

# DataCommons@PSU: Data Management Plan Questionnaire

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This document was created to assist in the development of data management plans.

1. **Project Timeline**—What is the proposed length of the project and expected completion date?
2. **Data Type(s)**—What data types will be produced by this project? For example, tabular, spatial, large scale databases, images, videos, etc.
3. **Software Platform**—What software platform(s) will you and your project partners be using to enter, create, and analyze the data?
4. **Data Format(s)**—What will be the resulting data format(s)? For example, xls, shp, pdf, tiff, jpg, netcdf, etc.
5. **Data Standards**—Do you have any scientific or research community standards by which you must create your data or metadata? Have you determined standard platforms and formats for all project members who will be creating data? Who will be creating the metadata? Do you need support for this?
6. **Data Users**—Who will be the primary users of this data during the project life cycle and where will they be located—at PSU or will they be remote users? Will these users require login access?
7. **Data Input**—Who will be responsible for the data? For example, this person would be tracking the latest version of the database, data set, etc. Who will be inputting data? Will they be located at PSU or be entering data remotely?
8. **Expected Storage Needs**—How much data do you expect to generate during the life cycle of this project? What do you expect to be your yearly storage needs?
9. **Additional Data & Models**—What additional data might you need for this project? Are you using any models or analysis techniques that could be documented? Will users be accessing these results or running analyses remotely.
10. **Expected Access Needs**—What access needs will be required at the completion of this project?