**AOOS Executive Director Performance Objectives & Accomplishments June 6 2011 – March 31 2012**

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| **Mission:** The Alaska Ocean Observing System is dedicated to providing ocean and coastal observations, data and information products to meet agency and stakeholder needs.**2011 Goal**: To further develop a strong regional (Alaska) and national ocean observing program with sustained funding and partners, and with a particular emphasis on the Arctic. |

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| **2011 Objectives** | **2011 Strategies (% time allocated)** | **2011 Plans** | **2011 Accomplishments** |
| **1. Fundraising*** Include AOOS in potential AK region programs & plans
* Include AOOS in 2 proposal submissions
* Develop state capital budget request
* Seek industry funding for data portal
 | **1. Increase regional funding – 25%** | **1. Fundraising*** Keep AOOS prominent in NOAA & NOP plans
* Develop proposed Arctic monitoring plan
* Include AOOS in 2 new proposal submissions
* Develop state capital budget request
* Develop MOU with industry for data portal
 | AOOS prominent in Natl Ocean Policy Arctic implementation plan & USARC goals & objectives report. AOOS included in Sen. Begich proposed legislation for Arctic Endowment.Developing pieces of Arctic monitoring plan (with AON, LCCs, stakeholder workshops this summer)Submitted $1.7M capital budget through Northern Waters Task Force. Not successful this year, but will try again in 2012.Submitted 8 new proposals. Were successful in 7 for total of $2.66M, including 2 for EVOSTC: Long Term monitoring (I’m also the lead PI for entire project) & Herring, and Natl Ocean Partnership Project – STAMP, focusing on northern Bering & Chukchi Seas. Proposal to NFWF to support industry data integration was not successful. AOOS funding increased this year to $2.013M to include funding for O&M of 3 HF radar sites in Arctic, plus work by Axiom on national data mgmt issues.Industry Annex #2 – use of AOOS data portal for public access to O&G industry historical met ocean and environmental data is nearing signature. Data will be transferred July 1, 2012.  |
| **2. Board & committee effectiveness*** Ensure board has all tools needed for successful functioning
* Expand board & membership to more fully encompass state, federal, tribal & private interests
 | **2. Effective board & committees – 10%** | **2. Board & committee effectiveness*** Finalize SOPs
* Review structure & finalize stakeholder committees
* Support 2 full board mtgs, 2 or more DMAC mtgs, & 1 stakeholder mtg
* Add 5 new board members
 | AOOS board met Sept 23 2011 & Feb 15 2012, & also informally in Jan. with Zdenka Willis. EXCOM met Jan 6 2012. Elected new officers. Finalized SOPs, 1-year interim agreement with ASLC on fiscal agent fees, ED signature authority policy. Data Management Committee met Sept 2011 & Jan 2012.STAMP Project has stakeholder advisory committee that met in April. Stakeholder workshop scheduled for May 2012 – coastal hazards, with Western AK Landscape Conservation Coop & USGS Climate Science Center.Stakeholder policy - awaiting final guidance from IOOS program certification criteria.New board members: have not made progress. Need more guidance from board. |
| **3. Program management*** Conduct 1-year review of new data team
* Hire Program Mgr for Science & Operations
* Develop AOOS 10-year build out
* Conduct annual audit
 | **3. Effective program management – 15%** | **3. Program management*** Conduct 1 year review of new data team
* If funding available, hire program mgr for Science & Operations
* Complete all reports
* Finalize PWS OS review
* Develop AOOS 10 year build out
 | 1 year review of data team conducted by ED & small group. Exceeding expectations. Doing very well.Used addtl personnel funding for IPA detailee hire of Dr. Rosa Meehan from USFWS and for student intern to work on Arctic asset map & other projects.All reports completed on time. Annual audit was completed – successful, no issues.AOOS 10 year buildout developed. Now being vetted through stakeholder workshops.PWS OS review to be conducted in fall 2012.Project funding for 2011 wasn’t received until August, which delayed subawards. Some projects are 3-6 months behind schedule, but should catch up by fall.Wave buoy deployed last spring was cut, sent back to Netherlands for recalibration, & redeployed in May 2012. Data team working hard. Developed several new applications: Ocean Portal, Ocean Workspace, Cook Inlet Response Tool. Now working on polar projection. |
| **4. Partnership & external representation & leadership – national*** Participate in activities to expand awareness of, credibility, and funding of national IOOS program, and AOOS at national levels
 | **4.Effective partnerships & external relations – nationally – 20%** | **4. Partnership & external representation & leadership – national*** Chair of NFRA, participate in national IOOS committees & program development, seek opportunities to expand national support for ocean observing
* Serve on Polar Research Board, ORRAP
 | No longer chair of NFRA as of fall 2011, but still on Executive Committee. Serving on ICOOS Act reauthorization committee & planning committee for fall national IOOS summit.Still serve on Polar Research Board and reappointed to ORAP.Hosted visits from Dr. Jane Lubchenco, Monica Medina & Zdenka Willis from NOAA.  |
| **5. Partnerships & external representation & leadership – AK region*** Participate in activities to expand awareness of, credibility, and funding of need for ocean observing in Alaska in general and AOOS specifically
 | **5.Effective partnerships & external relations – AK region – 25%** | **5. Partnership & external representation – regional*** Serve as CIFAR fellow, Sea Grant Advisory Group, ACCAP steering team, ARCTic (NOAA regional collaboration team)
* Serve on CIRCAC and its Executive Committee & Environmental Monitoring Committee
* Participate in ACCER, NSSI, Western & Arctic LCCs
 | Continue to participate in all of these activities.Co-author of AK chapter of National Climate Assessment.Presented at 2 meetings of Northern Waters Task Force at their request. Co-hosted EARTH teacher workshop. |
| **6. Stakeholder education/outreach*** Partner in COSEE AK
* Provide program & ocean information using multiple media: web, publications, presentations, etc.
 | **6. Effective education & outreach to AK stakeholders – 5%** | **6. Stakeholder education/outreach*** Participate in COSEE AK management team
* Website, newsletters, monthly updates & other publications
* Presentations at public forums
* Co-host AK Marine Policy Forum
 | Discussing future plans for COSEE – now in year 5 of grant. Will extend to year 6.Continue to co-host AK Marine Policy Forum. Very successful, but participation depends a lot on the topics.Updated website to include regional, project, and thematic pages.Monthly updates. 2 newsletters. Presented at numerous forums and conferences. |
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