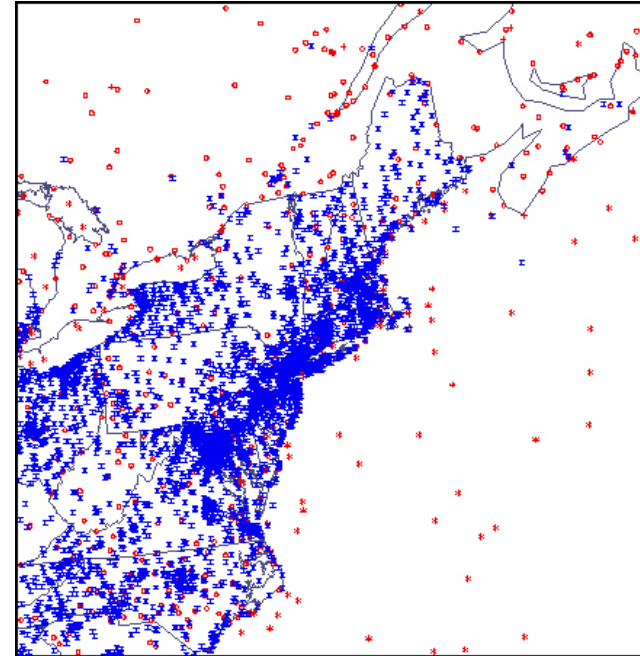
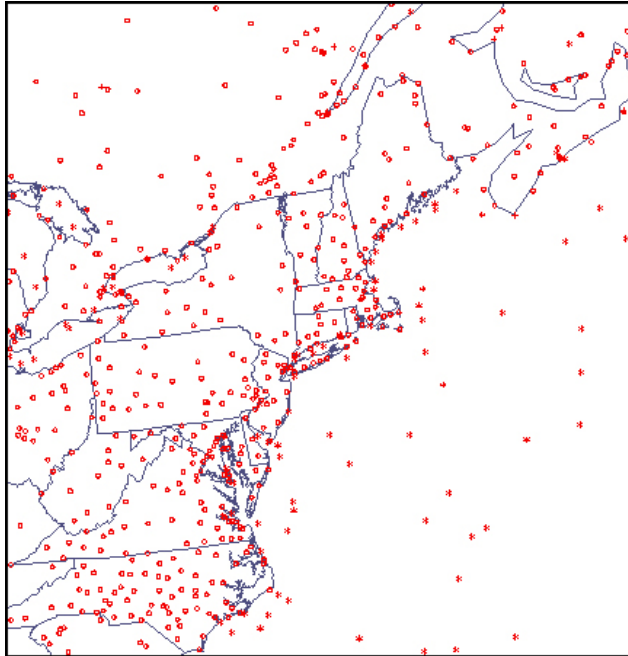


Meteorological Assimilation Data Ingest System (MADIS)



Surface Data Density Before MADIS Surface Data Density After MADIS

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April 28, 2009



MADIS Background



History

- MADIS was established in 2001 to prototype new observation ingest, integration, quality control, and distribution techniques for real time and saved real-time data

Goal

- To integrate and quality control NOAA and other-agency observations and make them easily accessible and usable for operations, research, and commercial purposes



MADIS Background (continued)



Overall Benefits

- A more usable, complete, accurate, timely, and higher density observational infrastructure for use in local weather warnings and products, model predictions, and hazardous situations

NWS-Specific Benefits

- Improved observational functionality for...
 1. enhancing forecaster situational awareness
 2. reducing data access costs for Forecast Offices
 3. supporting higher-resolution global and regional data assimilation systems
 4. improving the National Digital Forecast Database



MADIS



Function

Observation access, integration, quality control, and distribution system with software support

Features

- Access to real-time and saved real-time data sets
- Observational quality control
- Application Program Interface (API)
- Multiple network-enabled data distribution mechanisms (ftp, http, Idm)
- Documentation and user support, including customization packages for NWS's Advanced Weather Interactive Processing System (AWIPS)





System Capabilities

- Seamless access to real-time and saved datasets
- Continuous database updates triggered by arriving observations
- Uniform observation formats, units, and time stamps
- Automated quality control algorithms
- Station monitoring for network maintenance
- Secure authentication for proprietary data
- Web-enabled push/pull distribution capabilities, with server-side slice and dice capabilities
- On-the-fly data reformatting, variable transformation, and sounding generations

MADIS Current Status



Observational Datasets

MADIS supports the collection, integration, quality control, and distribution of thousands of NOAA and non-NOAA observations, including over 50K surface stations from local, state, and federal agencies, and private networks, as well as upper-air datasets including multi-agency profiler, radiosonde, radiometer, selected satellite observations, and commercial aircraft observations.

- Profiler data includes NOAA Profiler Network and Cooperating Agency Profilers
- Aircraft data includes MDCRS, AMDAR, TAMDAR, and WVSS-2
- Surface data includes METAR, maritime, snow, UrbaNet, and other mesonet

Scope

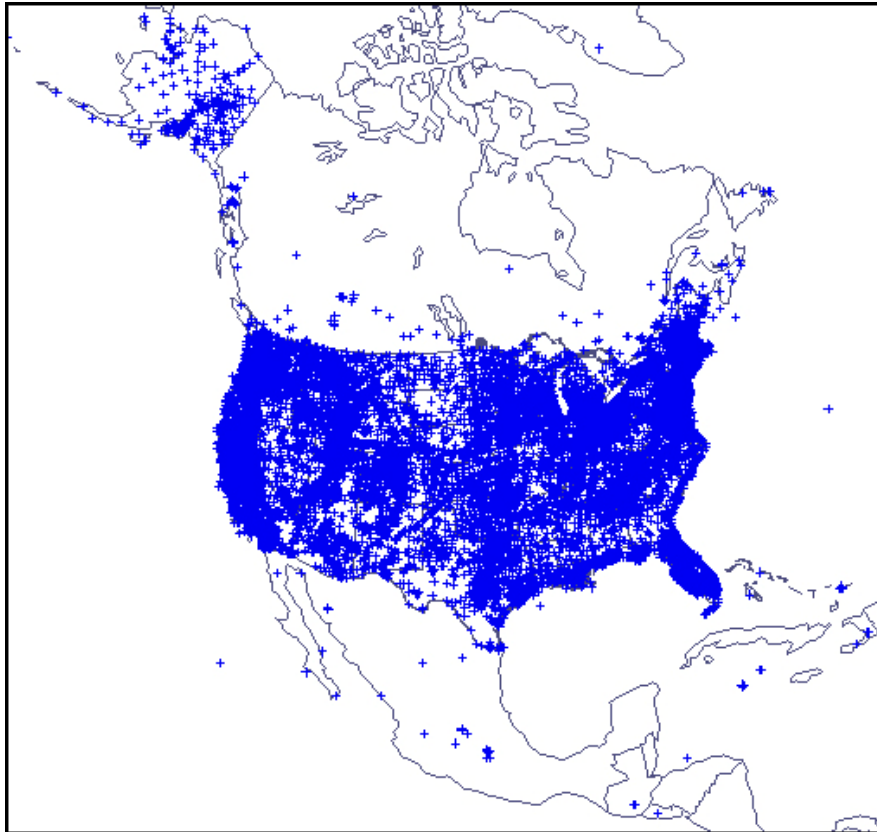
- 56,864 Surface Stations producing over 12,800,000 observations/day
- 154 Profiler Sites (> 200,000 obs/day)
- Over 450,000 aircraft observations/day
- Plus global radiosonde and satellite obs

