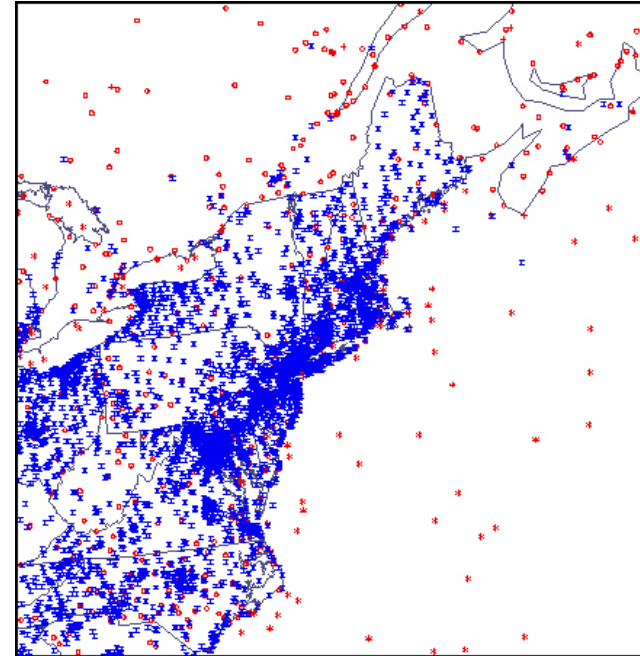
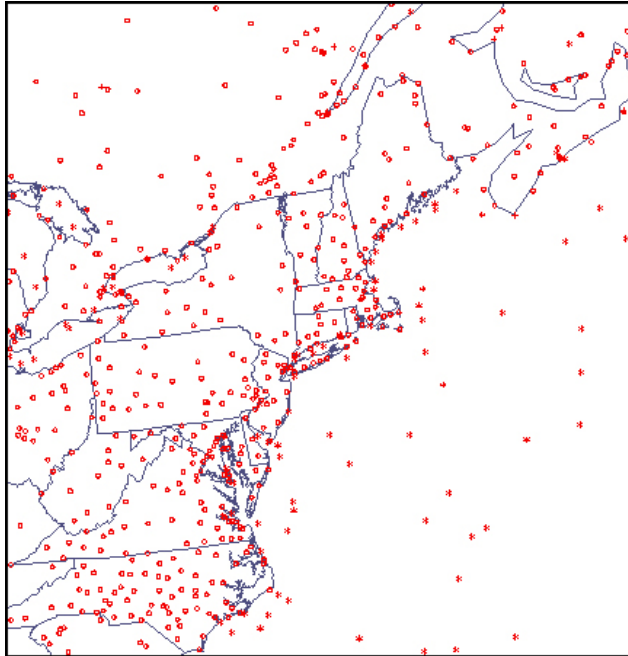


# Meteorological Assimilation Data Ingest System (MADIS)



Surface Data Density Before MADIS    Surface Data Density After MADIS

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# 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

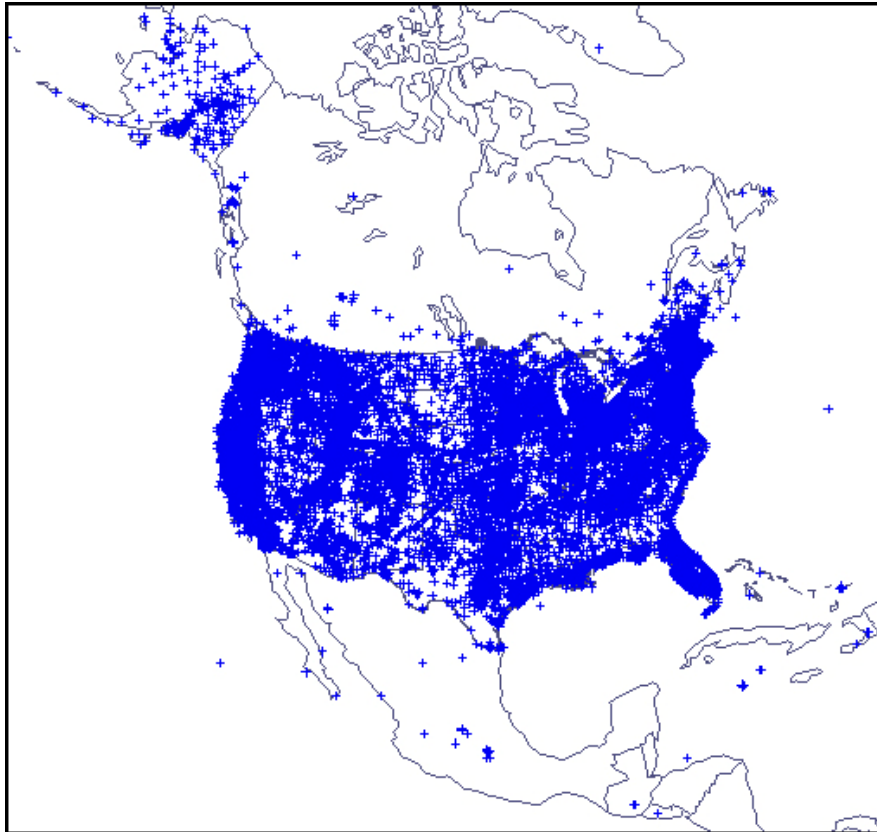
## Hundreds of MADIS

### 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  
[http://madis.noaa.gov/madis\\_qc.html](http://madis.noaa.gov/madis_qc.html)

