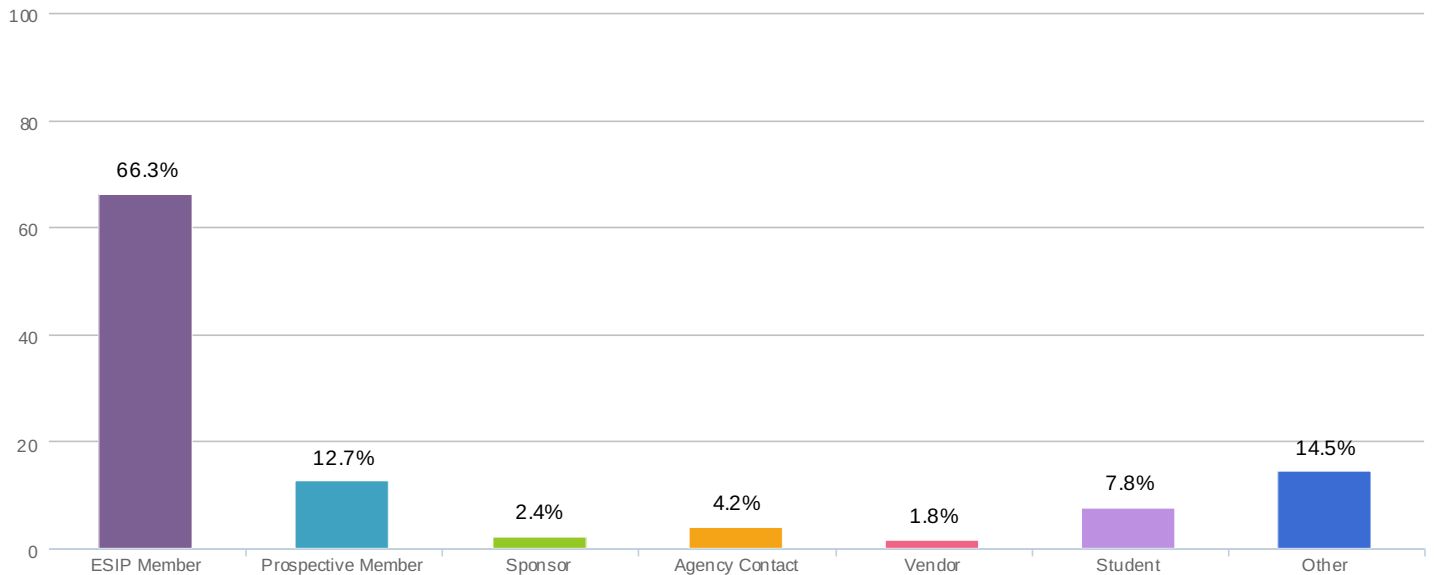


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Survey: ESIP Summer 2014 Meeting Evaluation

2. How are you affiliated with ESIP?

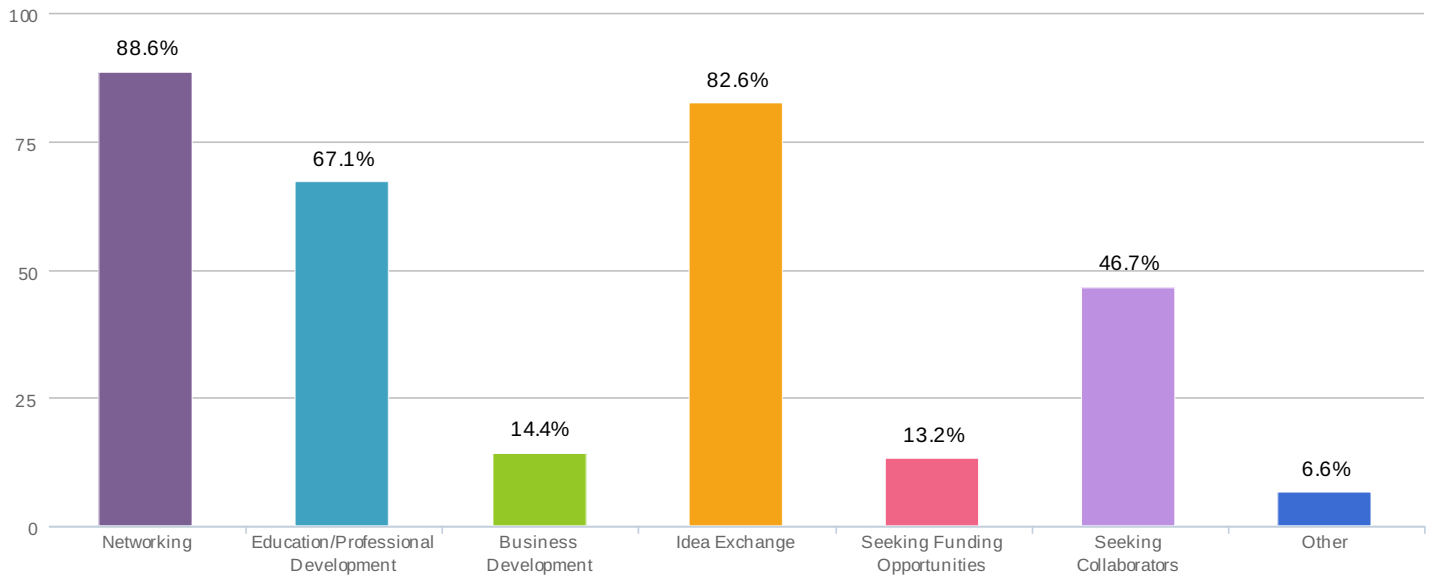


Category	Percentage	Count
ESIP Member	66.3%	110
Prospective Member	12.7%	21
Sponsor	2.4%	4
Agency Contact	4.2%	7
Vendor	1.8%	3
Student	7.8%	13
Teacher	0.0%	0
Other	14.5%	24
Total		166

Responses "Other"	Count
<i>Left Blank</i>	148
Agency contractor	1
ESIP staff	1
I didn't know about ESIP until the USGS CDI had a meeting within the meeting	1
Invited speaker by Eucalyptus/Thomas Huang	1
Invited to attend online lectures by colleagues.	1
LTER	5
LTER Member	1
LTER, not sure if they are members	1
NASA	1

Past-president - currently at large	1
Presenter	1
Researcher	1
Social Scientist	1
Standards collaboration	1
collaborate with members	1
former attendee	1
software carpentry instructor	1

3. What were your objectives for attending the Federation meeting? (check all that apply)

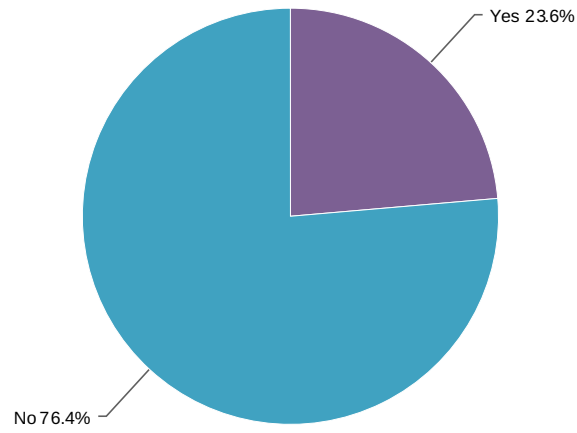




Objective	Percentage	Count
Networking	88.6%	148
Education/Professional Development	67.1%	112
Business Development	14.4%	24
Idea Exchange	82.6%	138
Seeking Funding Opportunities	13.2%	22
Seeking Collaborators	46.7%	78
Other	6.6%	11
Total		167

Responses "Other"	Count
<i>Left Blank</i>	158
General awesomeness	1
Host a standards meeting	1
ISO standards	1
LTER IMC Meeting	1
Research dissemination	1
Rob Raskin Scholarship	1
To present	1
cross-agency collaboration	1
help work on Phil Yang's design	1
to help	1

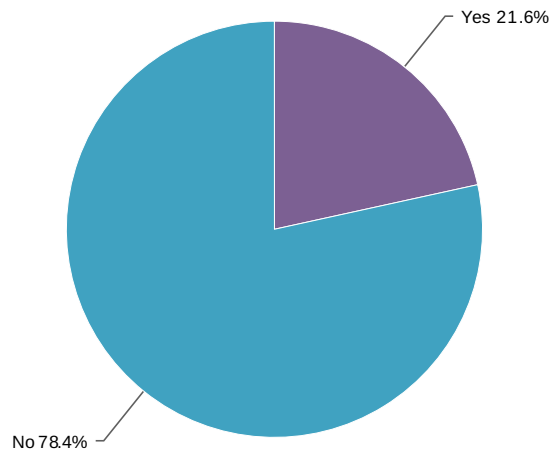
Getting a sense of what an ESIP meeting looks like. I would have liked to have taken advantage of some of the other options (e.g. networking, PD) 1



