

SOUTHEAST COASTAL and OCEAN OBSERVING REGIONAL ASSOCIATION

SECOORA

IOOS RA DMAC Workshop September 11, 2012

Data Management Activities

- DMAC Technical Approaches Sharing -SECOORA Google code sharing
(<http://code.google.com/p/xenia/wiki/XeniaHome>)
- Establishment of IOOS Parameter Vocabulary V 2.0
- IOOS Biological Observations Data Project in SECOORA and GCOOS-RA
- Governors South Atlantic Alliance Information Management System (IMS) Portal Project – State Agencies Collaboration
- Working with NODC on establishing archival of SECOORA non-federal in-situ observations
- Eye on EARTH – IOOS, SECOORA and NANOOS – Integrating Salinity, temperature and Water Level data

Data Management Priorities

- Providing DMAC services, guidance and support to data collectors and RCOOS Projects
- Gearing up for the Data Certification Process
- Understanding the “RA DMAC” Niche and articulating the purpose of RA DMAC to region’s constituents
- Evaluation and optimization of DMAC infrastructure
- Coordinating/Collaborating with IOOS, Federal DMAC Backbone and other RAs

Data Management Challenges

- Establishing the identity of regional DMAC activities
 - Allocation of resources and time
 - Making sure we are not replicating activities
 - Buy in from constituents (state/local data providers)
- Working with sub-regional data providers on data certification
 - Making them understand why we need to do this
 - Providing support and resources (funding) for certification
 - QA/QC implementation

How can the IOOS office assist our RA

- Providing guidance and helping RAs in establishing their niche among the Federal backbone DMAC activities
- Providing funding guidance – Example HF Radar – Help justify the need to allocate a % of IOOS funding to DMAC activities
- Infrastructure resources – Working with RA to understand their needs (staffing, hardware and software) and harmonize the same across the RAs – Example exploring cloud option, leveraging federal backbone infrastructure.
- Governance and Guidance – E.g. Moving IOOS Parameter Vocabulary forward, Repositories, Product generation boundaries (avoid competition with private and federal backbone)