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The NOAA/NESDIS Cloud Archive Pilot (NCAP)

Moving the NOAA Archive to the NESDIS Common Cloud Framework (NCCF)

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One Slide Summary

- NOAA/NESDIS began working in earnest to migrate to the cloud in 2019 following release of its 2018 [Cloud Computing Strategy](#)
- After successful completion of two pilots, NESDIS began operationalizing the NESDIS Common Cloud Framework (NCCF) in late 2020, and in 2021 conducted its NESDIS Cloud Archive Pilot (NCAP) to finish the end-to-end cloud archive prototype. It is preparing to operationalize this capability, with the goal of achieving an IOC by October of 2022.
- Development of the NCCF in general and the cloud archive is being managed using the Scaled Agile Framework (SAFe), allowing for the coordination of multiple Agile teams
- This slide deck provides both architectural and schedule details for reference, to emphasize significant progress having been achieved but also to stress the amount of work remaining
- The NCCF and the cloud archive component are being implemented within AWS, and the NASA CMR has been evaluated for possible incorporation into the NESDIS cloud solution - decision pending
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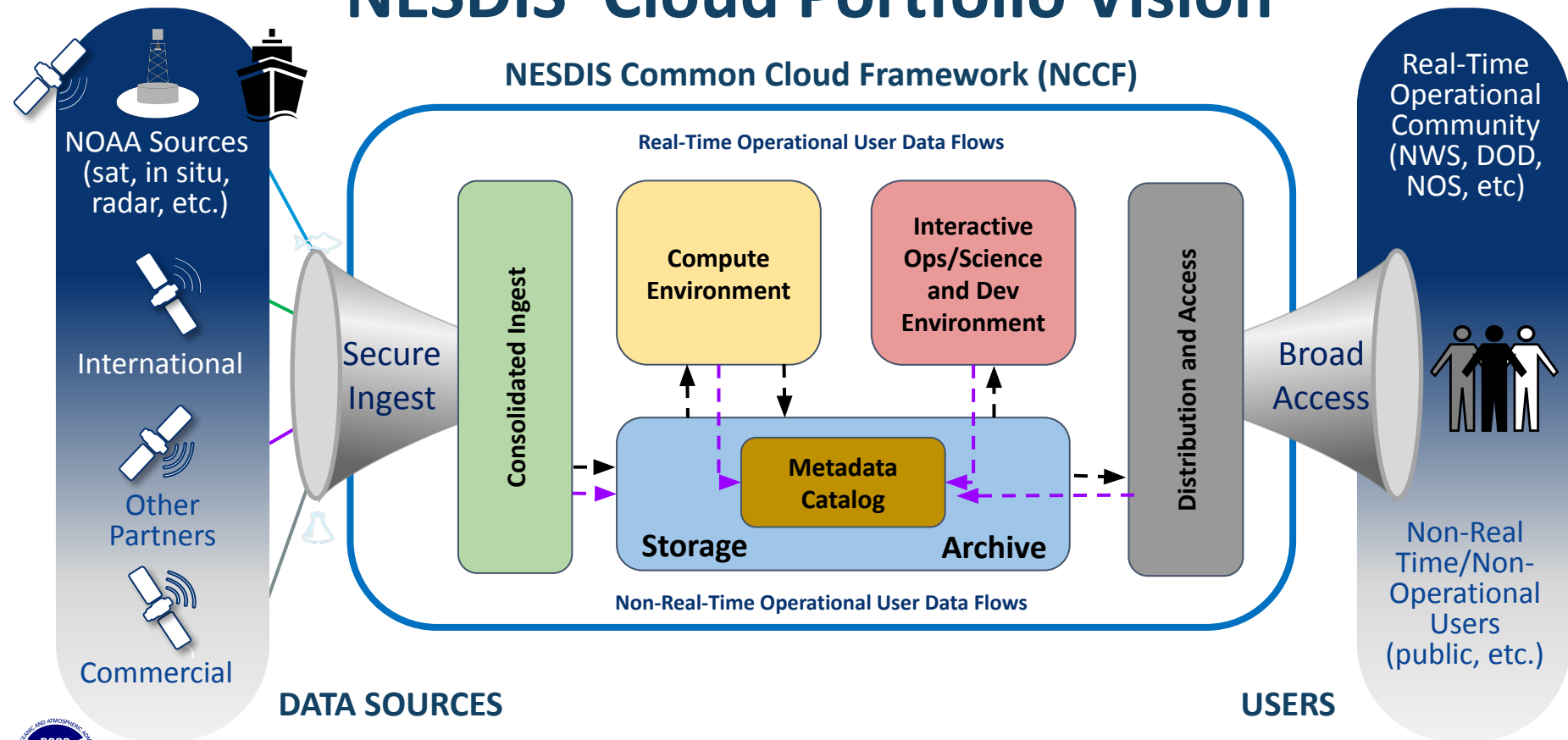
Introduction and Background

