5.6 Data Management Policy

All OAP funded PIs agree to comply with the White House Executive Order - Making Open and Machine Readable the New Default for Government Information (2013) and NOAA Plan for Increasing Public Access to Research Results (2015) and adhere to the following:

1. All data generated from NOAA OAP funded projects shall be sent to the National Centers for Environmental Information (NCEI) under the Ocean Acidification Data Stewardship Project: http://www.nodc.noaa.gov/oceanacidification/stewardship/submission.html

2. Investigators are required to fill out the NCEI rich OA metadata form to document the data in detail. (http://www.nodc.noaa.gov/oceanacidification/support/SubmissionForm_OADS_v6.xlsx)

3. The deadline to have your data published at NCEI is two years after the end date of the project, or immediately following publication of a peer reviewed paper using these data whichever is sooner (it’s recommended that you share your data with NCEI as soon as the paper is accepted).

4. Data must be PUBLISHED and ACCESSIBLE before the above deadline. It normally takes up to 1 month to publish a dataset at NCEI, but when multiple datasets are submitted around the deadline, long delays can occur. For that reason, we recommend that you submit your data to NCEI early to avoid delays.

5. It is required to work with NCEI staff and answer any questions they may have in a timely manner to get your dataset published.

6. While NCEI is charged with assisting data submission, it is the PI’s responsibility to meet the above data management requirements.

7. Past data management performance will be used for consideration of future OAP funding opportunities.