4. Did you attend any sessions hosted by an LTER member?



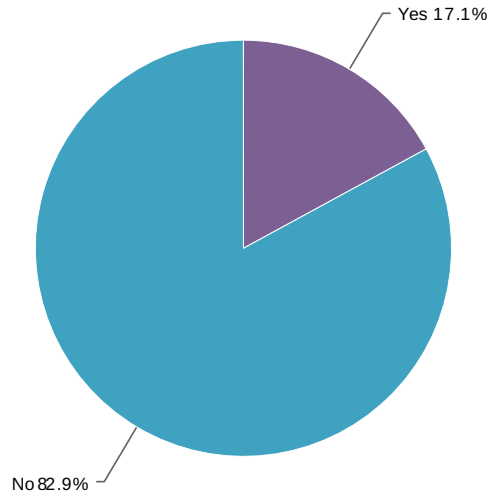
Yes	23.6%		39
No	76.4%		126
Total			165



5. Did you attend the OPeNDAP Workshop? (Monday/half-day on Tues)



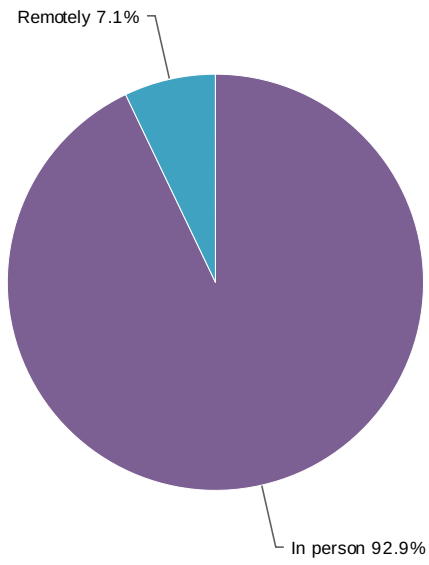
Yes	21.6%		36
No	78.4%		131
Total			167

6. Did you attend the HDF Workshop (Tuesday)?



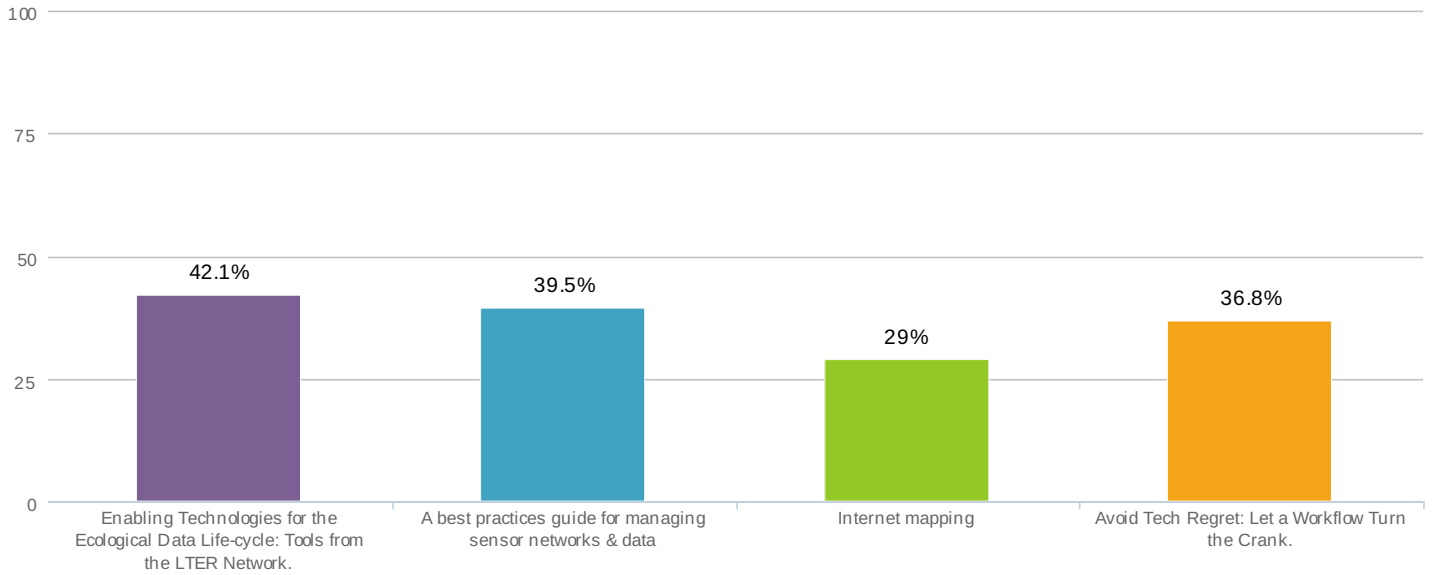
Yes	17.1%		28
No	82.9%		136
Total			164

7. How did you attend the meeting?



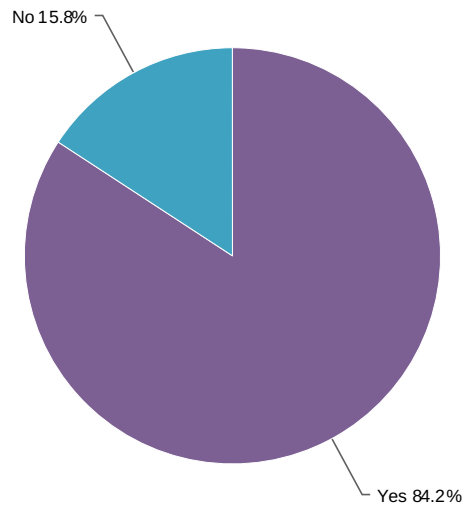
In person	92.9%		157
Remotely	7.1%		12
Total			169

8. Which of the workshops hosted by members of the Information Management Committee of the Long Term Ecological Research Network did you attend?



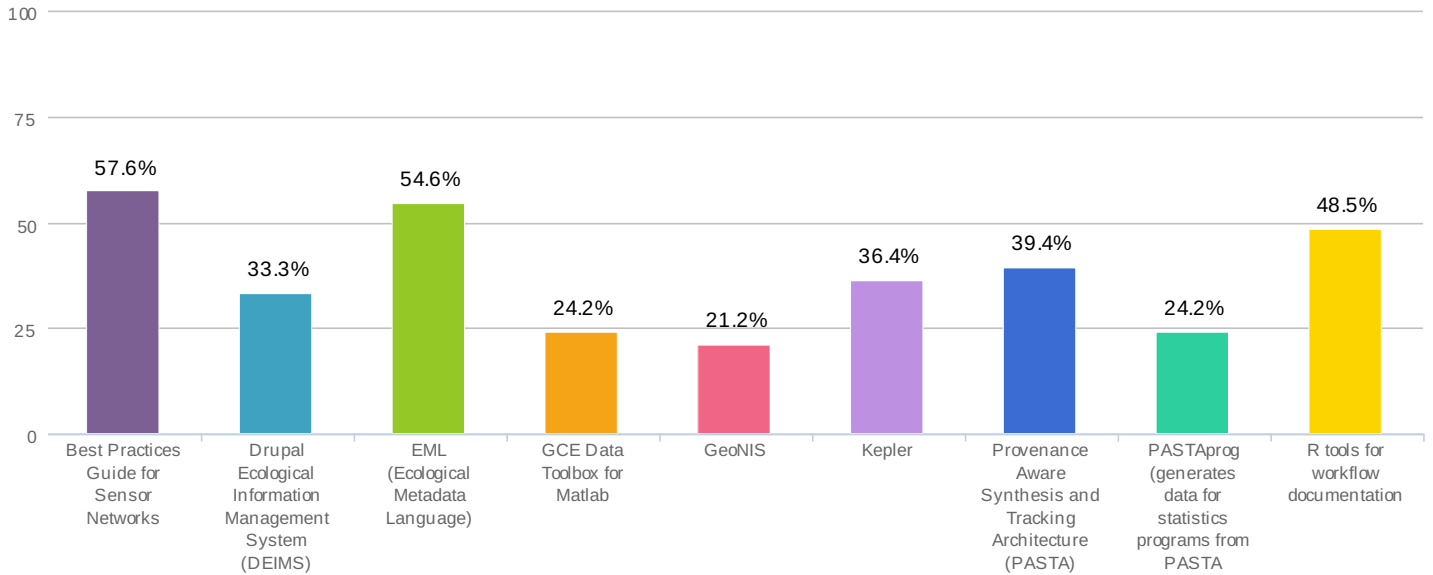
Enabling Technologies for the Ecological Data Life-cycle: Tools from the LTER Network.	42.1%		16
A best practices guide for managing sensor networks & data	39.5%		15
Internet mapping	29.0%		11
Avoid Tech Regret: Let a Workflow Turn the Crank.	36.8%		14
		Total	38

9. Speaking generally for any of the LTER workshops you attended, did they provide useful input interactions and input or help you to find possible paths to solving problems in your organizations?



