Our Mission
Enable access and use of data about life and the environment.

Our Vision
Trustworthy data are used to understand and improve life on Earth and the environment.
Core Values

**IMPACT**
Persistent access to open data about life and the environment contributes to better decision making, improved quality of life, and a shared understanding of our planet and humanity’s role in protecting it.

**RECOGNITION**
The contributions of our many community members, stakeholders, and partner organizations will be valued and recognized.

**COLLABORATION**
Strong relationships among DataONE community members, stakeholders, and partners create better ideas, inclusive outcomes, and shared ownership.

**INNOVATION**
Creative problem-solving leads to improved practices in the delivery and preservation of data about life and the environment.

**UNDERSTANDING**
Gathering data on and understanding stakeholder needs are essential to creating services that best address those needs.

**INCLUSION**
A welcoming environment is created by valuing, engaging, mentoring, and partnering with individuals who have diverse identities and experiences.

**TRANSPARENCY**
The earth, environmental, and social sciences can be transformed by actively supporting open science and scholarship, promoting inclusive curation of credible resources, and providing broadly accessible systems.