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All GNSS data collected on NSF-EAR funded projects must be submitted to the UNAVCO Archive for long term preservation. Data distribution policy includes free availability of all permanent station data and two year exclusive availability for proprietary project data. Details about UNAVCO's data policies can be found here and are as stated below:

UNAVCO Data Policy

Adopted by the Board of Directors on 22 June 2003.

Archiving

All data, whether from continuous or campaign stations, must be archived at a UNAVCO GSAC site (see Appendix) as soon as possible, and within six months of data collection at the latest.

Attribution

Data providers are responsible for insuring that GPS data files for their stations include provider and sponsoring agency information in the headers, or in associated logs or other documentation.

Accessibility

- Continuous stations: Data will be made publicly accessible as soon as it is placed in the archive.
- Campaign data: Data from campaign sites will be made publicly accessible no later than two years after data collection. This period may be extended under exceptional circumstances, but only by agreement between the Principal Investigator and the sponsoring agency. With the PI's permission, data can be released to a particular user before it is publicly accessible.

Acknowledgements

Users are required to give appropriate acknowledgement of the data provider and the sponsoring agency as contained in the data files, or accompanying documentation.

Appendix

UNAVCO GSAC sites are GSAC sites meeting this data policy. Current UNAVCO GSAC sites are:

- UNAVCO Facility
- SOPAC

Online URL: https://kb.unavco.org/article/what-are-unavco-policies-regarding-data-170.html