

# Ongoing Changes to Proposed NOAA SCAT Data Standard

SCAT for Tomorrow Workshop Follow-up

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# Topics

- Ongoing *changes* to Data Standard since SfT workshop
- Digital data exchange *format review*
- Digital data exchange *example*
- Modifications / extensions

# Changes to Data Standard for Survey Data

- Unique field names across tables: useful for NOAA DIVER but also as cleaner data management practice (e.g. for flat-file generation)
- Explicit relational ID fields (survey and segment) for all observations (zone and pit)
- Remove requirement for *marine ESI classification* scheme (expand to riverine, lacustrine, ice, etc.)

# Data Exchange Formats

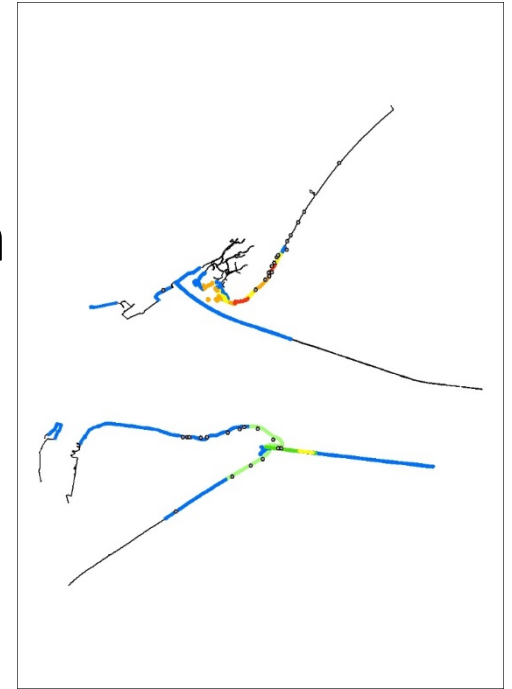
- Data Formats:

	Spatial	Attributes
Shape/CSV	Shape	CSV
FGDB	FGDB	FGDB
JSON	GeoJSON	JSON

- Metadata format: ***ERMA JSON and/or ISO***
- Attribute data for spatial features (segments, zones, pits) can be included as attributes of spatial features ***or*** as related table with geometry held separate
- Table naming issues

# Data Exchange Example

- Synthetic data from synthetic incident in Galveston Ship Channel
- Will expand to synthetic incidents in Atlantic, Pacific for diversity of habitat and oiling conditions
- Eventual automated generation of synthetic data for drills
- Available at:  
<http://researchplanninginc.github.io/NOAA-SCAT-Standard/>



# Proposed Modifications / Extensions

## *Non-tidal water elevations:*

- Retain single text/string field:
  - ZONE\_TIDAL to ZONE\_WLEV
  - PIT\_TIDAL to PIT\_WLEV
- Use tidal descriptors/codesets (e.g. “MI”) for marine/estuarine settings
- Use stage/flow descriptors/codesets (e.g. “Flood”) or values (e.g. “1000 cfs” or “8 ft gage”) for riverine or lacustrine settings

## *Shoreline ice:*

- Retain single zone type text/string field
  - ESI to TYPE or similar
- Use ice descriptors/codesets (e.g. “Ice foot” or “snow”)