

LNO Survey 2005

Numeric Results Summary



Except where noted as ranked responses, the following scale applies:

- 5 = Strongly agree
- 3 = neutral,
- 1 = strongly disagree

I. Administration & Service Activities

1. LNO provides support to LTER governance to facilitate travel/organization, and documentation
2. Our site uses Request Tracker for services requests
3. Request Tracking system provides useful/timely feedback from LNO
4. LNO reponses to requests for information timely and effective
5. Our site satisfied with the level of information regarding LNO activities
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7. General performance of the LNO meets/exceeds expectations

	<u>Value Distributions</u>					<u>Mean</u>	<u>Median</u>	<u>Mode</u>	
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Ttl</u>			
1. LNO provides support to LTER governance to facilitate travel/organization, and documentation	0	0	2	8	10	20	4.40	5	5
2. Our site uses Request Tracker for services requests	2	5	4	5	4	20	3.20	3	2
3. Request Tracking system provides useful/timely feedback from LNO	2	0	6	7	4	19	3.58	4	4
4. LNO reponses to requests for information timely and effective	0	1	3	11	5	20	4.00	4	4
5. Our site satisfied with the level of information regarding LNO activities	0	1	6	12	1	20	3.65	4	4
6. Should LNO change email alias policy?	3	3	5	7	2	20	3.10	3	4
7. General performance of the LNO meets/exceeds expectations	0	1	7	11	1	20	3.60	4	4

II. Computational and Communication Infrastructure

1. LNO efficiently maintains Network websites, databases, mailing lists, etc.
2. LNO provides easy access to sites for network databases such as personnel and site databases
3. The public and intranet sites maintained by the LNO provide useful information
4. Archived documents on the intranet web page are easy to find/access
5. Our site would like assistance in collaboration tools (video conferencing, whiteboarding)
6. Our site would like assistance from the Network Office in website design/construction
7. General performance in computational/communication infrastructure meet/exceeds expectations

1. LNO efficiently maintains Network websites, databases, mailing lists, etc.	0	1	3	10	6	20	4.05	4	4
2. LNO provides easy access to sites for network databases such as personnel and site databases	0	3	3	10	3	19	3.68	4	4
3. The public and intranet sites maintained by the LNO provide useful information	0	1	4	11	4	20	3.90	4	4
4. Archived documents on the intranet web page are easy to find/access	1	6	8	5	0	20	2.85	3	3
5. Our site would like assistance in collaboration tools (video conferencing, whiteboarding)	2	3	8	5	1	19	3.00	3	3
6. Our site would like assistance from the Network Office in website design/construction	3	4	4	4	5	20	3.20	3	5
7. General performance in computational/communication infrastructure meet/exceeds expectations	0	1	6	12	0	19	3.58	4	4

III. Information Management and Methods Development

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2. An important LNO activity is workshop organization/support to facilitate standard protocols	0	0	2	11	7	20	4.25	4	4

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	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Ttl</u>			
3. To whom do you look for information about the development of the Network Information System:									
Site information manager	0	2	3	8	7	20	4.00	4	4
LNO	1	2	10	3	3	19	3.26	3	3
NIS Advisory Committee	3	2	4	4	6	19	3.42	4	5
4. Satisfaction with detail/timeliness of NIS development information	1	3	7	6	3	20	3.35	3	3
5. Satisfaction with LNO assistance with EML implementation	3	6	3	7	1	20	2.85	3	4
6. General performance of LNO in IM and methods development meets/exceeds expectations	1	5	6	6	2	20	3.15	3	3

IV. Network Development, Community Outreach & Training

1a. Importance of LNO to continue interaction and communication facilitation between network and...									
Scientific and educational societies	0	1	0	12	7	20	4.25	4	4
Governmental agencies	0	0	0	10	10	20	4.50	5	5
Research centers	0	0	3	10	7	20	4.20	4	4
NGOs	0	1	5	8	6	20	3.95	4	4
Policy makers	0	0	3	11	5	19	4.11	4	4
1b. LNO has been effective in establishing interactions with the broader community	0	2	6	8	3	19	3.63	4	4
2a. Training activities are important LNO outreach activities	0	0	2	10	8	20	4.30	4	4
2b. Personnel from our site have attended training and the LNO has been effective outreach activity	1	3	0	8	6	18	3.83	4	4

2c. LNO should continue with the following:

(Rank order responses 1-8, 1 = highest priority, 8 = lowest priority)

	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Mean Rank</u>	<u>Imp. Value*</u>
Ecological informatics	3.32	3	12
GIS	5.58	7	1
Remote sensing/spatial analysis	5.58	6	3
Ecological Metadata Language	3.16	2	12
Database Development	2.95	1	13
Wireless Networking	5.05	5	5
Sensor networks	4.47	4	7
Emerging technologies	5.89	8	4

* Number of sites ranking in top 3

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	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Ttl</u>			
3. General performance meet/exceeds expectations	0	2	6	9	2	19	3.58	4	4

V. Publications and Public Outreach

1. Following publications meet/exceed expectations:									
a. LTER Newsletter	0	1	9	5	5	20	3.70	4	3
b. Individual site brochures	0	1	11	5	3	20	3.50	3	3
c. All-LTER Brochure	0	0	7	8	4	19	3.84	4	4
d. Multimedia Database	0	3	10	3	2	18	3.22	3	3
e. Document Archive	0	5	10	3	2	20	3.10	3	3
f. LTER Newwork Public Website	1	2	8	6	3	20	3.40	3	3
g. LTER Intranet Website	1	2	10	4	2	19	3.21	3	3
h. Presence of LTER exhibit at ESA, AAAS, etc.	0	1	7	8	3	19	3.68	4	4
2. General performance of LNO in publications/public outreach meets/exceeds expectations	0	0	7	11	1	19	3.68	4	4

VI. Synthesis

1. LTER ASM should be focused on specific products such as publications and proposals	0	1	8	8	3	20	3.65	4	4
2. Support for working group meetings provided LNO facilitates cross-site research	0	1	3	10	6	20	4.05	4	4

3. The following would facilitate cross-site research most:

(Rank order responses 1-5, 1 = highest priority, 5 = lowest priority)

	Mean	<u>Mean Rank</u>	Imp. Value*
Increased support for post-docs	2.55	2	12
Increased help with managing data in working groups	3.25	4	3
Support for mini-sabbaticals to work on synthesis	3.00	3	9
Increased support for small group meetings	2.05	1	13
Increased support for large group science meetings	4.15	5	3

* Number of sites ranking in top 2

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	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Ttl</u>			
4. General performance of the LNO in facilitating synthesis meets/exceeds expectations	1	2	6	11	0	20	3.35	4	4

VII. International LTER

1. The LNO should continue to seek mechanisms to increase collaborations between US and international researchers	0	3	1	11	4	19	3.84	4	4
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VIII. Education

1. My site would benefit from the following LNO Education activities:									
Network-wide Education Opportunities (meetings, workshops, proposal collaborations)	0	3	7	8	1	19	3.37	4	4
Schoolyard LTER website features (slides, other site's proposals, news and information)	0	3	9	5	2	19	3.32	3	3