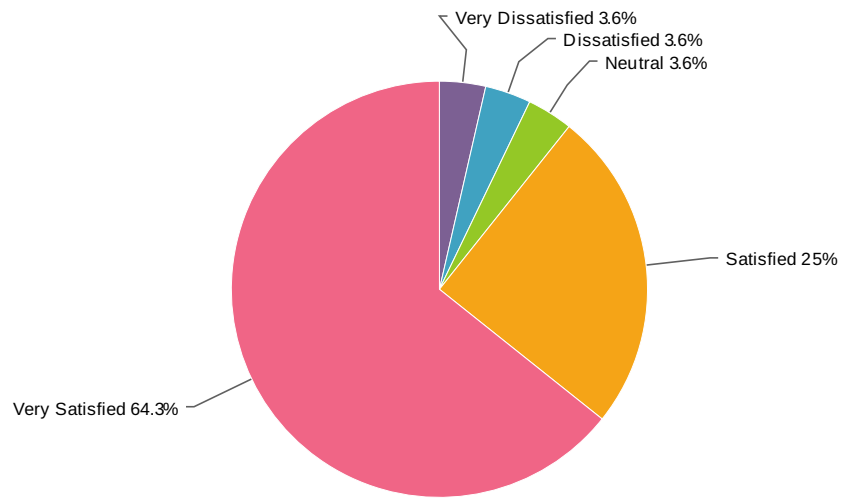
Yes	84.2%		32
No	15.8%		6
Total			38

10. Of the products mentioned in the LTER workshops, please check any you might consider integrating into your work.



Best Practices Guide for Sensor Networks	57.6%		19
Drupal Ecological Information Management System (DEIMS)	33.3%		11
EML (Ecological Metadata Language)	54.6%		18
GCE Data Toolbox for Matlab	24.2%		8
GeoNIS	21.2%		7
Kepler	36.4%		12
Provenance Aware Synthesis and Tracking Architecture (PASTA)	39.4%		13
PASTAprog (generates data for statistics programs from PASTA)	24.2%		8
R tools for workflow documentation	48.5%		16
		Total	33

11. Overall, how satisfied were you with the workshop speakers/presentations?



					Statistics	
Very Dissatisfied	3.6%			1	Sum	264.0
Dissatisfied	3.6%			1	Average	9.4
Neutral	3.6%			1	StdDev	1.0
Satisfied	25.0%			7	Max	10.0
Very Satisfied	64.3%			18		
Not Applicable	0.0%			0		
				Total		

12. What did you like most about the workshop?

Count	Response
1	Great networking opportunity. Very insightful sessions!
1	Networking Keynotes The food
1	New ideas and new people
1	Q&A
1	Quality of answers after each talk
1	Range of topics, location, quality of meetings.
1	The overall flow of sections (conventions, tools, applications ,web services) was great.
1	The technical level was very good.
1	The topics and opportunity for open discussion.
1	Venue, Chance to collaborate
1	Very informative.
1	I like the recap by Ted after each talk in the HDF workshop. I also enjoy the ERDAP talk and talks from Andrew Collete, John Ready, Dave Faulker and Mike Folk.
1	There was an incredible buzz at this meeting - with so many great sessions, one after another. Kid in a candy shop sort of feeling.
1	Contact with others who are working on HDF. A chance to speak with folks from the HDF group about SMAP specific issues.
1	Breadth of information I was exposed to. It's difficult to get a variety of information on HDF related topics as there's usually on a single talk that may or may not be applicable.
1	Like most conferences: the talks are interesting, especially to hear about / find out about things I knew nothing about. And the talks are a good starting point for talking/working with people between the talks. And you get extra credit for catering most of the meals: Yes, the food was good. Thanks for offering healthy food options. But more important: instead of people going their separate ways at mealtime, it encouraged networking at mealtime.
1	The great conversations both in and out of sessions. And that there is always plenty of time scheduled for mingling and "hallway" conversations.
1	Opportunity to get exposed to subject I was not familiar with; networking; moderated lunch discussion (Wed)
1	The diversity of topics and options for relevant discussion/subjects (i.e., iRODS, Geospatial capabilities)
1	Learned quite a bit about Earthcube on Monday, was able to provide input. On Tuesday, sessions were very informative (HDF). Good speakers
1	Very well organized, with relevant topic/themes, which attracted diverse, highly skilled membership across agencies. Also, the food & breaks were fantastic. The sustainable software theme seemed particularly timely.

13. What did you like the least about the workshop?

Count	Response
1	As always, there's so many topics to choose from.
1	N/A
1	Not enough time to attend more days.
1	Occasionally encountered concurrent sessions that were difficult to choose between.
1	Overlap with OPeNDAP workshop session.
1	Paralel sessions -- it is hard to decide where to be
1	Too quick
1	no hands on, non technical
1	the long days
1	As a remote attendee, it was almost impossible to follow along. I couldn't hear half the things people were saying and basically had to leave if open discussion started because many times, I could not easily participate.
1	- Was not able to attend more of the workshop because of other commitments. - Some rooms were too small for sessions. - No afternoon coffee on Tuesday.
1	The LTER signs about those sessions being closed was extremely off-putting. It was so incredibly counter to the whole concept of the ESIP Federation. I didn't even know what LTER was before, and now I still don't. And what is worse, opportunities for possible collaboration and information exchange were lost. Perhaps worst of all, I was left with the feeling that the LTER project/people/program (whatever it is) things of itself as being too good for the rest of us. Of course I understand this is a simple human emotional reaction, and could be quite far from the truth. But the sad fact is, WE'LL NEVER KNOW. Well, at least maybe until the next ESIP meeting.
1	The altitude. I had a bad reaction to the altitude and went to the emergency room the first night. Lots of people I talked to reported some problems (mostly minor). I was surprised that even people from Denver and Boulder (5000+ feet) also had problems. Please, don't have meetings at a high altitude again.
1	For the OPeNDAP workshop, I was disappointed that the OPeNDAP people didn't talk about Hyrax updates. I also think the overlap between HDF workshop and the OPeNDAP workshop makes me miss the DAP4 talk in the OPeNDAP workshop. So a better coordination between workshops may be an area that one can improve.
1	The location was ideal, but the resort management was inflexible and not used to supporting federal employee needs and logistics. For example, 3 gov employees on our team were unable to check out one day early in order to make their flight upon hearing that shuttle transportation was not available early enough in the morning. The would not budge on allowing a ONE day early check out even though the request was made at check-in.

14. In what ways could this workshop be improved?

Count	Response
1	More discussion
1	N/A
1	OPeNDAP/HDF sessions can be merged into one.
1	Perhaps more Software Carpentry sessions? These were useful.
1	Please don't have meetings at a high altitude again.
1	Provide in advance list of speakers for each session and content for each talk.
1	The workshop was outstanding, very well planned and orchestrated.
1	more technical, hands on the software. Example : ESIP can provide server infrastructure (Amazon VM instance?) running tools like IPython Notebook and R-studio (allowing multiuser access to workshop participant) and use such tools to work directly on open-dap, hdf and earth-science data. Alternative example, In the OSGeo foundation (i'm board member) we also develop as customized Live-linux-distribution where we pre install workshop and conference materials (see: http://live.osgeo.org/en/index.html) If this topic are of interest to the ESIP group, i'll be happy to collaborate with ESIP setting up a cluster and hopefully a working group.
1	Webex is not a good means of communication for this remote conference. A webcast via livestream would be ideal. If this isn't an option, at least provide headset mics for the speaker so that they don't cut out every time they turn their head to look at the powerpoint or answer a question. Provide mics for those asking questions so that remote attendees can hear them.
1	1. I mentioned the coordination between these two workshops so that speakers in one workshop can attend crucial talks in another workshop. 2. I really think it is a good idea that people can attend the ESIP remotely. There is one thing that I hope ESIP can improve: to make speakers use their own machines to show demos. I prepared demos for my talks but had to change my slides with screenshots because I had to use the dedicated machine for my presentation. I hope ESIP can improve in this area. I know one can use gotomeeting to share the screens.
1	Not quite sure. Talking sessions are the easiest way to organize. I wonder whether the sessions might be more organized toward discussion of common issues and concerns.
1	During the lunch time visioning session on Wednesday, I suggested the various groups might be better served if they could work against a unified theme over several meetings, not just the topic du jour. For example, pick an Earth science theme (e.g., human impacts on climate change), and charge each of the themed areas (preservation, provenance, services, etc.) to focus on one aspect of that problem.
1	Hard to say - I mentioned to Bruce Caron that it would be nice if the meeting could somehow bring everyone back together at the end. They always seem to fizzle a little, with people trickling away from individual sessions on the last day. Maybe a way to bring everyone together briefly in plenary... people could "shout out" their big take home lessons, or a new collaboration, or something. Just some way to leave us all with an exclamation point (instead of a period) on that great community vibe that ESIP does so well.

15. What kind of topics would you like to see included at future workshops?

Count	Response
1	Continue with the Education Session
1	GDAL, R, Ruby, HDF Hadoop
1	I think it would be good to continue some of the sustainable software topics in future meetings.
1	I would like to see tutorials from Unidata in the future things like THREDDS, IDV and netCDF.
1	More content on applied sciences -- how data is being used to drive change. Case studies.
1	Same
1	Web application development topics are fun.
1	Perhaps more on sensors for environmental monitoring early in the workshop and not later in the week.
1	Continued Drupal workshops, more on ontologies and linked-data, responsive design (industry standards), big data analytics
1	Hands on : - "Geographic Free and Open Source software" like (GRASS) - Use of Python as "software ecosystem" to work with earth science data. (netcdf4, h5py, pandas, numpy, scipy, py-gdal and more) - use of WPS (web processing services) to build complex web-gis tools - JSON-LD as format to store triples - Workshop on how to make use of open-linked-data (how to setup and query sparql endpoint; elasticsearch?)
1	Perhaps some on using R, especially focusing on new Bioconductor "rhdf", raster, and rasterVis packages. More on python would also be welcome.

