

GoMODP Exec Committee Conf Call

2/1/07 - 10AM EST

Present: D. Mountain, D. Soule, T. Shyka, P. Bogden, T. Gale, B. Branton, E. Richert, L. Mercer, S. Most, J. Levin

Agenda:

1. Review of activities for the coming year
2. Planning/organizing the first partnership discussion on NERA COOS/GoMODP relationship
3. Status/updates on pilot projects
4. Status/updates on committees
5. Web Services Workshop
6. Other business – Letters of Intent

Meeting Notes:

1. Reviewed the 2007 workplan – no additional comments
2. NERA COOS/GoMODP discussion
 - agreement that a conf call would be a good approach
 - need partners to have a document to review prior to meeting
 - Basic question – does the ODP want to continue as an independent entity, voluntary as it has been, or, should it become a committee of NERACOOS
 - Goal is to have clear direction for the Advisory Committee representatives.
 - Use the draft governance document that was used at URI; Evan will revise for distribution
 - Evan/Sylvia to set date week of March 5th
3. Pilot projects
 - One new dataset received from Wells Reserve
 - NOAA CSC is trying to do an ocean observing inventory. Eric Bridger attended a meeting last summer re: the catalog. This links in with the RFP that we just submitted for an LOI, OOSTethys and Open Geospatial Consortium. Limited funding is causing many of these efforts to be blended together.
 - Shrimp Project – GoMOOS has a new developer working on this project. Progress is being made in this area. Suggestion was made that a case study be written to talk about lessons learned and what had to be done behind the scenes. Tom Gale will have this ready by the beginning of April for posting on the website.
 - Exchange Network proposal has been submitted. Waiting for notice – June-Sept expectation.
 - Smaller proposal that went to Chuck Spooner needs to be re-submitted. National Water Quality Monitoring Pilot is related to this, however there is no funding. Need to respond by Feb 23rd, largely building off of what has already been submitted. Once again, this is an area of overlap.

- Data Suitability Testing – progress. Bob B. and John Shipman sifted through partnership and non-partnership datasets. They reviewed 5000 metadata records from the GCMD. At the annual meeting there was a proposal to come up with other suitability cases, this has not been started.

4. Committees

- Technical Committee Work Plan will be posted on the website. Two projects are continued from last year.
- Outreach – several new targets to approach – key state agencies in Coastal New England states and Canadian targets such as Environment Canada. Need a new one-pager with a description of the partnership/responsibilities for recruitment. We could use a success story to explain benefit of partnership. A brief questionnaire might be worthwhile to disseminate as an outreach tool – Bob Branton has an example he’s been using with OBIS.
- Metadata Editorial Committee – merged survey results on plone site with GCMD list. Multiple data centers per partner apparent. Letter to Tom/Sylvia/Dave re: situation w/ US sites re-sent by Bob needs to be responded to. Canadian sites seem to be OK.

5. Web Services workshop

- OOSTech workshop held up by continuing resolution until now.
- The ODP workshop is budgeted in the RA grant. Target May timeframe.
- Technical proposal for the workshop will be ready for the Exec Committee by March 1st. This will take into account any new developments with OOSTech that may be evident by the middle of February. This will be coordinated by Tom S., Tom G. and Sylvia. Target workshop date is May 23-24, 2007.

6. Other Business

- Letter of Intent – NERA COOS Grant
- Smaller LOI for ODP to promote ODP activities
 - March 14th timeframe to get word back about whether we should submit proposal. Need to get activity going in advance of this deadline toward developing proposal.
- Introduction of Jen Levin – new program coordinator @ GoMOOS working on Regional Association.
- Target 10AM March 9th for the next meeting by phone call.
- Symposium at BIO OCT 2-4, 2007 - call for papers/presentations – Bob Branton /Sylvia to distribute. Also speaker sponsored by ODP? Perhaps ODP Exec committee to meet at BIO in conjunction with this meeting.
- Dave will be leaving fisheries in early fall (September 1st) and will need to step down from his roll as Partnership Chair.