



COASTAL PHOTOGRAPH

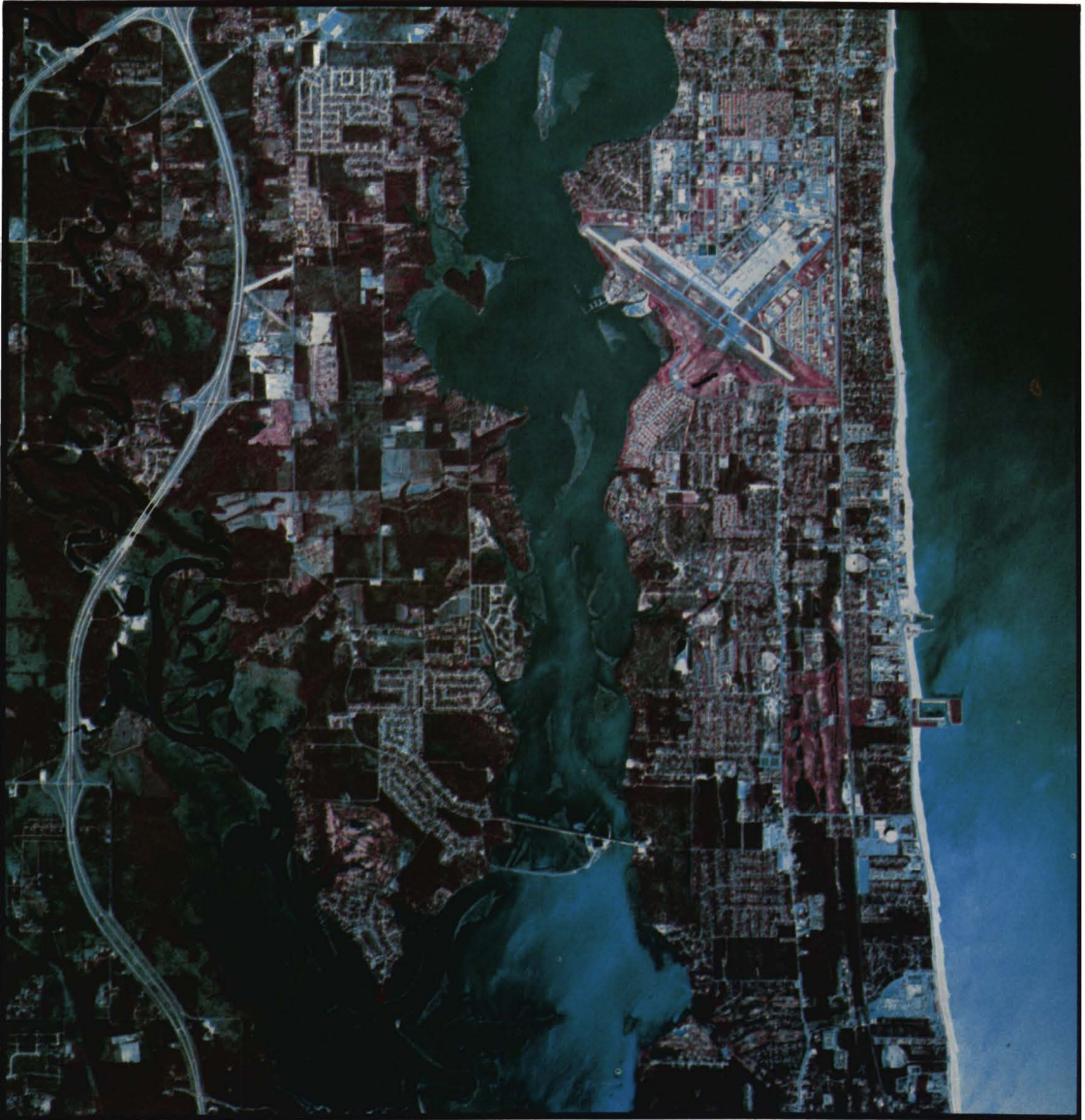


PHOTO 15. This color infrared aerial photograph of Biloxi, Mississippi (North is to the left), shows a portion of a standard NHAP frame. This photo, taken 9 April 1980, illustrates some of the advantages of false-color photography for emphasizing details in coastal environments. Note, for example, the sharp blue to white color contrasts that emphasize irregularities in the shoreline. The breaks in the gentle curve of the mainland Harrison County Beach are caused by accumulation of sediment on the updrift sides of groins built out into Mississippi Sound. Small meander scrolls, oxbow lakes, and cutoff loops are clearly visible along the Tchoutacasduffa River and in the tidal marsh (dark blue-gray areas) farther downstream. Urban areas show up as lighter colored regions except for areas of phanerophytic vegetation which are depicted in reddish hues (Photointerpretation by Charles W. Finkl, Jr.). [NHAP ID: NHAP 80, Roll 33, Frame 105]