Hundreds of MADIS Users, Including:

- NWS Forecast Offices, National Centers
- NSSL, AOML, ARL, NESDIS, NOS, +
- NCAR and NASA
- over 100 universities
- DOE laboratories
- Accuweather
- WSI Corporation
- DTN Meteorlogix
- AWS/WeatherBug
- Baron Services
- Weather Underground



Observing System Portfolio



➤ Current Surface Sites

METAR	=	6,397
Maritime	=	192
Meteorological Mesonet	=	27,920
Hydrological Mesonet	=	20,885
UrbaNet	=	1,470
Total	=	<u>56,864</u>
Networks Processed	>	170
Data Variables	=	144
Metadata Variables	=	55

➤ Observations / Day
> 12,800,000



MADIS QC Capabilities by Observation Type



	Validity	Wind Shear	Hydrostatic	Superadiabatic Lapse Rate	Contamination	Time-Height Continuity	Internal Consistency	Temporal Consistency	Position Consistency	Spatial Consistency	Statistical Spatial Consistency	Subjective Intervention	Station Monitoring
Radiosonde	✓	✓	✓	✓								✓	
Profiler	✓				✓	✓	✓					✓	✓
Automated Aircraft	✓						✓	✓	✓			✓	
Satellite	✓						✓					✓	
Radiometer	✓				✓							✓	
Snow	✓						✓	✓				✓	
Surface	✓						✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓

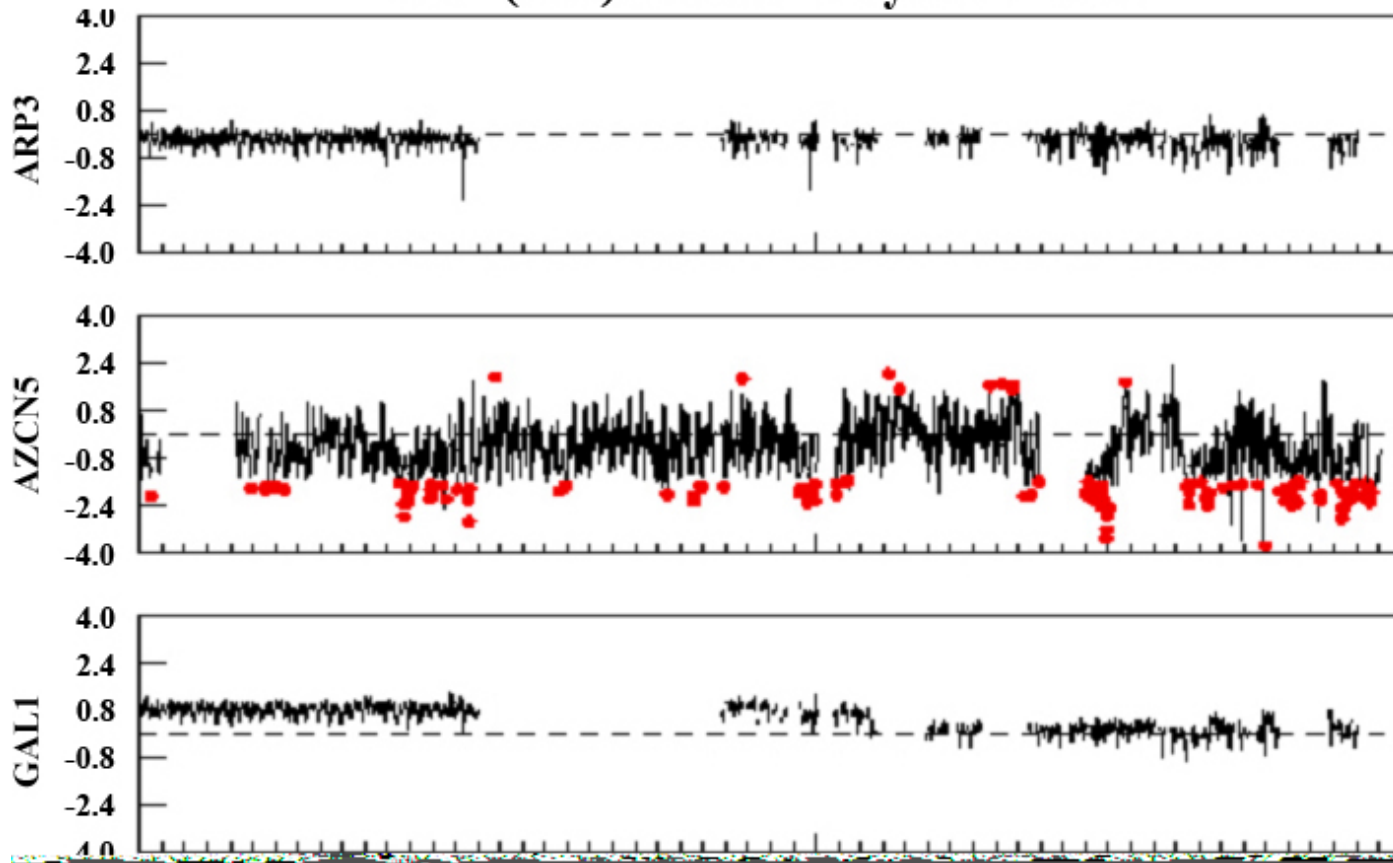
For more information see
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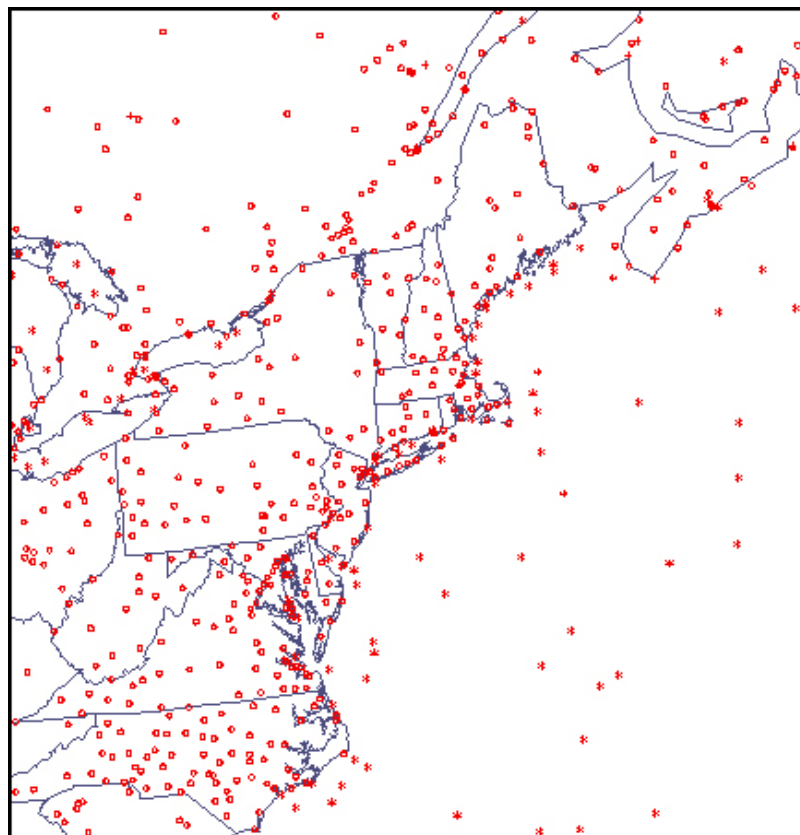
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MADIS Northeast Standard Surface Network



