



- Broad range of habitats, biomes
- Basic research projects
- 32<sup>nd</sup> year
- 26 sites
- >1500 scientists
- Cross-Directorate activity
- Other agencies & partners
- Open data policy
- Model for other long-term programs (ULTRA, LTAR)
- ~ \$27 million/year investment

# LTER Update September 2012

## Since the last BIO AC meeting

- Mini-Symposium and LTERArts
- Renewal Panel April 2012
  - Multiple Directorates
  - 11 sites; 9 renewed, 2 probationary renewal
- Science Council Meeting May 2012
- Network Office Mid-term Site Review May 2012
- Information Management Supplements (\$2 million)
- LTER is constantly in the news

## Looking Ahead

- All Scientists' Meeting September 2012
- Community Workshops to 're-vision' the Network Office
- Community Workshops to identify future research directions (e.g., new cross-site initiatives)
- Eleven mid-term site reviews in 2013