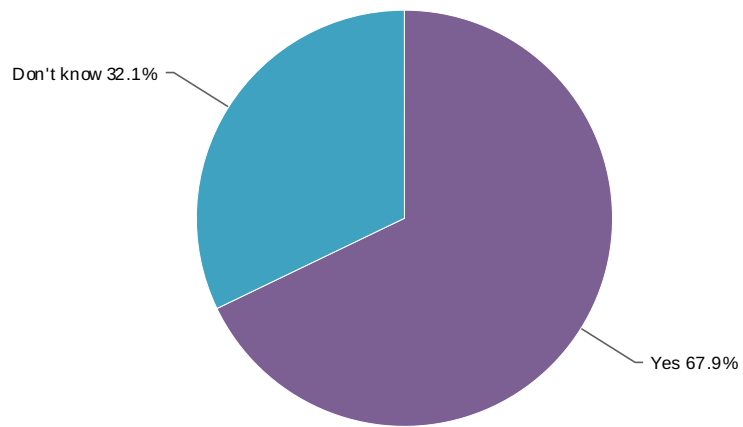
16. HDF depends on partnerships with tool providers for capabilities. Can you tell us what tools you use with HDF?


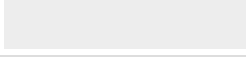

Count	Response
1	Currently none.
1	HDF View
1	HDFLook,ENVI,HDFView
1	HDFView
1	I'm a provider. So I use HDF5, hdfview and h5dump.
1	IDL
1	IDL, Python, MATLAB, NCL, Octave, GDL, GDAL, IDV, Panoply, HDFView
1	N/A
1	N/A. Question for our Data Centers.
1	Not applicable.
1	Panoply, HDFView, ncdump, hdp.
1	Panoply, hdfview, and occasionally IDV, Mcdas. Rarely IDL.
1	esri and opendap
1	i use mostly : h5py, py-tables and netcdf4
1	netCDF, IDV, TDS
1	netcdf-java library.
1	perl and python

17. Do you have thoughts or suggestions about future directions for current and future HDF Tools?

Count	Response
1	Looking forward to HDF Studio - how does one get HDF Compass?
1	Make them easy to use by packaging them well. VirtualBox image will be helpful.
1	N/A
1	Not at this time. I would communicate with the NOAA Data Center Representatives.
1	Not familiar enough with HDF
1	The tools can show different projections, animations of Earth Science data.
1	my team is coordinating with HDF on future esri releases (beta) and GDAL
1	no
1	i'm looking with interest at what the python community behind "numba" and "blaze" is developing to build tools to work on a big-array based dataset
1	As above, more hands-on Python related tools, use-cases using H5py, pyhdf, and "R" emerging tools for HDF5.
1	Actually, I'm more interested in hearing what users might want, and how those items could be constructed into an easy-to-use toolkit.
1	Involve more the data user community to understand their needs. Avoid driving tools just form the data user perspective.
1	Make it easier for Java programmers to work with HDF files. Java programs are platform independent. That is one of the best features of the language. Working with HDF breaks that and it cause lots of problems. Please do whatever you can to minimize that problem, e.g., offer pre-built binaries and simplify (automate?) installation.
1	The HDF library needs help so that can use the HDF4 api for HDF5. Otherwise, the science teams will be a long time changing to HDF5 because rewriting science code to use HDF5 is not science.

18. Do you plan to attend this workshop again next year?



Yes	67.9%		19
No	0.0%		0
Don't know	32.1%		9
Total			28

19. General meeting observations

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Not Applicable	Responses
The 2014 ESIP Summer Meeting was very valuable	91 58.7%	59 38.1%	5 3.2%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	155
I had sufficient opportunity to network with others.	76 49.7%	73 47.7%	3 2.0%	1 0.7%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	153
The meeting theme was relevant to me.	59 38.6%	77 50.3%	15 9.8%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	2 1.3%	153

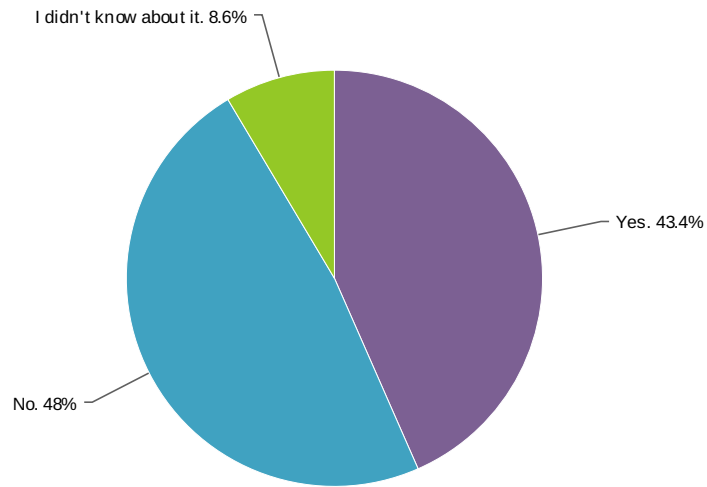
20. How would you rate the quality of the ESIP Meeting Sessions?




	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Not Applicable	Responses
Raskin Scholar Plenary Talk (Zhenlong Li)	29 19.6%	63 42.6%	25 16.9%	1 0.7%	0 0.0%	30 20.3%	148
Software Sustainability Plenary (Gil, Katz, Fortner, Morissete, Howison)	53 35.8%	68 45.9%	7 4.7%	2 1.4%	0 0.0%	18 12.2%	148
Lunchtime Software Sustainability Roundtable	31 20.7%	56 37.3%	30 20.0%	4 2.7%	2 1.3%	27 18.0%	150
Poster Session (during reception)	42 27.5%	64 41.8%	19 12.4%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	28 18.3%	153
Innovators Among Us - Ignite talks on Software Sustainability	6 4.0%	40 26.7%	24 16.0%	1 0.7%	0 0.0%	79 52.7%	150
Workshops (Tuesday)	45 29.8%	60 39.7%	12 7.9%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	34 22.5%	151
Breakout Sessions	53 35.3%	73 48.7%	10 6.7%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	14 9.3%	150

21. In order to improve the meeting quality please rate the following items

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Not Applicable	Responses
Breakout session and workshop scheduling	49 32.0%	79 51.6%	18 11.8%	1 0.7%	0 0.0%	6 3.9%	153
Breadth of topic coverage within breakout sessions and workshops	53 34.0%	86 55.1%	11 7.1%	1 0.6%	0 0.0%	5 3.2%	156
Depth of topic coverage within breakout sessions and workshops	50 32.3%	77 49.7%	22 14.2%	2 1.3%	0 0.0%	4 2.6%	155
Audio Visual Services	52 33.3%	70 44.9%	18 11.5%	6 3.8%	2 1.3%	8 5.1%	156
Location of Meeting	85 54.5%	49 31.4%	17 10.9%	3 1.9%	2 1.3%	0 0.0%	156
Conference Facilities	86 55.1%	59 37.8%	8 5.1%	2 1.3%	1 0.6%	0 0.0%	156
Food Quality	95 60.9%	56 35.9%	5 3.2%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	156
Computer Network Connectivity	75 48.4%	57 36.8%	15 9.7%	3 1.9%	2 1.3%	3 1.9%	155
Support staff for the meeting	111 71.6%	38 24.5%	1 0.6%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	5 3.2%	155

22. The #ESIPFed Twitter stream was useful for me.



Yes.	43.4%		66
No.	48.0%		73
I didn't know about it.	8.6%		13
Total			152

23. General meeting observations

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Not Applicable	Responses
The 2014 ESIP Summer Meeting was very valuable	3 25.0%	7 58.3%	0 0.0%	1 8.3%	0 0.0%	1 8.3%	12
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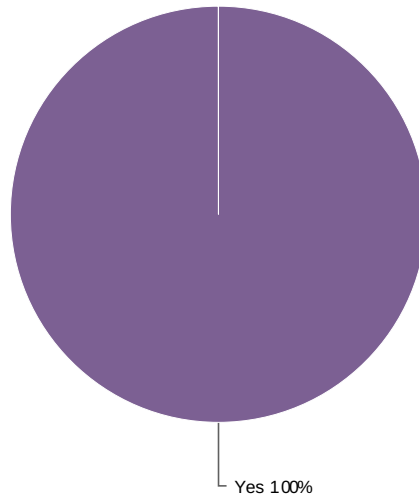
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Poster Session (on ESIP Commons)	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	12 100.0%	12
Workshops (Tuesday)	1 8.3%	2 16.7%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	9 75.0%	12
Breakout Sessions	1 8.3%	1 8.3%	2 16.7%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	8 66.7%	12

25. In order to improve the meeting quality please rate the following items

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Not Applicable	Responses
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Breadth of topic coverage within breakout sessions and workshops	1 8.3%	5 41.7%	1 8.3%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	5 41.7%	12
Depth of topic coverage within breakout sessions and workshops	3 25.0%	3 25.0%	1 8.3%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	5 41.7%	12
Audio Visual Services for remote participation	1 8.3%	5 41.7%	1 8.3%	4 33.3%	1 8.3%	0 0.0%	12
Support staff for the meeting	6 50.0%	3 25.0%	1 8.3%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	2 16.7%	12

26. Would you attend an ESIP Meeting remotely again?

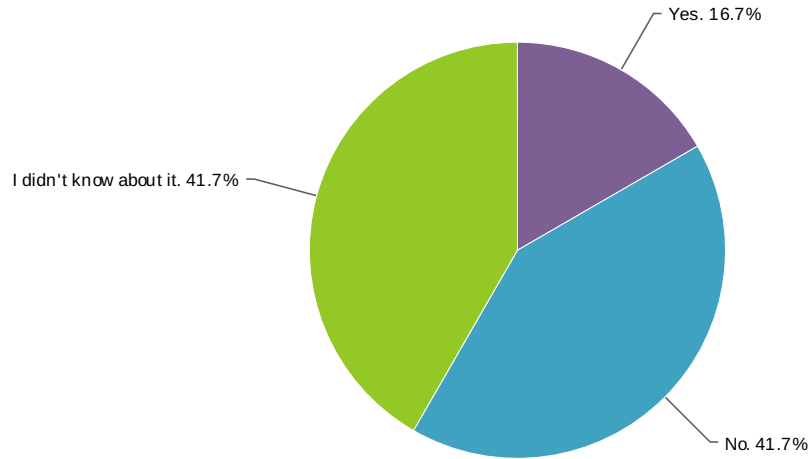





Yes	100.0%	<div style="width: 100%; height: 15px; background-color: #6a3d9a;"></div>	12
No	0.0%	<div style="width: 0%; height: 15px; background-color: #cccccc;"></div>	0
Total			12

27. Are there other remote meeting platforms or enhancements we could have done to make the remote experience better for you?

