NOOS PROJECT SUMMARY For review at steering group and annual meetings Date of revision: Aug 2012

KEYWORDS: ocean modelling, boundaries, downscaling, bathymetry

NOOS working group on ocean modelling	
Project aims at	A1.To understand user requirement for boundary conditions from shelf wide models to drive local high resolution models.A2.Facilitating the exchange of information on ocean modelling practices.A3.Evaluate presently available bathymetries
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Present status Ongoing	The focus on boundary conditions has lead to a survey of NOOS members being completed and a synthesis of the results have been provided. Bathymetry datasets have been looked at and work is underway to generate an improved NOOS bathymetry.
Project timescale	On-going
Planned	A new NOOS bathymetry
Developments Activities in 2012-	 Activities related to A1: Assess practicalities of delivering data as requested, and provide a proposal for future model delivery for discussion. Activities related to A2: a proposal for multi-model activities has been put forward by Frank Janssen (BSH). This plan will form the basis for the NOOS work Use multiple model information for evaluation of variability and skill with a view to moving closer to ensembles Activities related to A3: Presently available bathymetries are being collated and assessed for usability A request for bathymetric source data and inputs to the discussion on the relative merits of bathymetries will be made at the NOOS 2012 AM. Activities related to A4: Enda O'Dea will prepare a bathymetry based on best available gridded information, supplemented by local information as available. This will be tested as a bathymetry for the NWS AMM7 model and assessed for its suitability.
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