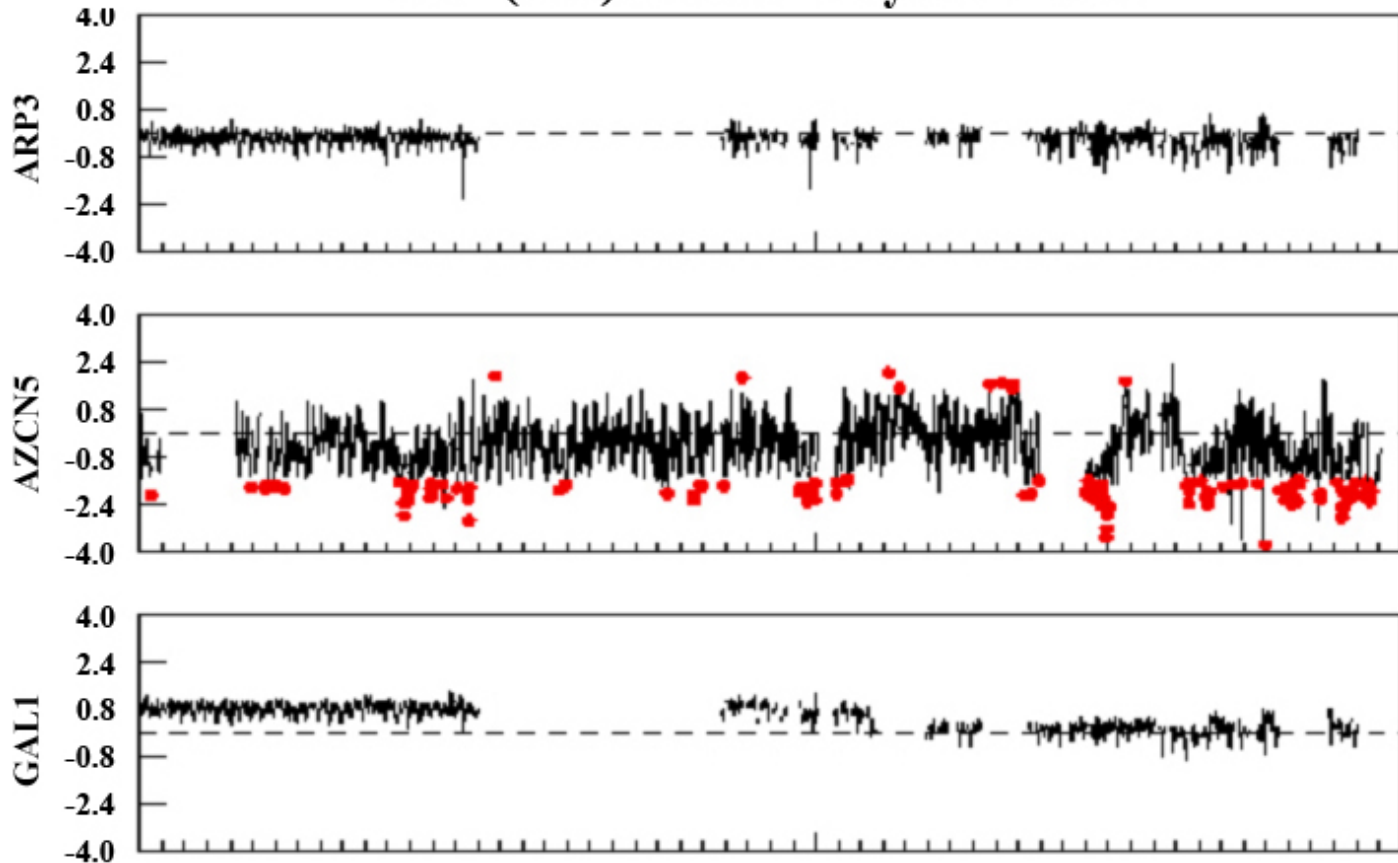




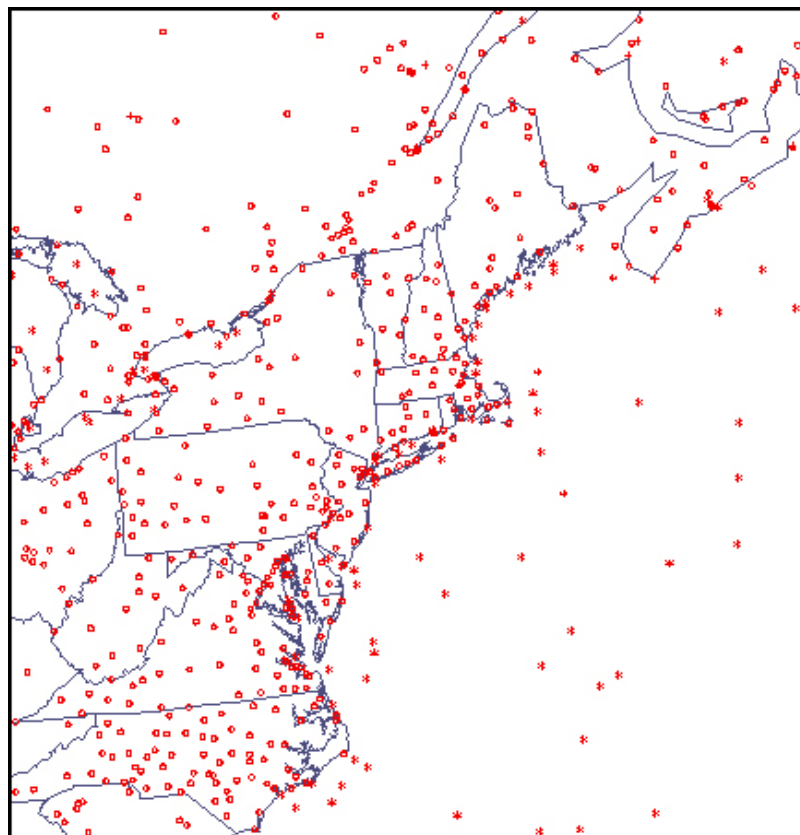
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## SLP (MB) Errors - Days 244 - 355



