## NAML Public Policy Work Plan Developed during March 2014 NAML Public Policy Meeting Washington, D.C.

## Immediate:

- Develop testimony for the record for House and Senate
   CJS Subcommittees Oldaker to draft
- Cultivate champions for extramural research (Rep. Culversen, TX) – Oldaker to identify based on members of key committees with NAML labs in district/state; outreach to be conducted by NAML lab director and staff with assistance from Oldaker

## **Short Term:**

- Identify opportunities to deliver testimony on behalf of NAML priorities – Oldaker and NAML members
- Cultivate champions for extramural research (Rep. Culversen, TX) -- Oldaker to identify based on members of key committees with NAML labs in district/state; outreach to be conducted by NAML lab director and staff with assistance from Oldaker
- Craft key messages, based on PP agenda, to resonate with Key legislators (emphasis on House members) – Oldaker to develop first draft, to be re-worked by NAML policy committee

## Long Term:

 Develop list of expert NAML network witnesses – organized by topic or policy issue -- for to use as a

- resource for future hearing witnesses; Place on website *NAML policy committee and NAML members*
- Develop opportunities to integrate NAML with other science-based networks (NERRS, OBFS, IOOS, FWS, NEP)
   NAML Public Policy Committee with assistance from Oldaker
- Establish opportunities to co-locate federal scientists at NAML laboratories (report language, follow-up meetings with Holly Bamford and Bob Dietrich) *Oldaker to raise in testimony to House and Senate appropriators, NAML leadership*
- Prepare 1-pagers for each NAML lab on local examples of NAML programs/benefits for key legislators and staff – NAML labs
- Post these on website, and/or prepare 1-pagers on policy issues/current topics being addressed by NAML labs and post on website
- Organize Hill briefing to demonstrate value of NAML Oldaker to identify opportunities; Work with NAML public policy committee to organize briefing
- Generate system-wide input to NAS study on field station infrastructure *NAML Public Policy Committee*
- Meet with key partners in Fall to discuss development of PP agenda and key (consistent) messages (Holly Bamford, MAD, NERRA) – NAML Public Policy Committee with assistance from Oldaker
- Develop system-wide education project that capitalizes on NAML infrastructure, monitoring and science – NAML Education Committee