



6.5 Policy Issues Related to
other Facility Boards
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The JRFB recently approved revised documents at their meeting last month.

- **IODP Proposal Submission Guidelines:** Significantly reformatted to have a Table of Contents, Sections, and page numbers. Add 20 as a limit of proponents, explain that (as of 10/2016) all proponents will receive an automated e-notification from SSO when a proposal has been submitted, and imposes limits on file sizes for Site Figures and the Main Text of proposals (as per recommendations of the Science Support Office). Adds explanation of Rating (Excellent/Good/Fair) that SEP currently uses when forwarding proposals to Facility Boards. Explains the process for consideration proposal de-activation after 5 years with no activity. Replaced the example image of a Site Figure with two more modern examples. Other small changes to maintain consistency with latest version of the online submission system Proposal Database).
- **IODP Guidelines for Site Characterization Data:** Significantly reformatted to have a Table of Contents, Sections, and page numbers. Otherwise, this is the same content that was significantly reviewed / revised by a Working Group assigned by JRFB in May 2015 (which resulted in no real change in policy, just improvement / clarification).
- **Guidelines for Joint Review of Amphibious Drilling Proposals:** Revised to correct the initial problems about IODP pre-proposals. Now, an IODP pre-proposal is required around the time that an ICDP workshop proposal is submitted. Revised the Figure (flowchart) to indicate this process.
- **Terms of Reference for JRFB Advisory Panels:** Changes terminology of panel leadership from Chair and Co-Chair to Co-Chairs. Clarifies procedure for nominating co-chairs. Add statement about striving to increase diversity.