# MADIS Northeast Standard Surface Network



## Standard Surface Observations

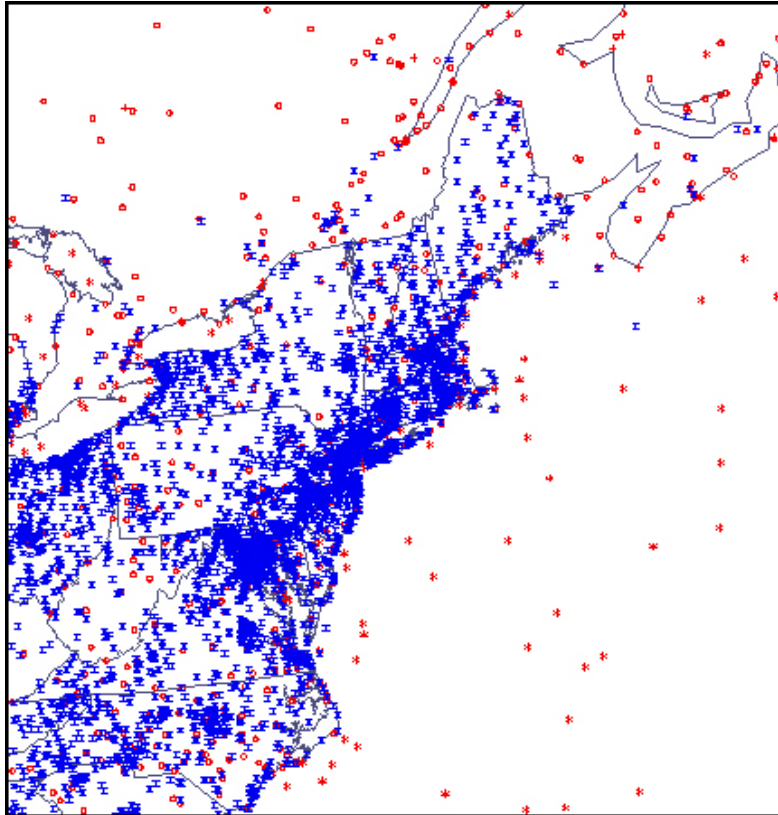
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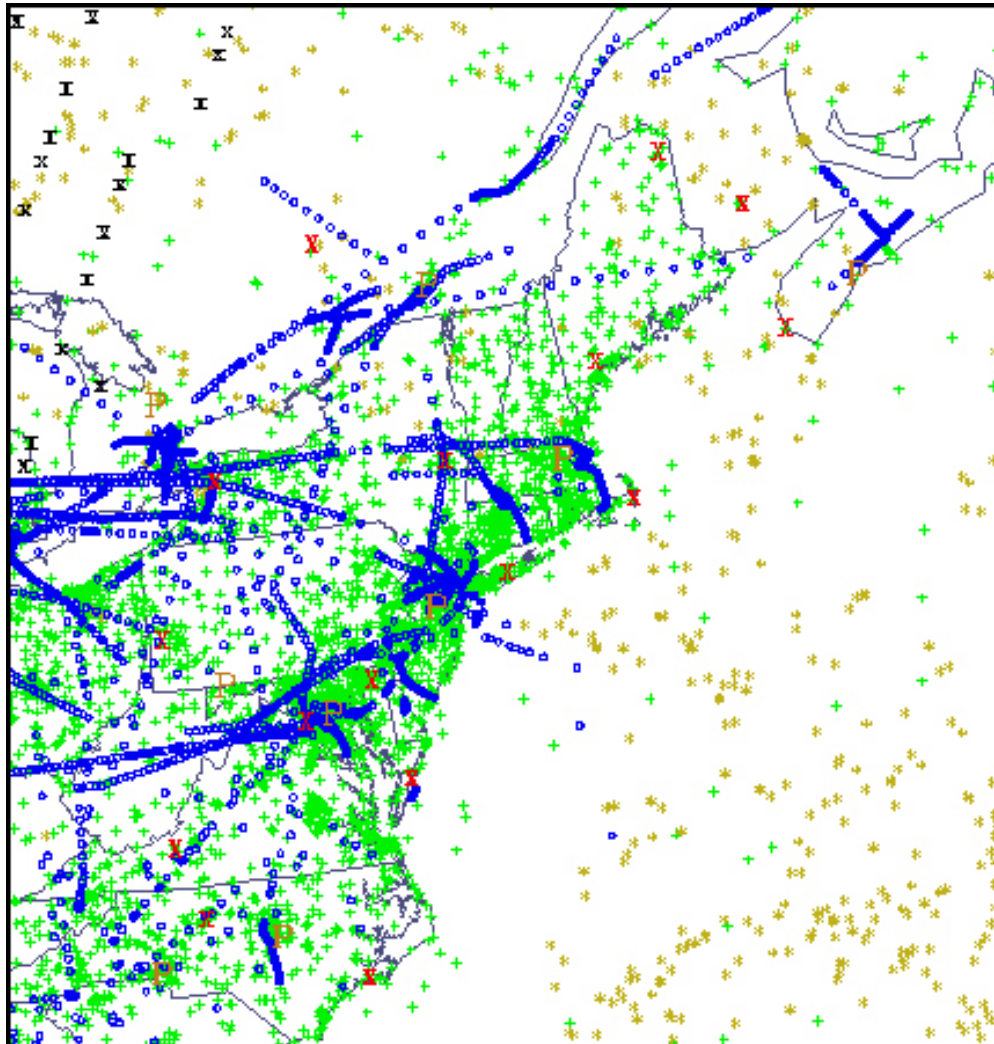


