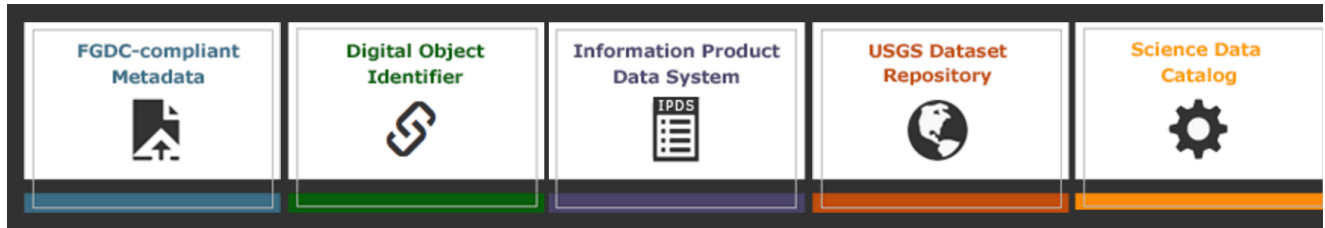


Data Management WG, 7/11: USGS Data Release Workbench, ScienceBase and Science Data Catalog differences, Data Sharing Agreements

The July 11th Data Management Working Group call featured information on the [USGS Data Release Workbench](#), the [USGS Science Data Catalog](#), [ScienceBase](#), and USGS Data Sharing Agreements. Visit the [meeting wiki page](#) to access the recording and Q&A. (The .arf recording can be played with software available on the [USGS WebEx Recording and Playback](#) page.)

Viv Hutchison gave a tour of the [USGS Data Release Workbench](#), developed to illustrate the general steps needed for releasing data in USGS.



Components of the Data Release Workbench.

Differences between USGS Science Data Catalog and ScienceBase are nicely illustrated in this table:

Science Data Catalog	ScienceBase
<p>Metadata only</p> <p>Search and discovery tool that allows for metadata retrieval, visualization, download, and linking back to original data providers</p> <p>http://data.usgs.gov/datacatalog/</p>	<p>Upload data, metadata, create <u>webservice</u>s, and create communities</p> <p>https://www.sciencebase.gov/about/content/about-sciencebase</p>
<p>Single source for USGS to serve its metadata to data.doi.gov, Data.gov, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), etc.</p>	
<p>Required for data release (metadata record must be submitted to the SDC)</p>	<p>Option for scientists/Centers/Programs to release data in USGS</p>

From the [meeting wiki page](#):

*JC Nelson has been working on drafting **Data Sharing Agreements at USGS to guide centers/programs when they are working with collaborators/funders**. These agreements cover who receives the data after the end of the project, which agency is responsible for releasing/preserving the data, etc. Contact JC to view a copy of the draft Data Sharing Agreement.*

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