Standard Surface Observations

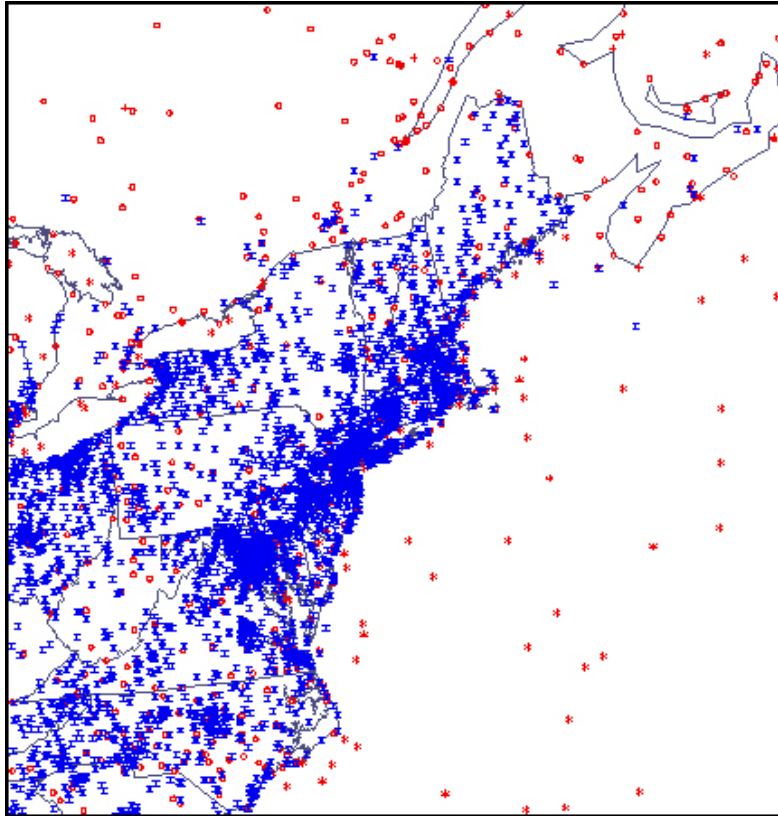
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Maritime

Surface Aviation Observations (SAOs)



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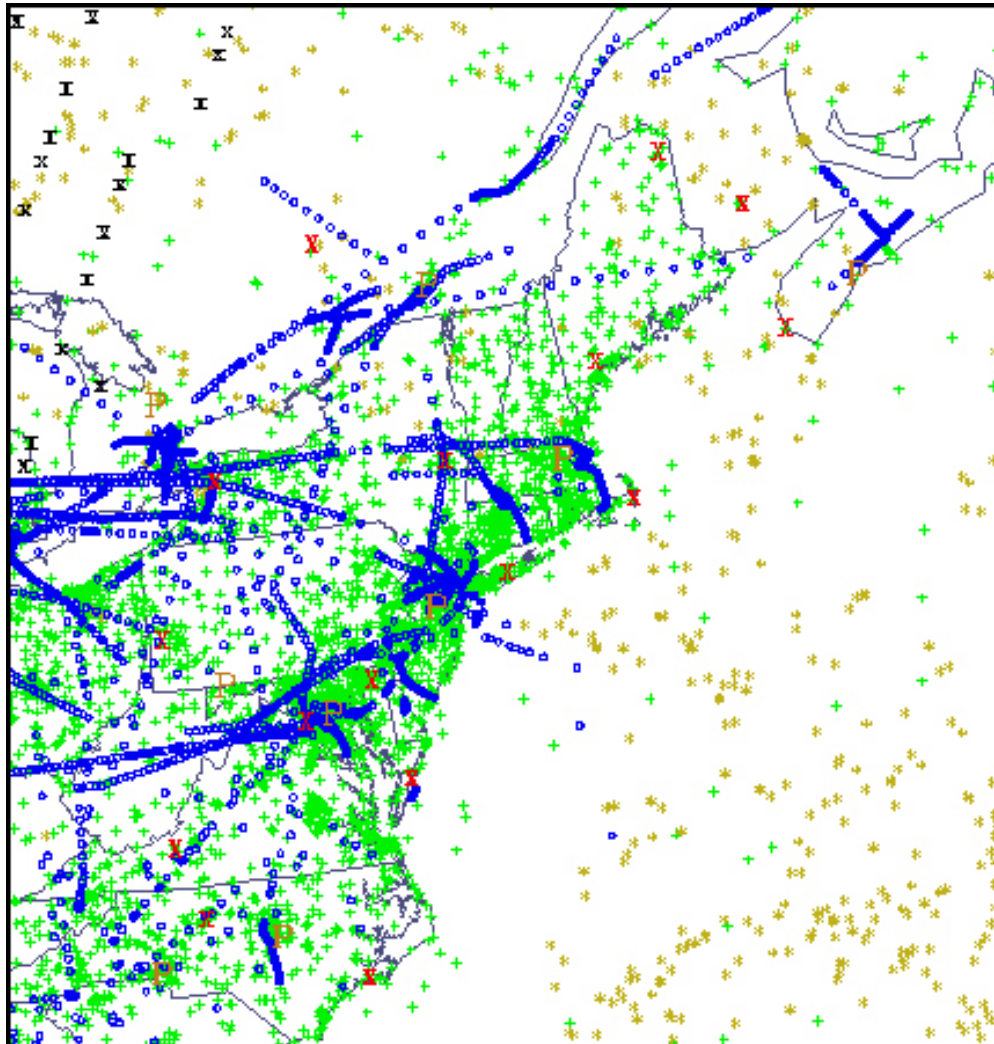


