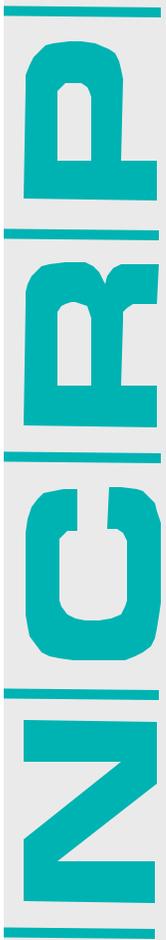# The NCRP Strategic Plan: The Council's Role in the 21st Century

Implementing the Strategic Plan

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Assessing the Need for a Strategic Plan

1997:   *ad hoc* committee provided
5 recommendations based on input from
stakeholders

1999:   budgetary shortfalls reinforce the
need to assess NCRP's strategies for
the future

1999 (December): The Board approved
ad hoc Strategic Planning Committee

Assessing the Need for a Strategic Plan

April 2000 The Report of the Committee was accepted and an implementation Committee was formed.

September 2000 The Recommendation of the Strategic Implementation Planning Committee was transmitted to the Board of Directors

A meeting of the Board is planned for November to consider its content.
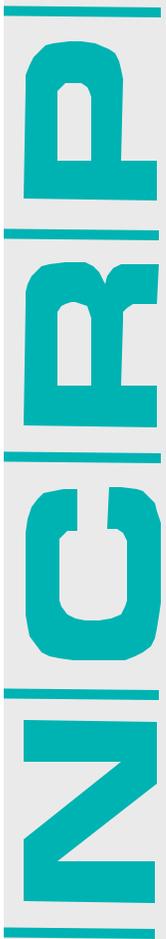
SWOT Analysis Results

Strengths

NCRP's position as a respected, national, scientific consensus body disseminating information, guidance and recommendations on radiation protection and measurements.

The scientific breadth of Council members.

The utility of NCRP reports.

NCRP's annual meeting and the opportunity it provides for public and private dialogue.

SWOT Analysis Results

Strengths

Some agencies see the NCRP as meeting their objectives

The willingness of experts to serve on NCRP scientific committees.

The comfort most Council members feel with their level of involvement.

SWOT Analysis Results

Weaknesses

Decrease in unrestricted funding.

Decrease in the number and sale of publications.

Failure of reports to be produced in a timely fashion.

Backlog of unfinished reports and unfunded report-writing committees.

SWOT Analysis Results

Weaknesses

Competition for members' time with other activities.

Current crunch on some agency budgets.

Many agencies feel that NCRP cannot meet their objectives.

SWOT Analysis Results

Weaknesses

Failure of NCRP to inform sponsors satisfactorily on report progress.
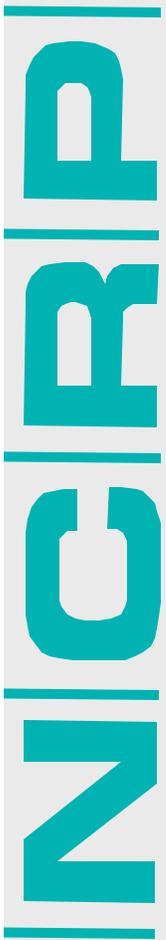
Uncertainty about NCRP's cooperation with other organizations.

Implementation Planning Committee

The Board of Directors and the Executive leadership need to implement an improvement plan that addresses the weaknesses of the Council's work.

The *ad hoc* Committee has completed its work and reported to the Board with 11 recommendations.

The Board of Directors is considering the Report and will meet in November to consider its recommendations.

Recommendations

Improve timeliness of reports.

Improve the NCRP processes of producing reports.

Respond to a broader range of funders' needs.

Work more collaboratively with other organizations.

A Presidential Search

Dr. Ken Kase is heading up the search Committee

He will be reporting to the Board in January
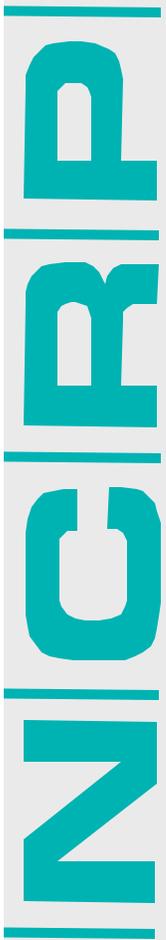
Input from many sources has been solicited

The NCRP of the Future

Continue to be recognized as an authority on radiation protection standards.

Sought after for sound radiation science.
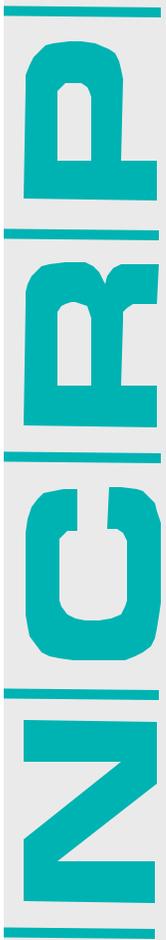
NCRP and its funders fully engaged together.

States are involved and NCRP is a resource!

The NCRP of the Future

Actions and products are timely and
fully responsive to customer needs.

Continuous improvement, through
feedback, is the foundation of operations.

Please Give Us Your Input

What must NCRP do better to earn your support?

What should NCRP add to its scientific agenda?

How can NCRP better support your States's radiological health program needs?