Minutes from WInSAR EC Telecon May 2, 2012

Attendance: Eric Fielding, Rowena Lohman, Shimon Wdowinski, David Schmidt, Falk Amelung, Fran Boler, Matt Pritchard Minutes Prepared By: David Schmidt

Agenda: 1) TSX Tasking 2) TSX data purchases; NSF and NASA Funding.

TSX Tasking

Falk and Eric have prioritized the list of tasking requests submitted by the membership. Top prioritization was given to targets within the US. International targets may be acquired under proposed Supersites TSX tasking project. There is some ambiguity for targets that fall under existing or proposed supersites. The EC approved the tasking list priorities. Before tasking can move forward, members need to pick the explicit swaths or give a geographic bounding box. Rowena will develop instructions that can be forwarded to the membership on how to identify orbit and frames. So far, we have only used half of our quota on tasking. It was suggested that perhaps the EC should solicit and review tasking requests every 6 months. The EC will eventually need to decide on a formal process for prioritizing requests, and how to ensure that the process is transparent to members. This might include a webpage that itemizes each individual TSX project, and lists the individuals with password access. Additional investigators can be added on a first-come first-served basis.

<u>TSX Proposal</u>

NSF and NASA appear willing to fund TSX data purchases. Currently, we are thinking \$150,000 per year for data purchases. Eric will discuss this with the USGS, and check with NSF program managers about which program to submit. We need to decide whether the proposal will be for US targets only, or also international sites.

Eric, David, & Rowena will lead the proposal effort. Falk and Shimon will provide TSX insight. Fran will facilitate the UNAVCO component. Falk and Fran will track down the reviews from the 2009 proposal.

A final report will soon be due for our existing grants.

The next telecon will follow-up on the proposal and address changes to the by-laws.