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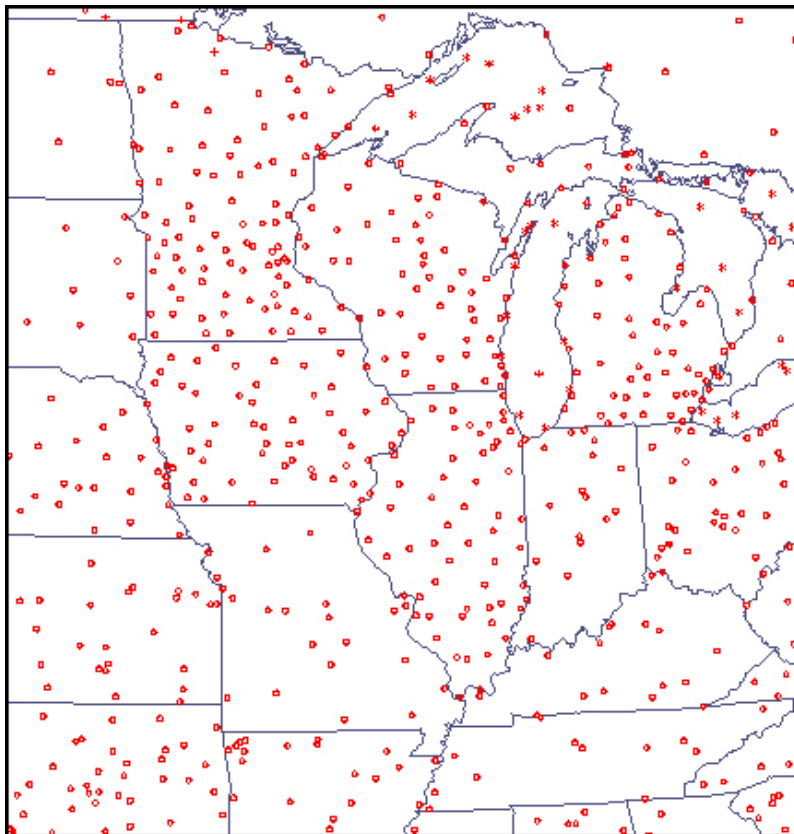
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- Gulf of Maine Ocean Observing System
- National Ocean Service Physical Oceanographic Real-Time System (PORTS) and National Water Level Observation Network (NWLON)
- Aberdeen Proving Grounds (APG)
- OAR – DCNet
- UrbaNet
- Hydrometeorological Automated Data System (HADS)
- North Carolina ECONet
- New Jersey Weather and Climate Network
- DoTs: GA, KY, ME, MD, NH, OH, VA, VT



# MADIS Northeast Regional Domain Observations



# MADIS Midwest Standard Surface Network



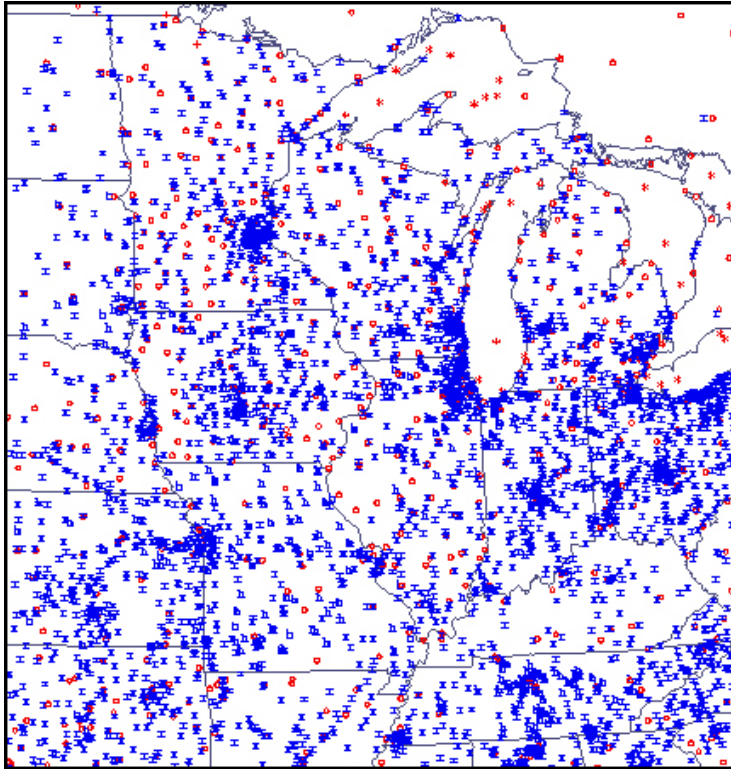
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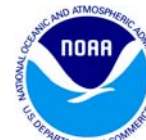
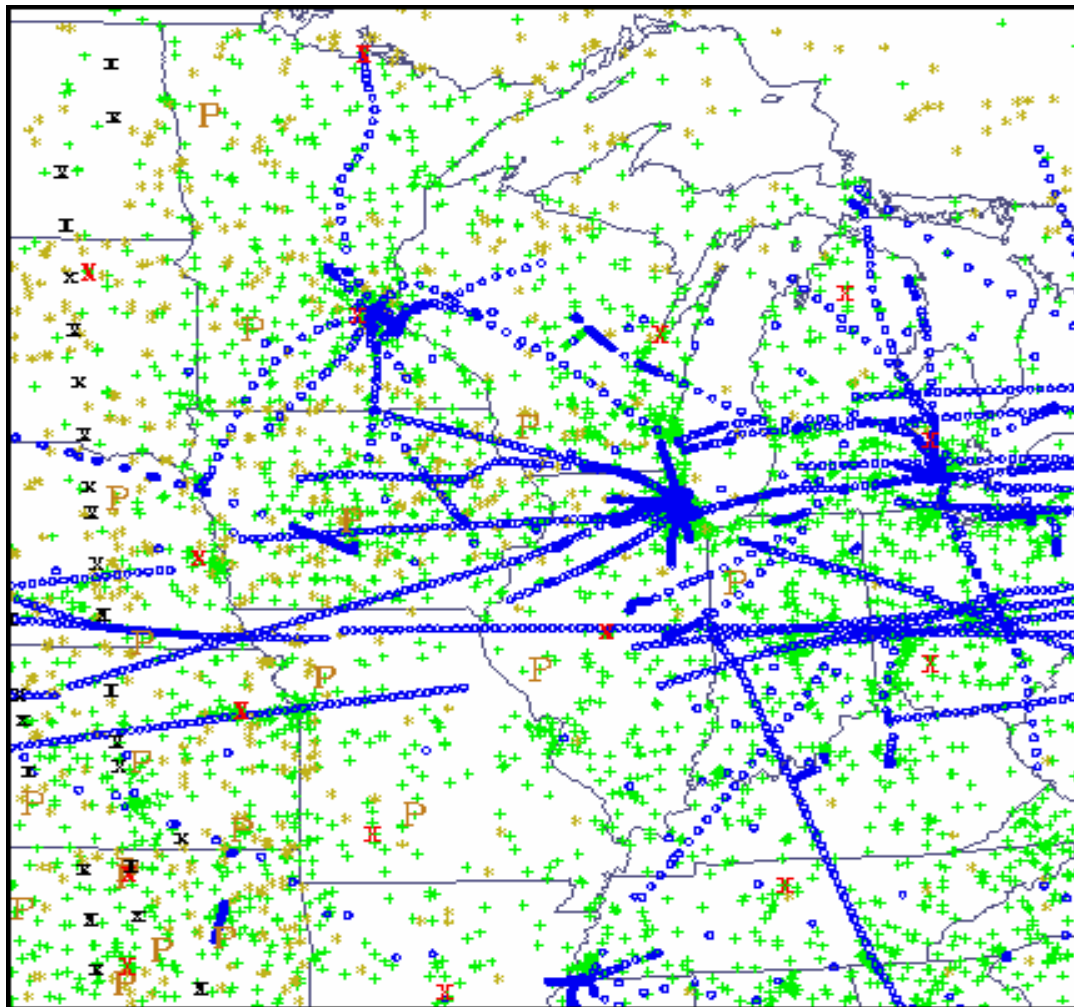


