



Ice Drilling Program



IDP Update

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IDP-SAB meeting
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Ice Drilling Program Vision and Mission



Vision

To enable discoveries about changes in climate and the environment, using evidence from glaciers and ice sheets, to inform environmental policy.

Mission

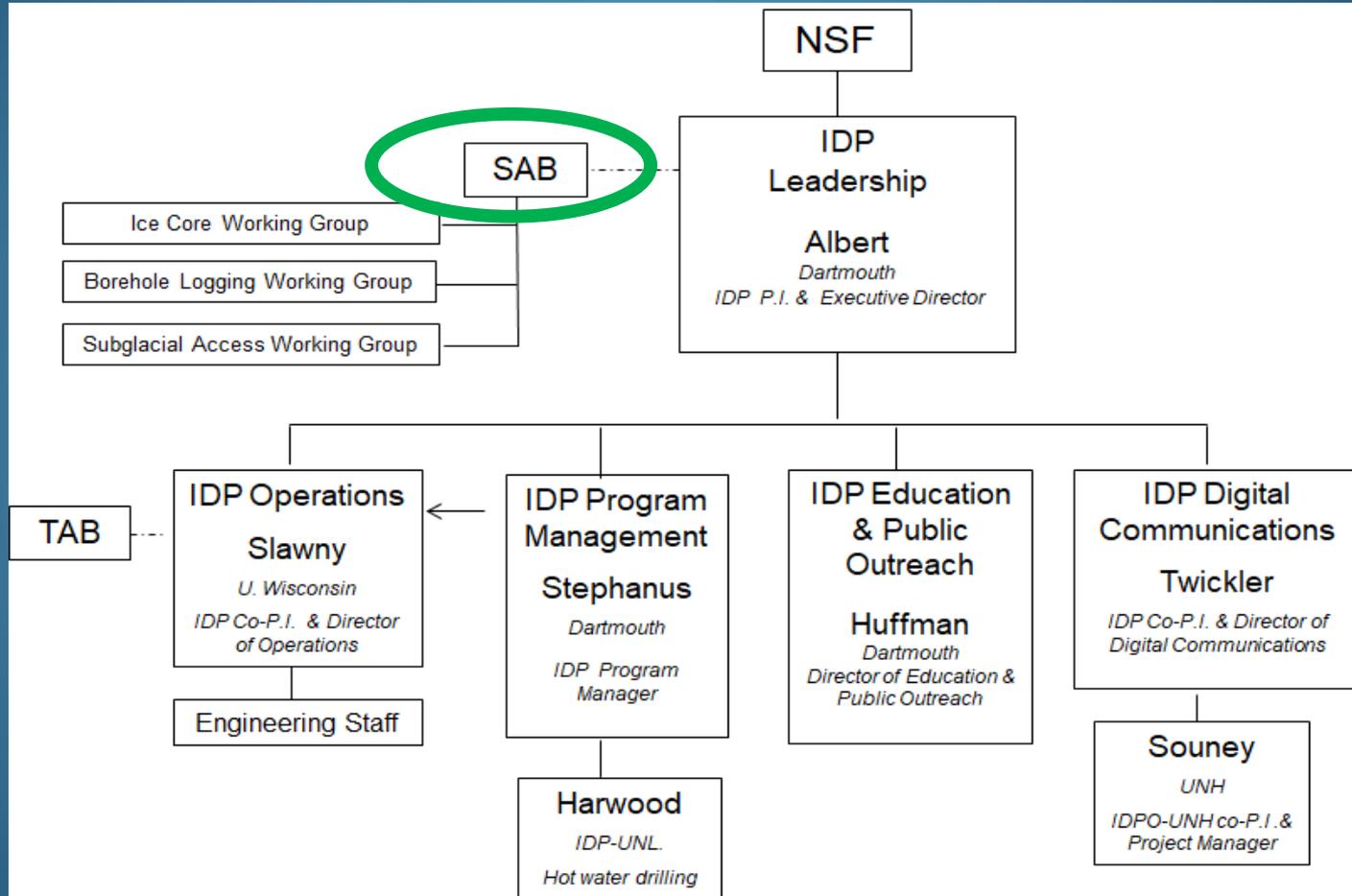
To conduct integrated planning for the ice drilling science and technology communities **and to provide drilling technology and operational support** that will enable the community to advance the frontiers of climate and environmental science.



