



Science and Data Committee Report

- Status of 2018 Priorities

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2018 Priorities

- **Priority L: Science and Data Committee Operations**
 - Convened SDC call on 1/16
 - Will be looking to replace Peter Ruhl as Co-Chair
- **Priority N: Planning and Initiation of Future Assessment Work**
 - Inland – No progress as no funding available
 - Coastal – NE Assessment Update to be provided by Chris Moore



2018 Priorities

- **Priority O: Continue work to complete the NFHP Project Tracking Database (PSMFC)**
 - Work focused on maintenance efforts thanks to PSMFC as no new funds have been provided.
 - Contacts made to FHP Coordinators to review data and updating their existing data.
- **Priority P: Maintain and improve the NFHP Data System (USGS In-kind support)**
 - Developing workflows to summarize and display NFHP assessment data in the National Biogeographic Map.
 - Since November 1, 80 users have accessed the system including USFWS IRM/BFOHQ, National Wetlands Research Center (USGS), USAISC Headquarters, and NOAA-NMFS.