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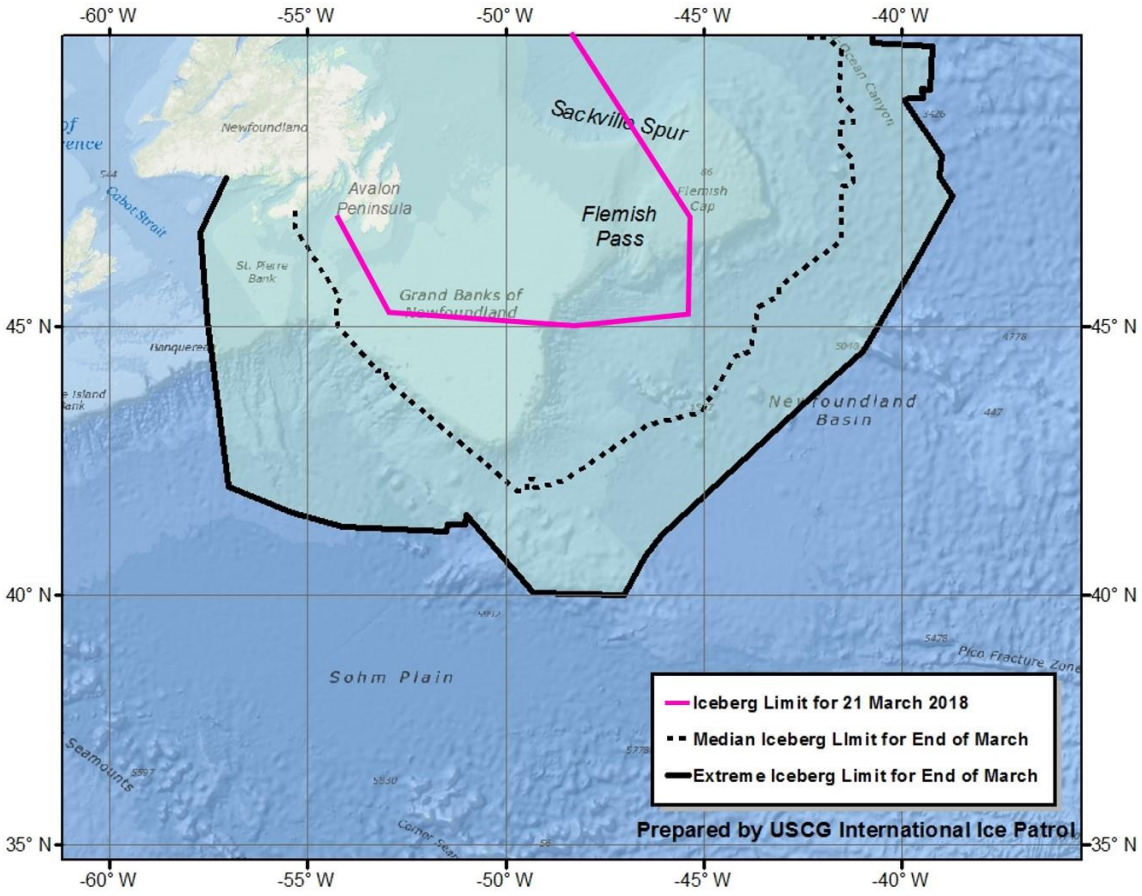
SEVEN-DAY ICEBERG OUTLOOK FOR EAST NEWFOUNDLAND WATERS AND THE LABRADOR COAST ISSUED BY INTERNATIONAL ICE PATROL (IIP) ON 21 MARCH 2018. THE NEXT ICEBERG OUTLOOK WILL BE ISSUED ON 28 MARCH 2018.

Labrador Coast and Strait of Belle Isle (NORTH OF 52°N):
Sea ice continues to compress along the Labrador Coast coast due to persistent northeasterly winds. Many icebergs are drifting southward outside of the sea ice edge in the Labrador Current. Due to a forecast for continued negative North Atlantic Oscillation (NAO) over the next seven days, sea ice will continue to contract.

Newfoundland (SOUTH OF 52°N):
Sea-ice is expected to recede northward and toward the east coast of Canada due to storm systems tracking south of Newfoundland. Iceberg observations and forecasted drift show few icebergs drifting southward near the Flemish Pass holding the Iceberg Limit well within the End of March median (dashed line).

The Iceberg Limit is expected to remain close to 45°N and well within the End of March median Iceberg Limit (dashed line) over the next seven days. As of 20 March 2018, 30 icebergs have drifted or been sighted south of 48°N in the transatlantic shipping lanes. On average, 85 icebergs drift south of this latitude by the end of March based on data collected between 1900 and 2017.