



**AGENDA**  
**[11-1-05 DRAFT]**

**MID-ATLANTIC COASTAL OCEAN OBSERVING REGIONAL ASSOCIATION  
(MACOORA)  
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**December 5-6, 2005**

**Clayton Hall Conference Center  
University of Delaware, Newark, DE 19716**

**Monday, December 5, 2005**

- 10:00-10:20 am Registration, Coffee and Danish
- 10:20-11:00 am Welcome and Introductions
- Coastal Ocean Observing Background
    - ❖ IOOS
    - ❖ MACOORA
- 11:00-12:30 pm MACOORA Governance
- Recap of May Workshop
  - Bylaws
    - ❖ Counsel Review
  - Board Membership
    - ❖ Nominating Committee
    - ❖ Selection Criteria
- 12:30-1:30 pm LUNCH
- 1:30-2:15 pm MACOORA Governance (continued)
- Sub-regional Breakout
    - ❖ Review/supplement Nominating Committee input
- 2:15-3:00 pm MACOORA Board Nominations
- Sub-regional candidates
  - At-large candidates

- 3:00-3:15 pm Break
- 3:15-4:00 pm MACOORA Board Election
- Seating of Board
  - Draw straws for staggered terms
  - Board elects officers
  - Board elects Executive Committee
- 4:00-5:30 pm MACOORA Committee Selections
- User Council
  - Science Council
  - Sub-regional Steering Committee selection
  - Data Acquisition
  - Data management
  - Forecasting
  - Education and Outreach
- 5:30-6:00 Free
- 6:00 pm Dinner

**Tuesday, December 6, 2005**

- 8:30-9:00 am Key Business Plan Topics
- Research: Defining and meeting the research needs of coastal ocean sciences
  - Operations: Defining and prioritizing operational observing system requirements to meet user needs
  - Outreach: Defining and meeting the outreach and education needs of coastal ocean users
- 9:00-10:00 am Key Business Plan Breakout
- 10:00-10:15 am Break
- 10:15-10:45 am Report Back Breakout Topic#1: Research
- group report back
  - discussion
  - identification of initial areas of consensus
- 10:45-11:15 am Report Back Breakout Topic #2: Operations
- group report back
  - discussion

- identification of initial areas of consensus

11:15 – 11:45 am Report Back Breakout Topic #3: Education and Outreach

- group report back
- discussion
- identification of initial areas of consensus

11:45-12:45 pm Lunch

12:45-2:30 pm MACOORA Pilot Project

- Identify candidate projects
- Seek consensus on Pilot Project

2:30-3:00 pm Recap Organizing Meeting Accomplishments

3:00 pm Adjourn