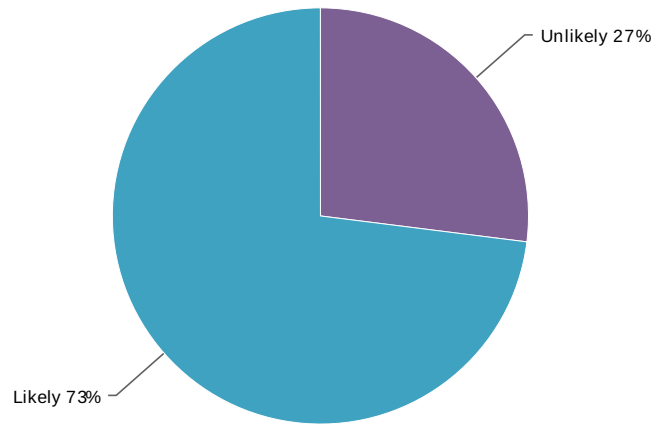
Count	Response
1	Better sound in the rooms.
1	Connecting remotely is difficult in many ways. If there are options for engaging the remote population in some of the sessions (in some way) it could be valuable.
1	Desktop sharing was good but presenter voices unclear most times, even when using landline. Find it hard to raise questions remotely.
1	Not sure if it's fixable, but most of the participants still don't use the mic to ask questions, and I only heard half of what one of the speakers said despite discussing it with the room attendant, and I was very, very interested in that presentation. (After that session I mostly stopped attending.) I didn't even try to attend any workshops or break-out sessions, assuming that no one would be using the mic. Also, if there are room changes or a morning session continues in the same WebEx and the afternoon session is cancelled, that needs to be made crystal clear to remote attendees; I missed half a session because of that, waiting in a room that would never be used.
1	Need better control of the remote participant connections - in particular a moderator needs to keep everyone muted. Lots of problems with noise from other unmuted participants. The use of mics for comments/questions was poor.
1	Remote access was pretty good. The only improvement could have been to be able to better hear spontaneous audience remarks that were not directed at the mic.
1	* During one talk, the presenter didn't share his screen so I didn't see anything. And he must have had the remote connection on mute because although we could hear him, he didn't respond to our mentioning we couldn't see his presentation nor when we IM'ed him using the build in interface. * During another talk, the presenter kept walking away from the microphone, so large pieces of the presentation were not able to be heard. * On the first day, the sound quality was very bad. Hard to make out what was being said. It was a little better the second day.
1	Webcast via livestream and better microphone set up - i.e. headset/lapel mics and microphones for those asking questions.



28. The #ESIPFed Twitter stream was useful for me.



Yes.	16.7%		2
No.	41.7%		5
I didn't know about it.	41.7%		5
Total			12

33. The Summer 2015 Meeting will be at Asilomar in Pacific Grove, CA. Rooms and all three meals a day are booked for a single rate (\$247 for single | \$159 for double/day). ESIP's registration rate would also be reduced to account for meals being paid separately. Regardless of your travel plans, how likely would you be to stay on site?



				Statistics		
Unlikely	27.0%			44	Sum	282.0
Likely	73.0%			119	Average	1.7
Total				163	StdDev	0.4
					Max	2.0

34. What topic areas or themes would you like to see covered during future meetings?

Count	Response
1	"Interoperability: Technical and Social"
1	?
1	Accessibility/usability; metadata standardization
1	Agriculture and climate Energy, water, food nexus
1	Airborne Data
1	An extension of what I didn't get to attend at this meeting would be great!
1	As long as there is an Education Session, I'm good.
1	Best practices and pursue for an ESIP standard.
1	Climate change issues
1	Climate policy, open access publishing (not just open data)
1	Cloud Computing
1	Coordination among the growing cadre of information programs, projects, and organizations.
1	Current and anticipated data use technologies
1	Data Quality Assurance, Data Sustainability and common metadata standards
1	Data Review, Data Integration, Data Impact, Cross-Disciplinary Research,
1	Data access methods
1	Data archive opportunities
1	Data quality and usability
1	Data-Intensive Science
1	Developments in data discoverability, documentation, and interoperability.
1	Drupal, definitely
1	Expanding the community to more EO data users - educators, decision support, citizen scientists
1	Fun with MongoDB/CouchDB Science in Drupal Funding IT challenges
1	Getting more NASA data served via OPeNDAP with fully aggregated with CF metadata.
1	HDF I like hearing about business models Interoperability, always good
1	Human element of data, data management, metadata, and semantic web
1	Increasing Data Quality From Data to Knowledge
1	Interactions with other Earth Science data networks/communities
1	International issues in interoperability
1	Interoperability

1	Just getting a handle on what's offered so can't comment on this at this time.
1	Linked Open Data Schema.org Ontology Portal RDF in ISO XML
1	Long-term research; linkages across scales (e.g., ground-based measurements vs. satellite data).
1	Marine metadata standards of any kind
1	Metadata Lifecycle
1	Metadata development and use Information integration
1	More emphasis on building communities around software
1	More on citizen science
1	More technology and science applications...
1	NA
1	No preference
1	OPeNDAP, Hadoop, NoSQL technologies, Science Programming Practices
1	OPeNDAP, w10n, and other interoperability software.
1	OPenDAP Developers Workshop (:))
1	Perhaps more on EarthCube, DataOne tie-in areas with ESIP?
1	Remote sensing; earth observation; image classification
1	Same
1	Science on Drupal
1	Semantic web
1	Semantics/LOD educating and outreach: connecting and integrating data management to the science
1	Sharing the artifacts of (complex) data use and repurposing.
1	Software Carpentry Data Discovery (search) tools, incl. semantic annotation and user interface
1	Standards Help develop community of practice for applied sciences
1	Teacher workshops at summer meetings
1	Technology advancements that are being applied - new tools being used, etc.
1	User and data provider education.
1	Very good topics at this workshop
1	Visualization technologies and/or approaches as a means for search, discovery, and evaluation
1	Web API design for scientific applications
1	Word-based data types - across many disciplines
1	Workflow Management, Discovery Environment, Collaboration Environments, Virtualization
1	Would like to see the software sustainability theme continued

1	big data analytics
1	collaboration/synthesis efforts between groups, people, studies, etc.
1	connecting old data to old publications
1	data curation
1	data documentation, data quality
1	disruptive technologies relevant to science discovery and data management
1	drought
1	map-based services and technologies
1	more about cloud computing
1	more technology applied to science problem topics
1	open science
1	semantics, data modeling, potential funding opportunities
1	sensor data management; data integration; data scaling
1	software curation/citation
1	visualization in climate data uncertainty
1	web application development
1	details, hands on, knee deep, into the nitty gritty details. Why is ISO better, where does this version lack? Why this data architecture vs another? Open source development vs paid for product? Address questions a project manager would ask when a new project is being started up.
1	Community engagement (beyond the normal players - how we can make the work of ESIP more known and shown to be relevant) Energy issues (using data integration for unconventional/alternative energy development)
1	Drupal experiences with sensor and sensor data general information on what is going on in the international data world
1	* Software copyright (with a real IP lawyer present) * Data and data systems from/in other fields (how are they different and/or the same as in Earth Science)
1	I continue to have a strong interest in the uniformity of metadata. Metadata models continue to expand instead of contract. ISO is supposed to be the promise of uniformity, and Ted sells it well, but I don't see that it's being bought.
1	- cloud solution workshop (openstack, hadoop) - Active provenance capturing in data processing pipelines - open source GIS
1	I thought it was great to begin to address problems with a social perspective and not just seeking technical solutions.
1	I would have to think about that. The topics are typically timely (alliteration unintentional). Perhaps something on game changing or disruptive technologies for earth science?
1	Sessions on getting buy-in from users; strategic planning; leveraging collaborations, so that we are not all re-inventing the wheel.
1	More about the social aspect of software sustainability. Daniel Katz' presentation was fascinating.
1	More basic data management techniques and tools, including programs, workflows, environments and software. Not sure if this is applicable, but data management issues at a lower level (before synthesis, integration, archiving, etc.) still seem very disparate across organizations and apply directly to later issues parenthesized above.