- In the summer of 2018, NESDIS created its [Cloud Computing Strategy](#) and launched into a pilot effort to begin moving toward implementation
- The first phase of the pilots was successful, so NESDIS followed with simultaneous efforts to begin operationalizing what was demonstrated, and to continue piloting new capabilities
 - Maturing and iterating, NESDIS launched a Red Team to operationalize cloud functionality into the NCCF and recently wrapped up its second phase of piloting
 - While operationalization continues, NESDIS launched a final pilot phase known as the NESDIS Cloud Archive Pilot (NCAP) to demonstrate the cloud archive capabilities and also established a research and development environment known as the NESDIS Cloud-sandbox Infrastructure Service (NCIS)
- Throughout it all, NESDIS established a Cloud Program Management Office (CPMO) and enterprise Cloud Transformation Plan to manage the overall process, including not just technology aspects but the essential people and process transformations as well.
- These slides provide an overview of the NCCF, with a focus on NCAP, the cloud archive piece

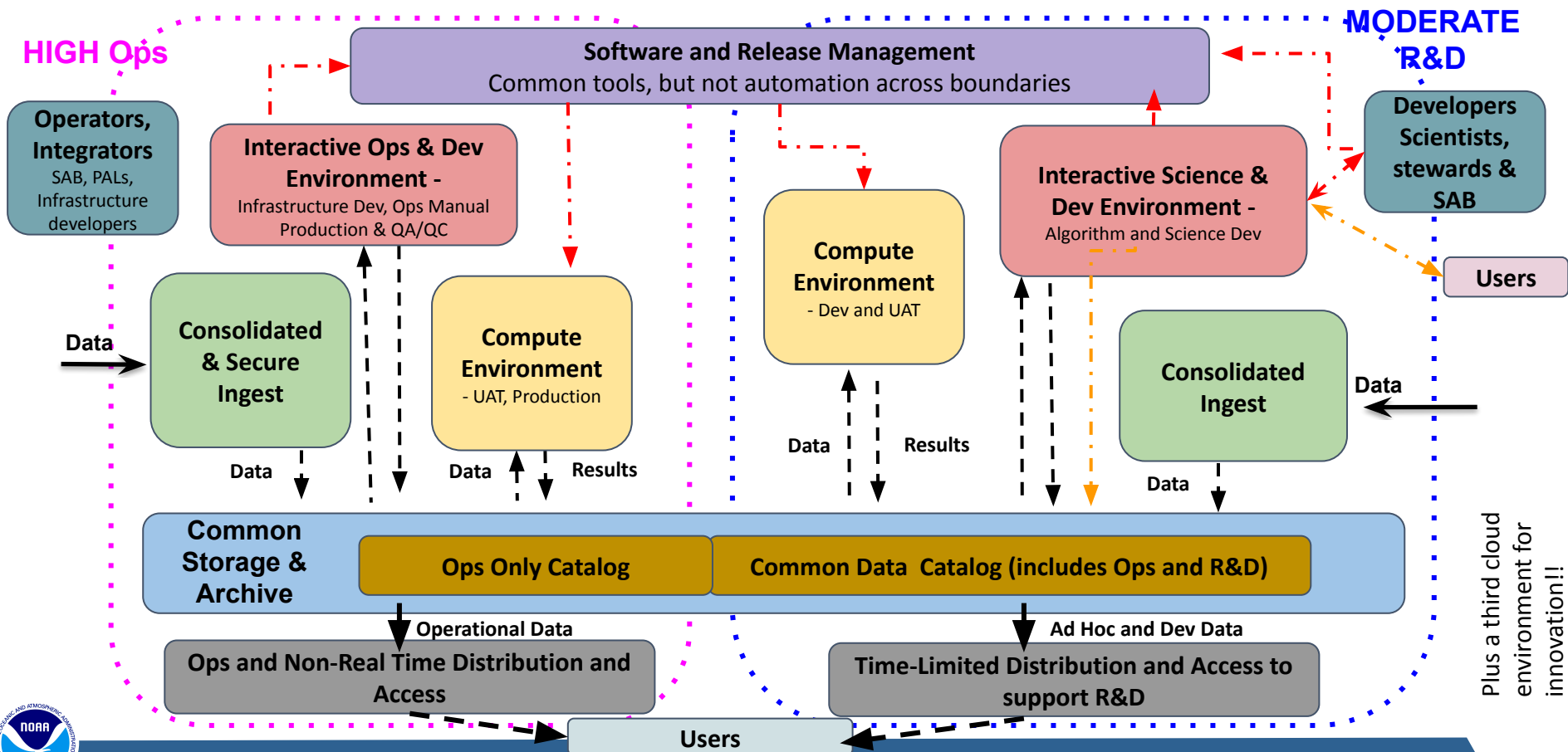


NESDIS' Cloud Portfolio Vision

NESDIS Common Cloud Framework (NCCF)