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Ice Drilling Program Planning with the Community



AGU Town Hall: Scientific Drilling in the Polar Regions

December 16, 2020

Updates & announcements of opportunities from
IDP, IPICS, Herc Dome, GreenDrill, RAID

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Ice Drilling Program Planning with the Community



IDP Ice Core Working Group Community Meeting April 2-3, 2020

ICWG leads: Erich Osterberg & T.J. Fudge

Outcome: 4 community white papers on ice core science
over the coming decade, for synthesis into the
IDP Long Range Science Plan 2020-2030

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IDP ICWG Community Meeting White Papers 2020

- Paolo Gabrielli and others (2020): **Alpine Glaciers and Ice Caps**
- Tyler R Jones and others (2020): **Paleoclimate Ice Core Research Priorities in Antarctica**
- Erich Osterberg and others (2020): **Ice Core Research Priorities in Greenland**
- TJ Fudge and others (2020): **Community Recommendations for the NSF Ice Core Facility**

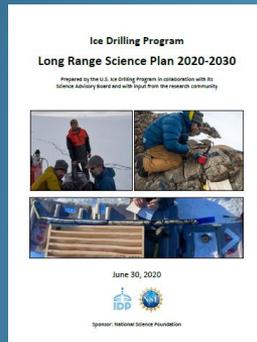
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Ice Drilling Program Planning with the Community



IDP Long Range Science Plan



- Past Climate
- Ice Dynamics and Glacial History
- Subglacial Geology, Sediments & Ecosystems
- Ice as a Scientific Observatory

- The Long Range Science Plan is a community document articulating the direction of the science over the coming decade.
- The IDP-SAB approves the plan & prioritizes tech investments.

Timeline:

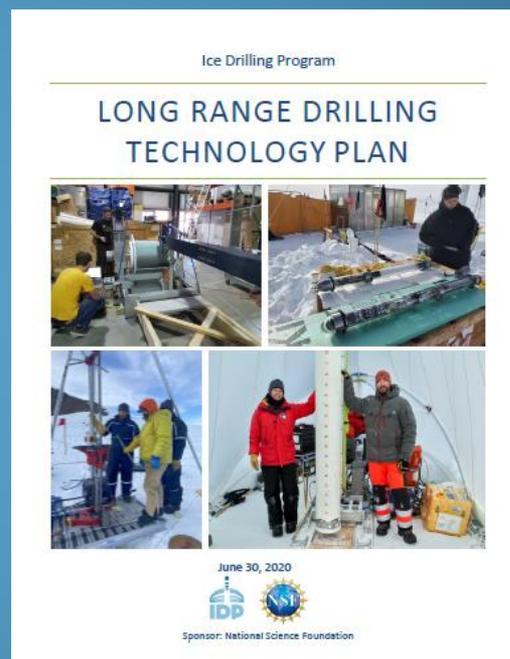
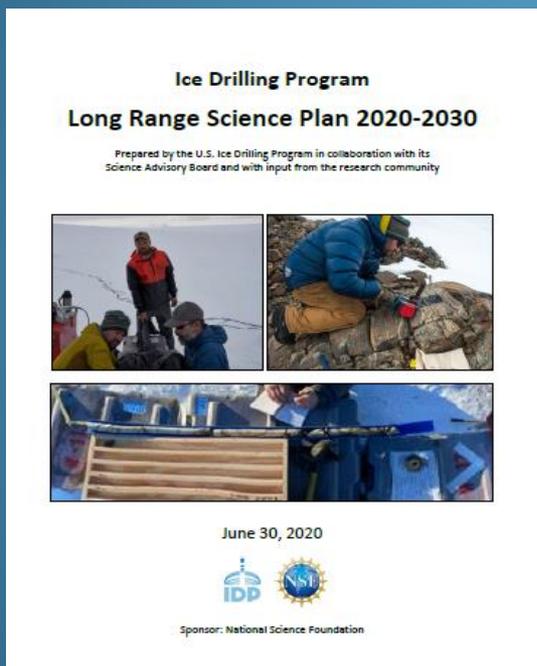
SAB discussion & consensus on Recommendations – March/April
Post to Icedrill.org & invite community comment – May
Final to NSF – June

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Integrated Science & Technology Planning



Integrated science and technology planning:
science planning drives drilling tech planning, development, & use.

