

IHO Data Center for Digital Bathymetry
report to the
GEBCO Guiding Committee

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IHO DCDB Topics

- GEBCO Gazetteer Enhancement Project
- GEBCO Data Store
- Issues/Needs

IHO 2013 Work Program

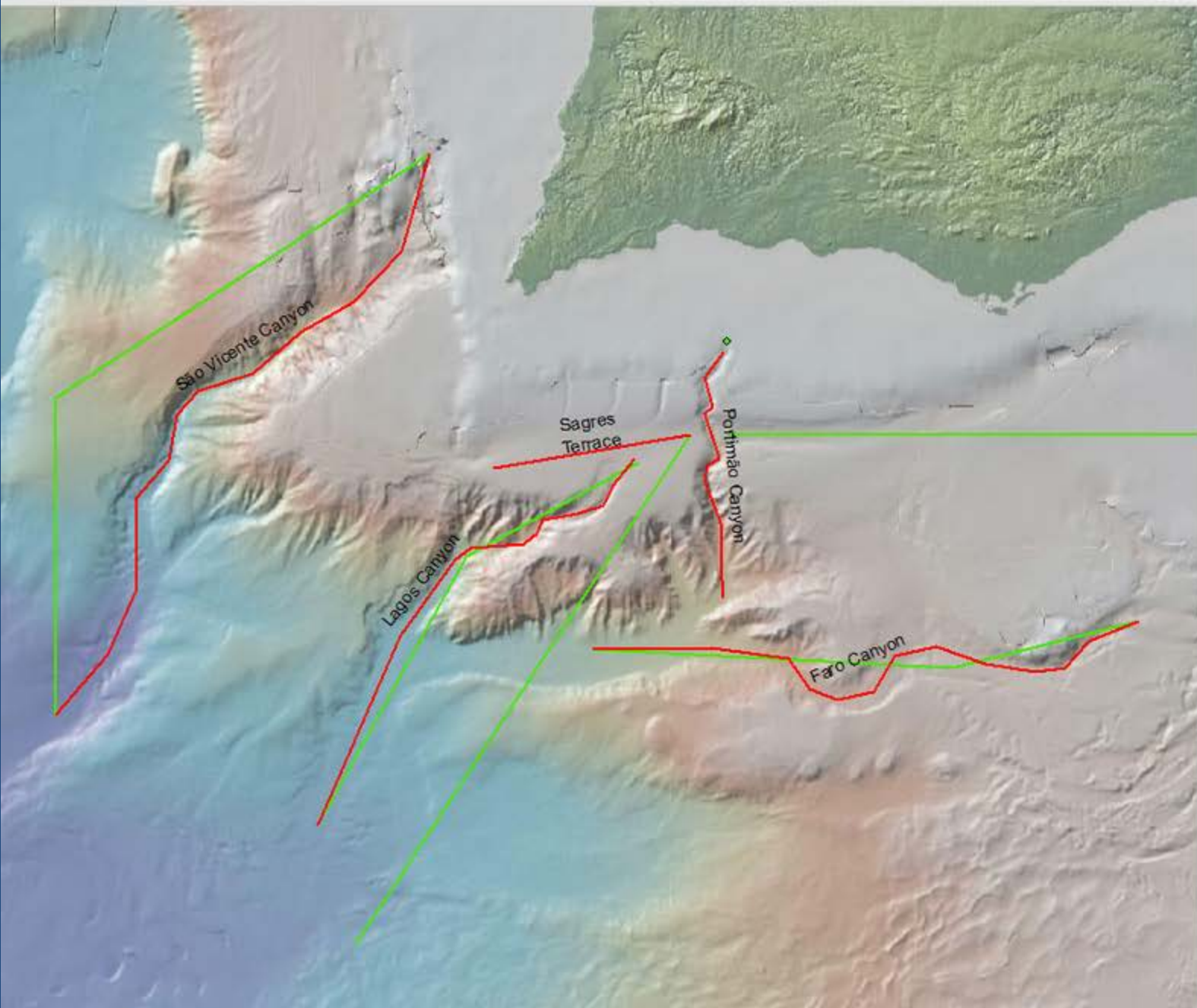
- Element 3.8.2: Ensure effective operation of the IHO DCDB
- Element 3.8.8: Update and enhance the GEBCO Gazetteer (B-8) for internet access. A) provide the GEBCO Gazetteer as a web service via a geospatially enabled database. B) Develop and make available public and management on-line interfaces to the Gazetteer.

