



Project Update

Climate Data and Mapping Repository

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Project Overview

- **Source:** FY'18 GIT-funded project to support the CRWG
- **Project need:** Provide a “one-stop shopping” solution for internal and external users who seek data to answer questions about climate change in the Chesapeake Bay watershed
- **Solution:** Create and populate a registry/repository that will compile information in one place
- **Timeframe:** Contract through 6/30/19

Key Project Outcomes

- Create and store mapping layers and geospatial metadata *in cases where these items do not already exist*
 - Case in point: CBP climate change indicators
- Point to datasets (geospatial and non-geospatial) that are already hosted elsewhere
- Capture standardized metadata in a database
 - Fields designed to support search, sort, and filter
 - Designed for transfer to an eventual ArcGIS Open Data repository

Project Steps

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| 1. Plan and scope the effort | Done |
| 2. Identify data sources and compile key information | Done |
| 3. Gather feedback and revise | Done |
| 4. Curate the data (i.e., criteria scoring) | Done |
| 5. Populate remaining fields | Nearly done |
| 6. Gather and incorporate final feedback | In process |
| 7. Conduct final QC review | To do |
| 8. Create maintenance plan | In process |
| 9. Incorporate into Open Data; keep up to date | Future effort |

Stepwise Process

1. Select topics of interest

– Tiered approach:

- **Tier 1:** topics in the proposed suite of 21 climate change indicators
- **Tier 2:** other topics that CBP or the CRWG specifically identifies as being a high priority for this project
- **Tier 3:** other topics from the list of ~67 “high-priority” topics that were carried through to our “value-added” scoring exercises
- **Tier 4:** other topics from the master list of ~210 topics
- **Tier 5:** any additional topics that we have time to capture

Stepwise Process

2. Locate data sources
3. Populate key parts of our matrix to inform the next step
4. Apply data quality criteria to curate the data
 - Criterion #1: The data are publicly accessible.
 - Criterion #2: We have a reasonable expectation that the data source will continue to be updated.
 - Criterion #3: The data come from a credible source.
 - Criterion #4: The dataset provides unique value.
5. Populate the remainder of the matrix

Criteria Example #1: Salinity

Dataset #1: MD DNR and VIMS Long-Term Salinity Monitoring

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|--------------------------|------|
| Publicly accessible data | ✓ |
| Expect future updates | ✓ |
| Credible source | ✓ |
| Unique value | ✓ |
| Final decision | Keep |

Dataset #2: CBIBS Continuous Salinity Monitoring

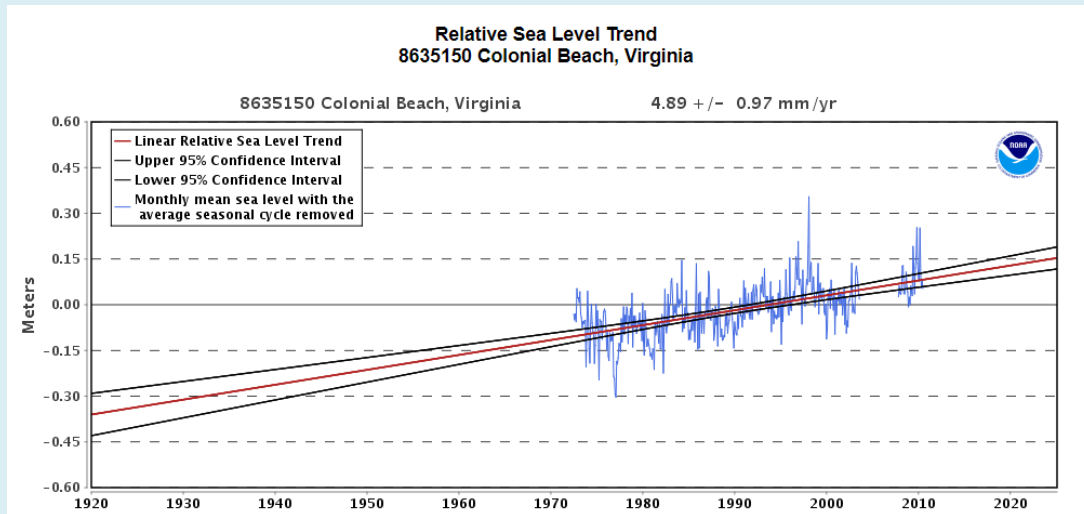
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| Publicly accessible data | ✓ |
| Expect future updates | ✓ |
| Credible source | ✓ |
| Unique value | ✓ |
| Final decision | Keep |

