

National Atmospheric Deposition Program
Spring 2003 NADP Business Meeting
New Orleans, LA

Data Management and Analysis Subcommittee
Minutes

Tuesday, March 25, 2003

Overview

Motion by Luther Smith: Approve minutes from Fall 2002 meeting as written.
Seconded by C. Ro.
Motion carried.

Data Products

- Animated Maps
 - Animated maps available on web: <http://nadp.sws.uiuc.edu/amaps/>
 - Luther Smith suggests that a header be added explaining 3-yr average.
 - Currently maps for NO₃, SO₄, and NH₄.
 - pH next highest priority.
- Site Classifications
 - Redone analysis with 2000 census data and 1999 emissions data.
 - Changed name to Site Classification and Characterization
 - **See Attachment 1.**
- Hg
 - MDN – double data entry underway at the HAL.
 - New database partitioned into data entry, data validation, and final data.
 - New database used by HAL for Q4 2002 data.
 - Methyl Hg not included.
- HYSPLIT
 - Back on the NADP web page after absence following 9/11 (NOAA requested that it be removed).
 - Using our own mapping routine.
 - Increase elevation to 6000 meters.
- Site Selection Maps
 - Site selection maps are now dynamic.
 - Work is underway on enhanced interface (including drag box).
- MDN Sites
- Isopleth Grids

Data Review Topics

- Check accuracy of a random selection of samples.
- Make data review more like previous lab reviews.
- Data validation scheme:
 - Appropriate?
 - Being followed?
- Double data entry.
- **See attachment 2.**

- Luther Smith asked how code would be reviewed with respect to the ability to maintain it over time. Specifically, how can it be done quickly?
- Other items to cover:
 - Adequate staffing?
 - Training available?
- Bob Larson suggests web discussion.

NAtChem Data Exchange Standard

- Presentation by C. Ro.
- **See attachment 3.**

DQO

- Presentation by Chris Lehmann (**see attachment 4**).
- Compare variance in natural vs. collocated.
- Use standard deviation?
- Use interquartile range?
- EPA has said NADP needs to incorporate trends into DQO.
- Informal committee established to work with Chris and Greg Wetherbee on DQO and performance indicators.

Motion by Chris Lehmann: Establish ad hoc committee to set acceptable DQO.

Ammended: Chris L. and Greg seek additional input and report back at Fall meeting on DQO and PAC. Seconded by Luther Smith.

Motion carried.

Watershed Deposition

- HUC2 vs. HUC4?
- Need to include disclaimer.
- Luther Smith advises to ignore uncertainty.
- Luther suggests using grid of concentration values and then calculating deposition with NWS precipitation.
- C. Ro says they use Kriging which gives error estimate.

Motion by Chris Rogers: Bob Larson will calculate deposition using NWS precipitation and NADP precipitation. He will conduct a comparison of the values and will report back at the Fall 2003 Meeting.

Seconded by Luther Smith.

Motion carried.

Significant Digits

Discussion postponed until Fall 2003 meeting.