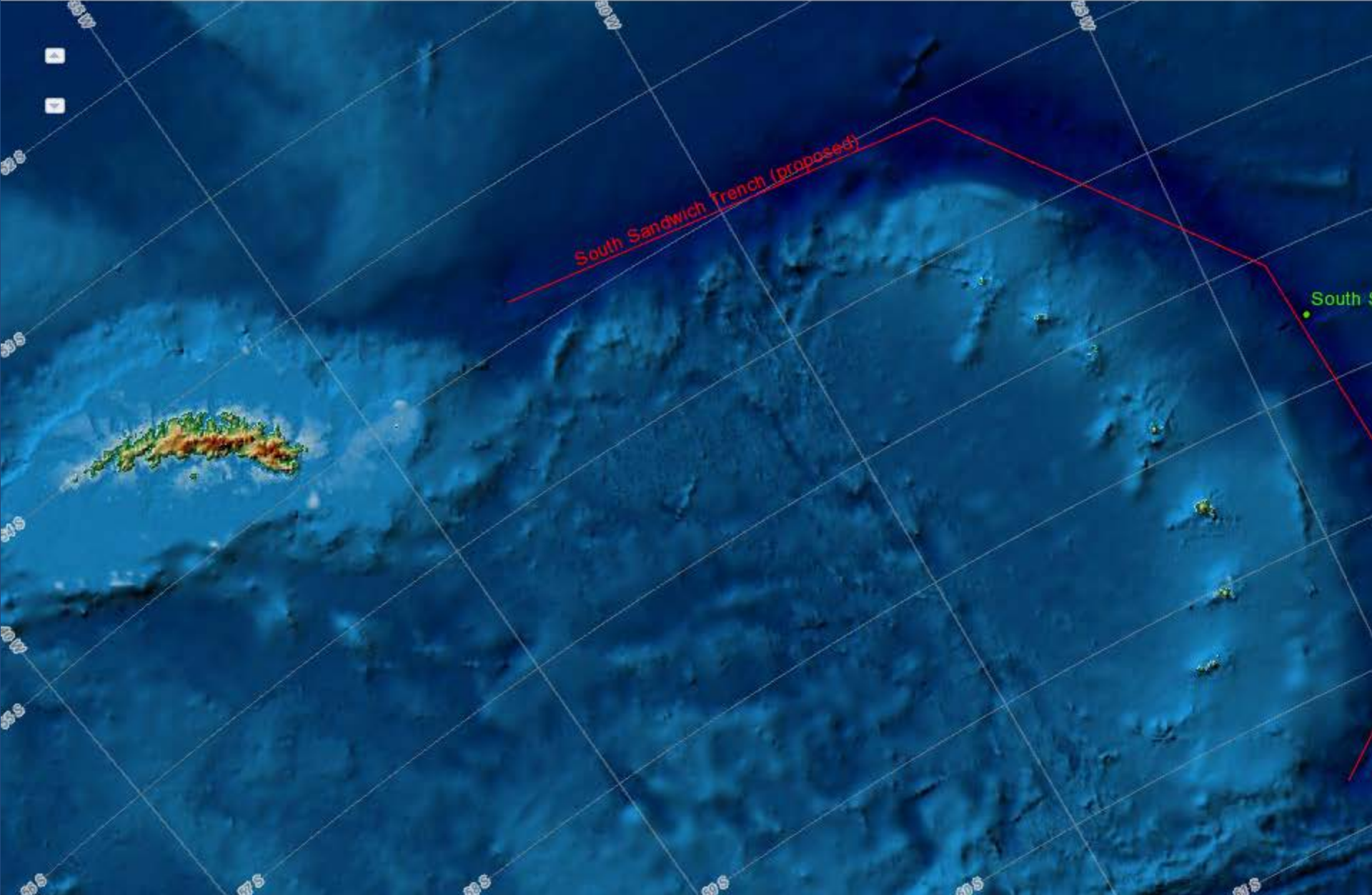
GEBCO Gazetteer Enhancement, Part II

- Deliverables:
 - Quality control and update a geospatially enabled 'IHO-IOC GEBCO Gazetteer of Undersea Feature Names' and provide access to the Gazetteer as a web service to the public and Google.
 - Provide the ability to download the entire Gazetteer or to limit that download to undersea features modified after a specified date.