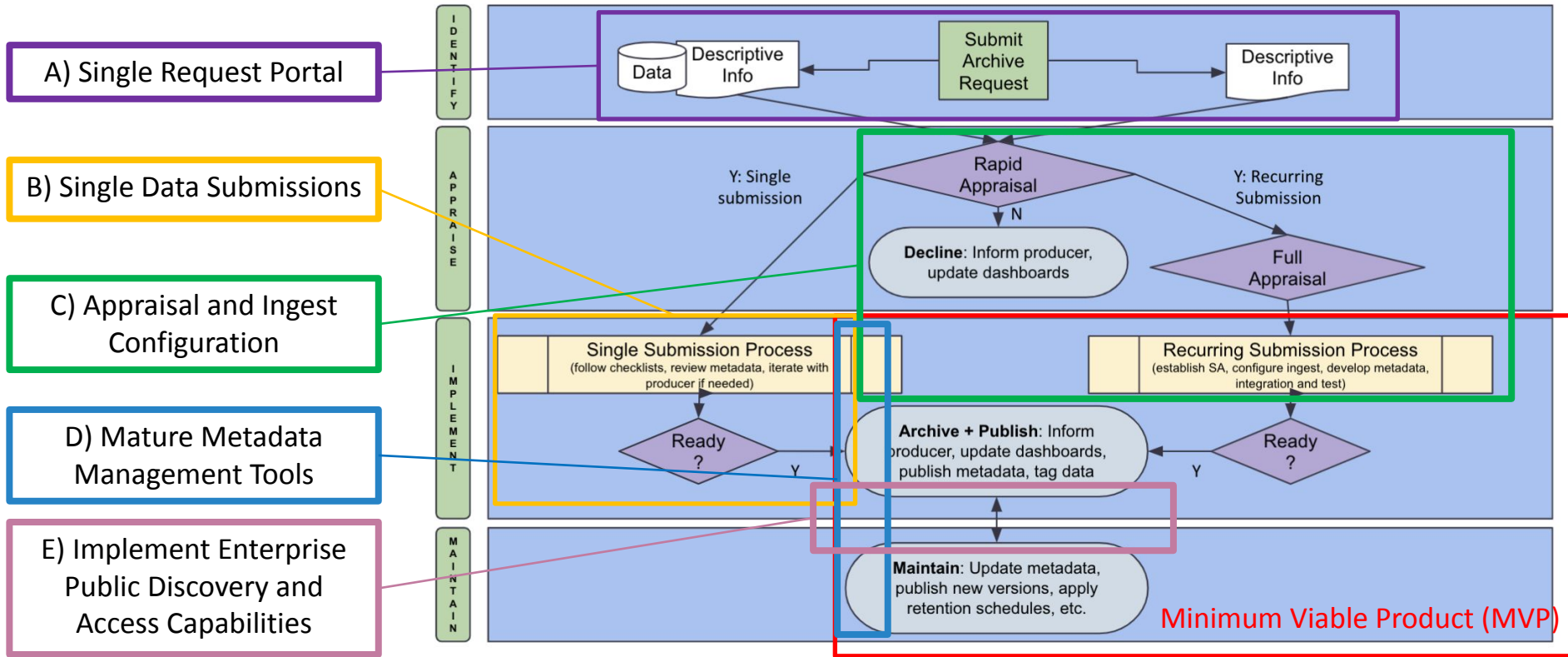
Future NCCF Architecture Vision



Plus a third cloud for environment for innovation!:



Enterprise Full Operational Capability Vision



Minimum Viable Product (MVP)



High Level Archive Dev and Migration Roadmap

2021	2022				2023				2024				2025				2026			
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Development of Archive and Access Enterprise Functionality

Sustainment of Archive/Access Enterprise Functionality

NCAP MVP

NCCF Archive and Access IOC*

NCCF Enterprise Archive, Access, and Stewardship Development

NCCF Enterprise Archive, Access, and Stewardship Sustainment and Iterative Optimization Releases

IOC

FOC

Major Release

Initiative #1

Connection/Development of Functionality of Existing Archive Systems

NEXT Functionality

S2N/IAF/AMS Func.

Finalization

CI/Digital Catalog Func.

CLASS Functionality

All New NEXT projects to Cloud

All New CLASS/CI to Cloud

All New Archive Projects to Cloud

Initiative #2

* Based on when integration team is available to start
 ** Data ingest from existing systems will happen before migration to support Initiative #2. This is an example for NEXT.
 *** This is the high level priority for migration of existing enterprise archive/access data streams. The work will be flexible to align with and support science product migrations.

