Revising the NSF Strategic Plan

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Why a Strategic Plan?

• NSF is required by GPRA legislation to develop a 5-year strategic plan every 3 years
  – Current plan spans 2006-2011
  – New plan will be for 2010-2015

• Prescribed components:
  – Mission
  – Strategic Goals
  – Performance Goals
  – External Risk Factors
  – Strategies and Means
  – Program Evaluations

• Plans are submitted to Congress and OMB
Purpose of the Strategic Plan
(From A-11)

• Define mission, goals, and the means to measure progress in addressing specific national problems, needs or challenges related to mission over 5 years.

• Appraise capabilities, assess the operating environment, and provide for evaluation of the strategy.

• Commit to perform by describing specific results, the actions to realize those planned results, and how to deal with current and foreseeable internal and external challenges and risks that may hinder achieving them.
Outreach for Plan Development

- NSF Senior Leadership
- NSF Staff
- NSB
- Advisory Committees
- S&E Community
- OMB
- Congress
Input from AC/BO

- Two phases:
  - Input on the current plan and what the new plan might address this Fall
  - Comments on the draft plan will be requested in January

- Copy of current plan is posted on NSF website

- Websites currently under construction to collect comments