



To address the minimum recommendation in the [RWSC Science Plan](#) related to coordination, the RWSC Steering Committee is requesting that:

- Funders require the following activities for the research they fund by describing these expectations in requests for proposals and contract/grant scopes of work.
 - Researchers voluntarily include the following activities in their proposals to demonstrate regional coordination via RWSC.
1. Contractor is strongly encouraged to meet with RWSC prior to submission of the proposal to ensure that the proposed work is consistent with Science Plan recommendations.
 2. Contractor shall provide annual progress updates to the relevant RWSC expert Subcommittee(s) by attending and providing a presentation during regularly scheduled Subcommittee meetings.
 3. At project kickoff, Contractor shall submit project information to the [RWSC Offshore Wind & Wildlife Database](#), review its accuracy and provide updates every 6 months.
 4. At project kickoff, or as soon as information is known, Contractor shall submit coordinates of any sensors, sampling stations, or other research activities to the appropriate RWSC Subcommittee for inclusion in the [Research Planning Map](#).
 5. Contractor shall share with the appropriate RWSC Subcommittee a list of the specific data being collected, where those data are being stored, any access constraints, and who can be contacted about data use.
 - a. Specify which of the digital repositories in the Science Plan will be used for data storage/archiving
 - b. Specify a frequency of data upload to digital repositories, no less frequently than annually

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