

# THE GULF OF MEXICO'S

# amazing ecosystems



**DEEP WATER CORAL REEFS**



**OIL & NATURAL GAS SEEPS**



**BRINE POOLS**



**CHEMOSYNTHETIC COMMUNITIES**

ECOGIG scientists seek to better understand the impacts of oil and natural gas inputs on the Gulf of Mexico's ecosystems.

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## HEALTHY OCEAN ECOSYSTEMS PROVIDE

The air we breathe



The food we eat

Carbon storage

Storm protection



Recreation

Natural resources



Biodiversity

Climate stability

Jobs

Biotechnical innovations



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