DEEP-WATER RESOURCES OF THE NORTHWESTERN HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

DEEP-SEA TECHNOLOGIES
The majority of the seafloor in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands lies at depths beyond 5,000 meters. As a result, advanced technologies are required to survey these deep-sea environments.

REMARKABLE DEEP-SEA DISCOVERIES
The Northwestern Hawaiian Islands contain a rich and diverse deep-water fauna, including some truly remarkable species.

HIGH-DENSITY COMMUNITIES
Deep-water explorations of the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands have discovered over a dozen high-density communities of corals and sponges. Some of these have densities that are comparable to shallow-water coral reefs.

BATTLE OF MIDWAY
Ships and aircraft lost during the Battle of Midway (June 4-7, 1942) remain on the seafloor in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands.