JRFB Working Group on Science Framework Proposal Requirements and Assessments December 17, 2020 – Virtual Meeting

Consensus Statements and Action Items

Consensus Statement 1: WG-SFP members agree that the current proposal evaluation structure works well, especially how SEP (1) simultaneously evaluates science goals, site survey data, and operational feasibility of proposals, (2) nurtures proposals through multiple development stages, and (3) places limits on the number of possible revisions to proposals. The WG-SFP members support an approach of modifying the current process to address new aspects of the 2050 Science Framework while remaining open to how the process will be modified.

Consensus Statement 2: Flagship Initiatives are likely to span multiple years and multiple expeditions, bringing a need to convene several workshops, to establish a facilitating or coordinating committee (with a chair), and to involve broad community participation. The workshops and the facilitating committee would need to ensure new proponent groups are encouraged to participate, that results are synthesized across years, and that data are shared among teams.

Consensus Statement 3: The WG-SFP members agree that every 2050 Science Framework proposal should address the Enabling Element: Broader Impacts and Outreach.

Action Item 1: Ken Miller will seek SEP input by providing a list of questions to the SEP co-chairs for discussion at the SEP January 2021 meeting.