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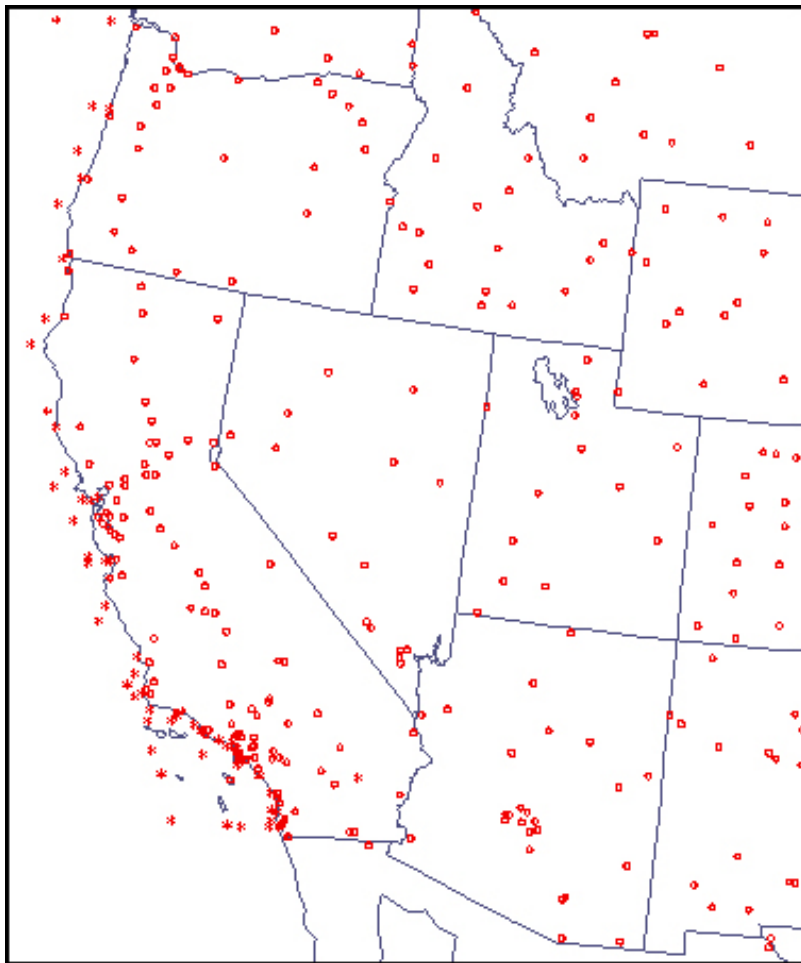
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- Marquette Mesonet
- Union Pacific Railroad
- Non-Federal AWOS
- NERRS (National Estuarine Research Reserve System)
- CoCoRaHS
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# MADIS Midwest Regional Domain Observations



