Consensus Statements

Consensus Statement 1: The WG-SFP recommends that the non-technical summary be called “Science Communication Plain Language Summary” and that the section prompt states, “Using simple terms, describe in 500 words or less your proposed research and its broader impacts in a way that can be understood by a general audience.” The Science Communication Plain Language Summary should be evaluated during the standard proposal review process. Proponents should receive feedback and be nurtured on how to improve their summary (e.g., speaking with communication specialists at the PMOs).

Consensus Statement 2: The WG-SFP recommends that the drillship operator consider adding a science communication plain language summary to each expedition’s prospectus to further assist in the development of the expedition’s communication plan.