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- 1 Hands on workshops were really useful; focused topics (like the OPeNDAP, schema.org, and HDF this time around) were super useful.
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- 1 Data is an incredibly useful topic - and one that seems to cut across most (if not all) member orgs. Perhaps one part of the theme could be how to get these data into the hands of the public (schools, teachers, interested public, etc)
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- 1 data discoverability and analysis; access tools, interoperability; policy development and standards
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- 1 Techniques for collaborating remotely. Techniques for creating and running breakout sessions, workshops, etc.
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- 1 data provenance - i.e. explaining the transformations from sensor/observation to data to derived data products
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- 1 for instance the same as I have been able to arrive only for the 10th and 11th and not been able to participate to all the conferences that I wanted to (and eventually all those in parallel were of highest interest)
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- 1 Strategies for communicating science data, especially weather and climate, to a non-scientific audience; Communicating science on social media
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- 1 I'm always partial to issues around semantics. I'd also be interested in talks related to OGC Observation and Measurements
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- 1 Social science topics related to the adoption of standards, as well as productive electronic collaboration models.
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- 1 Data recovery efforts and preservation of existing datasets, what does long term archiving (30+ years or more) entail for digital datasets
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- 1 Funding opportunities from Federal Agencies regarding software sustainability and data archaeology.
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- 1 Scientific integration and synthesis at the intersections within earth system science (all spheres - litho, hydro, bio, and atmo)
Intersection of social science with earth system science
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- 1 I appreciated the diversity of sessions/topics this year. A continued emphasis on metadata will be important (and helpful).

35. Where would you like to see future meetings held?

Count	Response
1	- Woods Hole
1	?
1	Alaska, Hawaii, Florida, Texas, Montana
1	Anywhere closer to the main airport.
1	Anywhere in the west or PNW; perhaps one in Seattle or Portland?
1	Anywhere not humid and hot!
1	Anywhere that is not 90+ F and 90%+ humidity
1	As long as ESIP can attain government rates, I'm good.
1	Asheville
1	Asheville, NC:)
1	At a lower altitude.
1	Big Sky; New Orleans; Seattle;
1	Charleston SC
1	Chicago, IL Miami, FL Boston, MA Dallas, TX
1	Chicago. Washington State, Las Vegas.
1	Closer to Nasa Langley
1	College towns
1	Colorado
1	Copper Mountain
1	Copper Mountain
1	Copper was a great choice. Anyplace that is a nice summer location (temps in the 70s) is awesome.
1	Denver was nice
1	Denver, CO; Boulder, CO; Aspen, CO; Madison, WI
2	East Coast
1	East coast
1	East coast (NYC, Boston, etc.)
1	I like the rotation used...
1	I really liked Copper Mtn. better than Durham, NC, and I think Asilomar is a good choice, too.
1	In easy to reach places
1	In locations that are more accommodating to the Government travel requirements

1	In nice places with nice facilities and nice food.
1	Less expensive areas
1	Like West Coast! What about SoCal or Pac NW?
1	Lower altitude places
1	Major cities-cheap/easy travel.
1	Manhattan, Upper East Side, somewhere near 80th and 1st. Hey Erin!
1	Michigan upper peninsula or Minnesota (never been to either)
1	Mid-west
1	More cost-effective locations
1	N/A
1	NA
1	New England
1	New Orleans (although maybe not in July)
1	New York
1	Next is west coast, perhaps southwest (AZ, NM) at some point?
1	No preference
1	No preference.
1	No strong opinion, but somewhere easier to get to?
1	Northern California/San Francisco area
1	Northern Plains area
1	Not a major matter.
1	Pacific Northwest and New England
1	Places ready for meeting events (bandwidth, adequate rooms, AV)
1	Portland, OR
1	Portland, OR
1	Portland, OR? Seattle or Tacoma, WA? Boston, MA? Austin, TX? Someplace in Maine?
1	Portland, Oregon Boston, MA New York City, New York
1	Rotating the meeting locations around the country is really great.
1	Santa Barbara
1	Santa barbara, northeast somewhere
1	Seattle, WA Portland, OR Lincoln, NE (NDMC) Grand Forks, ND Reno, NV
1	Southeast US (e.g. Atlanta, GA; Savannah, GA; Charleston, SC; Jacksonville, FL)

- 1 Spots (such as Copper) where families are drawn to join the attendees.
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- 1 The Shire
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- 1 The West Coast of the US.
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- 1 The moon! Nice places where the summer can be enjoyed, and are affordable to stay and get to.
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- 1 Washington Colorado (again!)
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- 1 Would love to have one associated with NASA, NOAA, or a DAAC. NYC/LDEO would also be awesome.
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- 1 any lovely place
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- 1 midwest!
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- 1 no preference except easy access and affordable (accept government rate)
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- 1 targeted locations are good
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- 1 wherever the weather is beautiful
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- 1 It does not matter to me as long as it works with the government guidelines and Per Diem rates. These are the rates for Pacific Grove, CA: <http://www.gsa.gov/portal/category/100120>.
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- 1 beautiful places such as Boulder or the mountains, Asilomar will be wonderful, but probably not affordable by me
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- 1 Copper Mountain was great, but I was pretty excited to hear about Asilomar too, I like the insular feeling of these resort places, almost forces us to be more social after-hours.
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- 1 An urban setting. Specifically some place that is not so far from an airport. Two hours is a long way to go after a long day's travel.
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- 1 Oregon, Washington State, Idaho, Alaska, Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Maine, Vermont New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts
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- 1 Elevations less than 7000 feet Anywhere within an hour of the airport Otherwise, it does not really matter to me
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- 1 Really enjoyed this year's ESIP. Obviously the location was beautiful but an unexpected benefit was that it was a self contained area. It was very easy to run into people and have spontaneous conversations outside of conference hours as compared to the winter meeting in DC, etc. Highly recommend these self contained locations when possible vs hotel in a larger city.
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- 1 Where ever access is easy after arriving at the airport? Don't like to wait or drive 2 hours after spending most of the days on the plane already.
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- 1 reno nevada, lexington KY... can we hold the meeting around the time of the derby and host it at the University of KY??
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- 1 Big Sky, Montana; Portland, Oregon; Santa Fe, New Mexico; DC; Asheville was very nice, though travel there can be a bit of an issue. Somewhere in the NE would be good.
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- 1 Although the mountain location was nice, downtown Denver might have been more convenient in terms of access to DIA. On the other hand, I have been to a conference at Asilomar in the past and it was a great location, so I'm looking forward to that venue and am willing to overlook the distance from the airport in that case. :) Although I'm checking "no" for the "would you like to host an ESIP meeting at your institution" question, I would be willing to *help* host an ESIP meeting in the Boulder area. I like the idea of the meeting occurring in different areas of the country, but I'm not familiar with other "Asilomar" types of locations in other parts of the US. I'll pass along any ideas I may bump into.
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- 1 I think moving the meeting to be in different areas of the country seems useful. However, I wonder if member orgs could act as hosts. In this way they would be able to "show off" more of their organization, initiate tours of facilities (if applicable), provide assistance in some of the pre-meeting logistics if possible.
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- 1 Copper was nice because the isolation combined with the passable on location food options meant that we (ESIP crowd) stayed together and had more nerd time.

- 1 Pacific Grove is lovely, good choice! Chicago could be fun, its nice in the summer. Pacific Northwest is always good (Seattle, Oregon); one of these days we could do it in San Diego before/after the Esri UC, but to be honest, not sure that San Diego can hold a candle to the wonderful mountain scenery at Copper!

- 1 I am biased, but I loved having the meeting in Colorado. With all of the other summer conferences, I was only able to participate as much as I did because so many were co-located in and around the Boulder area. I loved the GeoData idea of trying to officially co-locate when RDA comes back to the US. As I hear there is a world outside of Boulder, other places are fine too! My priority more and more is on ease of travel to/from. Asilomar will be tough in this respect.

- 1 Asheville, NC Ann Arbor, MI Troy, NY Annapolis, MD Portland or Mt. Hood, OR Seattle, WA Boulder, CO Pasadena, La Jolla or Orange CA Park City, UT Note: I think we should entertain more flexibility in scheduling it, going into the latter half of June if it's easier to snag a location.

36. What improvements would you suggest for future meetings?

Count	Response
1	-
1	?
1	A lower altitude.
1	All day coffee service
1	Always - ALWAYS - have 30 minute breaks. Really. It's better.
1	Better description of the meal logistics for first time attendees.
1	Better hotel accommodations.
1	Better quality software and equipment for remote participants.
1	Choose easy to reach places
1	Everything was well planned out and beautiful at this summer meeting.
1	Have at a data center or on center at a college/university
1	Hold greater than one week away from July 4th week
1	Hold meetings at locations with elevations no higher than 7000 ft.
1	I cannot think of any. I find ESIP meetings the best that I attend each year.
1	Keep it like 2014 Summer Meeting
1	Keep up the good work - one of the best-run meetings that I have been to.
1	Leaving up the posters for longer than just the designated poster session.
1	Less talking, more doing.
1	Major cities-cheap/easy travel.
1	More intentional free time to network.
1	More networking opportunities. Perhaps extending the meeting by one more day?
1	Mostly a great meeting. Getting there is the big challenge.
1	N/A, I am very satisfied with the meetings.
1	NA
1	No ideas from me, I thought it was a great meeting!
1	No opinion
1	None
1	None - I thought the meeting was very effective
1	None at this time.
1	Not sure!