# MADIS West Coast Standard Surface Network



## Standard Surface Observations

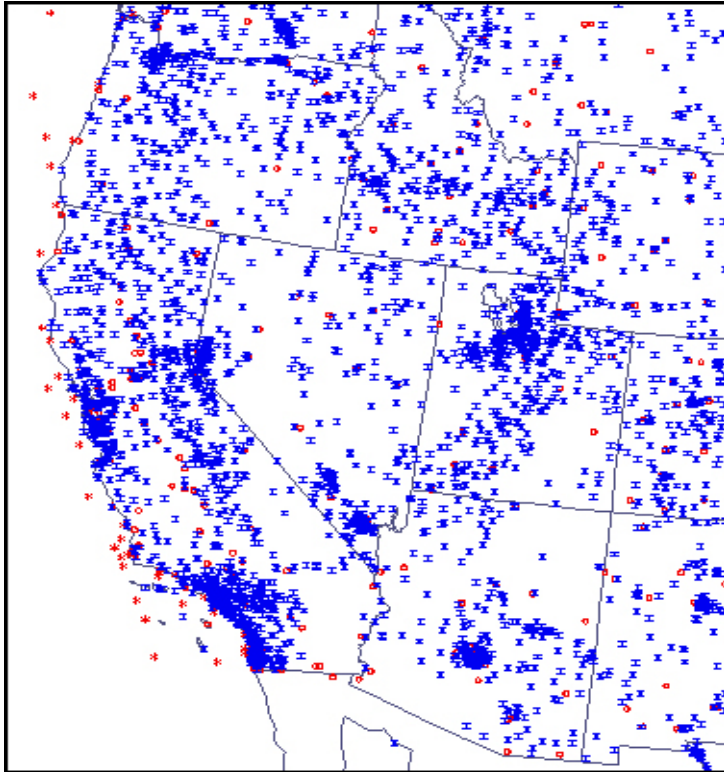
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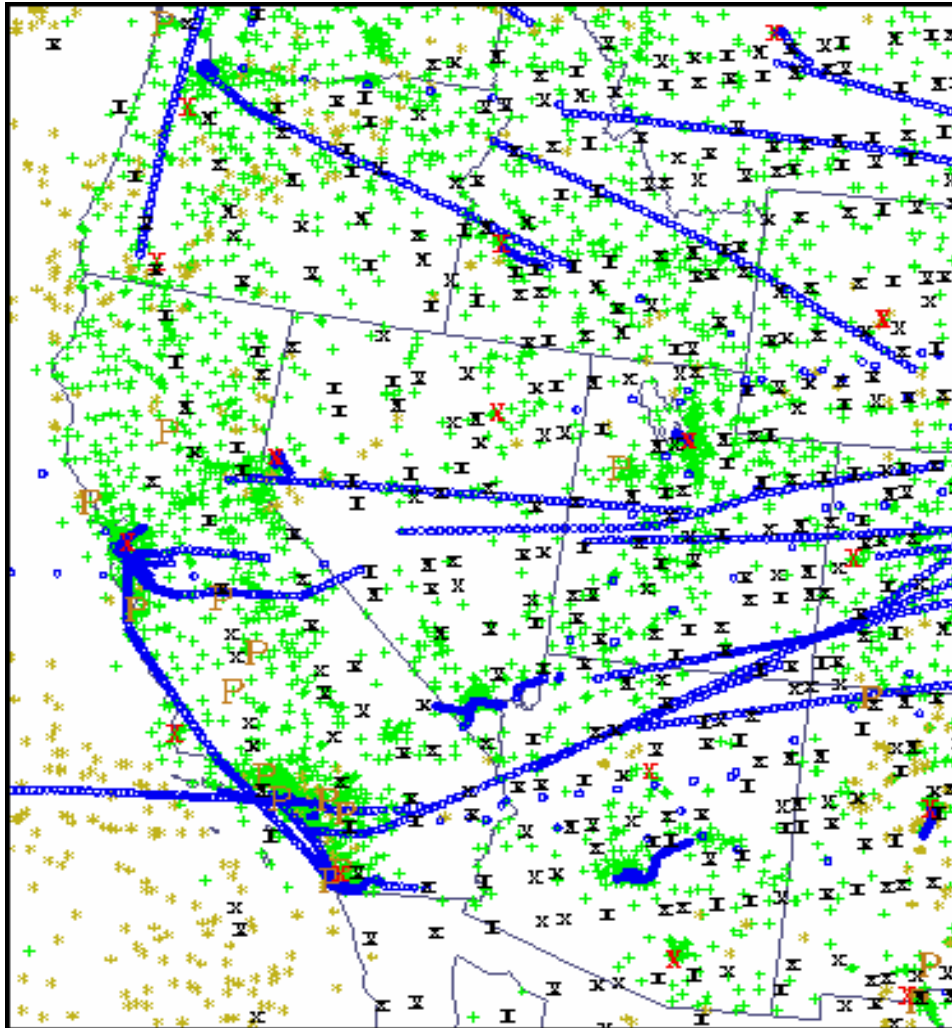


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  - CoCoRaHS
  - U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Agrimet
  - Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
  - CO River Basin Forecast Center
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  - UrbaNet
  - DOTs: CA, CO, ID, MT, NV, UT, WY
- and many more mesonets...**



# 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

### IRT Members

#### NESDIS

Al Powell (IRT Chair/Director, Center for Satellite Applications and Research)

#### NWS

David Caldwell (Director, Office of Climate, Water, and Weather Services)

Allan Darling (Chief, Software Branch/Telecommunications Operations Center)

Brent Gordon (Chief, NCEP Central Operations/Systems Integration Branch)

#### OAR

James Kimpel (Director, National Severe Storms Laboratory)

Eddie Bernard (Director, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory)

Jeremy Warren (Deputy Chief Information Officer)



