



To: Lisa Clough and Bob Houtman, NSF
From: Larry Atkinson, Chair, Ocean Observatories Initiative Facility Board
Subject: DDCI Final Report

The Ocean Observatories Initiative Facility Board is pleased to submit the attached report from the Data Distribution and Cyber Infrastructure (DDCI) Working Group. The DDCI was created at the May 2017 OOIFB meeting to specifically address the following:

To facilitate the assessment of OOI data quality by the science community, and to accelerate the integration of OOI infrastructure usage into project proposals and scientific publications, the OOIFB will establish an ad-hoc Working Group to identify near-term obstacles to the enhanced delivery of data to the science community and to make recommendations for removing these obstacles.

The membership of DDCI was as follows:

Co-Chairs:

Tim Crone, LDEO (OOIFB Member)
Jim O'Donnell, UCONN (OOIFB Member)

Members:

Brian Glazer, UH (OOIFB Member)
Derrick Snowden, NOAA
Orest Kawka, UW
Stephanie Petillo WHOI
Richard Signell, USGS
Mary Jo Richardson, TAMU

The DDCI met in person once at NSF and held several conferences to complete their work. The report was finalized in time for the OOIFB September meeting where it was reviewed.

Their report, that was accepted by the OOIFB is attached.

I do have an additional concern that we did not address during the OOIFB meeting.

OOIFB and the DDCI were given the link to the OOI ERDDAP server. I feel that once it was given to us it must be made completely public. So, I urge OOI to publicize that ERDDAP is available for researchers to access some OOI data.