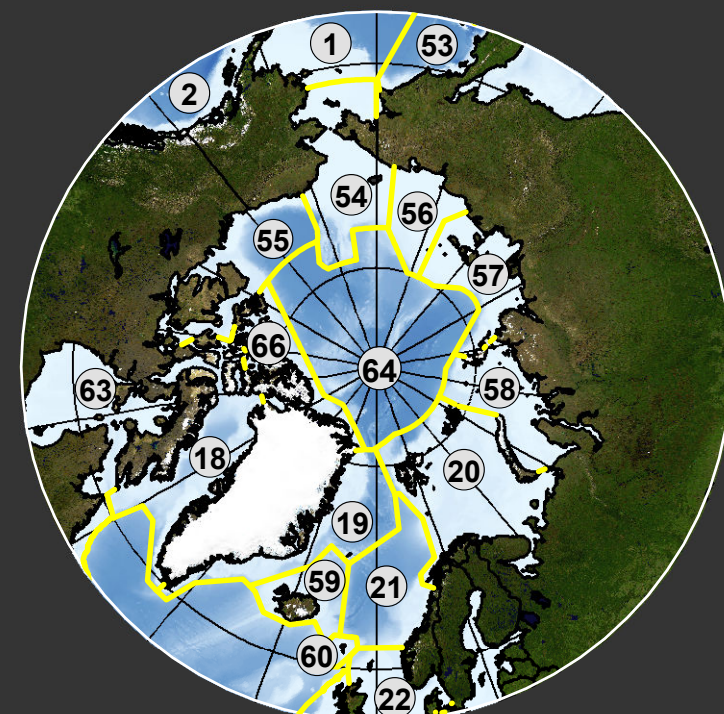
**Data Sources:**

Bathymetry (2-minute) : Smith and Sandwell, 1997  
Bathymetry (5-minute) : NAVOCÉANO, DBDB5  
Watersheds (HYDRO 1k) : USGS Eros Data Center  
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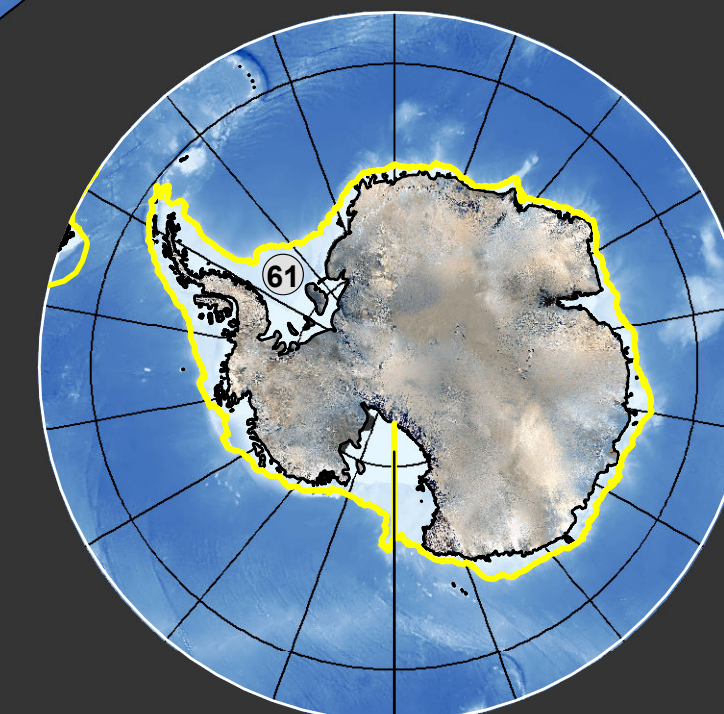
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**NORTH POLAR REGION**



**SOUTH POLAR REGION**



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