# **ADBC Program Update 2016**

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## **Current Status of ADBC**

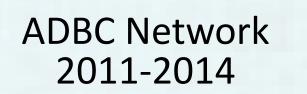
- Eighteen TCNs funded
- ~ 289 institutions now involved
- 50 states, one territory, linked to Canada & US Federal Collections
- New set of proposals arrived Oct. 14 (7 TCNs, 16 PENs) – expect to fund 1-2 new TCN, 3 or more PENs
- Program's first full year of management in DBI (NSF 15-576)

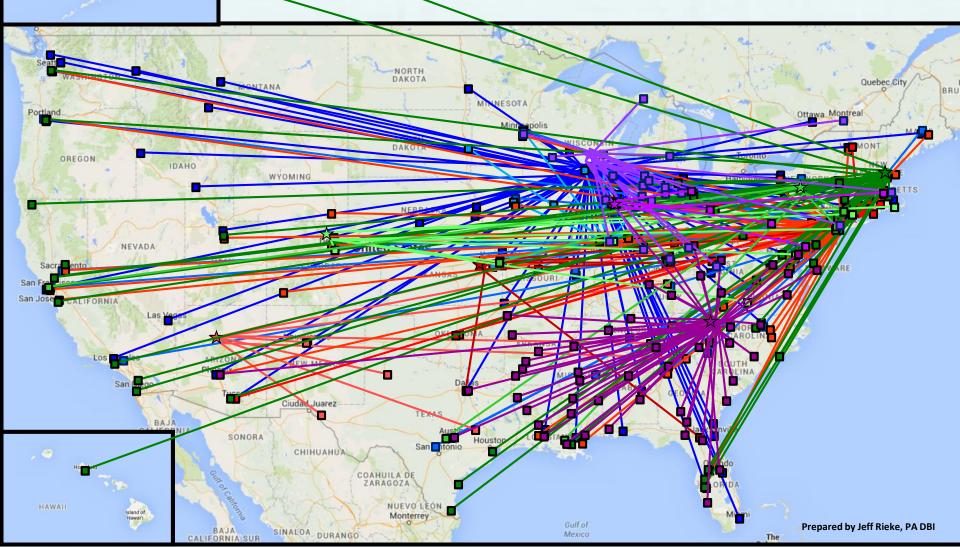


## **New Since Last Summit**

- iDigBio's renewal for 5 years
  - Education and outreach
  - Research use of data
  - Sustainability
- Three new TCNs and two PENs awarded
  - LepNet: Neil Cobb
  - Cretaceous World: Bruce Lieberman
  - The Mid-Atlantic Megalopolis (MAM): Cynthia Skema
  - Jon Gelhaus: SCAN; Dawn Roberts: InvertEBase
- Within NSF management of ADBC
  - Management of TCNs and PENs: Reed Beaman
  - Management of iDigBio: Roland P. Roberts

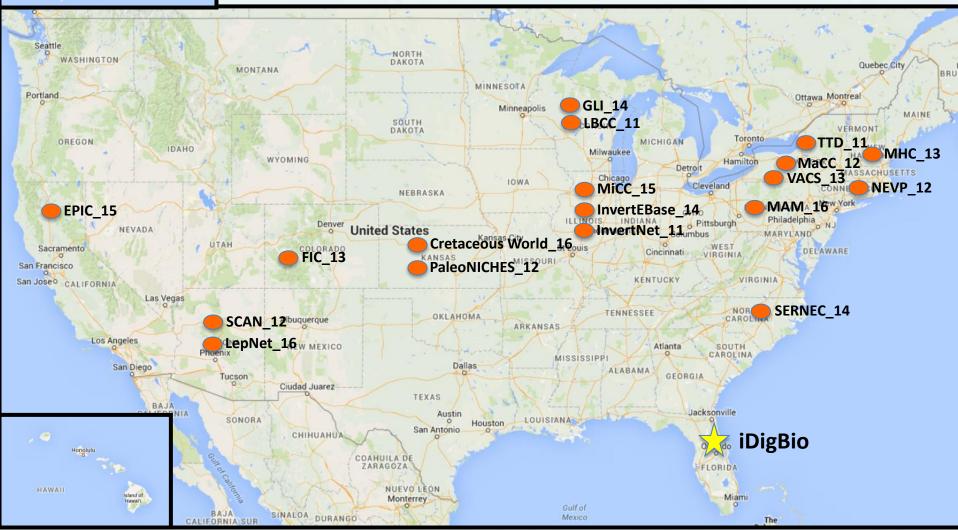








#### ADBC TCN Awards by State 2011-2016



#### **PENs**

 17 Awards **TCN # of PENS** – InvertNet 1 - LBCC 4 - SCAN 4 - MaCC 2 - PaleoNICHES 2 - NEVP 2 -FIC1 - InvertEBase 1



#### **Guidelines for ADBC program**

- Information sheet on the iDigBio web site
- Integration of ALL activities with iDigBio (data, outreach, training, workflows, sharing best practices, etc.)
- **Robust** project and data management plans



#### **Other NSF activities for collections**

- Research Coordination Network for community (BCoN) – community effort beyond the goals of ADBC
- Postdoctoral area for research to utilize collections (innovative research and mentoring for future career important)
- CSBR evaluation process



## **Research Opportunities**

Where do we go to answer the proposed theme?

- Special programs
  - Macrosystems Biology (innovative, integrated, systems-oriented macroscale biology)
- Programs in BIO
  - Systematics and Biodiversity Science
  - Ecosystems
  - Genealogy of Life (GoLife)
  - Dimensions of Biodiversity
- Core programs in GEO
  - Paleontology in Surface Earth Section
  - Earth Life Transitions



### Scientific Collections: The Next 5 Years

- Digitization
  - Engage other stakeholders to address new research themes
  - Increase/improve efficiencies
  - Inclusion/broadening participation
- Research use of data, beyond the traditional
- Sustaining the products of ADBC (TCNs/iDigBio)
  - Cyberinfrastructure
  - Data
  - Networks
- Evaluation of Achievements
  - Accessibility of specimen data
  - Use of data in research
  - Societal benefits
- BCoN & community involvement to inform future directions
  - NSF/BIO priorities; iDigBio

