

Documentation and Web System Description

Constituent Recommendations and Action Plan for the 2003 NESDIS Data Users Workshop

Overview: This web system displays the constituent recommendations which were outcomes from the NESDIS Data Users' Workshop held in Boulder, CO on June 11-12, 2003. An associated action plan has been developed for each recommendation and is also included as part of this web system. See the workshop web page which provides additional information such as the workshop agenda, speaker briefings, and workshop summary report: <http://www.osd.noaa.gov/datausers/>

As one would expect, similar or duplicate recommendations were received from the different breakout groups. Consolidating the recommendations resulted in 188 unique recommendations. For reporting purposes, these recommendations were placed in the following twelve categories: Access, Archive, Data Management, Data Quality, Feedback, Formats, Metadata, New Products, New Services, Standards, Timeliness, and Web Access. A "Top 20" category was also created which represent those recommendations that were made the most often.

Main Page Screen: The Main Page screen allows you to view the constituent recommendation and associated action plan by choosing from one of the twelve categories or the "Top Twenty" category. This screen also allows viewing of Summary Reports, Documentation, and a list of All Recommendations/Comments.

Constituent Recommendations/Action Plan Screens: These screens are subdivided into two broad sections: the Constituent Recommendations and the Government Action Plan.

Under the Constituent Recommendation section, the recommendations are listed along with the frequency in which the recommendation was made by the breakout groups.

Under the Government Action Plan section, there are 5 columns that indicate the status of the recommendation in regard to the action status, the responsible data center and point of contact, an action plan, and an implementation date. The Action Status section has four possible values:

TBD: To Be Decided

Continuing: Action plan has been developed. The recommendation requires continuing work to achieve implementation

Completed: Action plan has been developed and is completed

Not Accepted: The recommendation was considered but will not be implemented

Summary Report Screen: This screen contains reports and graphs concerning the completion status of the constituent recommendations.