

Additional Information to Accompany USGS Data Management Training Modules

Module 1: Value of Data Management

Definitions:

- **Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)** - A statute that generally provides that any person has a right, enforceable in court, to obtain access to records maintained by a Federal executive branch agency, except for those records (or portions of records) protected from public disclosure by one of the FOIA Exemptions. Note that this law applies only to the Executive Branch of the Federal Government, it does not apply to the Legislative or Judicial Branches.
USGS Guidelines - http://www.usgs.gov/info_qual/
- **Information Quality Act (IQA)** - Section 515 of the Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act for FY 2001 requires federal agencies to publish their "Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality, Objectivity, Utility, and Integrity of Information" that they disseminate, establish mechanisms for receiving requests for correction of information, and report annually on the number and nature of complaints received and the steps that were taken to resolve them. <http://www.foia.gov/>
- **New Federal Open Data Policies**
 - White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP). 22 February 2013. Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies: Increasing Access to the Results of Federally Funded Scientific Research.
http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/microsites/ostp/ostp_public_access_memo_2013.pdf
 - Executive Order 12906, Coordinating Geographic Data Acquisition and Access: The National Spatial Data Infrastructure.
<http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2013/05/09/executive-order-making-open-and-machine-readable-new-default-government>
 - Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Memorandum 13-13, Open Data Policy, Managing Data as an Asset.
<http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/memoranda/2013/m-13-13.pdf>

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Module 2: Planning for Data Management

Other Resources:

- The DMPTool: free online tool for creating data management plans (DMPs): <http://dmptool.org>
- DataONE: resources for data management planning: <http://dataone.org>
- Oak Ridge National Laboratory DAAC: Components of a Data Management Plan: <http://daac.ornl.gov/PI/plan.shtml>

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Module 3: Best Practices for Preparing Science Data to Share

Other Resources:

- Fundamental Practice #1- Additional examples of parameter formats:
 - <http://daac.ornl.gov/PI/bestprac.html#prac3>
- Fundamental Practice #6 - More information and details on QA Checks:
 - <https://daac.ornl.gov/PI/archive.shtml>
- Fundamental Practice #8 - Example tools to generate checksums:
 - <http://www.pc-tools.net/win32/md5sums/>
 - <http://corz.org/windows/software/checksum/>
- USGS Data Management Website - <http://www.usgs.gov/datamanagement>
- DataONE Data Management Primer: http://www.dataone.org/sites/all/documents/DataONE_BP_Primer_020212.pdf
- ORNL DAAC Data Management for Data Providers: http://daac.ornl.gov/PI/pi_info.shtml

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