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Chesapeake Technology, Inc. Software Used by BentProp to Search for American MIAs

September 2018 - Chesapeake Technology, makers of SonarWiz data collection and post-processing software, is pleased to renew its multi year partnership with the BentProp Project. Beginning in December 2010, BentProp has used SonarWiz software to create and review sonar images to identify high-likelihood search targets. Hundreds of images are scanned each day during a typical one month project, such as the one below. Since 2014, BentProp has been working in partnership as a founding member of Project Recover. Their team members are volunteers, trained specialists, and professionals, each with essential expertise (history, aviation, diving, navigation), who are dedicated to locating and assisting with identifying American prisoners of war (POW) and missing in action (MIA) from World War II and other conflicts around the world. Read more about their work [here](#).

Memorial Day: B-24 Heaven Can Wait Located

On Memorial Day 2018, Project Recover announced they had located the B-24 called Heaven Can Wait in Hansa Bay near Papua, New Guinea. The B-24 was on a bombing mission when the plane was hit by anti-aircraft fire. Project Recover used scanning sonars, high-definition imagers, and un-manned aerial and underwater robotics to find the site. After scanning 27 kilometers in 11 days, they located the aircraft submerged under 213' of water. Read more [here](#) or [here](#).

Returning from the Deep: WW2 Aircraft Discovered off the Coasts of Palau

On 24 March 2014, Project Recover located a TBM Avenger which had been shot down off the coast of Palau during a bombing raid on an island in 1944. BentProp had begun the search a decade earlier. Locating the aircraft represents the team's first major find as Project Recover. Read more [here](#). BentProp and the entire Project Recover team search for MIA service members in and around the islands of Palau. Read or download the Ocean News & Technology article [here](#).

About Project Recover

Project Recover is a public-private partnership to enlist 21st century science and technology combined with in-depth archival and historical research in a quest to find the final underwater resting places of Americans missing in action since World War II. Established in 2012 with initial support from the Office of Naval Research and formalized in 2016 with private funding, Project Recover is a partnership among researchers at the University of Delaware's College of Earth, Ocean, and Environment, Scripps Institution of Oceanography at the University of California San Diego, and The BentProp Project, Limited. Read more [here](#).

Chesapeake Technology, Inc. is a privately held company based in Mountain View CA. SonarWiz software is used by hundreds of clients worldwide, including NOAA, USGS, Fugro, Oceaneering; leading academic institutions including Scripps, UCSD and University of Delaware; and many of the world's navies.

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