

NASA Earth Observing System Data and Information System (EOSDIS) A U.S. Network of Data Centers Serving Earth Science Data – A Network Member of ICSU/WDS Jeanne Behnke<sup>1</sup> and H. K. "Rama" Ramapriyan<sup>1,2</sup> <sup>1</sup> NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, <sup>2</sup> Science Systems and Applications, Inc.



# Mission of EOSDIS

- Process, archive, and distribute Earth science satellite, suborbital, field campaign and other data
- Implement NASA's free and open data and information policy
- Ensure access to data to enable the study of Earth from space to advance Earth system science to meet the challenges of climate and environmental change.
- Promote interdisciplinary use of EOSDIS, including data products, data services, and data handling tools by a broad range of existing and potential user communities

# **EOSDIS Distributed Active Archive Centers (DAACs) are World Class Data Centers**

- Discipline Oriented (e.g., Atmospheric Composition, Cryosphere, Ocean Biology)
- Co-located with science facilities and mission instrument teams at NASA centers, other government agencies, and universities according to their expertise Store Earth science mission data as well as field campaign data, and socioeconomic data - in a variety of measurements, resolutions, and formats > provide reliable, robust services to users whose needs may cross the traditional boundaries of a science discipline, while continuing to support the particular needs of users within the discipline communities.



- Communicate frequently through wikis, telecons, meetings
- Provide mechanisms for community involvement
- Coordinate specific data and services

## Successes

- Serving a large (>2.5 Million), diverse, world-wide community of users
- Managing 12 DAACs and 12 Science Investigator-led Processing Systems (SIPS) (Established 5 new SIPSs in 2015 to process EOS-continuity products from Suomi National Polar Partnership (SNPP) satellite data)
- Earthdata website (<u>http://earthdata.nasa.gov</u>)
  - > Comprehensive, sustainable, and evolvable
- > Unified view of NASA's Earth science data system resources
- Links to various ways to access data , related content and external sites
- Common User Registration System across DAACs
- Consistently high customer satisfaction
- Well-established process for DOI assignments
- GIBS/Wordview Open Source Software; averaging > 100K views/month
- Webinar series 63 webinars; 1,000's of attendees; >10,000 viewers of

#### **High Customer Satisfaction EOSDIS ACSI Customer Satisfaction Survey 2015: Relative Rankings** EOSDIS sponsors an annual independent customer survey in conjunction with the American Customer Satisfaction Index (ACSI) EOSDIS consistently exceeds the Federal Government average

Ratings in the mid to upper 70s are considered "very good" by the rating organization, the CFI Group

2015 Survey results based on 5,345 responses, largest number received 15% (799) responded to the optional DAAC defined questions





#### World-wide Distribution – Free & Open



#### Large & Growing Archive & Distribution Volumes



### **Exponentially Growing Distribution**



## youtube recordings

## Challenges

- Big data volume, variety, velocity, veracity
- Serving diverse user community
- Accommodating diverse data providers
- Encouraging the use of standards
- Preservation and stewardship for missions that age
- Resource control across diverse organization
- Responding to changing technology landscape

# **Best Practices**

- Annual user surveys American Customer Satisfaction Index
- DAAC User Working Groups
- Clear interface specifications and configuration management process
- Earth Science Data System Working Groups provide community inputs to EOSDIS evolution (10 WG's active during 2016-2017)
- Commercial Cloud Prototyping
- Cross-DAAC collaborative projects, weekly telecons, technical interchange meetings (e.g., User Needs, System Engineering)
- ESDIS Standards Office assess standards; maintained approved list for use in NASA Earth Science Data Systems
- Preservation Content Specification adopted as requirement for new missions
- Data Citations and Acknowledgements guidance to DAACs and users https://earthdata.nasa.gov/earth-observation-data/data-citationsacknowledgements
- Collection of Data Recipes for helping users -





Land Atmosphere Near Real-Time Capability for EOS (LANCE)





Data Transformations to Suit End-User Application Needs



**Global Imagery Browse System** (GIBS)/WorldView – Full Resolution Browse



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Numerical weather and climate prediction

Forecasting and monitoring of natural hazards,

ecological/invasive species; agriculture, and air

Providing help with disaster relief and homeland

Tracking propagation of toxic gases like Carbon

Identifying and tracking ash plumes from volcanic

Providing detailed information about locations of

Monoxide (CO) from massive fires

Monitoring and predicting dust storms

https://earthdata.nasa.gov/user-resources/data-recipes



Selected data products ready for users with an average latency of <3 hours after observation



Find out More

#### NASA ESDIS Project Active in National and International Data System Communities ESDIS Website: https://earthdata.nasa.gov NASAEarthData - https://www.facebook.com/NASAEarthData FGDC.GOV **GROUP ON** NASAEarthdata-https://twitter.com/NASAEarthdata Search for NASAEarthdata **EARTH OBSERVATIONS** Search for "NASA Earthdata" opt-in to receive announcements for upcoming $\bigcirc$ webinars. To sign-up, visit: Making location coun http://1.usa.gov/1hmfSVWearthdatawebinars@lists.nas www.opengeospatial.org WORLD DATA SYSTEM <u>a.gov</u>

World Data System Members' Forum – Sept. 11, 2016, Denver, CO

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