

Please provide the following information, and submit to the NOAA DM Plan Repository.

### Reference to Master DM Plan (if applicable)

As stated in Section IV, Requirement 1.3, DM Plans may be hierarchical. If this DM Plan inherits provisions from a higher-level DM Plan already submitted to the Repository, then this more-specific Plan only needs to provide information that differs from what was provided in the Master DM Plan.

URL of higher-level DM Plan (if any) as submitted to DM Plan Repository:

## 1. General Description of Data to be Managed

### 1.1. Name of the Data, data collection Project, or data-producing Program:

2020 NOAA/OCM Multibeam Backscatter: Bayfield, WI

### 1.2. Summary description of the data:

In July-September 2020, a hydrographic survey was conducted in three survey areas located on the western side of Bayfield Peninsula in southwestern Lake Superior. Survey operations took place over three legs: Leg 1 (7/25-8/5), Leg 2 (8/25-9/2), and Leg 3 (9/16-9/28). The survey platform was the Research Vessel (R/V) Echo, which was equipped with a Teledyne-Reson SeaBat 7125 multibeam echosounder for simultaneously acquiring bathymetry and acoustic backscatter imagery.

### 1.3. Is this a one-time data collection, or an ongoing series of measurements?

One-time data collection

### 1.4. Actual or planned temporal coverage of the data:

2020-07-25 to 2020-08-05, 2020-08-25 to 2020-09-02, 2020-09-16 to 2020-09-28

### 1.5. Actual or planned geographic coverage of the data:

W: -91.197222, E: -90.973827, N: 46.978675, S: 46.84883

### 1.6. Type(s) of data:

*(e.g., digital numeric data, imagery, photographs, video, audio, database, tabular data, etc.)*  
remote-sensing image

### 1.7. Data collection method(s):

*(e.g., satellite, airplane, unmanned aerial system, radar, weather station, moored buoy, research vessel, autonomous underwater vehicle, animal tagging, manual surveys, enforcement activities, numerical model, etc.)*

### 1.8. If data are from a NOAA Observing System of Record, indicate name of system:

#### 1.8.1. If data are from another observing system, please specify:

**2. Point of Contact for this Data Management Plan (author or maintainer)****2.1. Name:**

NOAA Office for Coastal Management (NOAA/OCM)

**2.2. Title:**

Metadata Contact

**2.3. Affiliation or facility:**

NOAA Office for Coastal Management (NOAA/OCM)

**2.4. E-mail address:**

coastal.info@noaa.gov

**2.5. Phone number:**

(843) 740-1202

**3. Responsible Party for Data Management**

*Program Managers, or their designee, shall be responsible for assuring the proper management of the data produced by their Program. Please indicate the responsible party below.*

**3.1. Name:****3.2. Title:**

Data Steward

**4. Resources**

*Programs must identify resources within their own budget for managing the data they produce.*

**4.1. Have resources for management of these data been identified?****4.2. Approximate percentage of the budget for these data devoted to data management (specify percentage or "unknown"):****5. Data Lineage and Quality**

*NOAA has issued Information Quality Guidelines for ensuring and maximizing the quality, objectivity, utility, and integrity of information which it disseminates.*

**5.1. Processing workflow of the data from collection or acquisition to making it publicly accessible**

*(describe or provide URL of description):*

Process Steps:

- In July-September 2020, a hydrographic survey was conducted in three survey areas located on the western side of Bayfield Peninsula in southwestern Lake Superior. Survey operations took place over three legs: Leg 1 (7/25-8/5), Leg 2 (8/25-9/

2), and Leg 3 (9/16-9/28). The survey platform was the Research Vessel (R/V) Echo, which was equipped with a Teledyne-Reson SeaBat 7125 multibeam echosounder for simultaneously acquiring bathymetry and acoustic backscatter imagery. Backscatter imagery processing was conducted using Quality Positioning Systems (QPS) Fledermaus Geocoder Toolbox (FMGT) software (version 7.9.3).

- Processed bathymetry data files were exported from CARIS HIPS as Generic Sensor Format (GSF) files. The FMGT workflow paired each native sonar file (Teledyne-Reson s7k format) with its processed GSF file, thus incorporating corrected position and motion data. A beam pattern correction was computed and applied to remove angular bias from the backscatter imagery. Angle Varying Gain (AVG) was applied using the standard “Flat” algorithm and window size of 300 pings. A backscatter imagery mosaic was produced using standard line weighting procedures. The backscatter mosaic was then reviewed manually for motion artifacts and/or brightness offsets. Manual editing was performed to adjust brightness values between adjacent survey lines and/or survey days using the “Head Bias” tool in QPS FMGT software. After the completion of backscatter data processing and quality review, the backscatter imagery was exported in 2m pixel resolution. Backscatter products are referenced to NAD83 UTM Zone 15 North with horizontal units in meters. Backscatter intensity is shown in logarithmic units of decibels (dB).