Updating the Long Range Science Plan: SAB prioritizes the IDP Drilling Technology Investments tomorrow

Recommended Technology Investments

The following investments in drilling technologies are needed to accomplish science goals planned for the next decade. Investments prioritized by time, from consensus of the IDP Science Advisory Board, include:

Priority 1 (needed this year):

- Maintain and upgrade agile equipment in inventory, including: Hand Augers, Sidewinders, the 4" Electromechanical Drills, the 3" Electrothermal Drill, the 3.25" Badger-Eclipse Drills, the Stampfli Drill, Logging Winches, the Small Hot Water Drills, the Blue Ice Drill, the Prairie Dog, the Agile Sub-Ice Geological Drill (ASIG), the Rapid Air Movement Drill (RAM) Drill, and the Winkie Drill.
- Implement Foro 400 Drill system modifications following the recent first deployment of the system.
- Finish fabrication of a second ice-ready Winkie Drill.
- Develop the IDP Conceptual Design for clean sample acquisition from a hot water ice coring drill for sediment-laden basal ice samples.
- ...etc

Pathway for New Drilling Tech Development

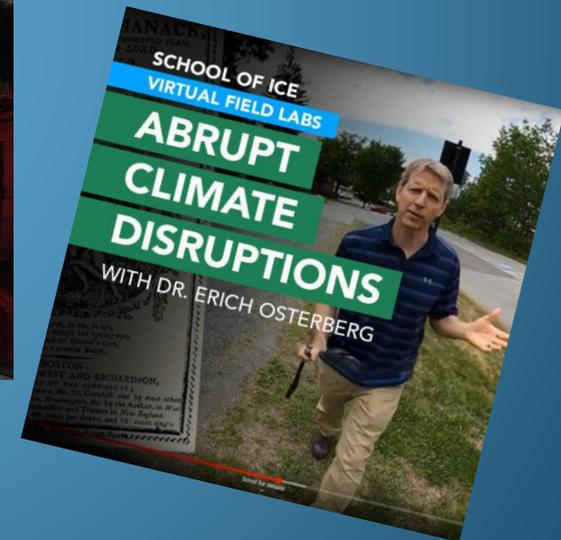
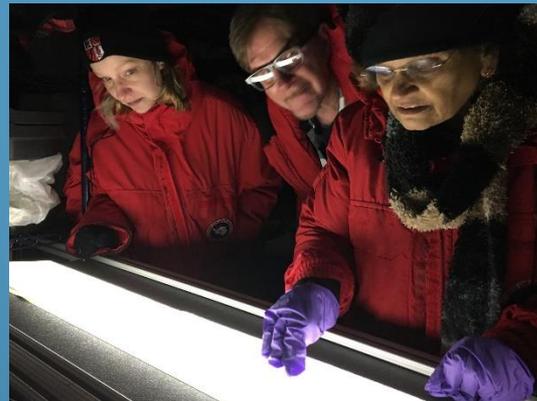
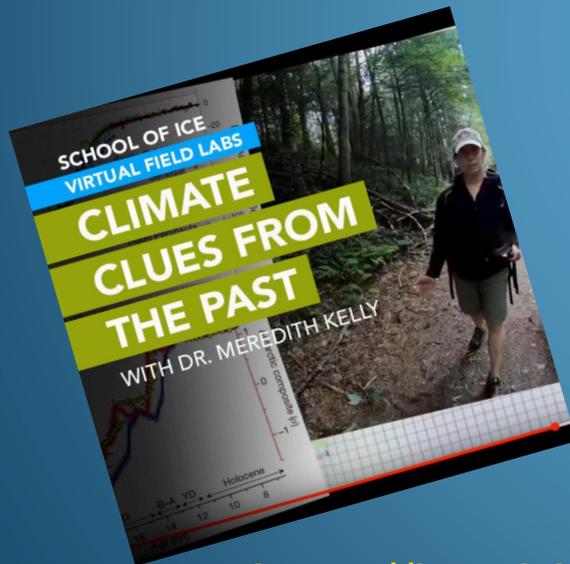
- Community identifies scientific need for technology in the IDP Long Range Science Plan
- IDP works with scientists to create the IDP Science Requirements
- IDP seeks NSF approval to create the Conceptual Design
< NSF Decision Point; if approved, the Conceptual Design is created >
- IDP holds Conceptual Design review with science reps & invited engineers
- IDP seeks NSF approval to create the Detailed Engineering Design
< NSF Decision Point; if approved, Engineering Design is created >
- IDP holds Engineering Design review with science reps & invited engineers
- IDP seeks NSF approval for construction of the drill
< NSF Decision Point; if approved, new drill is created >
- IDP holds drill test review with invited engineers & science reps
- New tech is field tested before deployment for science