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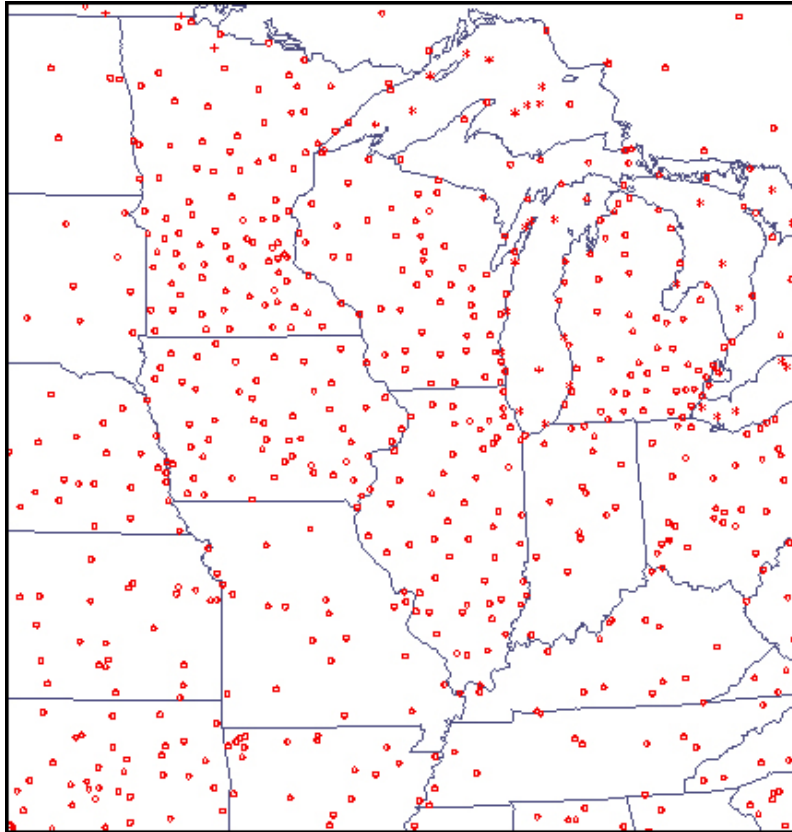
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- Weather for You.com
- Anything Weather
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- Gulf of Maine Ocean Observing System
- National Ocean Service Physical Oceanographic Real-Time System (PORTS) and National Water Level Observation Network (NWLON)
- Aberdeen Proving Grounds (APG)
- OAR – DCNet
- UrbaNet
- Hydrometeorological Automated Data System (HADS)
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MADIS Northeast Regional Domain Observations



