

Beaufort Gyre Exploration Project: Dispatch 20: Mooring D recovery

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With a side trip down to the coast complete, we are steaming now headed north to recover another mooring. This unit is much the same as the first mooring, so recovery and redeployment should be similar. I have been working on the instruments for the deployment scheduled for Wednesday while other members of the science team take the opportunity to perform required equipment maintenance.

Mooring D, located at about 74 degrees North, is in approximately 3900 meters of water and is one of several annual moorings. Getting here has been tough as the fog was so thick you couldn't see more than a couple hundred yards at best, and down to less than 100 at the worst. We have been crawling at about 8 knots through the night, but as we get closer and the day warms a bit the fog has been left behind and it may turn out to be a nice day. Fortunately there is little wind which will keep the ship stable for a nice smooth mooring job.

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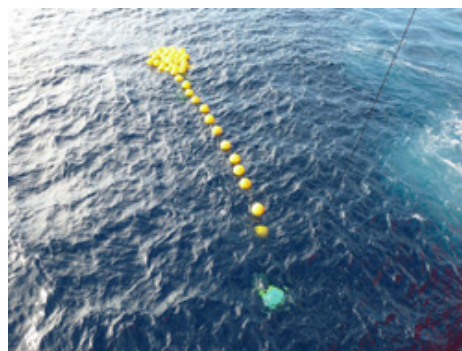
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