Migration of Legacy Data Streams from Existing Archive Systems***

NEXT Legacy**

NEXT Legacy

S2N/IAF/AMS Legacy

Finalization

CLASS Legacy

CI/Digital Catalog Legacy

Decommission NEXT & CI

Decommission AMS - Archive Migration Complete

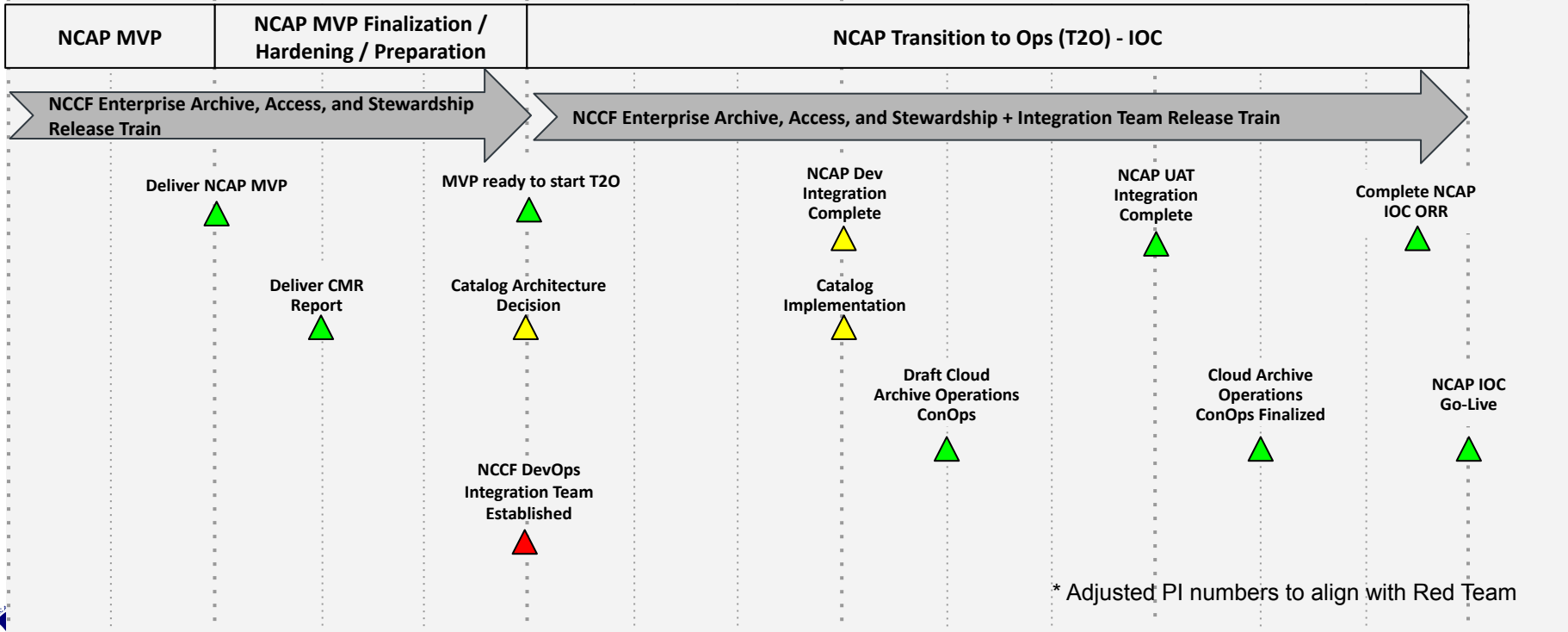
Initiative #3



Short-Term Schedule Details

Complete
On Track
Within Tolerance
At Risk

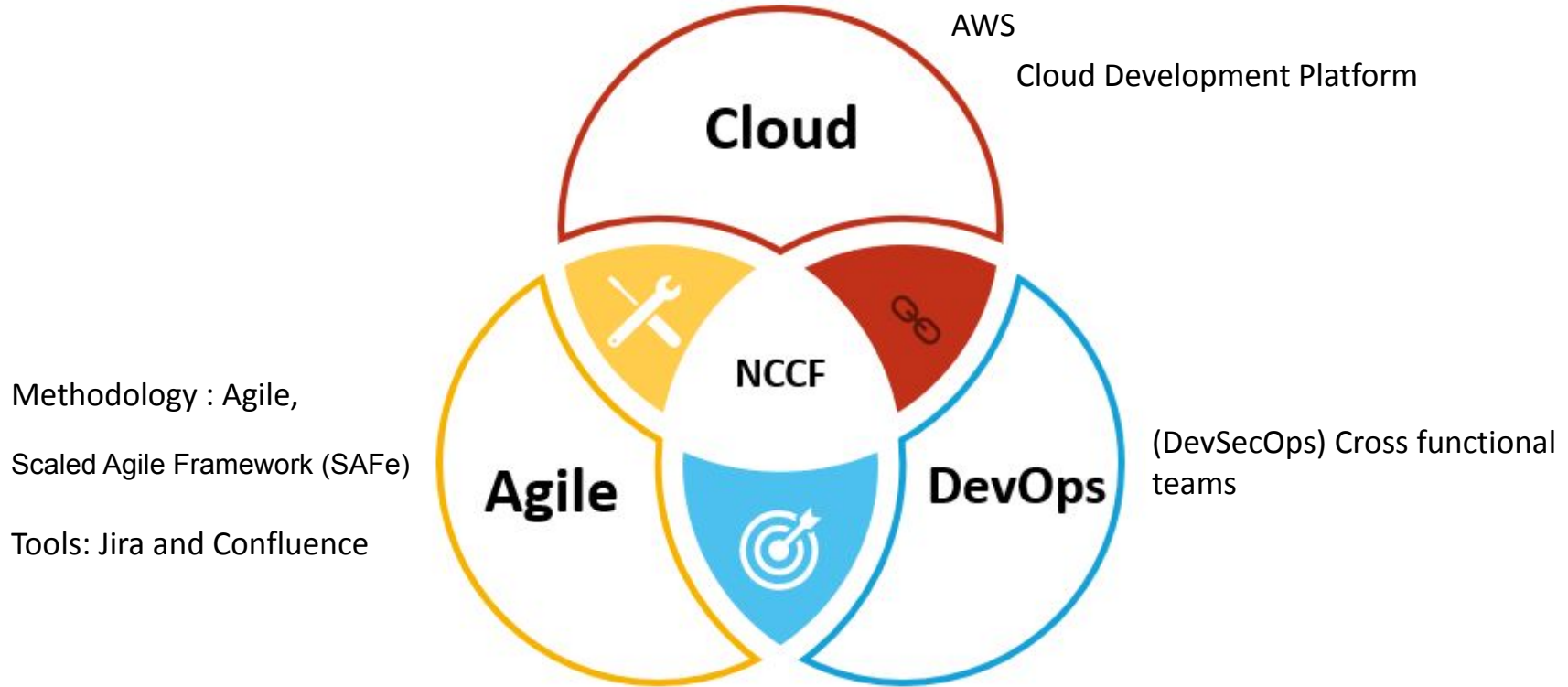
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* Adjusted PI numbers to align with Red Team



