



NAOC OSC & Tech Committee Touch Base Call with EM CX

Date: Thursday, January 29, 2026

Time: 2:00 PM (ET)

NAOC Attendees: Shawn Corcoran (VP and Board Rep), Craig Murray (Tech Committee Chair), and Tyler Vahldick (OSC Chair)

EM CX Attendees: Steve Stacey, Elise Goggin, James Salisbury

1. Purpose and Process for Committee Chair Calls

- Provides a biweekly touch base continuity call between the OSC and Tech Committees for NAOC with key members of the USACE EM CX to allow coordination on topics to be shared with NAOC via the two committee monthly calls, webinars, and the NAOC Website Portal.
 - Tyler and Craig as the committee chairs will document discussions from these calls and then notes will be reviewed by the NAOC Board Rep and the EM CX. Once finalized they will be posted to the NAOC Website Portal under the OSC and Tech Committee pages available to all NAOC members. Topics will also continue to be shared at each month's OSC and Tech Committee monthly calls. The notes will concisely summarize the call in a bullet list of topics, actions, and call attendees.
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2. M2S2 Webinars – 2026 Planning

Lead: James (new point person for M2S2 webinars)

- USACE proposed three initial themes for 2026 (no dates set yet):
 - Data usability assessments
 - Project risk mitigation and risk registers
 - Public communication (CRPs, effective SPP meetings, interim risk management)
- James' M2S2 team will develop agendas for each theme.
- Contractor presentations are welcome; interested parties should contact the OSC and/or Tech Committee chairs who will in-turn coordinate with James to ensure proper coordination and connection with the lead for each theme.



- Additional theme suggestions are encouraged; a running list will be maintained by both the OSC and Tech Committee Chairs.
 - Typical audience attending M2S2 Webinars: DoD, state regulators, EPA, and contractors. Suggested M2S2 topics should bear the nature of the audience in mind.
 - For any NAOC OSC/Tech Committee webinars, NAOC will continue to solicit topics/presenters based on interest (“would you like a presentation on this?”), and coordinate and control the topics for these NAOC OSC/Tech Webinars.
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3. M2G2 – Upcoming Session and Topics

Next M2G2 (planned for next Wednesday):

- **DAGCAP / QSR 3.0 Update**
 - Craig requested NAOC Tech Committee members send questions on DAGCAP/QSR 3.0 to Steve by COB 1/29 so they can be addressed in Steve’s presentation. One question received so far.
 - **Harmonizing AGC and Intrusive Procedures**
 - Elise raised the topic of connections between AGC and intrusive procedures, including NAOC perspectives.
 - John Baptiste will provide a contractor perspective on recent changes from a project he’s working on, including coordination with the intrusive team.
 - **Shutdown Contingency**
 - If there is a federal government full or partial shutdown, M2G2 may be canceled and rescheduled. Clarifications to be provided on Monday
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4. Updates and Follow-Up on Key Ongoing Documents and Products

Item	Status / Notes
Preliminary Characterization White Paper	Steve is nearly finished with review; Andy is expected to review next and appears aligned with direction.
EM 200-1-15 finalization (IGD to “non-IGD”)	Currently in formatting; signatory and final issuance path still being clarified.
EP 200-1-20, LUCs	Still under review by HQUSACE; we’re happy to provide assistance on general LUCs topics in the interim.
RA PWS Template	High priority (Nicole). Significant comments from design centers; ~75 comments addressed so far. Progress is steady but incremental.

5. Requirements Change Requests / MQOs / MR-QAPP Toolkits

- Current active topic: matching predicted features with recovered items (updating MQOs for predictions for intrusive results).

Process and Roles:

- IDQTF produces the MR-QAPP toolkits; there is interest in updating them, but bandwidth and timing are uncertain.

EM CX / Corps Objectives (Elise):

- EM CX aims to:
 - Ensure consistency among district geophysicists and avoid project-by-project divergence in requirements.
 - Use “black text” to define Corps-wide baseline requirements for USACE work, while still allowing project-specific modifications when technically justified.
 - For broader, recurring changes to MQOs, EMCX and an advisory board will evaluate and, if supported by data (from NAOC or others), elevate them to global requirements.

- The intent is to avoid inconsistent QA expectations and to apply consistent quality metrics across projects.
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6. TOI Library – Status and Future Needs

New Library Development:

- No current plans to collect new data specifically for the library.
- Delay drivers:
 - Existing data were not collected in HDF5 v1, causing scaling issues.
 - Problems occur with older Geosoft versions; these issues do not appear in newer software.
- Current actions:
 - Recent progress suggests the team is “on the right track” after several months of version-control/software issues.

Future Content / Contractor Input:

- Steve asked what polarizabilities contractors have in their site-specific libraries that are not in the DoD TOI library and what additional items are needed for future library versions.
 - This is a standing request; Craig may poll the Tech Committee.
 - Contractors requested a consolidated list of items currently in the DoD TOI library to avoid duplicative requests.
 - Craig and Steve will work together to prepare a list of current TOI library contents, then compare with contractor inputs. Craig will remind Steve in approximately two weeks / next call.
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