

OER Strategic Plan 2016 - 2020

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The Current OER Strategic Plan

Strategic Goals

- 1. Conduct scientific baseline characterizations of unknown or poorly understood ocean basin boundaries, processes, and resources
- 2. Transition ocean exploration discoveries to new research areas and research results to new applications to benefit society
- 3. Increase the scope, pace, and efficiency of exploration and research through advancement of underwater technologies
- 4. Engage audiences through innovative means by integrating science, education, and outreach



Considerations for the next OER Strategic Plan

- What is the vision for OER in 2020 what questions will drive us?
- How will our mission evolve in response to the vision?
- What must we produce to meet our mission?
- Who are our key partners and what is their role?
- What are our current capabilities and how must they evolve?
- What will define success and how will we measure it?



Strategic Connections

The next Strategic Plan must

- Address National Ocean Policy priority objectives
- Connect with the Department of Commerce Strategic Plan
- Support the NOAA mission
- Support the OAR mission
- Complement the exploration mission and activities of partners



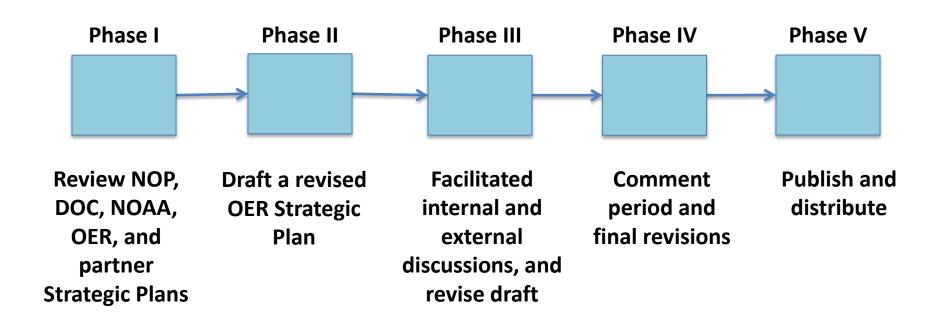
Proposed Outline

The following outline is commonly used by NOAA programs

- Vision Statement describes the desired future state
- Mission Statement describes what will be done
- Goals and Objectives specifies results and steps to achieve them
- Functions what the program will execute
- Capabilities how the program will execute



Proposed Process



How can the OEAB engage?





Questions?

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