Ice Drilling Program School of Ice



- 4-day IDP workshop for faculty from Minority Serving Institutions
- Ice scientists and engineers share their science
- Louise Huffman & educators present hands-on, discovery-based labs
- MSI faculty learn, use & extend the labs in their classrooms
- Was Virtual in 2020, will be either virtual or at OSU in summer 2021.



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Quarterly update of Ice Drilling Program Office (IDPO) and Ice Drilling Design and Operations (IDDO) activities

Rewarding Debut of Intermediate Depth Drill at South Pole Station

Despite weather, aircraft and program administrative delays, IDDO, together with the Antarctic Support Contractor (ASC) and project investigators, successfully completed the first season of the planned two-season South Pole Ice Core project near the South Pole Station. The project aims to recover a 1,500-meter ice core with IDDO's new Intermediate Depth Drill (IDD). A crew of seven IDDO engineers and drillers deployed in early November 2014 to Antarctica to begin set-up of the drill site and installation of the IDD. Together with onsite PI, post-docs, and a graduate student core processing staff, the field team surpassed its seasonal drilling goal of 700 meters, collecting 736 meters in total. Nearly 600 meters of core, enough to fill one SAFECO refrigerated shipping container, safely arrived to the National Ice Core Laboratory in Denver, CO, on March 4, where it will remain for processing this summer.

The SPICE Core team with the first core drilled on December 8, 2014. Credit: Mindy Nicewonger

Ice cores being transported to South Pole skiway. Credit: Leah Street

View of the drilling operation inside the drill tent. Credit: Marist Aydin

View of the core processing station inside the drill tent. Credit: Marist Aydin

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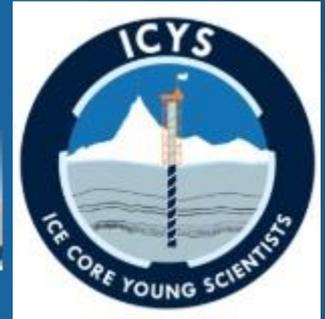
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Early Career Travel Opportunity



International Partnerships in Ice Core Sciences 3rd Open Science Conference



Ice Core Science at the three Poles

October 10-15, 2021
Crans-Montana, Switzerland

IDP is offering NSF-funded travel reimbursement for early career scientists; Women and minorities are especially encouraged to apply. Applications due 30 April 2021; awardees notified by June 1.

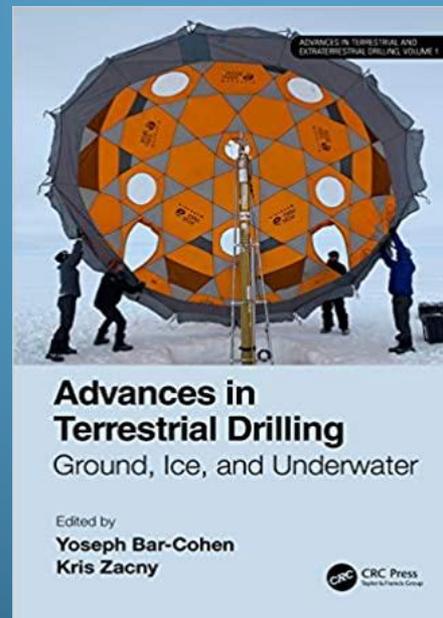
<https://icedrill.org/meetings/early-career-travel-grant-opportunity-2021-ipics-icys-meeting>



