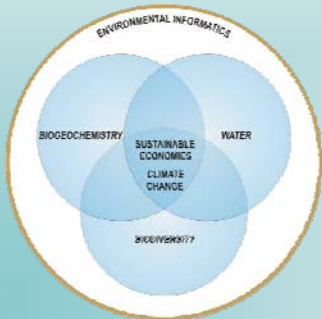


# Data Management Planning for Science Projects – Developing an Approach in CEH

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CEH research has led to the assembly of many world class data sets on a wide range of environmental processes. Collectively, they represent a national asset. Huge resources have been expended to acquire these data and it is therefore essential that they are maintained and made available. Hence CEH requires data sets to be left well documented and in good order at the end of the initiating project, and deposited in a NERC Designated Data Centre for the benefit of future scientists.

Environmental Informatics (EI) is developing procedures to ensure that all CEH projects plan for the acquisition, management and long term archiving of their data. It is proposed that all projects should have a Quality Assurance Manager (QAM) and Project Data Manager (PDM). They will be responsible for developing and implementing Quality Assurance (QAP) and Data Management Plans (DMP) with the Informatics Liaison Officers (ILOs) and Data Centres.



Further Information on the Environmental Information Centre (EIC) and Environmental Informatics Programme (EIP) can be found at <http://www.ceh.ac.uk>