Dataset #3: CBIBS Sea Nettle Probability

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| Publicly accessible data | ✓ |
| Expect future updates | ✓ |
| Credible source | ✓ |
| Unique value | |
| Final decision | Exclude |

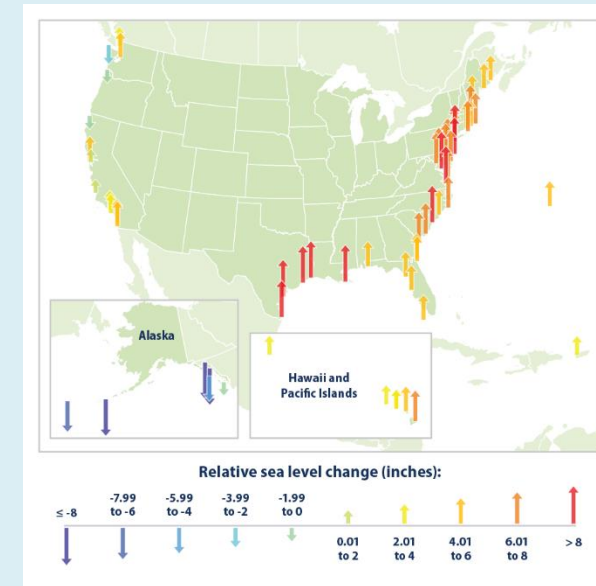
Criteria Example #2: Relative Sea Level Change

Dataset #1: NOAA NWLON Long-Term Tide Gauge Sea Level Change Data



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| Publicly accessible data | ✓ |
| Expect future updates | ✓ |
| Credible source | ✓ |
| Unique value | ✓ |
| Final decision | Keep |

Dataset #2: EPA Trend Analysis of NOAA Long-Term Tide Gauge Sea Level Change Data



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| Publicly accessible data | ✓ |
| Expect future updates | ✓ |
| Credible source | ✓ |
| Unique value | ✓ |
| Final decision | Keep |

Criteria Example #3: Bird Populations and Phenology

Dataset #1: National Audubon Society Christmas Bird Count

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| Publicly accessible data | ✓ |
| Expect future updates | ✓ |
| Credible source | ✓ |
| Unique value | ✓ |
| Final decision | Keep |

Dataset #2: Breeding Bird Survey (USGS et al.)

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| Publicly accessible data | ✓ |
| Expect future updates | ✓ |
| Credible source | ✓ |
| Unique value | ✓ |
| Final decision | Keep |

Dataset #3: Cornell eBird Observations

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| Publicly accessible data | ✓ |
| Expect future updates | ✓ |
| Credible source | |
| Unique value | ✓ |
| Final decision | Exclude |

Dataset #4: MAPS Netting Data

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| Publicly accessible data | |
| Expect future updates | ✓ |
| Credible source | ✓ |
| Unique value | ✓ |
| Final decision | Exclude |

Dataset #5: CCB Colonial Waterbird Survey; Heron Data

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| Publicly accessible data | |
| Expect future updates | ✓ |
| Credible source | ✓ |
| Unique value | ✓ |
| Final decision | Exclude |

Dataset #6: CBNERR-MD Marsh Bird Monitoring

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| Publicly accessible data | |
| Expect future updates | ✓ |
| Credible source | ✓ |
| Unique value | ✓ |
| Final decision | Exclude |

Thanks to the Workgroup's Feedback, We...

- Added a few layers that are important inputs to the watershed model
 - Including a few projections
- Explored additional sources
- Filled some gaps in the table

Results

- Developed and refined metadata fields
 - Capture useful detail from user's point of view
 - Minimize maintenance burden
- Located and catalogued 123 unique data sources
 - Knowledge transfer from related projects; web research; interviews
- Applied criteria
 - 93 records retained
 - 30 records excluded

[View master Excel file](#)

Questions?

Final Input Requested by Monday, June 24

1. Is anything about the current presentation unclear or potentially confusing to a user? If so, what would you suggest improving?
2. Do you have any information that could help to fill any of the remaining gaps in the MASTER TABLE worksheet?
3. Do you see any information in the MASTER TABLE that you feel we have captured inaccurately?
4. Can you suggest any other notable datasets that we might have missed that would:
 - a. Address an important climate-related topic; and
 - b. Meet all the criteria outlined on the "REF-Criteria Scoring" worksheet?

Final Steps for the Project Team

- Compile and address CRWG input
- Fill remaining gaps
- Proof all entries
- Complete long-term maintenance plan
- Deliver product

Thank you!