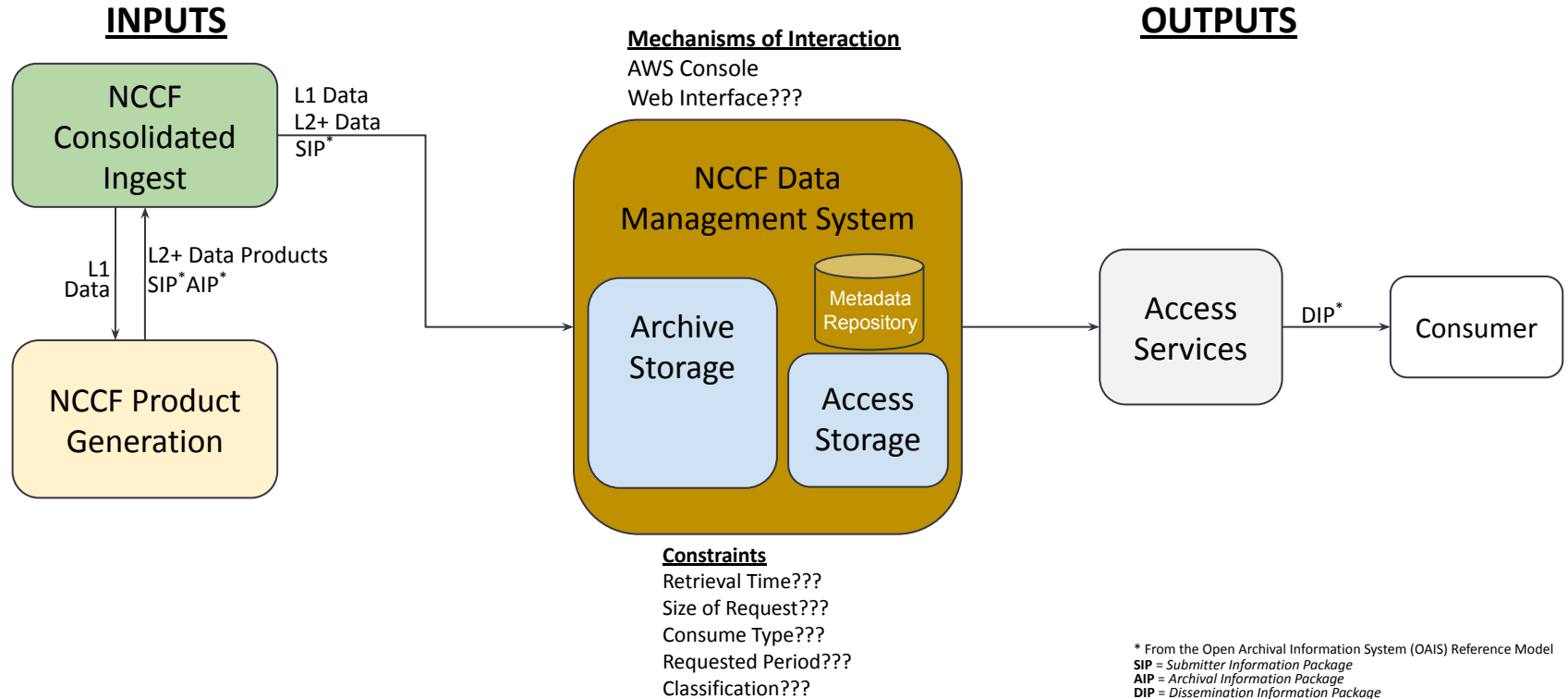
Current Enterprise Solution Enablers



Details of the Cloud Archive Workflow

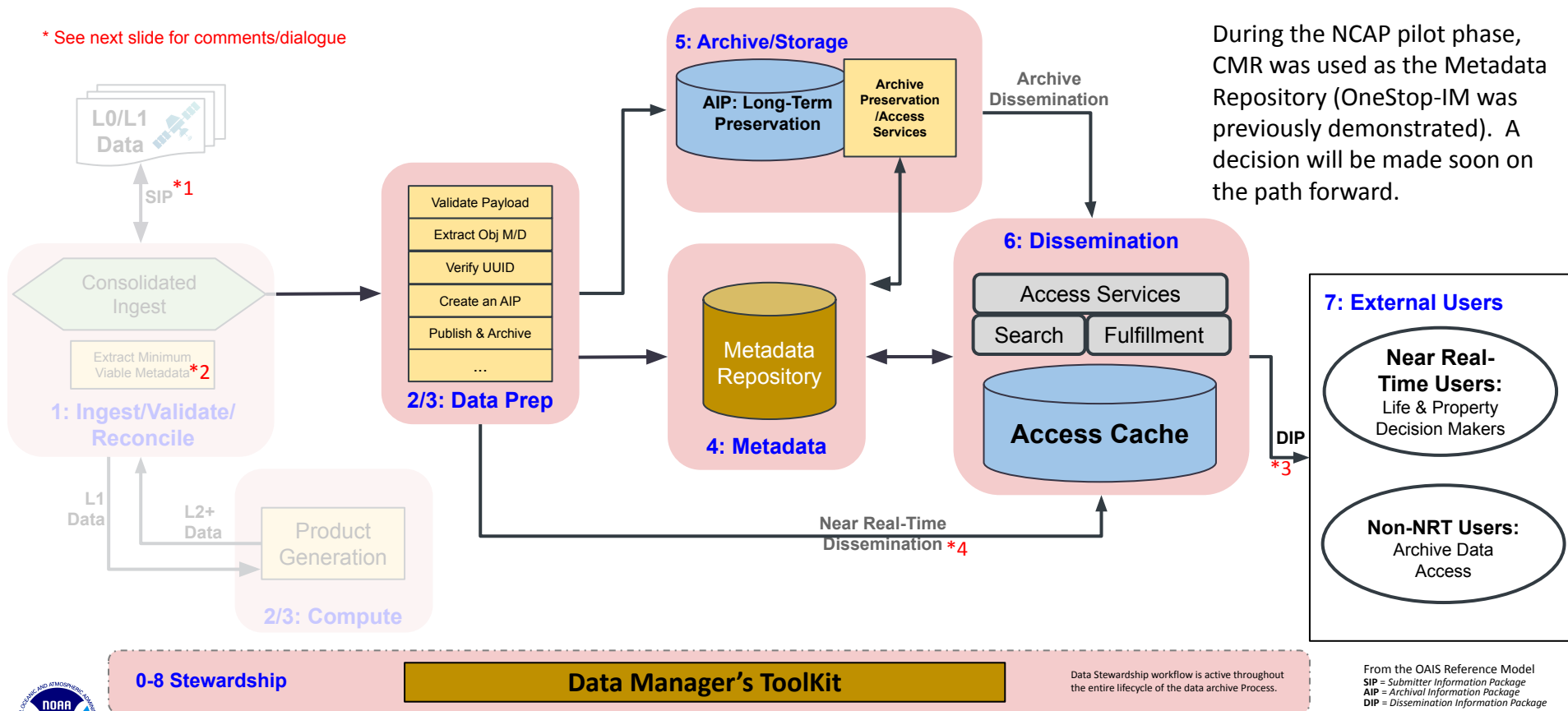


NCCF Archive Context Diagram



Satellite/Archive Workflow Diagram

* See next slide for comments/dialogue



During the NCAP pilot phase, CMR was used as the Metadata Repository (OneStop-IM was previously demonstrated). A decision will be made soon on the path forward.

