



NASA Planetary Data System (PDS)
Roadmap Activity
Community Discussion

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Overview



- **NASA data preservation programs in PSD**
- **Strategic planning efforts now underway**
- **Organization of a Roadmap Study Team**
- **Schedule**
- **Community input**



Response to U.S. Policy on Data Access



- **President's Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP)**
 - Memo of 22 February 2013: “Increasing Access to the Results of Federally Funded Scientific Research”
- **NASA Plan**
 - Response released 21 November 2014: “NASA Plan: Increasing Access to the Results of Scientific Research”



Context Within Planetary Science Division (PSD)



- **Four PSD NASA-funded elements**
 - Planetary Data System (Distributed)
 - U.S.G.S. Astrogeology Planetary Spatial Infrastructure research program (Flagstaff, AZ)
 - NASA JSC Astromaterials Acquisition and Curation Office (Houston, TX)
 - Minor Planets Center (Cambridge, MA)
- **Looking 10 years into the future**
 - **PDS Roadmap Activity**
- **PDS Roadmap includes forecasting impact of rapidly growing data volumes, changing IT environment, and increasing community expectations on planetary data archiving**
 - Long-term NASA management objective to make the interfaces between these elements seamless and transparent to the planetary science community



Strategic Planning Exercise



- **NASA requests community input on the [PDS Roadmap](#)**
 - Request for Information (RFI) released Dec 2015, responses were due Jan 2015
 - **24** responses received
- **RFI Topics**
 - Future tools, resources, workflows, tutorials, and interfaces
 - Making the archiving process seamless, less costly, more efficient
 - Role of PDS in providing the public access to NASA-generated data
 - Integration of PDS data products and services with other facilities
 - Role of PDS in encouraging the development of higher-order data products
 - Improvements to current search capabilities of the PDS



PDS Roadmap



- **Web Site Established for PDS Roadmap Activities**
 - “Dear Colleague” invitation to join this effort as part of the Roadmap Study Team
 - Responses requested by 28 March 2016 (**next Monday**)
 - Guiding materials
 - Terms of Reference
 - PSD Planetary Data Environment: Vision for 2026
 - PDS Roadmap (2006)
 - PDS Level 1, 2, 3 Requirements (2014)
 - <https://pds.nasa.gov/roadmap/index.shtml>



PDS Roadmap Study Team



- Complete a **community-based** PDS Roadmap
- Incorporate RFI responses, input from PDS, add community team members
- **Assess current state of PDS and other NASA data services**
 - Understanding and improving the archiving process
 - Improving data submission and peer review process
 - Broad scheduling issues, drivers and roadblocks from provider perspective
 - Usefulness and transparency of archive preparation documents
 - Cross-node issues for data providers working with several PDS nodes
- **Plan from 2017 to 2026, with these timeframes in mind**
 - 20 years for missions
 - 10 years for flight technologies
 - 5 years for Information Technology (IT) infrastructure
 - Ensure consistency with Federal Best Practices (<https://playbook.cio.gov/>)



Roadmap Study Team



- **Chaired by PDS Chief Scientist: [Dr. Ralph McNutt](#)**
- **Membership**
 - 10 to 20 self-nominated members actively involved in *archiving or using* planetary data in the PDS; IT, EPO professionals, etc.
 - Group is independent of PDS Management Council
- **Chair sets agenda, schedule, prepares written report of deliberations**
 - Reports regularly to PDS Program Scientist and Program Executive
 - Three meetings in 2016 and early 2017 (one in Washington, DC)
 - Possible town hall meetings or community surveys
 - In April 2017, Chair reports results and presents report to PSD Director [Dr. Jim Green](#)
- **Ground rules set by a Terms of Reference document**
 - <https://pds.nasa.gov/roadmap/Term%20of%20Reference%20.pdf>



Community Discussion



- **We NEED to hear from you!**
- See <https://pds.nasa.gov/pdsroadmapteam.shtml>
- **Recall RFI topics:**
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- **Other topics:**
 - Cloud data storage
 - Software archives
 - Sample data



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Renewing the Planetary Data System — Roadmapping the Needs of the Community 2017 – 2026 [#1907]

We have initiated a PDS Roadmap for 2017–2026. This activity began with the release of an RFI. We report results to date, and outline next steps.



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