

VIIRS SST and Ocean and Color Cal/Val Team First Annual Review

March 23-25, 2010 at the Integrated Program Office, Silver Spring, MD

The first Annual Review of the VIIRS SST and Ocean Color cal/val program sponsored by the Integrated Program Office was completed March 23-25, 2010. Individuals presented their progress relative to their goals and schedule as listed in their 1498 form proposals. The presentations lasted for the first 1.5 days as outlined in the agenda. Click on the highlighted presentation title to see a PDF of the presentation.

On the second afternoon there was a discussion of the quarterly reports. The team had submitted their first quarterly reports in January 2010, and general feedback was provided on the reports and how to make them better in the future. Now that the form is established the subsequent quarterly reports will be done by editing the previous one adding the progress on each milestone that was completed during that quarter. In the end the quarterly reports become a log of the work on the program.

The rest of that afternoon was spent in Team Meetings addressing a diversity of topics specific to those teams. At the first Cal/Val Team meeting in August 2009, it was realized that it will be essential to have a number of sub-teams to address specific topics; those teams would meet more frequently to make progress on these topics.

Thursday morning was left for further discussions on VIIRS Proxy data, GRAVITE and related topics followed by a discussion of the re-organization of the program (see presentation by Ray Godin from the first day) and the ramifications for this and other parts of the VIIRS cal/val program. Then we heard a presentation on recent calibration results for VIIRS (too recent to distribute at this time) and the progress by the Sensor Data Record (SDR) Team. We need the SDRs or calibrated at sensor radiances in order to produce our products, so there was considerable discussion and planned cooperation between their team and ours.

The meeting ended at noon on Thursday March 25th.