

Most Urgent Goals of the NCEA

To improve scientific integrity and productivity of the IRIS Program. This will be achieved by addressing the following specific goals:

- Specific goal # 1:** Complete implementation of the enhancements announced by the Agency on July 2013.
- Specific goal # 2:** Assess the effectiveness of public engagement and other program changes implemented over the past two years.
- Specific goal # 3:** Develop a multi-year work plan based on the Agency's need for IRIS assessments.

Most Urgent Goals of the NCEA (cont'd)

- **Specific goal # 4:** Develop a strategy for keeping the IRIS database current.
- **Specific goal # 5:** Identify inefficiencies in the IRIS process and institute corrective measures.
- **Specific goal #6:** Provide intellectual leadership to resolve critical scientific issues and develop new approaches to enhance the scientific integrity of IRIS assessments.
- **Specific goal #7:** Develop a transparent process (analogous to the “stopping rules”) for decision-making relative to when revised assessments should be subjected to a second peer review.