MADIS Midwest Standard Surface Network



Standard Surface Observations

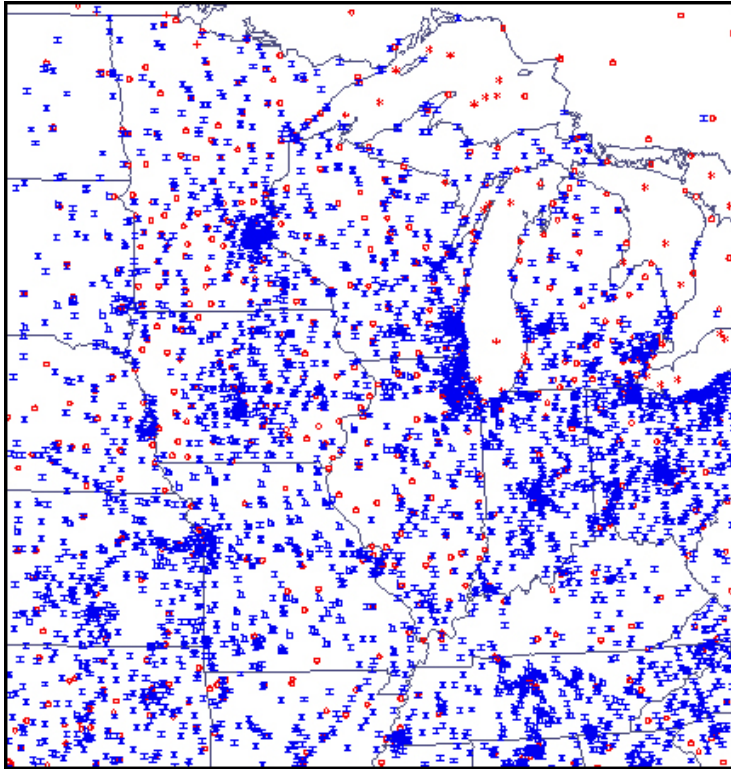
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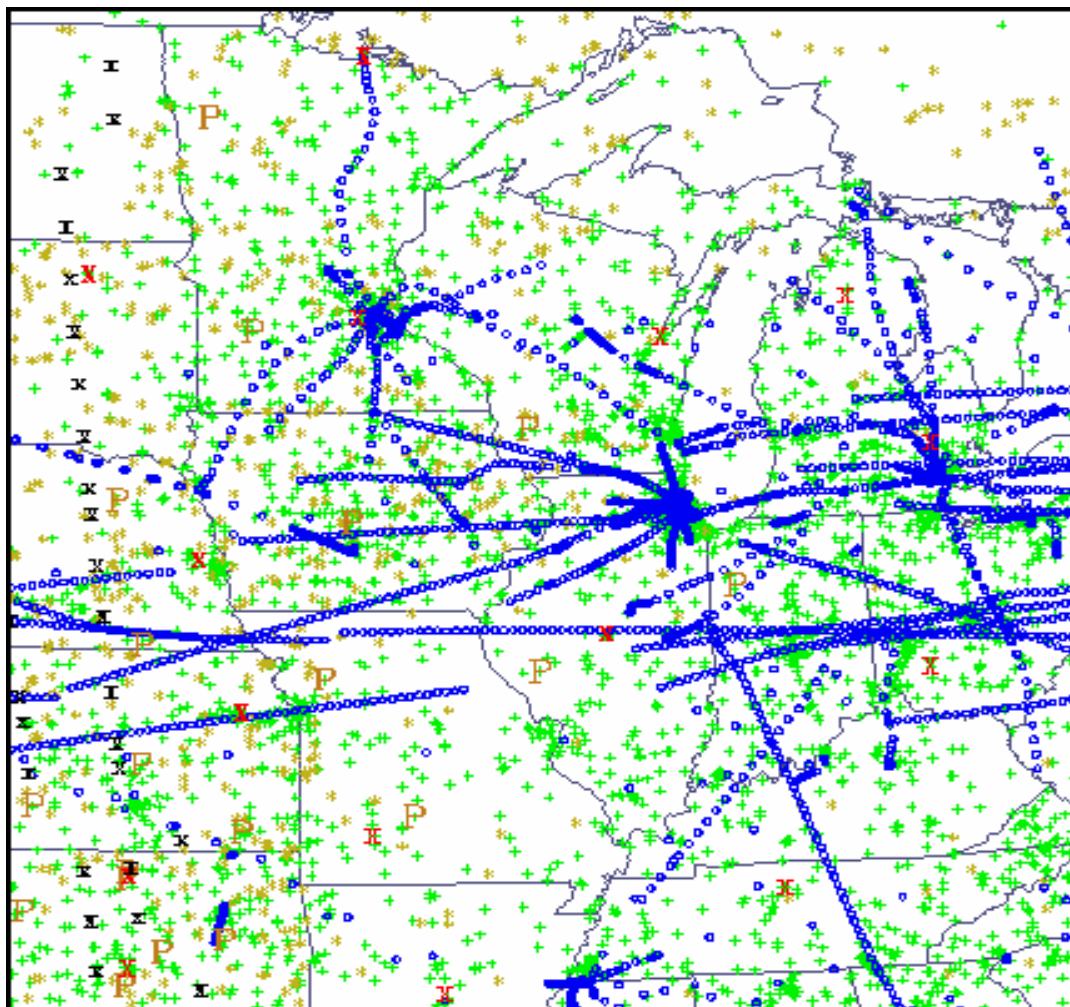


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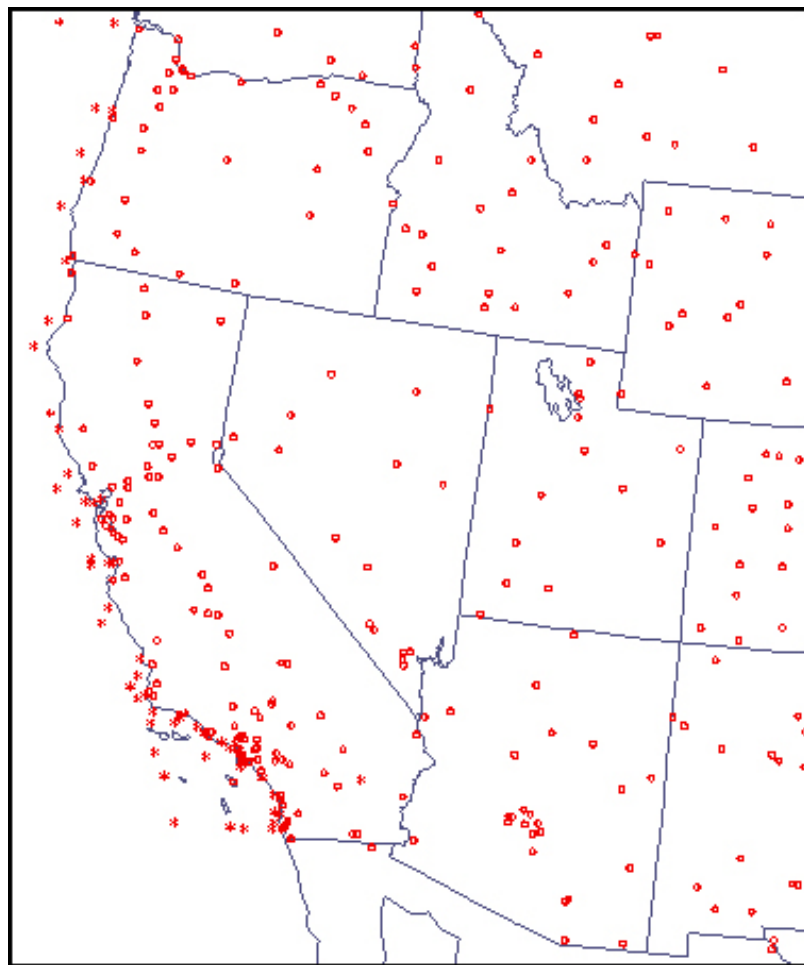
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- Marquette Mesonet
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MADIS Midwest Regional Domain Observations