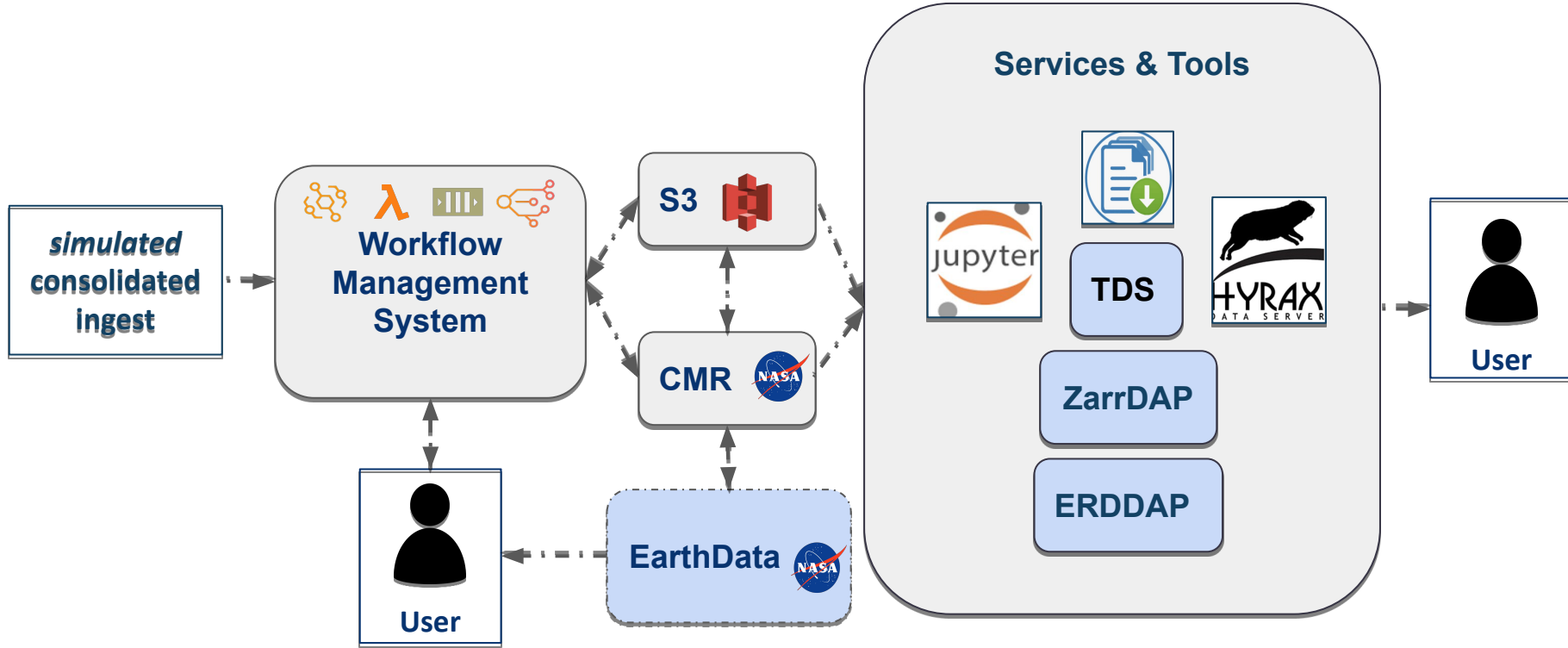
0-8 Stewardship

Data Manager's Toolkit

Data Stewardship workflow is active throughout the entire lifecycle of the data archive Process.

From the OAIS Reference Model
 SIP = Submitter Information Package
 AIP = Archival Information Package
 DIP = Dissemination Information Package

Access Demonstration



Looking Ahead:

- Next program increments will focus on hardening of the demonstrated cloud archive features, and completing the remaining handful of features needed for the MVP
- Resources are being aligned to support the cloud archive operationalization effort as early in 2022 as possible

Backup Slides



Concept: The Data Manager's Toolkit

- The tools available to the **Archivists, Data Managers, Metadata Experts, or Operators.**
- These are tools which are available in each step of the workflow.
- Metadata Tools
 - *Cross-Role Tools (Tools Available to the Archivist, Data Manager, Metadata Archivist, or Operator)*
 - Reporting tools - generate custom reports (velocity, successes/failures, etc.)
 - *Archivist Tools*
 - Verification reports that analyze metadata state and ensure the information represents the latest known state of metadata.
 - *Data Manager Tools*
 - Editing tools to backfill missing, incomplete or invalid Metadata.
 - *Metadata Archivist Tools*
 - Metadata Editing for standardizing snippets or components of metadata records that require updating many metadata records simultaneously.
 - *Operator Tools*
 - UI-based monitoring tools (Dashboard) - how many, velocity, success/failure, etc. of collection, granule, AIP, DIP metadata
 - Capacity Management Assessment - what is the total byte/memory/etc footprint of the holdings, what is the cost, etc.

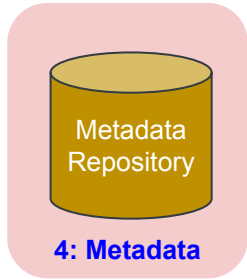
Step 2 and 3: Satellite Data Prep

1. Validate the payload.
2. Extract the object metadata (S3 metadata).
3. Verify UUID of the object.
 - a. If no UUID exists, then throw an error and exit.
4. Create an AIP for the data object (granule)
 - a. Extract full metadata (for AIP Package Description)
 - b. Create AIP Packaging Information
 - c. Create AIP Representation Information
 - d. Create AIP Preservation Description Information
5. Publish data object metadata.
6. Archive the data object.
7. Notify the operator.

Assumptions:

1. The data collection for the satellite data exists.
2. The data object (granule) is considered complete.





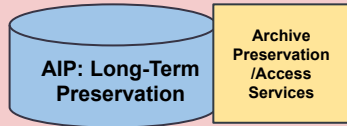
Step 4: Metadata

For NCAP and the NCIS, the “[Metadata Repository](#)” is the NASA CMR application managed by the NCIS Infrastructure Team.