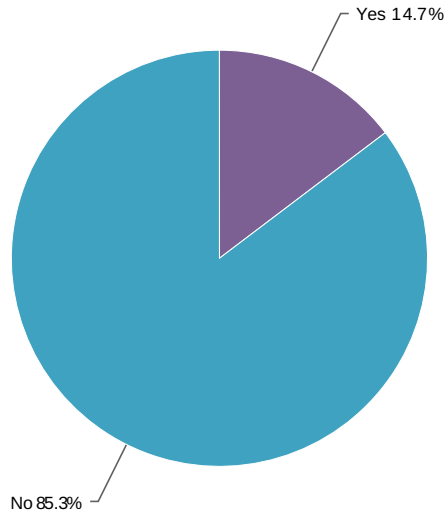
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- 1 Only a suggestion - a focus on computational challenges - brainstormings
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- 1 Other than tweaks, I think the format is alright.
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- 1 Relative to this one, larger meeting rooms
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- 1 Remote access should be tweaked to make discussions easier for those remote people.
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- 1 The ability to attend more than one session at a time ;-).
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- 1 Trying to engage more domain scientists
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- 1 Was great to have extra staff support, hopefully that can continue.
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- 1 We need to figure out a better way to include remote attendees, esp. for interactive breakouts.
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- 1 Younger scientists.
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- 1 better place
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- 1 better remote attendance accommodations
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- 1 better sound for remote participation
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- 1 don't know
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- 1 more organized for collaboration at dinner time
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- 1 n/a
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- 1 week long meetings need an exercise day
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- 1 More unscheduled time for ad hoc meetings or conversations. Perhaps a Birds of a Feather Time as well
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- 1 I really enjoyed hosting the FUNding Friday as a Happy Hour, and it was great to see the sage experienced folks hang around as students worked on their projects (happy hour is a motivator for sage experienced folks to come out). The event lasted at least 2.5 hours and everyone seemed to have a great time. Would love to do it this way again if others felt the same! Also, the jam session was AMAZING, I am blown away by the musical talent. That should happen each year at the summer meeting. "State of the Federation" was really good too, perhaps that should be part of the plenary so more folks attend? In general, 8 AM is an early start, 8:30 is better, but I understand there was a lot to squeeze in.
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- 1 Without use of mics in large breakout sessions, was quite difficult to hear people speak or question from the audience. Perhaps encourage people all to sit on one side of the room in those situations?
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- 1 Add slightly more time for informal networking? The agenda (while good) always seems so packed that it's still hard to get informal visits in etc.
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- 1 Do not have it at a place that does not allow early checkouts. This was problematic at Copper Mountain. Sometimes people need to leave early and there was no accommodation for that
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- 1 1) Some means for better inclusion of remote participants, perhaps encouragement & support for every attendee to have his/her notepad or laptop connected to WebEx (or the like) during all sessions. 2) Perhaps support for real-voting or the like, complementing 1) & enabling better participation in workshops/breakouts/ESIP business mtgs/...
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- 1 Online schedule, speaker bios, talk descriptions kept up to date - they were different from printed material received at conference.
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- 1 Continued evolution of the remote participation capability. Vast improvements have been made. Perhaps centralized management of the meetings, with presenter computers in the rooms as secondary presenters. i.e. the presenters are not the host. Perhaps a control-room model.
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- 1 Maybe testing some of the remote access prior to the sessions to make sure everyone can hear and see the presentations.
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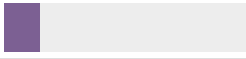

- 1 Regarding Asilomar - Combining the room charge with the meals may complicate things for civil servants. Would it be possible to separate them?
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- 1 the lunch time discussion even with its random seating and topic leader proved informative and an interesting mix-up of individuals.
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- 1 Bigger breakout rooms, more chairs. Several could not accommodate everyone who would have liked to attend.
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- 1 Collaborative directives, some way of moving forward from one meeting to the next meeting. Goals for the meeting and how those goals have been met at following meeting.
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- 1 I only had a few logistical concerns: limited access to outlets in meeting rooms when I needed power for my laptop; full program with venue details was distributed very late in the process; initially difficult to locate the conference building in the Copper Mountain "complex," last minute change to start time for Tuesday morning was potentially disruptive since the day started earlier and it was possible that people might miss the announcement; would like access to coffee, tea, and ice (for iced tea) in afternoon as well as morning.
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- 1 This past meeting was difficult to know, communicate with the support aid who was supposed to be taking notes and helping with the A/V/WebEx. I don't think our session was webcast successfully, and I'd would have loved to have seen the notes (or known if there WERE notes?). So, I'd say improved communication with the aids.
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- 1 Ensure that meeting rooms have good audio, the breakout rooms didn't have audio available for remote presentations, we had to use a USB speaker that really wasn't loud enough. Rest of the remote participation was great, though :)
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- 1 It was my first ESIP meeting and I liked how the meeting was structured. I especially liked the roundtable discussion during lunch and think more lunch discussions would be helpful.
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- 1 I hope both workshop and plenary sessions start at the same time in the morning like 9:00am or 8:30am.
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- 1 The ESIP summer 2014 meeting was excellent. Understandably difficult, if we can schedule breakouts that have subject matter that attract the same people, so they do not conflict with each other... Can (DOes) the organizing committee do that? I know the schedule will never satisfy everybody.
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- 1 there were a couple time slots with nothing I wanted to see and other time slots with 2-3 talks I wanted to attend. I heard at least 3 other people say the same thing. If the topics could be spread out better, that would be great.
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- 1 Larger rooms for sessions. Too many were SRO or so crowded you couldn't get in. Quality and usefulness of sessions varied greatly. Single speakers for 60-90 minutes were generally deadly.
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- 1 It was way too loud in the bar for Funding Friday. I could not hear people speak even within a meter. It was impossible so I left. I suggest not trying to combine a bar and a meeting.
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- 1 - more hands on approach at the workshops - build a custom linux-distributuion installed on usb pen to be distributed at the conference. (workshop tools and conference materials preinstalled)
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- 1 More preparation and direction from breakout section leaders. It is so easy to get off track in this meeting format.
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- 1 Regarding Asilomar: this looks like a very cool venue (I checked with a Palo Alto friend who told me that I'd love it). The all-inclusive rate is a bit more than federal employee per diem plus meals, so cheap civil servants may be reluctant to stay at Asilomar. But, it isn't much more than federal per diem.
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- 1 Every seat should have adequate access to power outlets. This was a problem in Copper Mountain, as maybe a third had access to power outlets.
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- 1 Mixed feelings about posters + reception. While the informal setting has advantages, the posters tend not to get the same level of attention as that in a separate poster session. ASPRS has a similar arrangement (poster session as part of the vendor exhibit area) and had a similar problem. It's solution was to add poster preview sessions, in which each poster presenter has 5 min. to summarize the contents of the poster. This way, attendees at least have some idea about each poster and can plan which ones to go to later for more details, at the actual poster session.
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- 1 If the meeting is in such a great place again schedule a very long (3-4 hour) lunch one day so people can get out together and

enjoy the outdoors while sharing ideas and networking. You can do a early start and late end to accommodate the long break.

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- 1 Give a little more time for the lunchtime idea session, so people can finish their lunch and have coffee and dessert, then start the idea session, then start the following afternoon session a little later than usual.
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- 1 I know it is hard to fir all content into the few planned days, but having so many parallel sessions makes me feel like I miss a lot. Perhaps have a summary of each session avaiable at teh end of the day.
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- 1 Better coordination amongst the WGs, committees, and clusters about potential synergistic activities to help reduce overlap in topics/activities. More protein options at breakfast (I appreciated the eggs and yogurt, but all the yogurt had sugar substitute which I can't have, and I'm not a fan of eggs - but I really appreciated the effort!)
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- 1 No more prison beds! I don't think accepting 'efficiencies' as part of the group rate package is acceptable.
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- 1 The breakout sessions were extremely valuable, but in some cases they were vague and lacking details on why they made a specific design decision.
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- 1 it seems like most of the time the semantic web sessions set up by h hua are cancelled. and people are disappointed.
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- 1 The lunch session on sustainability was great, but I wish we had a little more "get to know you" time during it, I knew some of my tablemates were students, but didn't know what brought them to ESIP. I didn't attend but I heard the Agile session was a little informercial-y, might want to steer clear of people who bring swag (mini footballs?) to their session.
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- 1 I wish there was a faster / easier way to watch sessions I missed on-line. The opendap use of google hangouts that publish directly to Youtube was great (I watched them from the hotel in the evening then)
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- 1 The Weds. of this year's meeting was packed for almost 12 hrs. I think I like a bit of the plenary spread out over 2 days.
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- 1 We had a number of virtual participants that complained about the quality of the audio - being choppy and difficult to follow along.

37. Would you like to host an ESIP meeting at your institution?



Yes	14.7%		21
No	85.3%		122
Total			143

Anything else you'd like to tell us?