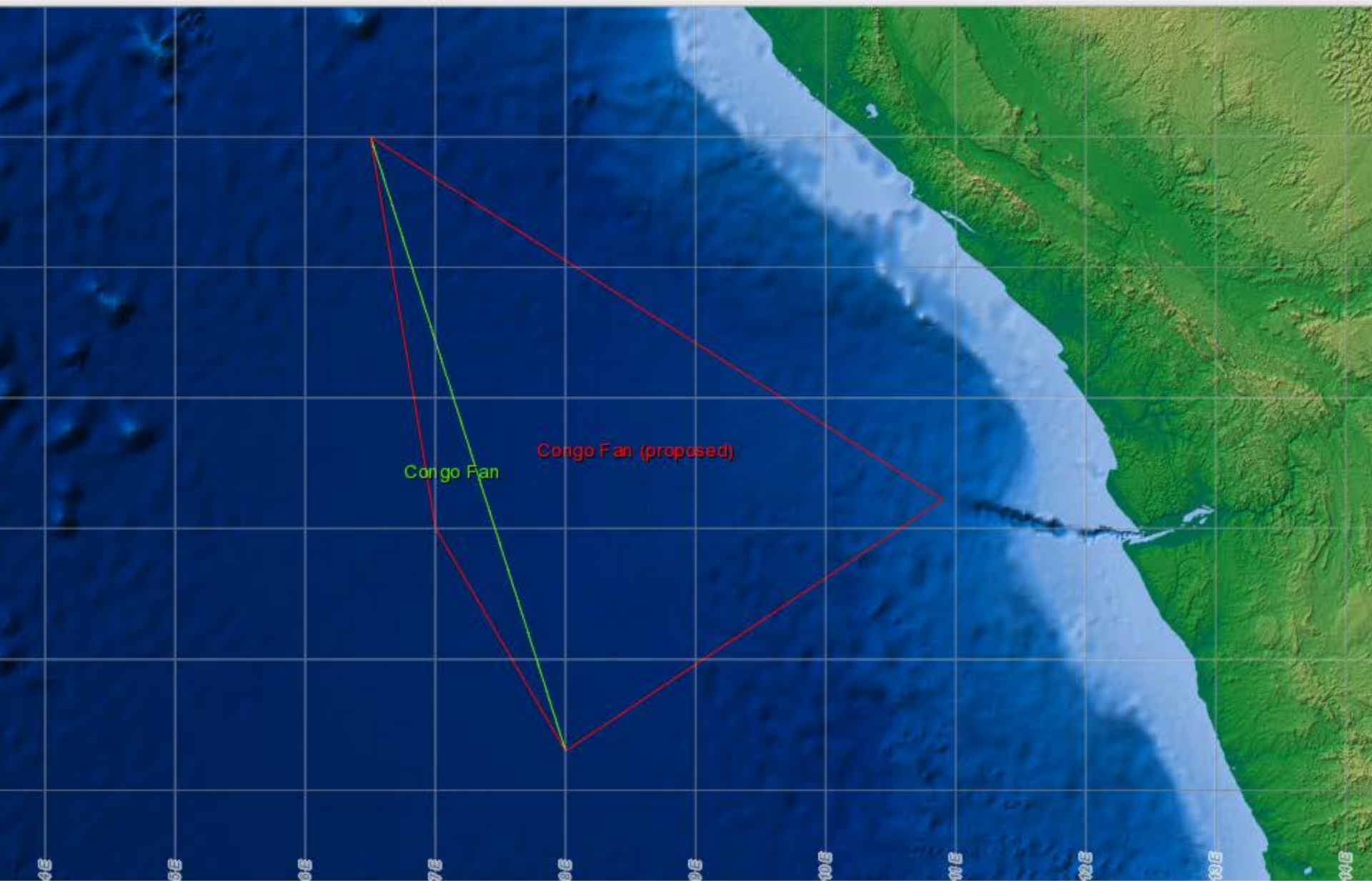
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- Progress to date:
 - Phase I: Identification of attribute and positional errors and specific geometry enhancement needs
 - Phase II:
 - Created and populated a geospatially-enabled relational database from the August 2011 version of Gazetteer
 - Quality controlled geospatial database to enhance the accuracy of the Gazetteer
 - Developed web-based tools to visualize proposed changes to feature geometries
 - Over 130 proposed geometry enhancements under review by full SCUFN members
 - Correction of attribute data for features with obvious clerical errors (e.g., incorrect longitude/latitude sign)