MADIS West Coast Standard Surface Network



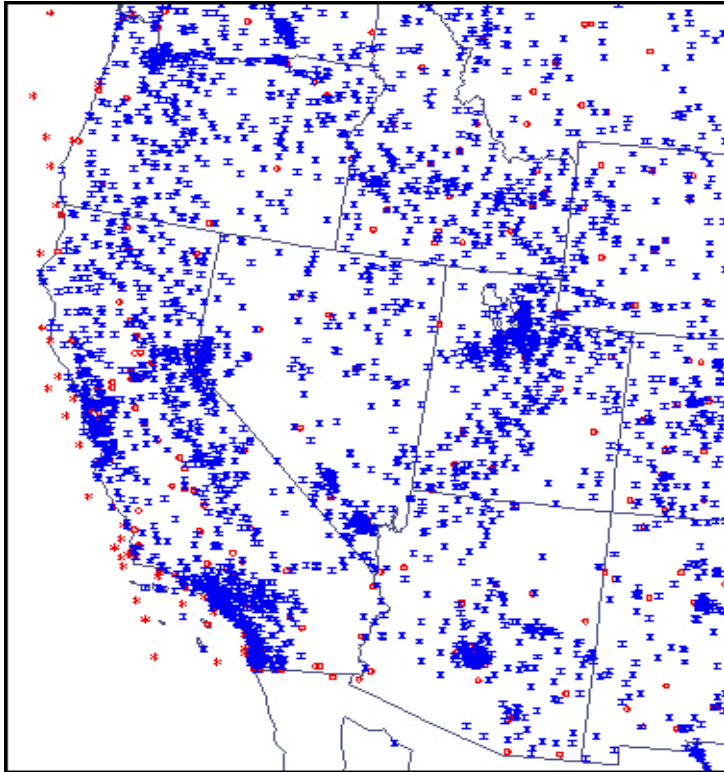
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MADIS West Coast Surface Network



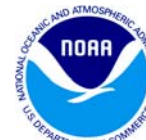
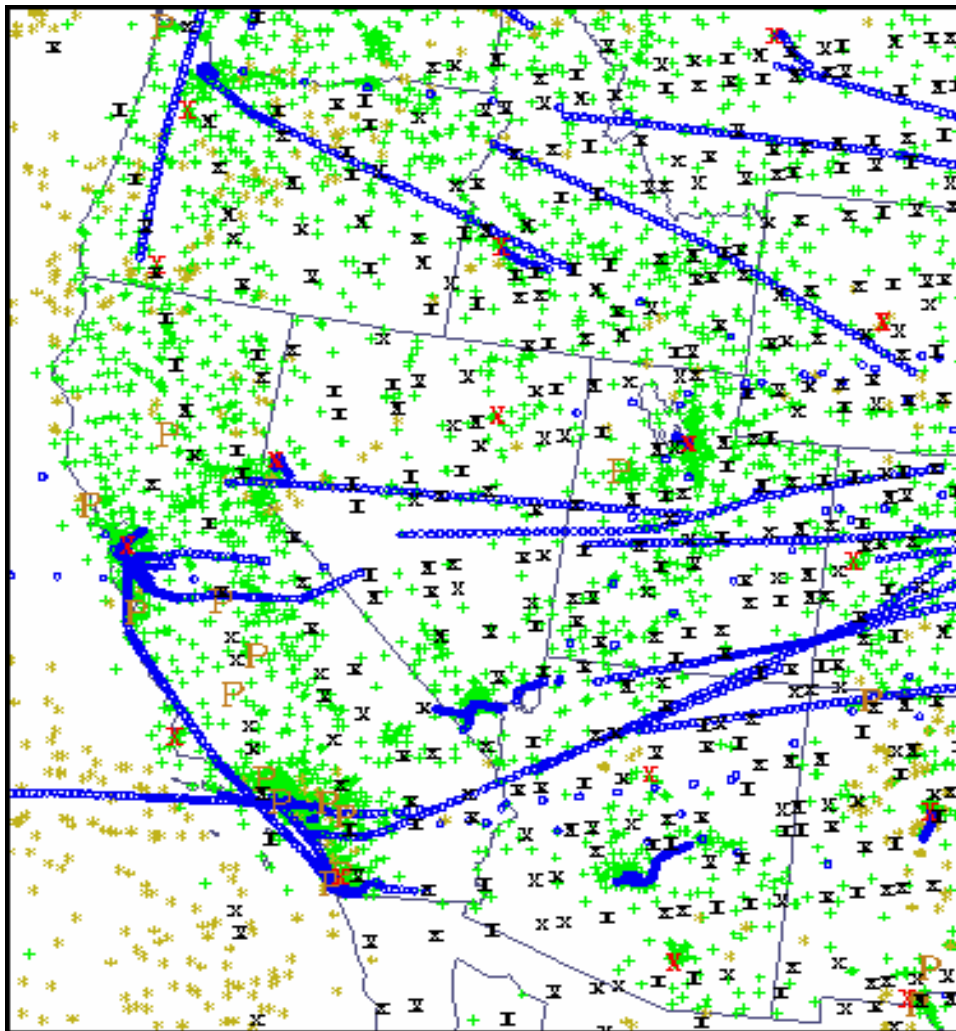
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- CoCoRaHS
- U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Agrimet
- Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
- CO River Basin Forecast Center
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- Non-Federal AWOS
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- DOTs: CA, CO, ID, MT, NV, UT, WY

**and many more
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MADIS West Coast Regional Domain Observations



MADIS Research to Operations



The NOAA MADIS Independent Review Team Purpose

To assist NOAA management in making decisions on how best to transition MADIS into NOAA operations

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MADIS Research to Operations (continued)



The NOAA MADIS Independent Review Team unanimously selected a joint OAR/NWS distributed processing solution

Transition Goals

- Expedite the transition of current GSD capabilities to operations
- Maintain the continuity of MADIS data streams and services before, during, and after the transition
- Pre-plan for product improvements and technology infusion

Summary Statement

“The partnership between OAR and NWS led to a solid technical solution and provided a smoother transition from research to operations.”



