

# U.S. CLIVAR

## Charge to the Panels

***Panel Purpose: To formulate goals and required strategies, catalyze and coordinate activities, and work with agencies and international partners to advance the progress of the climate research community, particularly with regard to addressing relevant goals of the US Climate Change Science Program, CLIVAR, and the World Climate Research Programme (WCRP).***

***Foci:***

- ***Synthesis of Existing Knowledge/Capabilities***
- ***Assessing Opportunities and articulating goals***
- ***Devising plans to achieve goals***

# **U.S. CLIVAR 2006 Summit Highlight**

***Two Major Opportunities Identified:***

***I Drought***

***II Decadal Variability/Predictions***

***Key Actions Already Taken:***

- ***Formation of a Drought Working Group Existing***
- ***Formation Of AMOC Working Group***

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- ii) What decision/actions did the Panel make during this week's CLIVAR Summit that contributes towards its goals?*

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*In order to help formulate goals and strategies within the climate research community:*

*US CLIVAR's guidance must be reliable & trustworthy. As one step to ensure that, US CLIVAR needs to assess and measure the progress made since these (and related) reports were issued.*