

NOAA Science On a Sphere Users Collaborative Network Workshop  
NOTES  
Day 3, RESOURCES FROM NOAA Session  
'Imiloa Astronomy Center of Hawai'i  
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Climate Change content for spherical displays

Q. Is there one source for all of these files?

A. No, but we are talking about creating a portal that has everything. We will also work with the SOS team to make this science available. We are working on it and know that there is a need for it.

NOAA's Environmental Visualization Program Products: New Corals Module and Visualization Pieces for Smithsonian Ocean Hall

Q. Would it make more sense to come up with guidelines of what we want from NESDIS

A. Dan wants to create a document and will organize what we are looking for. We need a working group that focuses on content and another that focuses on inter-operability.

There is enough technical know-how and interest to talk about where to go forward.

Comments: Ned - There are ways to reinforce ideas besides stating something, or just showing a colorbar. There needs to be a combination of tactics, especially since we have so many different presentation modes. Also, sharing AfterEffects files would be an incredible help.

Brian - A lot of these museums need to partner with groups like NOAA who have the capacity to have and use AfterEffects or other programs. We need a network of people to support this work. Each museum sometimes has only one person who knows how to do this stuff.

Resources from the IDEA Center

Comment: Rick – The NCDC is a great source of data, it's hard to get through, but it's a great source. Carrie – It is great, but hard to navigate. Next month they are defining user groups to create a portal and hopefully make the website better. Frank's office will be working with that and hopefully it will be much more accessible very soon. Frank – We could use touch tables to be kiosks.