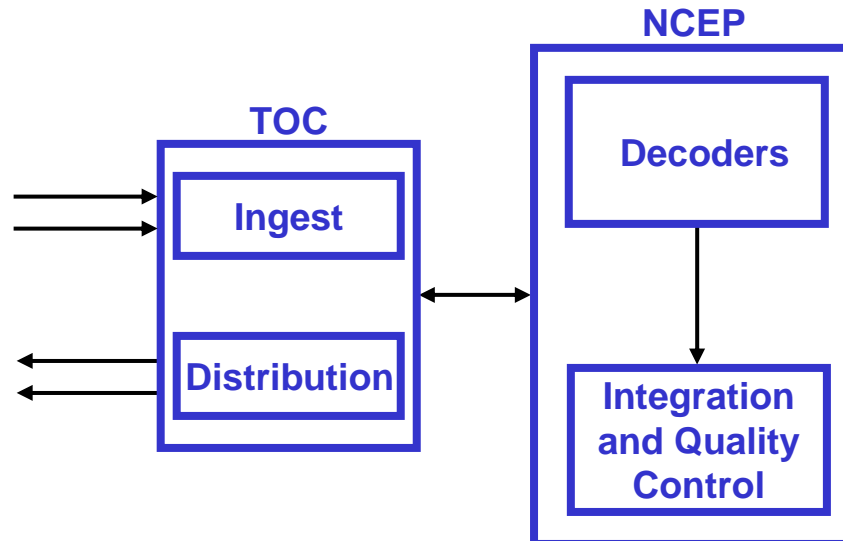
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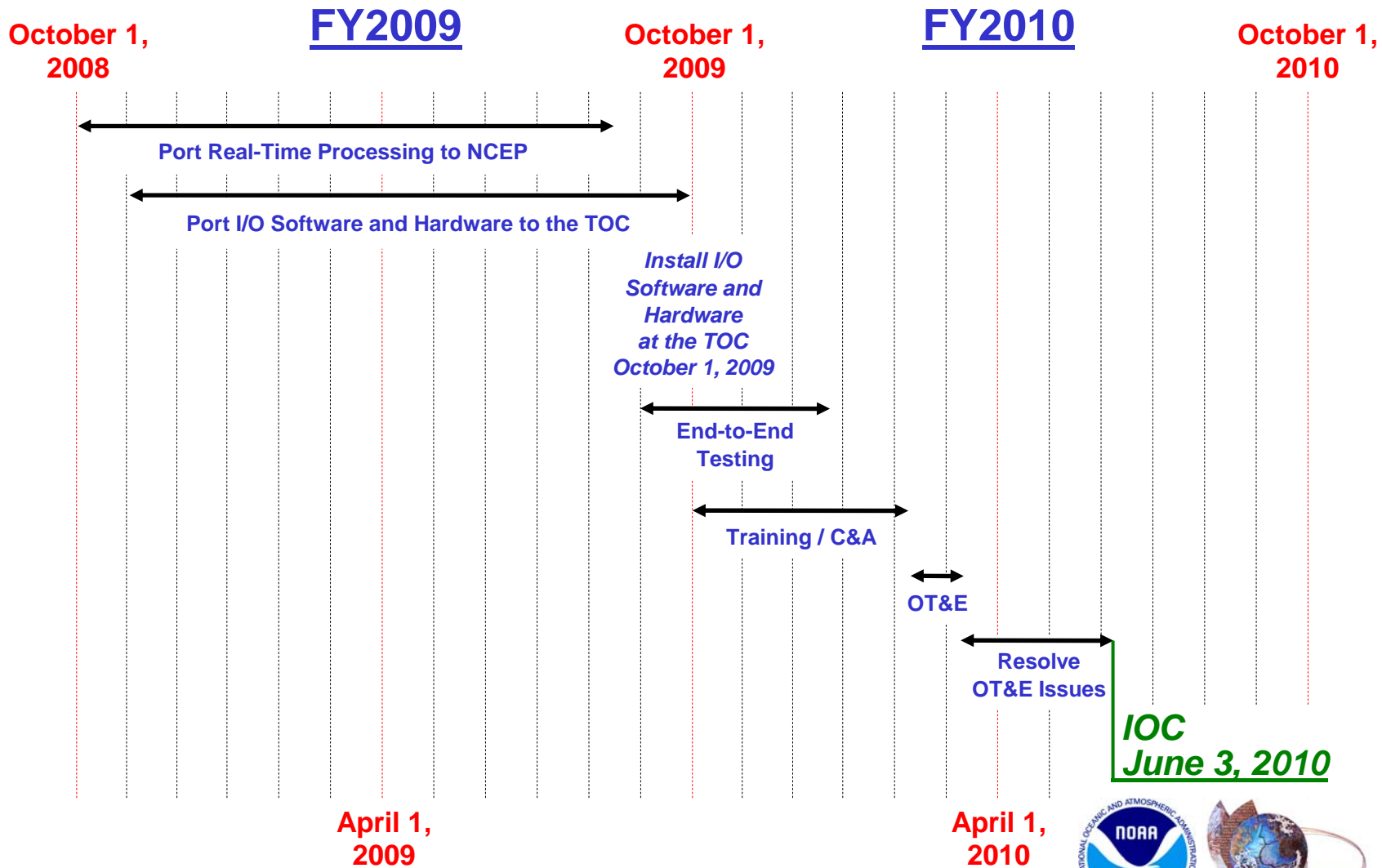
The NOAA MADIS Independent Review Team Technical Recommendation

Port the existing GSD MADIS software to an integrated NWS TOC and NCO distributed environment, with a supporting research-to-operation test environment at GSD

