NOAA Command and Data Acquisition Station
DCS (GOES Data Collection System)

• DCS receives a combined 34K messages an hour from our GOES-16 (East) and GOES-17 (West) satellites.

• DCS has several different mechanisms for data retrieval provided by NOAA.
  – DADDS (DCS Administration and Data Distribution System)
  – NWSTG (National Weather Service Telecommunication Gateway)
  – DOMSAT (Service ended 14 May, 2019)
  – LRGS (Local Readout Ground System)
  – HRIT (High Rate Information Transmission)
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DCS Administration and Data Distribution System (DADDS)
NOAA’s System for Managing and Providing Access to Data from GOES DCS

DADDS DCS1
User Login

Email: Enter Your Email Address
Password: Enter your password

- Need a Login? Click here.
- Forgotten Password? Click here.
- DCS Field Test? Click here.
- Need Help? Click here.
- 24/7 Technical Support: (757) 824-7450
- DCS Operational Notices RSS Feed

Submit an Application for GOES DCS SUA

⚠️ Notice to Users

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Register for Direct Readout and Services Notifications
Help us keep you up to date with changes and anomalies!
# LRGS Information

## LRGS Summary Status

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LRGS Servers

• There are several LRGS Servers. They are at different locations across the country.

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LRGS Monitoring GUI
User Account Setup

• Call a DCS operator at 757-824-7450 to begin the process for account setup.

• Have available the following:
  – Name
  – Email Address
  – Organization
  – Telephone Number
  – Preferred 6-character user name
Important Note

• Your DADDS account and your LRGS account are different.
• DADDS and LRGS are two separate systems and the usernames are not interchangeable.
User Account Set Up

• Must be a unique username.
  – We will check to see if your username is available.
  – Currently, once you establish your password there is no requirement to change it.
  – Once your account is established, it will be immediately available on CDADADA. Your credentials will propagate to the other LRGS machines within 30 minutes.
Password Convention

- An initial password is generated by a GUI interface located at Wallops.
- The DCS operator will provide your new password over the phone.
- You may choose to keep this password or change it at your leisure.
- IT security requirements will not let us email you the password at this time.
Password Convention

• NOAA CITR-021 Password Requirements
  – Passwords must contain at least 12 non-blank characters
  – Password must contain 3 of the following four character classes: upper case letters, lower case letters, digits, special characters.
  – Passwords cannot contain the user name or any dictionary word or acronym that is 5 characters or longer.
  – When changing a password, you cannot reuse any of the last 8 passwords, or any password that was set in the past 2 years.
Password Convention

• Users can change their passwords if so desired.
• The instructions are found in the Client User Guide provided on the download page.
• Additionally, we cannot see your password once it has been initially created. If you forget, you will have to call the Wallops DCS help desk to have a new one created.
Downloads

• You do not need to login to your DADDS account to download the client
• Go to our web page for the download link
  DCS1.NOAA.gov, DCS2.NOAA.gov
• Download the user manual first and read the particulars for your particular application
• Download the client software
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Program Information
- DCS Program Information - N/A
- DCS Policies and Procedures (PDF) - May 1998
- GOES DCS System Use Agreement (PDF) - N/A
- NOAA Technical Memo NESDIS 40 (PDF) - Mar 1994
- DCS TWG Meeting Minutes - N/A

LRGS Information
- LRGS Client User’s Guide (PDF) - Feb 2016
- LRGS Client Software Download - Feb 2016
- DCP Data Service (DDS) Protocol Specification
LRGS Support

• Wallops has very limited support for LRGS
• It’s a free OpenDCS suite developed to give users another option for data retrieval.
• At Wallops we issue passwords for the system, keep the interface servers running and ensure DCS data is flowing to the LRGS’s.
LRGS Support

• Wallops staff does not help with installation of the client software. We provide a secure download of the latest client and user guides.

• Users should coordinate with their system administrator for installation help.
LRGS Support

• If you have detailed LrgsClient questions, contact Cove Software, LLC for specific application support. Cove’s phone number is listed in the last page of the user manual.
Questions?

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