

ABOVE SDT Leadership Meeting – 6/4/13

Attending: Diane W., Peter G., Eric K., Dan H., Libby L.; Rapporteur: Liz H.

New Business:

1. Next SDT leadership telecon: Tuesday June 11th, 2013 at 11am EDT
 - a. Future SDT leadership meeting on June 18th, 2013 at 11 am
 - b. Possibly skip the telecon on June 25th, make decision later
2. SDT 2 Telecon topics (Dan H.)
 - a. Give a wrap-up of the homework assignments and explain how this information contributes to the first two chapters of the ACEP and is important to the entire process
 - b. Update the SDT on interactions with other groups
 - c. Discuss goals and objectives for Fairbanks meeting
 - d. Ask the SDT for input on data layers (Peter G.)
 - e. Dan H. and Eric K. to coordinate regarding Chapters 1 and 2
Action Item: Dan H. and Eric K. will work to encourage responses to the homework assignments and to then synthesize this material
3. Objectives for SDT Meeting 2 (in Fairbanks)
 - a. Work with the SDT to ensure that the major themes of ABOVE have been appropriately identified based on the initial homework assignments and drafts of Chapters 1 and 2
 - b. Begin drafting Chapter 3 based on the inputs from Chapters 1 and 2
 - c. Possibly break out into small groups based on science themes and/or the 2nd tier science questions (creating groups by the 2nd tier questions will avoid groups forming based on discipline)
4. USFS Telecon scheduled for later this week
 - a. Diane W., Peter G. and others to call in to Sean Healey's survey data teleconference
5. Geospatial Datasets
 - a. Many geospatial datasets have been identified as useful in site selection by members of the SDT. Liz H. and Peter G. are currently compiling these datasets for use by the SDT at the next SDT meeting in July.
 - b. The SDT leadership team identified additional datasets which might be useful including census and other socio-economic datasets; fish and game datasets (for native peoples and subsistence purposes as well as for recreational purposes); remote sensing datasets (including Landsat and MODIS derived products); and locating the most up-to-date soil carbon map for Alaska
Action Item: Continue to search for relevant data layers (Liz H.)
Action Item: Send metadata on the data layers to the ad-hoc SDT data group and then to full SDT for input (Liz H.)
6. Interactions with Canadian and other international participants/SDT Meeting 3 Preparation
 - a. Diane W. participated in the CarboNA regular telecon and discussed ways to engage Canadian scientists in ABOVE and possibly have a 3rd SDT meeting in Canada

- b. Diane W. is to suggest a time to discuss with her Canadian counterpart ways to pursue an SDT meeting in Canada
 - Action Item:** Diane to propose a time to have a telecon with the Canadian group she is in contact with.
 - c. Changing Cold Regions Research group within NSERC has many Canadian researchers and may be a good group to contact (Eric K. recently attended their meeting and may have a contact)
7. Feedback from SDT Meeting 1
- a. Positive feedback regarding the first meeting. Ensuring that atmospheric issues are addressed in the final CEP is important.
 - i. Response: The focus on ecosystem services will address this issue – through addressing feedbacks to and the regulation of climate (Eric K.)
8. Other Business:
- a. Policy Forum by AGU – Arctic focused session: Diane W. to attend on June 25th