**NASA DEVELOP National Program**



Spell Out Team Location (ex. Colorado – Fort Collins)

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Short Title (Location + Main App Area)

Longer subtitle (ex. Synthetic Aperture Radar Data Decision Support for Atlantic Blue Fin Tuna Population Assessment and Management in the Gulf of Mexico)

 **Technical Report**

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# 1. Abstract

[Placeholder - do not put anything here until the final draft submission. The abstract in the project summary is where the working draft of the abstract should “live”]

**Keywords**

Insert here 2-8 keywords that relate to your project

Example: Remote sensing, biomass burning, erosion, sea level rise, etc.

# 2. Introduction

Including the items listed below; write a synopsis of the following information. Be concise. Word count should be between 200-800 as one to two pages should suffice.

* 1. ***Background Information***

Things to include (in whatever order you think flows best): **Background Information** - Relevant information to inform the reader of current status, issues, previous studies, the scientific basis of your methods and how they have been used in previous research, etc. **Study Area** - Describe the geographic location of the study. **Study Period** - Explain the time period of data you are looking at (years and dates of data)

* 1. ***Project Partners & Objectives***

Things to include (in whatever order you think flows best): **National Application(s) Addressed** - Explain which NASA national application areas this project addresses and how it contributes to them. **Project Partners** - Explain who the project partners are, why they are interested in this project, how they will use it, what decision making they have to do and is being addressed with this research and methodologies, etc. How will they benefit from this project and methodology? **Project Objectives** - These should be short decisive action items)

# 3. Methodology

This should be the focus of the paper - concise, yet explanatory, and highlight the NASA Earth observations utilized and its/their capabilities. Include a paragraph or more for each of the following items. No word cap, but be thoughtful and keep it in the two to six page range.

***3.1 Data Acquisition***

What data did you get, what level products are they, for what dates did you get images, where did you get the images from, etc.

***3.2 Data Processing***

What did you do to the data? Were there conversions needed to be able to analyze it? Did you have to mosaic images? Did you have to normalize anything to fit other datasets? Did you run an NDVI, change detection, etc?



*Figure 2.* This is a composited and cloud-masked NDMI image clipped to the 4km study boundary of Glacier National Park (from Landsat 5 TM, 2005).

$NDMI=\frac{NIR-SWIR}{NIR+SWIR}$ (1)

***3.3 Data Analysis***

How did you analyze the data? What methods did you use?

# 4. Results & Discussion

Insert images, graphs, maps, charts, etc. here. Choose the most important results to highlight here. No word cap, but two to six pages is a good range.

***4.1 Analysis of Results***

What can you tell from your graphs, images, etc? What does this mean for your project?

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| **Persistence Year Range** | **Interannual Periods Aggregated for Persistence** |
| 2000-2005 | 2000-2001, 2001-2002, 2002-2003, 2003-2004, 2004-2005 |
| 2005-2011\* | 2005-2006, 2006-2007, 2007-2009, 2009-2010, 2010-2011 |
| 2010-2016\* | 2010-2011, 2011-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016 |

What factors could you not account for? Include an error analysis; what things didn’t work out like you expected they would, etc.

Table 3

*Interannual periods used to create persistence maps*

The “\*” indicates ranges with gaps due to missing interannual periods from Landsat for 2008 and 2012.

***4.2 Future Work***

If this project was to be selected for another term, what would be the focus? What other areas would be of interest?

# 5. Conclusions

Final conclusions. Word count: 200-600 (~a page).

# 6. Acknowledgments

Insert here. Keep to a concise paragraph or bullets of names. End with the following sentences.

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# 7. Glossary

Define field specific terms and acronyms. The goal of this section is to help the reader better understand the work presented in the paper. Include vocabulary that the reader may not be familiar with, in addition to defining the acronyms in your paper.

**Earth observations** – Satellites and sensors that collect information about the Earth’s physical, chemical, and biological systems over space and time

**MODIS** – MODerate resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer

**Moraine** – A mass of rocks and sediment carried down and deposited by a glacier, typically as ridges at its edges or extremity

# 8. References

Insert references here. Only include articles & data cited in the body of text above. It’s great if you read many other articles, but they should not all be listed here unless they are being cited in this report.

References should be in APA formatting:

<https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/560/01/>

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***Example:***

CERES Science Team. (2015). CERES Level 3 SYN1DEGDAYTerra+Aqua netCDF file, Edition 3A. NASA Atmospheric Science Data Center, accessed 11 February 2016. doi://10.5067/Terra+Aqua/CERES/SYN1degDAY\_L3.003A

# 9. Appendices

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Any figures or tables should be labeled as Figure A1, Table B2, etc.