Sensors, Instrumentation, Data Acquisition, and Visualization (SIDAV)

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Dense Arrays

- Common among all groups in NEES and Civil Engineering
- Required for improved characterization and discovery of new phenomena

- To accomplish
 - cheaper data (sensor, conditioning)
 - miniaturization
 - wireless where possible

Instrumentation

- need to identify the common characteristics for NEES sites
 - 10⁻⁶ to 10g for accelerometers
- need to identify what's available and what's being developed that fits our needs (or is close)
- Funding TINMMINEES
 - existing centers (WIMS, DARPA), Phase II, MRI?

- short-term vs. long term
 - operational by Sept. 2004
 - operating until 2014

Data Acquisition

- commonality in hardware
 - NEES shared technical support
 - need for flexibility in vendors, data sources, future capabilities
- commonality in software
 - web-based data acquisition
 - interface with NEES POP

- We suggest creating a NEES sensor group
 - one representative from each awardee
 - teleparticipation
- This group will form task force (3-4 people) to formulate NEES needs and evaluate development options designated by the awardee council with input from SI