Count	Response
1	2014 Summer Meeting was a great success! Thank You!
1	All ESIP staff members were friendly and awesome!
1	Another terrific meeting at Copper! Thanks!
1	Consider a digital poster session as well as the old school paper version.
1	Daily email updates were very helpful.
1	Diggler. Seriously. (also - I lack an "institution" so I can't volunteer to host)
1	Erin Robinson did a great job!
1	Excellent job and thank you for a well organized meeting.
1	Good Job, Erin! ;)
1	Great Meeting!
1	Great Meeting. Perhaps the best Summer meeting ever.
1	Great conference. I look forward to next year.
1	Great job Erin!
1	Great job to all the planners involved with a very successful meeting!
1	Great job, ESIP, on (I think) the biggest summer meeting yet!
1	Great job. Thanks!
1	Great meeting
1	Great meeting overall and fantastic/fun venue... Thanks!
1	Great meeting. My favorite out of the 3 I've attended. Thanks all!
1	Have a good weekend !
1	I thought the location was very good except for the non-early checkout policy
1	I took Software Carpentry as one of the Breakout sessions in the survey
1	It was a great meeting. I learned something which I was not expected.
1	It was really well organized.
1	Keep up the great work!
1	Keep up the great work.
1	Keep up the wonderful work!
1	More sessions with broader applicability; fewer Powerpoints about some pet project or study.
1	N/A
1	NA

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- 1 Nope.
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- 1 Not at this time!
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- 1 Once again, an excellent meeting.
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- 1 Seriously, fix the audio issues, it sucked.
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- 1 Thank you for a good week!
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- 1 Thanks
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- 1 Thanks for a great meeting! -Jeff DLB
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- 1 Thanks for being ESIP!
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- 1 Thanks for letting me attend. Very useful. Someone from OGC will be attending next summer.
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- 1 Thanks!
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- 1 Thanks!!!
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- 1 That's all. Thanks!
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- 1 The organizers should be congratulated for a well run and informative conference.
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- 1 Very useful event. Thank you for organizing a productive event.
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- 1 Very well run meeting!
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- 1 great time as always.. ESIP is by far my best meeting(s) of each year.
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- 1 no
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- 1 thanks Erin ;-)
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- 1 the dogs were nice.
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- 1 Thanks ESIP I had no expectations about this meeting, and was pleasantly surprised. I had fun too.
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- 1 Thanks so much for organizing this event and for allowing myself and the other DCERC interns at NCAR attend!
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- 1 THANK YOU! :) I really appreciated your newbie handholding, from the 101 session, to the identification of 'virgins' as well as 'old timers'. I thought the lunch session was an interesting way to meet other people I would never have normally gotten to speak with. I loved the food, the longer breaks, the diversity of sessions, the location, everything. Thanks for a great first ESIP experience!
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- 1 Bring back the plastic enclosures for handouts, please! The paper envelopes don't stand up as well. The plastic enclosures are very durable -- and reusable!! Please tell the Copper Mountain resort that the serving people at the conference were exceptionally helpful. Also, the Jam session and Funding Friday events were very successful, I thought, for getting people together to chat & get to know each other. The whole meeting had a nice, vibrant, comfortable energy about it. Well organized and presented. Congrats!
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- 1 My room was pretty sub-standard. The lack of air condition was not a specific problem, but there was no way to get any air circulation in my room (a single window and thus no air flow). In order to get any ventilation at all, I had to sleep with the single window fully open. My room faced I-70, and thus I had a very restless night as trucks up-graded and down-graded right outside my window. I'm not against the lack of AC, but a quieter room facing away from the Interstate with enough windows to provided adequate ventilation should be a given. A very uncomfortable night.
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- 1 Because of the federal contractors and employees attending the meeting, I think ESIP should stay very aware of the per diem spending levels governing those attendees travel and stay within those limits and adhere to those policies.
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- 1 Fantastic venue this year and a really enjoyable meeting. I heard that some people were a bit disappointed with their lodging accommodations but mine were okay. Erin did an awesome job!
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- 1 The Copper Mountain location was fantastic, including the food. I'd go there again for sure! There is camping available not far away to keep things cheaper.
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- 1 Erin did a FABULOUS job organizing the meeting. Many opportunities to learn about new technologies, to discuss with future collaborators, and to network. Organizing a meeting this size and to facilitate these types of interactions is very hard.
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- 1 I have learned a lot from my first attendance of ESIP mainly because I feel ESIP is able to offer a large variety of information from a community of members with diverse knowledge and backgrounds. I hope ESIP can continue to attract members from different disciplines, so that the opportunities and scopes for collaboration can continue to grow.
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- 1 Erin worked really hard to personally welcome us. Great job there. The electronic version of the PDF of the program was very handy.
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- 1 I am happy to investigate options for Asheville hosting if you are interested. If so, would you please let me know what is the expected number of attendees and minimum requirements to host a meeting?
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- 1 I would like it if the half-hour breaks were kept for the duration of the meeting, along with the 9am start for content, even if that meant limiting some 'content'. A real strength of the meeting is that it is possible to talk with people (i.e., network) and not miss the sessions. I also really like the 1:30 session length.
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- 1 I really appreciate the time & effort spent in organizing these meetings, and the attention to food, good plenary speakers etc.!!
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- 1 Kudos to the people who set up the meeting. Other than the altitude of the location of the meeting, everything was excellent.
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- 1 The remote access was great. Unfortunately, I couldn't attend as much as I would have liked. I hope that sessions would be recorded for later viewing.
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- 1 Nothing really, haven't been to an ESIP meeting in several years so it takes a little time to digest.
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- 1 Regarding the Asilomar rate - as long as it's under Government per diem and can be broken out separately in a trip report, it sounds great.
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- 1 Erin, as always, did a fabulous job. I think this was the smoothest ESIP meeting yet. I was pleased to help with Team Remote, and I will be happy to continue and encourage others to assist. Peter's state of ESIP talk was very much appreciated and very useful. We often get caught up in our own sphere and lose track of what others are doing. The update helps bring us all back together.
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- 1 Thanks for including agility in the topics. It was of great interest to many and definitely applies to the participant organizations.
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- 1 There was very good information presented at the meeting, and as a science nerd, but not a scientist, it was a great place to meet others like me and I felt a part of a part of the greater sciences support community. It's always good to see what others are doing to prevent yourself from being requirements blinded.
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- 1 I find ESIP very valuable. Unfortunately, NASA's restriction on attendance reduces value. Indeed, two of the folks who JPL approved for attendance barely attended. We need to work to ensure that those who get the privilege do indeed take advantage of that opportunity. Not sure how we make that happen.
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- 1 Erin Robinson is a fantastic facilitator and leader and makes ESIP the highly valuable organization that it is.
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- 1 Unfortunately summer is high tourist season on Cape Cod so WHOI would not be able to host a summer meeting.
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- 1 I thought it was a great meeting overall. The FUNding Friday Thursday night session seemed to work well. The FUNding Friday session was not so great: the acoustics were terrible, people still eating breakfast were talking and not attending. It would be nice if more people attended and paid attention. I thought the meatless breakfasts were fine, but I did hear some grumbling from others.
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- 1 As always - great job Erin for all the coordinating and communicating. Not sure how you do it, and with such a calm and collected countenance. Thank you for all you do!

- 1 Awesome meeting! It was nice to hear perspectives outside of LTER and meet others who do similar work.
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- 1 I'd still like to see a solution to our webex/presenter tools problem. I'd like to be able to view presenter tools in Power Point to improve my presentation and not have the web ex users see them. You are still doing better than AGU on this front though. The location was the best I've seen in my time going to ESIP (with the exception of the 'efficiency' rooms).
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- 1 Very well organized but the place was not good. Many people that I know suffered for at least one day from Altitude sickness. Also there wasn't comfortable places where people could meet and work together using telecommunication facilities
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- 1 The pre-meeting organization as well as the meeting organization were both effective. The mix of attendees was interesting. The materials provides online were helpful in revisiting and exploring topics.
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- 1 really valuable meeting - i can't believe this was my first one! very much looking forward to the next one.
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- 1 Meeting support staff did a great job (from a remote participant perspective). Funding for meeting travel is tight; is there some way to get similar organizations together between meetings? Something like match-making for ESIP member organizations....
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- 1 Thank you, Erin, for putting together a really great meeting. I know how much work goes into this and I can see that you have implemented things that I never even thought of for other meetings (twitter feed, full remote access...)
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- 1 I thoroughly enjoyed the whole thing and I got a lot of good info from it. My only qualm was that the Software Carpentry Bootcamp was rather disappointing in that it was very disorganized, full of technical issues, and not very informative. I was regretting not going to other sessions and felt I was missing out.
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- 1 Very, very well done. I learned a lot about ESIP (as a first time attendee), and was blown away by the strong sense of community the Federation has. It was interesting to see that people were there for both work and fun. By that I mean that ESIP members truly love getting together to talk, and work on, the issues they care about. It was a very interesting and special thing to witness. I can't wait to attend the Winter meeting, to see some of the same (and new) faces in DC. Thanks for putting this all together! Your hard work was very apparent!
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- 1 Be very careful how the Asilomar room rates/food are billed. 2014 per diem rates are 156\$ per room/night, and Meals and Incidental Expenses (M&IE) are 71\$ per day. I can't say exactly what the right way to bill things would be, but if it appears that the hotel room is \$247 per night then fed people won't be able to stay there. I think a separate food line on the hotel bill would work, because then it would be a lot like a hotel restaurant charge that shows up on your hotel bill. The travel people ignore that, focus on the hotel tax and hotel room rate, and then leave it to the M&IE to cover the food expenses.