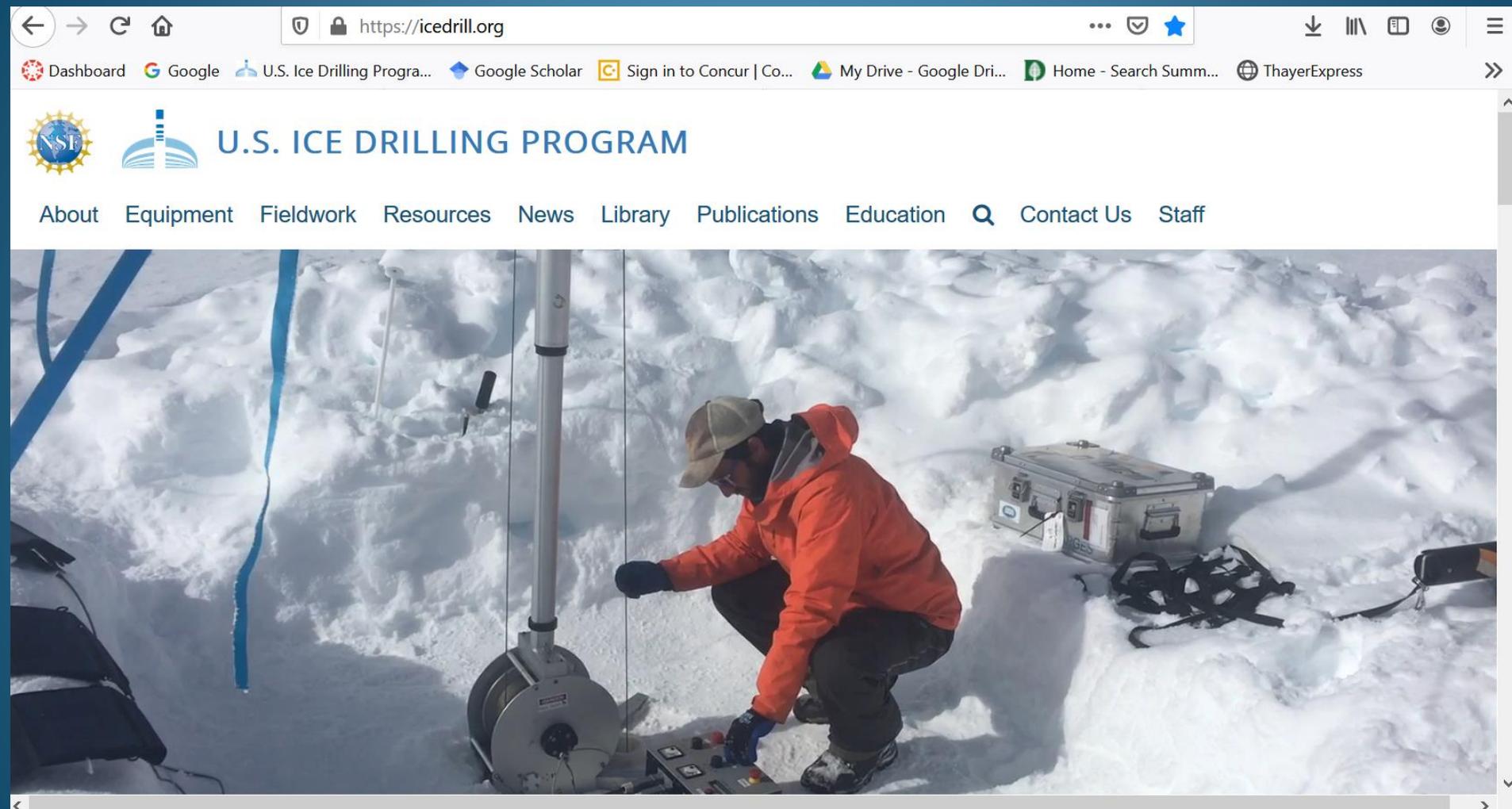
Recent Publication



Albert, M.R., K.R. Slawny, G. Boeckmann, C.J. Gibson, J. A. Johnson, K. Makinson, J. Rix (2020) Recent Innovations in Drilling in Ice. Chapter 6 of *Advances in Terrestrial Drilling: Ground, Ice and Underwater*, Bar-Cohen and Zacny, eds., 157-220. ISBN 9780367653460.



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