

**27<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the NOAA Science Advisory Board**  
**Silver Spring, Maryland**  
**5-6 December 2006**

**Location:** Courtyard by Marriott  
8506 Fenton Street  
Silver Spring, MD 20910  
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**Tuesday, 5 December**

- 10:30 AM**      **Sign in by all Participants and Audience; Registration for Public Comment**
- 10:45 AM**      **Opening Statement of the Chair and Self-Introductions by SAB Members**  
David Fluharty – Chair, NOAA Science Advisory Board
- 11:00 AM**      **Welcoming Remarks**  
Vice Admiral Conrad C. Lautenbacher, Jr., U.S. Navy (Ret.) – Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere & NOAA Administrator
- 11:15 AM**      **Revision of NOAA Information Quality Guidelines to Conform with OMB Peer Review Bulletin**  
Carla Steinborn - Office of the Chief Information Officer  
Tom Gleason - Office of Science and Technology, NOAA NMFS
- 12:15 PM**      ***Lunch***
- 1:45 PM**      **Wildland Fire Research to Improve Operational Fire Management: NOAA's Role**  
Elliott Jacks – Chief, Fire and Public Services Branch, NOAA NWS  
Al Riebau – Program Leader, Atmospheric Sciences Research, USDA Forest Service
- 2:45 PM**      ***Break***
- 3:00 PM**      **Mitigating the Loss of Sensors on NPOESS and GOES-R**  
Mary Kicza, Assistant Administrator, NESDIS
- 4:00 PM**      **Public Comment Period**
- 4:30 PM**      **Adjourn**

**Wednesday, 6 December**

- 8:30 AM**      **Sign in by all Participants and Audience**  
*Coffee available*
- 8:45 AM**      **Official Call to Order and Review of Meeting Format**  
Cynthia Decker – Executive Director, NOAA Science Advisory Board
- 9:00 AM**      **Sound in the Marine Environment: Science Challenges and Opportunities for NOAA**  
Brandon Southall – Office of Science and Technology, NOAA NMFS

- 9:45 AM**      **The NOAA HIRWG and NSF National Science Board Hurricane Reports**  
John Snow – Chair, NOAA SAB Hurricane Intensity Research Working Group and SAB Member  
Eric Webster – Director, NOAA Legislative Affairs
- 10:45 AM**      ***Break***
- 11:00 AM**      **NOAA High Performance (HPC) Computing Needs**  
Kevin Cooley - Chief Information Officer  
Fred Toepfer - Environmental Modeling Program Manager, Office of the Chief Information Officer
- 12:00 PM**      ***Lunch***
- 1:15 PM**      **NOAA Planning for Science and Technology: 5-Year Research Plan**  
Richard Spinrad – Assistant Administrator, OAR and Chair, NOAA Research Council
- 2:15 PM**      ***Break***
- 2:30 PM**      **Cooperative/ Joint Institute Reviews and the Future Role of the SAB**  
John Cortinas – Cooperative/Joint Institute Program, NOAA OAR
- 3:30 PM**      **Working Group Updates**
- 4:00 PM**      **Recap of Meeting Decisions and Actions**  
Cynthia Decker – Executive Director, NOAA Science Advisory Board
- 4:30 PM**      **Meeting Adjourns**