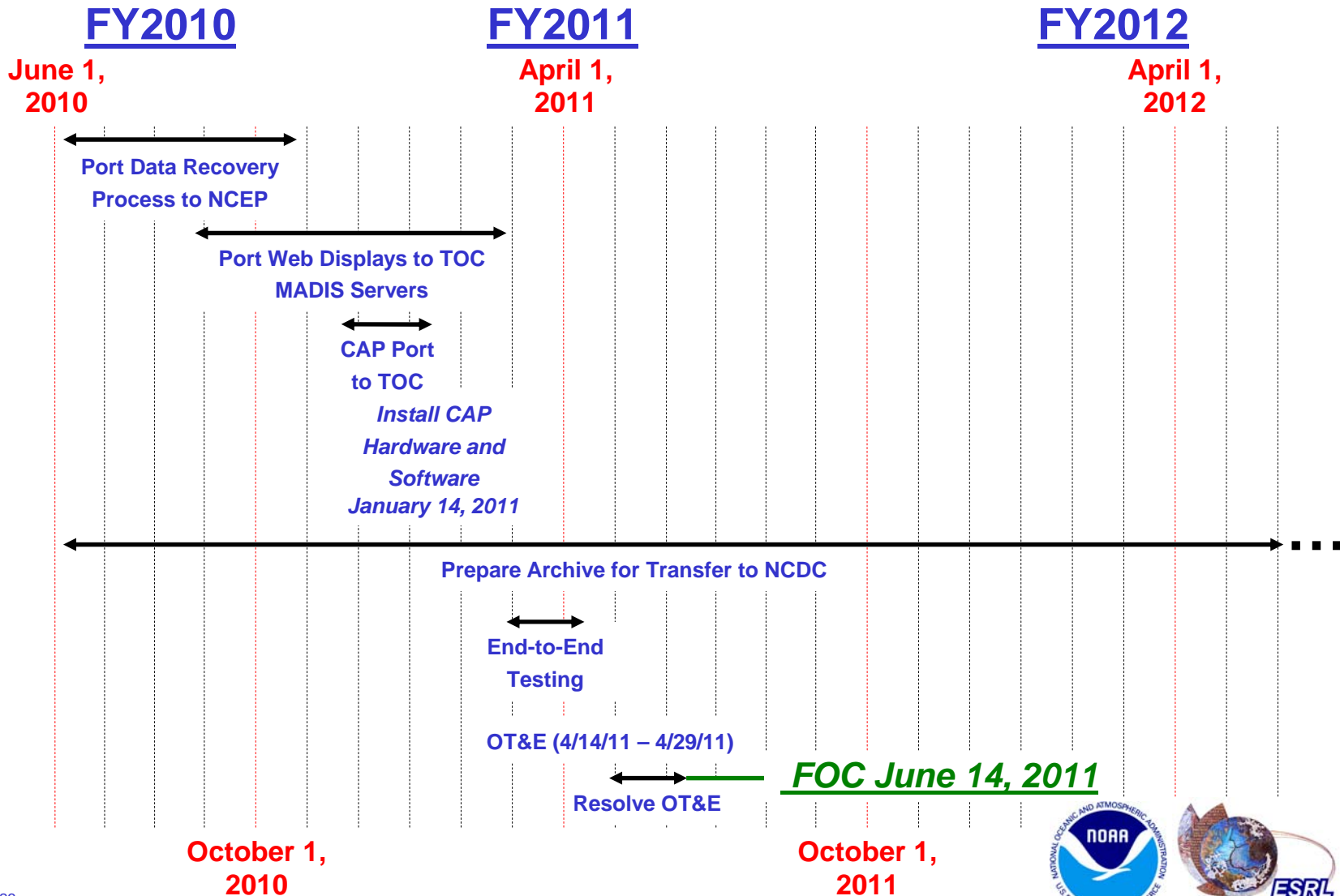
MADIS Compute Environment



MADIS Transition Plans Time Table to IOC



MADIS Transition Plans Time Table to FOC



Post-FOC Product Improvement



Product improvements such as: 1) advanced data query and web services; 2) expanded metadata fields; 3) additional datasets; and 4) improved and expanded observation QC will serve:

NOAA Operations

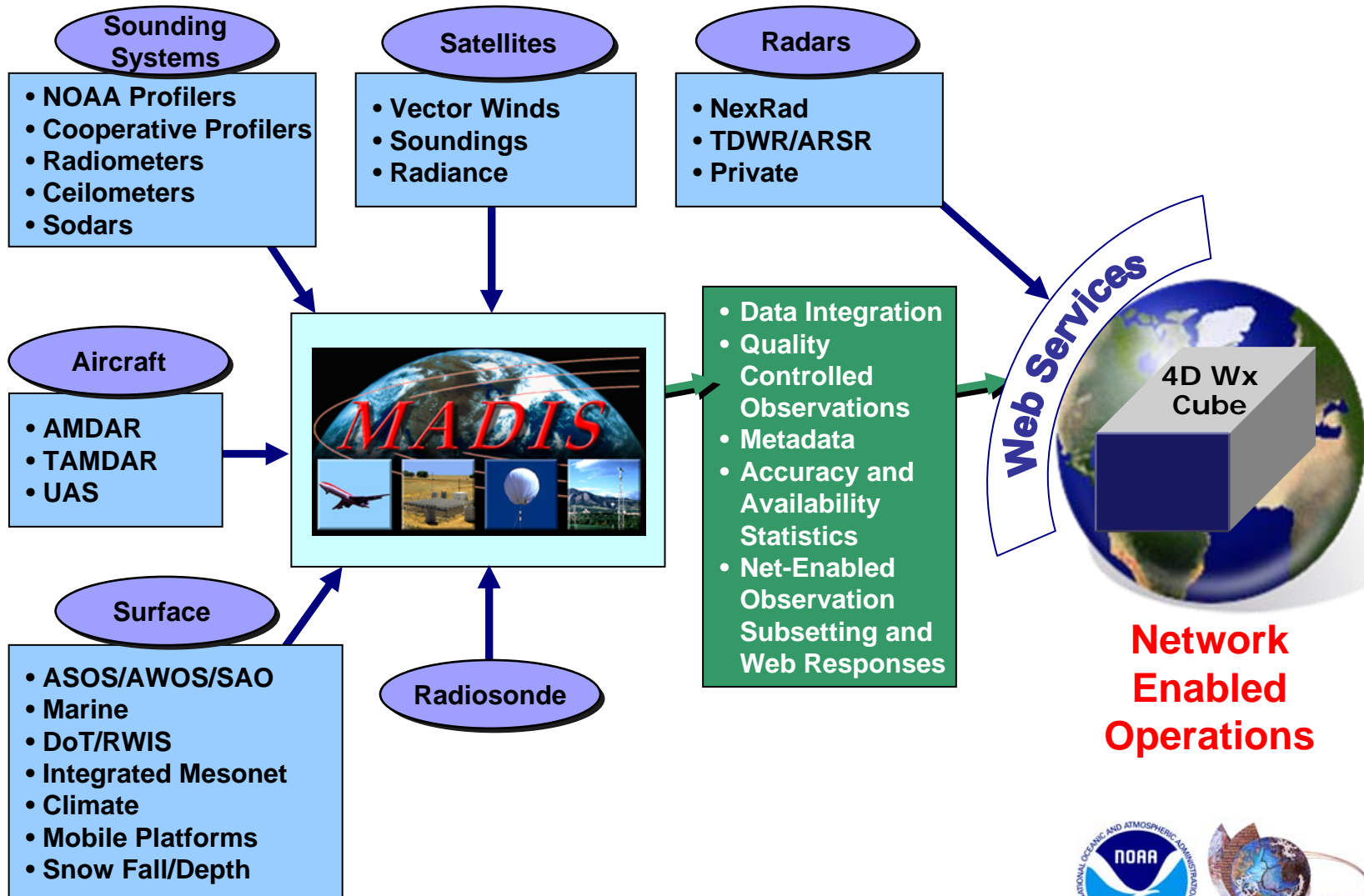
- NextGen – includes high frequency ASOS
- National Surface Weather Observing System (NSWOS)/FHWA support
- Historic Climate Network – Modernized (HCN-M)
- UrbaNet, National Mesonet
- Next Generation NOAA Profiler Network (NGNPN)

NOAA Research

- Testbeds (HMT, DTC, Severe Weather Testbed)
- Fire weather mobile observations
- DHS research support
- UAS data management



Observations: MADIS NextGen Services



Questions?



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MADIS Home Page URL
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Supplemental Slides Follow

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