# 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.”*



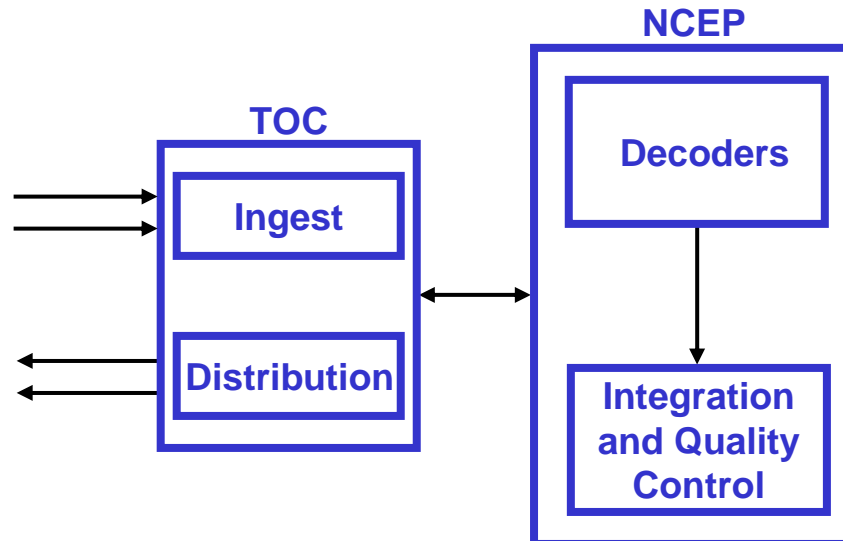
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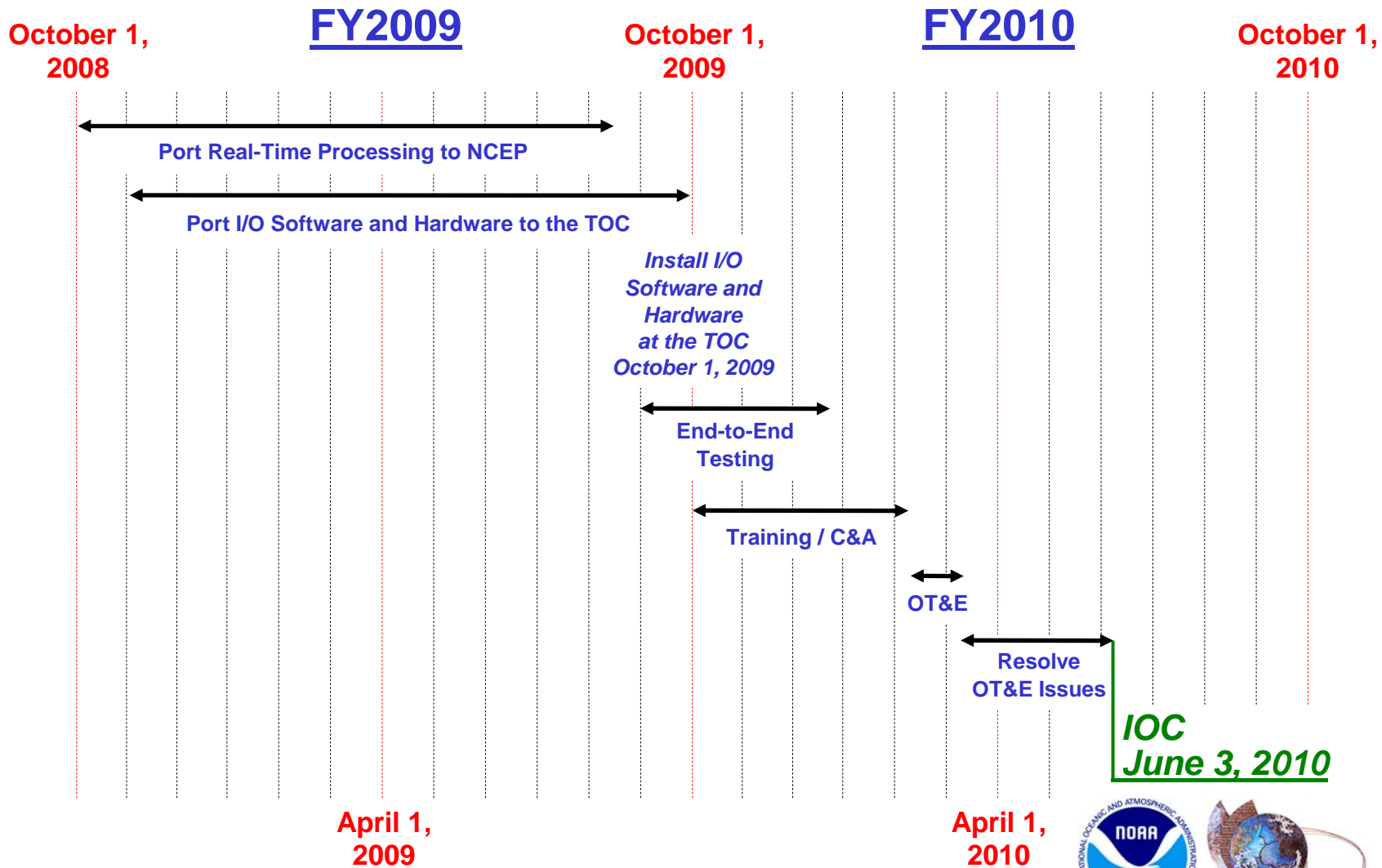
## The NOAA MADIS Independent Review Team Technical Recommendation