Other Metadata Tools for the Satellite Archive Workflow include

1. CMR is part of the prototype and used as part of MVP
2. OneStop-Inventory Manager (OSIM) were previously tested in the NCCF pilots
3. A decision is pending on what catalog solution to utilize in the IOC (CMR, OSIM, both)

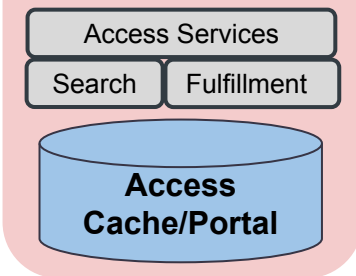
5: Archive/Storage



Step 5: Archive & Storage

- Connected with [Metadata](#), [Data Prep](#), and [Dissemination](#) is the [Archive/Storage](#) piece of the workflow.
- The [Archive/Storage](#) contains the preservation copy (the “archive copy” or “gold copy”) of the object.
- From [Data Prep](#), the AIP (which includes the data object) are sent to two storage services:
 - **Copy #1** is sent to the [Archive/Storage](#) service for preservation.
 - The AIP will be written **directly** to S3 Glacier or S3 Glacier Deep Archive.
 - **Copy #2** is sent to the Access Cache in the [Dissemination](#) service for immediate search, discovery, and access.
 - The Access Cache S3 bucket will keep objects in S3 Standard for up to a certain age (e.g., 5 days and objects older than 5 days are deleted).

6: Dissemination



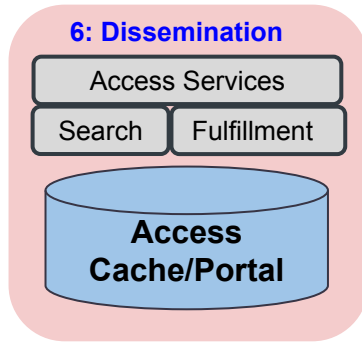
Step 6: Dissemination

Dissemination is defined as the services to support distribution of data, search and discovery, and order fulfillment.

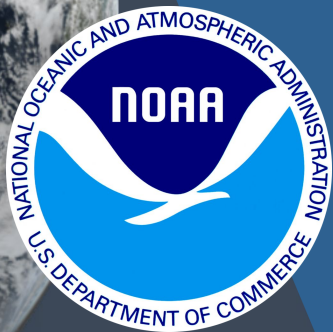
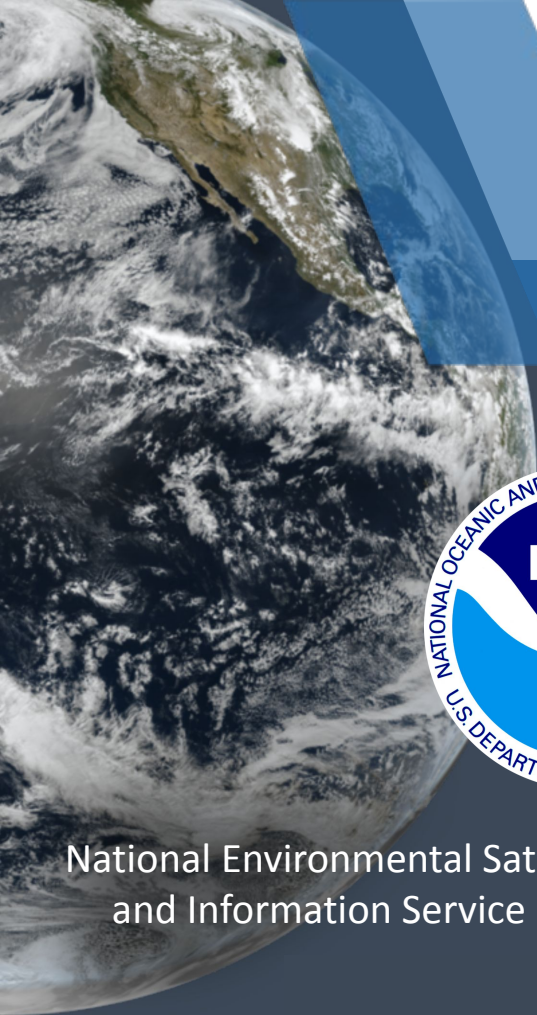
What are the major components of Dissemination aka Access Services?

- Search
 - Metadata search/discovery UI -> data
 - **Complete, accurate metadata is key to successful implementation of Service Oriented Architecture**
- Fulfillment
 - Synchronous and Asynchronous requests processed
 - Data Management
 - Real-time to NRT -> PDA/CLASS (satellite product focused)
 - NRT (next day) to historical -> NCEI/CLASS (all products)
- Core Services - OAIS Features

Step 6: Dissemination - Core Services



- Search/Discovery - metadata and data APIs
- Download data
- Visualize structured data
- Subsetting of structured data
- Data Transformation
- Ad Hoc orders/requests (Alt: Ad Hoc Data Requests)
- Subscription orders/requests (Alt: Recurring Data Requests)
- Bulk orders/requests (Alt: Large Data Requests)
- Event-based orders/requests
- Certification orders/requests
- Data Use Monitoring/Administration/Reporting
- Order fulfillment Monitoring/Administration/Reporting
- Subscription Monitoring/Administration/Reporting
- A/A for restricted data access



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Questions?