

Exec Committee Conference Call
10/17/05 1:30PM

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Agenda:

Update on activities (brief)

National Water Quality Monitoring Network

Any data sharing/interoperability lessons or issues for us?

(Phil pointed out this effort and Deb is on the Data Management and Access subcommittee)

Annual Meeting

- basic structure of the draft agenda? (see Sylvia's 09/27 e-mail)
- speaker: with Pat H. unavailable, Phil suggested Melanie Meaux who could talk about the MMI. Any alternate to Pat H. to highlight Interoperability possibilities?
- accomplishments
- work plan

Other issues?

Notes:

Update on activities:

Technical Committee Update: Working on guidance document. Utilizing DMAC guidance. Will be meeting on Wednesday (10/19) afternoon to discuss. Bottom line is that survey was inconclusive. Plan to utilize this as the input for the work plan.

NMFS has fish data and hydrodata reachable by DODs. Shrimp project could be modified to make it "live" or some other project to demonstrate technology. David is in touch with Tom to develop a demonstration.

Philip met with Census of Marine Life folks to discuss future collaboration.

National Water Quality Monitoring Network :

National Water Quality Monitoring Council tasked to define National Water Quality monitoring network through collaboration. Deb is on the data management and access committee. Major topic is data sharing, similar to our own work. Heavily leaning on the EPA model (Exchange Network). Will work to integrate this with IOOS to incorporate ocean data. Next week's OOS-tech workshop will be working on the subject of web services and is consistent with these efforts. Advocating technology and approach rather than a particular software product. Plan is in the

process of being written for this effort and requirements will be spelled out. Need to educate the Data Partnership about this effort and the outcomes of it.

Annual meeting – draft agenda discussion:

Draft agenda: general agreement on meeting format as a working group. Goal of demonstrations/discussion is to enable discussion on what works/what doesn't. General agreement on need to continue partnership as a resource for partners in terms of expertise and sharing. Outside support required to get data sharing ventures going. Meeting should be structured in this vein.

Speaker: Pat Halpin not available. Philip suggested Melanie Meaux as a speaker on the topic of Marine Metadata Initiative. Melanie is a data manager at GCMD, articulate and fairly technical. After discussion, consensus was to invite her to speak. Philip/Sylvia to coordinate.

Want to have people leave the meeting with a strong sense of where we're headed/timeframe. Should focus accomplishments discussion around status to goals. Expectations of partners, timeframes for completion of goals. On this idea, need to ensure that people are clear about issues with data registration either through the technical guidance or a presentation.

Move discussion of Regional Association earlier in the meeting.

Evan to discuss with Philip the need to provide travel funding, possibly through the RA. Need to consider precedent, and expectations of partners. Major consideration will be given to those traveling by air.

Work Plan

Sylvia/David to work on process for adoption of plan.

No other issues to discuss, meeting adjourned just before 3PM.