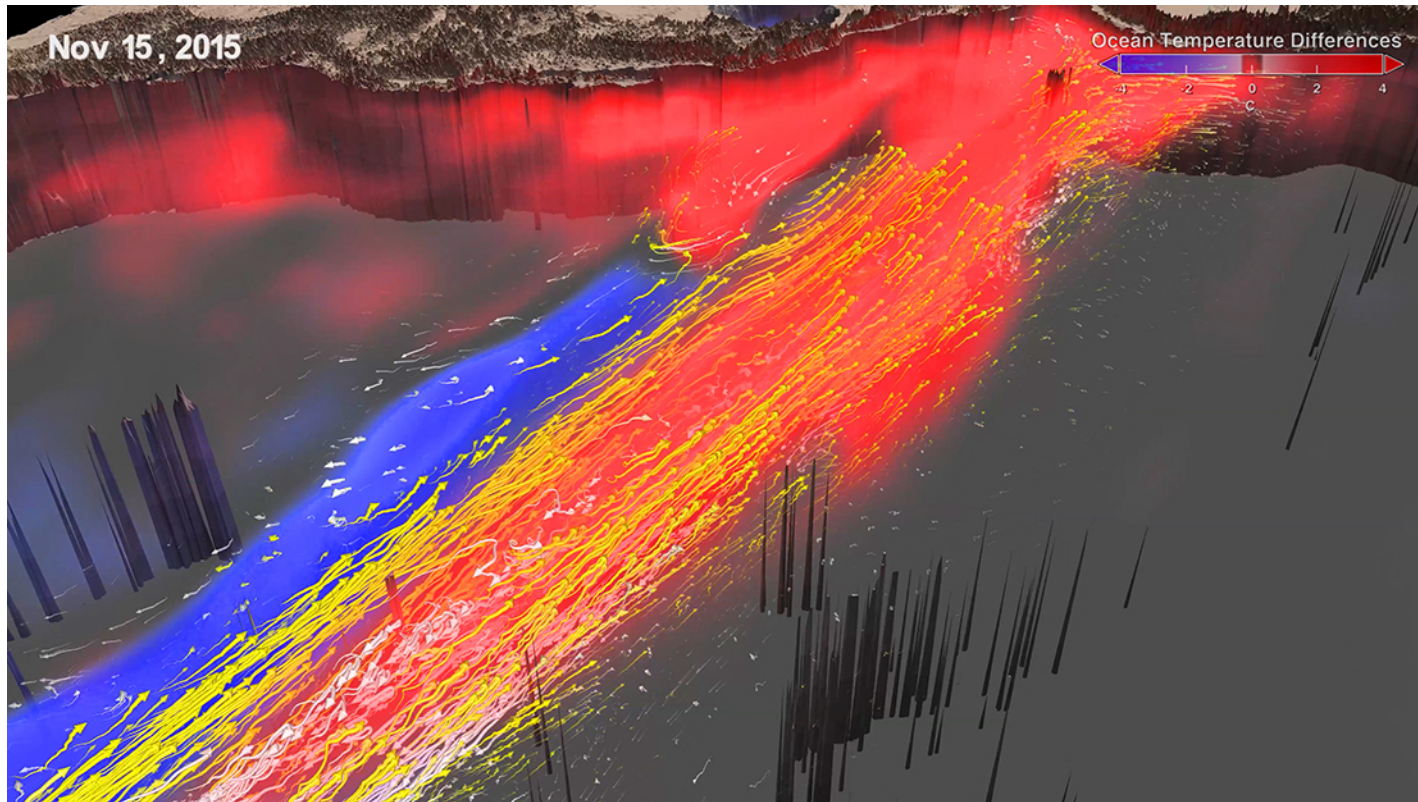


A New Look at the 2015-2016 El Niño



This view of the upper ocean in the 2015-2016 El Niño event depicts the three-dimensional spatial structure of temperatures and currents from their long-term averages. Temperature anomalies of more than 2°C and less than -2°C are shown in red and blue. Anomalous eastward/westward currents are shown in yellow/white.

The accompanying animation depicts the pulsating nature of the oceanic response to atmospheric forcing, especially that associated with westerly wind bursts. Read a feature article and view the related animation at: svs.gsfc.nasa.gov/12601