

MARCOOS PI's:

Many of us are getting more and more involved in the oil spill response. The next MACOORA Oil Spill Conference Call is Friday, Jun 4 at 11 am if you care to join.

We will have our next scheduled MARCOOS conference call on Friday, at 9:30 to 10:30.

The half hour between calls gives us time for a break if we need it, and allows us a little flexibility if we need to go over time.

The main objective of this Friday's MARCOOS call is to see if we can list the primary tasks that we want to accomplish during the final 6 months of our first 3-year contract.

Essentially this is an outline for what we want to write about in our Sept 30, 2010 6-month progress report.

We have the usual list of topics we need to hit, and some initial sample questions to discuss:

1) Wind observations and forecasting.

Jay is our usual lead on this.

What do we need to focus on during these last 6 months to coordinate the wind forecast ensemble in the MAB?

2) HF Radar Operations

Hugh is our usual lead - operational status of all sites, new install schedule, site resiliency progress, national network reporting status.

3) HF Radar QA/QC

Josh is often the lead here. Also Larry.

We have developed a long list of sensitivity tests for the radial and total vector fields.

Can we define the test periods. One is the ADCP & drifter deployment on NJ Shelf used for SAROPS validation. Are there others?

4) STPS.

Jim is lead here.

Any additional testing or improvements planned for this 6 month period?
Next steps on overall resiliency of the datastream through SAROPS?

5) Satellite Data.

Matt is usual lead.

What satellite products/developments are planned for this next 6 months?

6) Gliders

Oscar & Bill & Wendell are leads.

Plans for fall cruise with new rechargeable batteries in RU22.

Other MAB plans?

7) Dynamical models.

John, Avijit, Alan leads.

What modeling activities - real time forecasts, assimilation, and validation plans

do we implement in these 6 months.

We need drifters of opportunity for validation for possible inclusion in SAROPS.

8) Data management.

Eoin lead.

How do we prioritize our next 6 months with Eoin & John Kerfoot so involved in the oil spill, what is our best focus these next 6 months?

If most of our data streams are now in the threads server world that make them available to the modelers,

what are the next steps we should complete for our public user face?

9) Education.

Janice & Tom leads.

Next step on MAB rip current/ life guard community building.

Visualization strategy for Big Mahi's suggested combined codar/sst product.

10) Economic Impacts.

Dennis & Tony leads.

What impact message do we deliver to IOOS (likely Dennis) and MARCO (likely Tony).

Some other announcements/ information updates:

a) special issue status update - MTS & CSR - Oscar & Scott

b) National HF Radar network progress - Larry & Scott

c) Interactions with NOAA Fisheries - John Manderson & Josh

d) Coldfish progress - Wendell & others.

e) Wind energy updates - likely several.

f) others?

Oil spill conference call begins at 11 am.

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