

## Challenge to consider:

- How do we get the business rules, developed by the separate disciplines, to reinforce an interdisciplinary approach to science (e.g. procurement, property, FTE, funding)?
- Where are the best opportunities to make gains in business practices to effectively transition to an interdisciplinary approach where it makes sense.

## Resources:

1. U.S. Geological Survey Manual, Section 501.1 – Cost Distribution (website: [http://gsvaresa07.er.usgs.gov/business\\_practices](http://gsvaresa07.er.usgs.gov/business_practices) and log in using “employee” without the quotation marks as BOTH the User Name and Password; select “Policy”, then “Cost Distribution”)
2. Interim Report on Place-Based Studies, March 7, 2003
3. FY04 Director’s Annual Guidance, March 3, 2003 (website: <http://internal.usgs.gov/director/planning/2002/annualguide04.doc>)
4. Annual Program Direction for FY04, June 3, 2003, Section 1: Integrated Science Directions for FY04 (website: <http://internal.usgs.gov/director/planning/apdfy04.doc>)
5. The U.S. Geological Survey Planning Model, Rev. 1/10/02 (website: [http://internal.usgs.gov/director/planning/2002/bureau\\_planning\\_model.doc](http://internal.usgs.gov/director/planning/2002/bureau_planning_model.doc))
6. USGS, DOI Business Practices Handbook, Nov. 2002 (website: [http://gsvaresa07.er.usgs.gov/business\\_practices](http://gsvaresa07.er.usgs.gov/business_practices) and log in using “employee” without the quotation marks as BOTH the User Name and Password). *(Copy included in book for Bob Doyle, Pam Haverland, and Nancy Driver)*