

CICEET

Tools for Clean Water & Healthy Coasts



Detection



Prevention



Recovery



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CICEET- NERRS Engagement

- **Relevant Findings of CICEET External Review**
Observations and Recommendations
- **Results of Initial Discussions**
Managers
Research Coordinators
CTP Coordinators
- **Next Steps**



Purpose of the Review

- **Provide CICEET, UNH and NOAA with:**
 - **Independent assessment of the effectiveness of the program in achieving MOU and SP goals**
 - **Make recommendations for future direction, focus and process**



Review Focus

- **Overall program structure and function**
- **CICEET's approach to problem identification and research prioritization**
- **CICEET's process for extramural granting**
- **The effectiveness of the CICEET technology and information transfer process**
- **Effectiveness of CICEET's partnerships**



Recommendations

- Needs Assessments
 - Expand our stakeholders to include regulatory people, the broader CZ community, the private sector, local watershed groups
- NOAA Recognition
 - Seek improved knowledge and acknowledgement of CICEET within NOAA/NOS- briefings with administrators, IPA for NOAA staff
- Competitive Grants Process
 - Fewer research priorities
 - Eliminate “proof of concept” and “tech transfer” grant comps
 - Find better methods to obtain input from NERRS sites and still avoid conflict of interest
 - Greater effort to be more geographically inclusive
- Advisory Board
 - Consider expanding membership or establish another advisory or stakeholder group



Observations and Recommendations Specific to CICEET and NERRS

- Observation:
 - Positive Aspects- mutual benefits
 - Enhanced research activities at Reserve sites
 - Direct funding of NERRS Initiatives-SWMP, PAGIS, Workshops (BM, IOOS)
 - NERRS provides platforms for research and demonstration
 - NERRA support for CICEET
 - *Could be much more productive and enriching*
- Recommendation
 - Seek enhanced engagement



Observations and Recommendations Specific to CICEET and NERRS

- Observation
 - Requirement for research to physically take place at NERRS sites potentially constraining
- Recommendation
 - Consider other options to link CICEET projects to NERRS interest and NERRS sites
 - CTP programs, workshops, information dissemination
 - Enhance 2-way dialogue on local/regional research priorities
 - More “on the ground” outreach



Observations and Recommendations Specific to CICEET and NERRS

- Observation
 - NERRS could enhance CICEET's reach and impact
 - CICEET could engage more actively with NERRS
- Recommendation
 - NERRS should view CICEET as a problem-solving organization and a broker which offers augmented capabilities and services
 - There should be greater involvement between CICEET and all NERRS programs (CTP, education, etc.)
 - NERRS could be an effective feedback mechanism about project success, utility of information and possible improvements
 - CTPs help engage in dissemination of products and information
 - NERRS help CICEET identify local/regional stakeholders and “on the ground” managers and decision makers



Observations and Recommendations Specific to CICEET and NERRS

- **Observation**
 - There should be more interaction between CICEET and NERRS and other coastal management and monitoring entities
- **Recommendation**
 - CICEET and NERRS (and NOAA) should together look for linkage and engagement opportunities
 - IOOS Regional Associations, ACT, CZ programs, CSC
 - NEP, ETV



Dialogue

- Presentation to Managers at NERRS meeting in December
 - General agreement on enhanced engagement
 - Further discussion at NOAA PMM
 - Managers expressing interest
 - Mike DeLuca
 - Wendy Allen
 - Peter Wellenberger
 - Mike Graybill
 - Jaime Kooser



Research Coordinators

- CICEET Grant program
 - Conflict of Interest
 - End user requirement- last minute calls, relevance of research ideas to sites
 - Compensation for participation
 - Define local and regional priorities for applicants
 - Clarify role of Reserve staff



Research Coordinators

- Technology Utilization
 - Understanding impediments to utilization of technologies and research results
 - Look for the right fit- local needs
 - Consider IPAs

Continue Dialogue

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CTP Coordinators

- Grants Program
 - Last minute cold calls-poor fit
 - Role of CTP coordinators unclear
 - Invited to participate too late in the game
 - Perhaps too many people leaning on CTPs
- CICEET Issue focused workshops-TDS
 - Depends on the topic- match with local needs
- UNH stormwater Center- workshops and related activities/information



CTP Coordinators

- Interested parties

- Tonna-Marie Surgeon-Rogers (WB)
- Jeff Pollack (SC)
- Rosalyn Kilcollins (AB)
- Chris Feurt (Wells)

- Action Items

Distribute stormwater center report and external review report

Reorganize SC website

Provide feedback to CICEET (Steve Miller)



Next Steps?