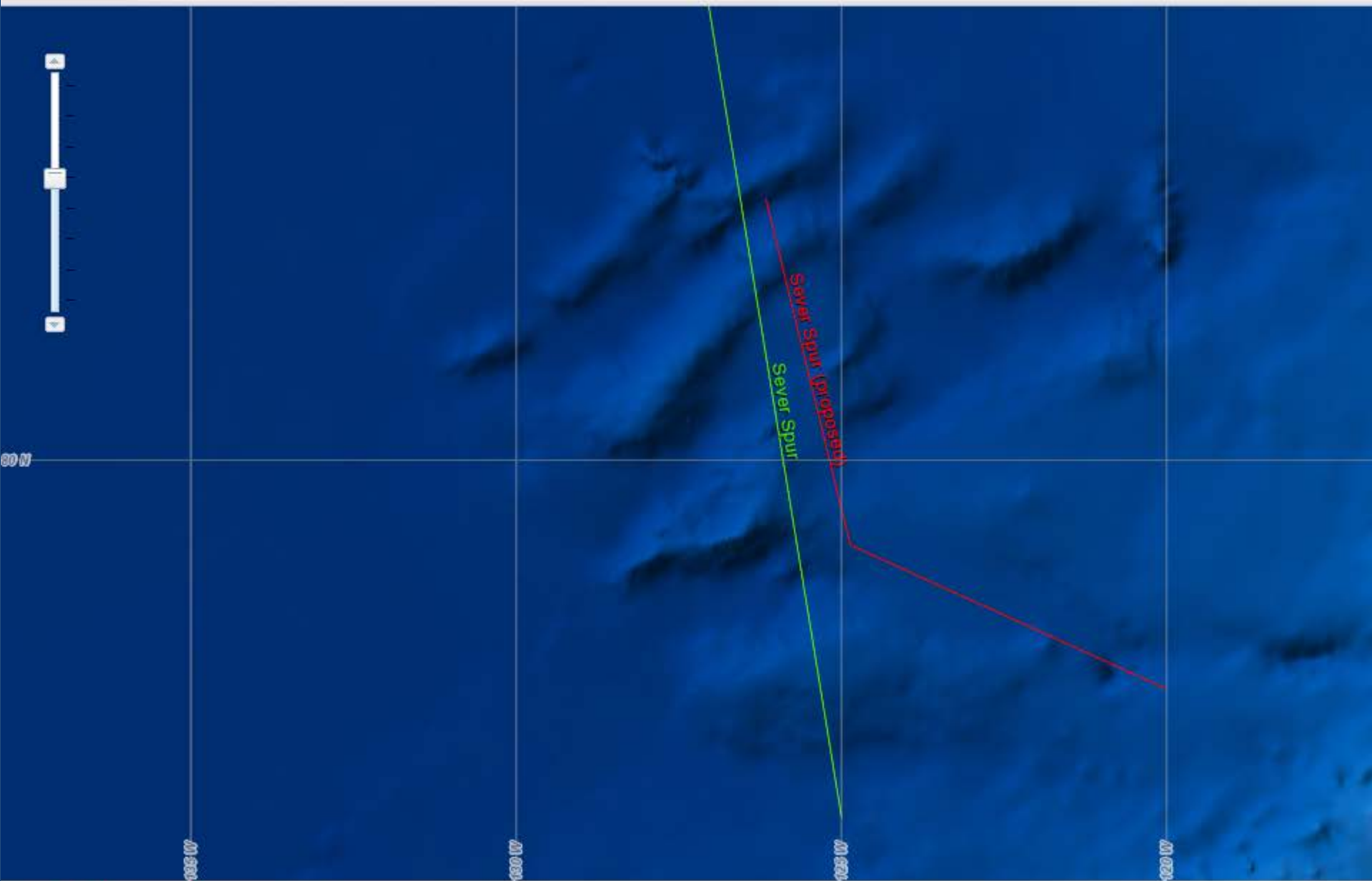




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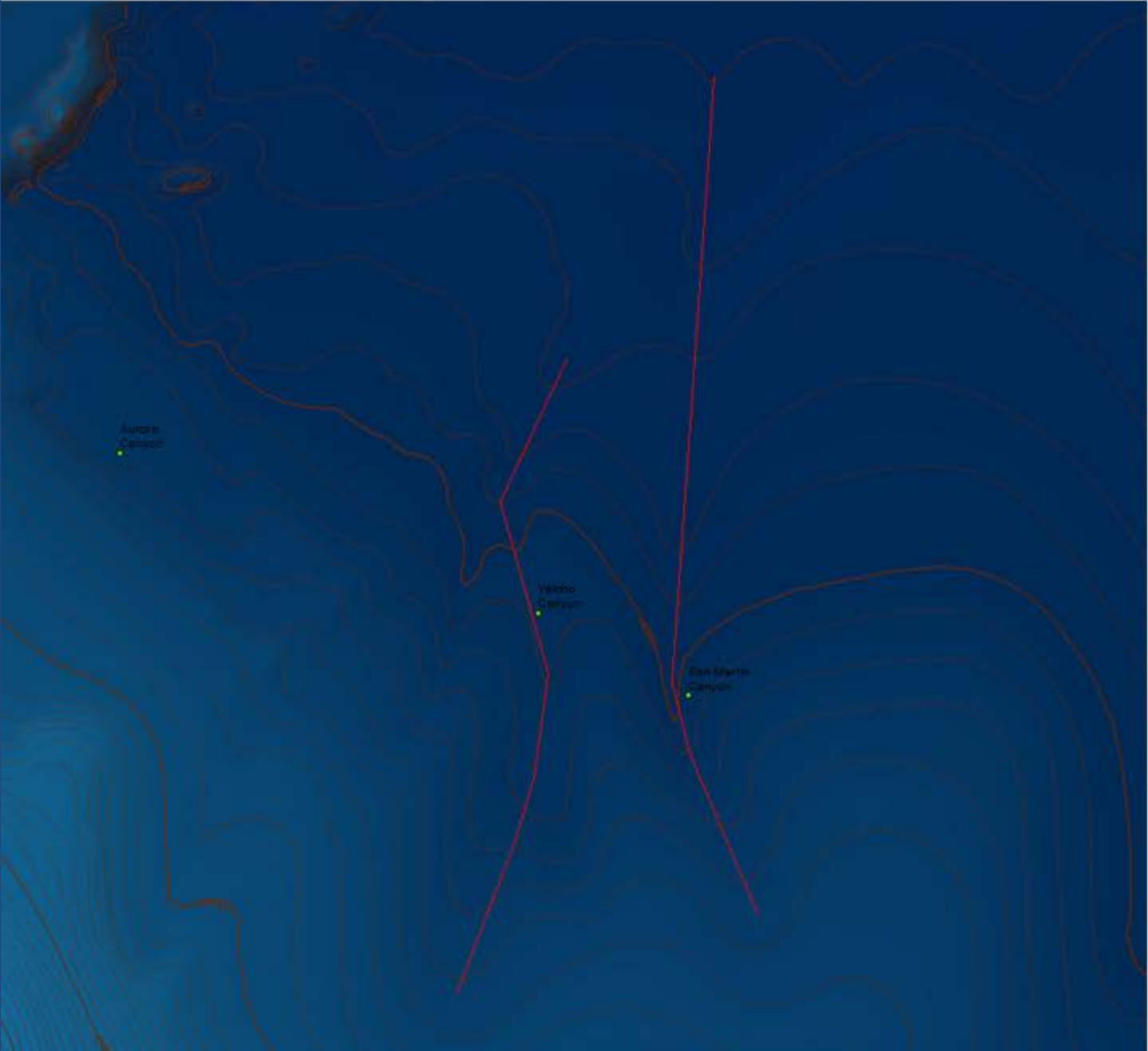


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Longitude: -126.631, Latitude: 79.248



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- Remaining work:
 - Incorporate changes and additions approved by SCUFN
 - Continue to evaluate and improve feature geometries
 - Complete development of Gazetteer public and management interfaces
 - Deploy Gazetteer database as the authoritative source for undersea feature names as a map service and interface with web map viewer

GEBCO Data Store

- IHO DCDB worked with BODC and Scripps to set up two-way rsync read-only connectivity
- Resolved security concerns by constraining access through IP address
- Structure = flat files
- Next Steps:
 - Draft one-pager describing Data Store objectives and data flow and metadata requirements
 - Set up rsync connections with all partners
 - Automatically update/notify partners of new data and changes to data

Issues/Needs

- IHO DCDB leverages National Geophysical Data Center resources and infrastructure
- With additional resources the IHO DCDB could:
 - Improve IHO DCDB web presence to enhance data contributions and access to international bathymetric data