

## EML - Bug #496

### copyright changes needed

05/01/2002 06:05 PM - Matt Jones

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Changes as decided upon at the Sevilleta EML meeting, April 24-25, 2002:			
0) Matt, Peter, and others will check on copyright issues with their institutions			
1) Change copyright to "ecoinformatics.org"			
2) add paragraph to each source file citing NCEAS grants, ASU grants, Packard, NET, etc for their contributions)			

### History

#### #1 - 05/15/2002 11:38 AM - Matt Jones

I have an inquiry into the UCSB IP official about jointly held copyrights. I am awaiting a reply.

Having looked into it myself, it is clear that we can not assign copyright to ecoinformatics.org. First, as an institution it does not have any legal standing, and so can not hold a copyright. Second, each of us has contractual obligations as employees of our respective universities that prevent most of us from giving away the copyright. I have reviewed the copyright policies at UCSB, UNM, and ASU. At UCSB and UNM, it is clear that the University holds the copyright for the employee contributions. At UCSB, software that is distributed freely requires only a UC Regents copyright notice along with the license. At UNM, it was not clear what the requirements are, because they didn't distinguish between commercial and non-commercial requirements. At ASU, the University seems to have released all rights to "Academic software" to the creators, regardless of their employment status (B-908 C.4.c), so Peter and Corinna own their respective contributions and can assign them as they desire. In light of these findings, I am anticipating using the following notice on all EML documents, subject to the feedback I get from UCSB.

Any objections/comments?

Proposed copyright/license header for EML:

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'$RCSfile: eml-access.xsd,v $'  
    Copyright: 1997-2002 Regents of the University of California,  
                University of New Mexico, and  
                Arizona State University  
    Sponsors: National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis,  
                University of California Santa Barbara  
                Long-Term Ecological Research Network Office,  
                University of New Mexico  
                Center for Environmental Studies, Arizona State University  
    Other funding: National Science Foundation (see README for details)  
    For Details: http://knb.ecoinformatics.org/  
  
'$Author: jones $'  
    '$Date: 2002/05/10 00:04:26 $'  
    '$Revision: 1.32 $'
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**#2 - 05/15/2002 11:39 AM - Matt Jones**

Chris,

I want to add Packard to this as well. What is the format for citing the PISCO grant? Do you have a grant number? Are there any other requirements from packard?

**#3 - 06/14/2002 08:18 AM - Matt Jones**

PISCO was added to the copyright statement too. Chnaged copyright in all XSD files and documentation. need to change in DTDs still, so moving this bug forward to next milestone.

**#4 - 09/09/2002 02:48 AM - Matt Jones**

Checked all file sin the root of EML and updated their copyright statements. DONE. Need to be sure that any future files that are added are added with the correct project headers wrt copyright and license.

**#5 - 03/27/2013 02:14 PM - Redmine Admin**

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