



FIGURE 15.45. An aerial view of carbonate tidal flats accumulating along the eastern margin of Shark Bay, Western Australia, showing exposed supratidal, cyanobacterial-covered flats, light-colored intertidal sand flats, and a dark subtidal zone covered by a marine sea grass similar to turtle grass. A tidal channel cuts into the intertidal flat and subtidal sea grass bank, is flanked by subaqueous levees, and terminates in an ebb-tidal delta.