



Figure 3. USGS bottom tripod instrument system similar to one deployed at Site B during the MBIWE. The instrument system deployed during MBIWE at Site B had two Benthic Acoustic Stress Sensors (BASS) to measure current and there was no camera. Instrument cases on the frame house electronics and battery power for current, temperature, conductivity, light transmission, and pressure measurements. The frame is lowered to the sea floor on a line. The orange floats on the top of the tripod frame are released from the surface by an acoustic release and pull a recovery line to the surface.