- 2021-04-09 00:00:00 - Data were added to the Digital Coast Data Access Viewer. The data files were unchanged in this process. (Citation: Backscatter geotiff files)

**5.1.1. If data at different stages of the workflow, or products derived from these data, are subject to a separate data management plan, provide reference to other plan:**

**5.2. Quality control procedures employed (describe or provide URL of description):**

The backscatter mosaic was then reviewed manually for motion artifacts and/or brightness offsets. Manual editing was performed to adjust brightness values between adjacent survey lines and/or survey days using the “Head Bias” tool in QPS FMGT software.

## **6. Data Documentation**

*The EDMC Data Documentation Procedural Directive requires that NOAA data be well documented, specifies the use of ISO 19115 and related standards for documentation of new data, and provides links to resources and tools for metadata creation and validation.*

**6.1. Does metadata comply with EDMC Data Documentation directive?**

No

**6.1.1. If metadata are non-existent or non-compliant, please explain:**

Missing/invalid information:

- 1.7. Data collection method(s)
- 3.1. Responsible Party for Data Management

- 4.1. Have resources for management of these data been identified?
- 4.2. Approximate percentage of the budget for these data devoted to data management
- 7.1. Do these data comply with the Data Access directive?
  - 7.1.1. If data are not available or has limitations, has a Waiver been filed?
  - 7.1.2. If there are limitations to data access, describe how data are protected
- 7.4. Approximate delay between data collection and dissemination
- 8.1. Actual or planned long-term data archive location
- 8.3. Approximate delay between data collection and submission to an archive facility
- 8.4. How will the data be protected from accidental or malicious modification or deletion prior to receipt by the archive?

**6.2. Name of organization or facility providing metadata hosting:**

NMFS Office of Science and Technology

**6.2.1. If service is needed for metadata hosting, please indicate:****6.3. URL of metadata folder or data catalog, if known:**

<https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/inport/item/64513>

**6.4. Process for producing and maintaining metadata**

*(describe or provide URL of description):*

Metadata produced and maintained in accordance with the NOAA Data Documentation Procedural Directive: [https://nosc.noaa.gov/EDMC/DAARWG/docs/EDMC\\_PD-Data\\_Documentation\\_v1.pdf](https://nosc.noaa.gov/EDMC/DAARWG/docs/EDMC_PD-Data_Documentation_v1.pdf)

**7. Data Access**

*NAO 212-15 states that access to environmental data may only be restricted when distribution is explicitly limited by law, regulation, policy (such as those applicable to personally identifiable information or protected critical infrastructure information or proprietary trade information) or by security requirements. The EDMC Data Access Procedural Directive contains specific guidance, recommends the use of open-standard, interoperable, non-proprietary web services, provides information about resources and tools to enable data access, and includes a Waiver to be submitted to justify any approach other than full, unrestricted public access.*

**7.1. Do these data comply with the Data Access directive?**

**7.1.1. If the data are not to be made available to the public at all, or with limitations, has a Waiver (Appendix A of Data Access directive) been filed?**

**7.1.2. If there are limitations to public data access, describe how data are protected from unauthorized access or disclosure:**

**7.2. Name of organization of facility providing data access:**

NOAA Office for Coastal Management (NOAA/OCM)

**7.2.1. If data hosting service is needed, please indicate:****7.2.2. URL of data access service, if known:**

<https://coast.noaa.gov/dataviewer/#/imagery/search/where:ID=9277/details/9277>

[https://coastalimagery.blob.core.windows.net/digitalcoast/WI\\_Bayfield\\_MB\\_Backscatter\\_2020\\_9277/i](https://coastalimagery.blob.core.windows.net/digitalcoast/WI_Bayfield_MB_Backscatter_2020_9277/i)

**7.3. Data access methods or services offered:**

Data is available online for bulk or custom downloads

**7.4. Approximate delay between data collection and dissemination:**

**7.4.1. If delay is longer than latency of automated processing, indicate under what authority data access is delayed:**

**8. Data Preservation and Protection**

*The NOAA Procedure for Scientific Records Appraisal and Archive Approval describes how to identify, appraise and decide what scientific records are to be preserved in a NOAA archive.*

**8.1. Actual or planned long-term data archive location:**

*(Specify NCEI-MD, NCEI-CO, NCEI-NC, NCEI-MS, World Data Center (WDC) facility, Other, To Be Determined, Unable to Archive, or No Archiving Intended)*

**8.1.1. If World Data Center or Other, specify:****8.1.2. If To Be Determined, Unable to Archive or No Archiving Intended, explain:****8.2. Data storage facility prior to being sent to an archive facility (if any):**

Office for Coastal Management - Charleston, SC

**8.3. Approximate delay between data collection and submission to an archive facility:****8.4. How will the data be protected from accidental or malicious modification or deletion prior to receipt by the archive?**

*Discuss data back-up, disaster recovery/contingency planning, and off-site data storage relevant to the data collection*

**9. Additional Line Office or Staff Office Questions**

*Line and Staff Offices may extend this template by inserting additional questions in this section.*