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

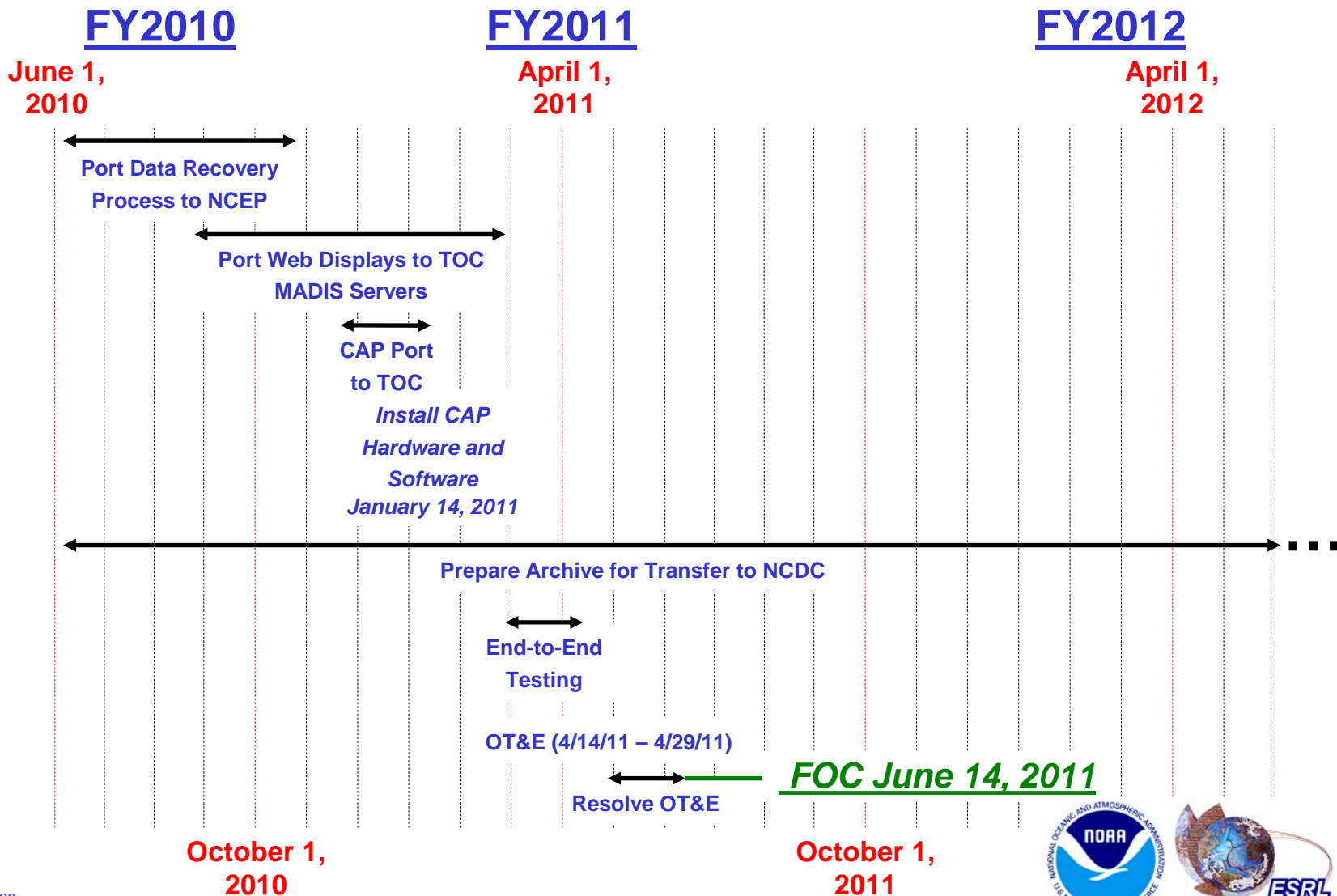
### MADIS Compute Environment



# 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)

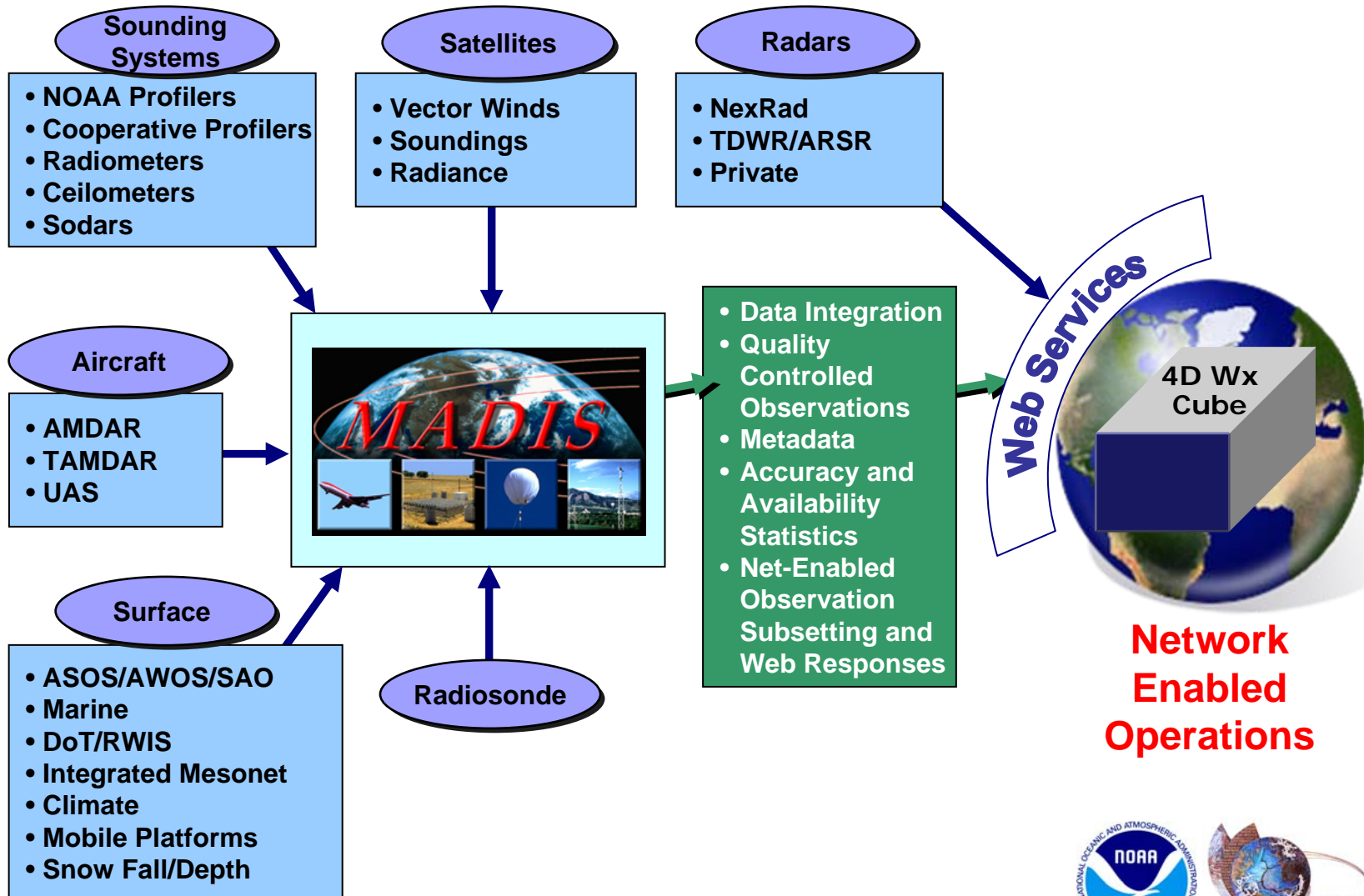
## NOAA Research

- 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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# MADIS



Supplemental Slides Follow

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# Surface Observation Web Page

