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CLASS Data Access Tutorial

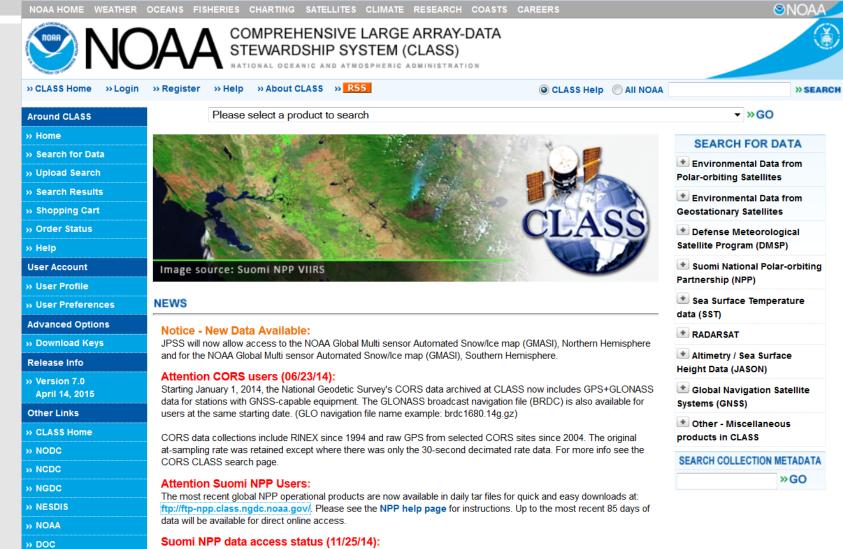
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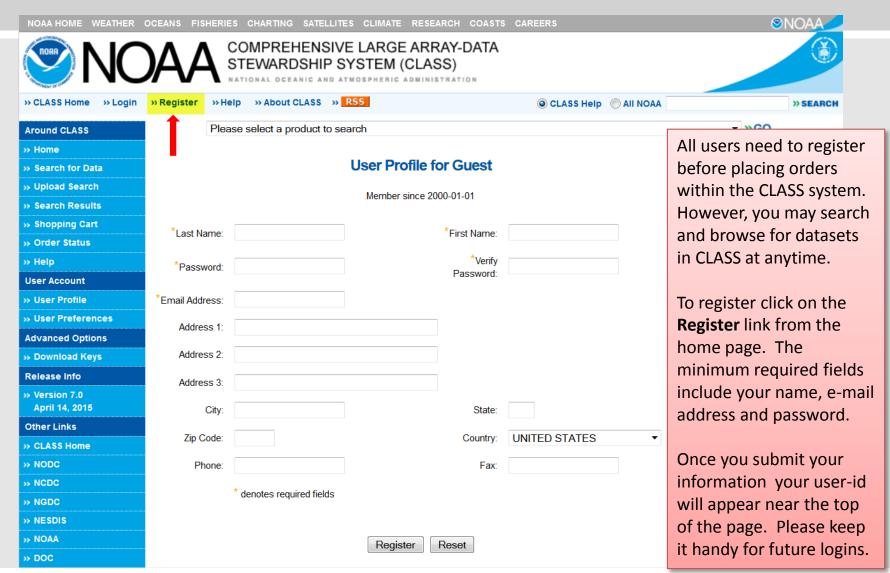
CLASS Home Page (www.class.noaa.gov)





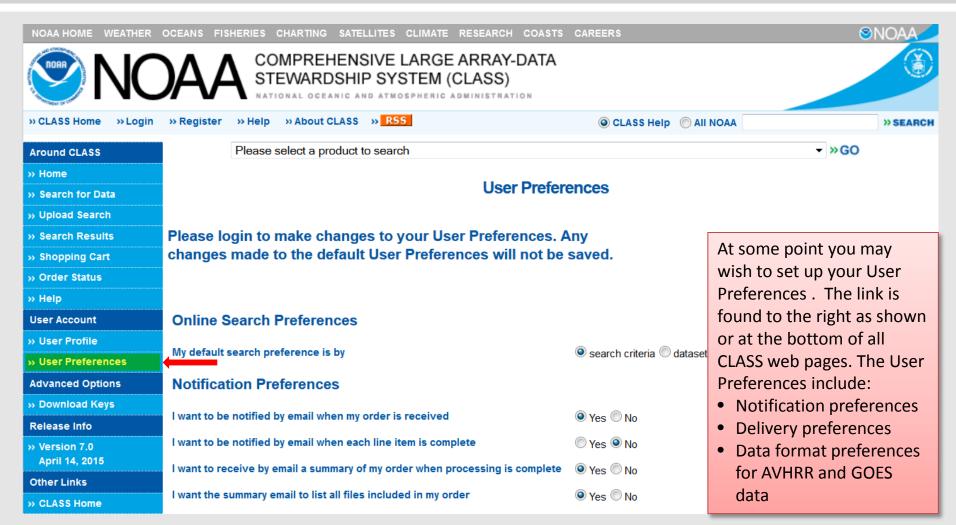
The majority of S NDD products are new available and can be ordered through CLASS. The ones available to the public

Register to create a user account



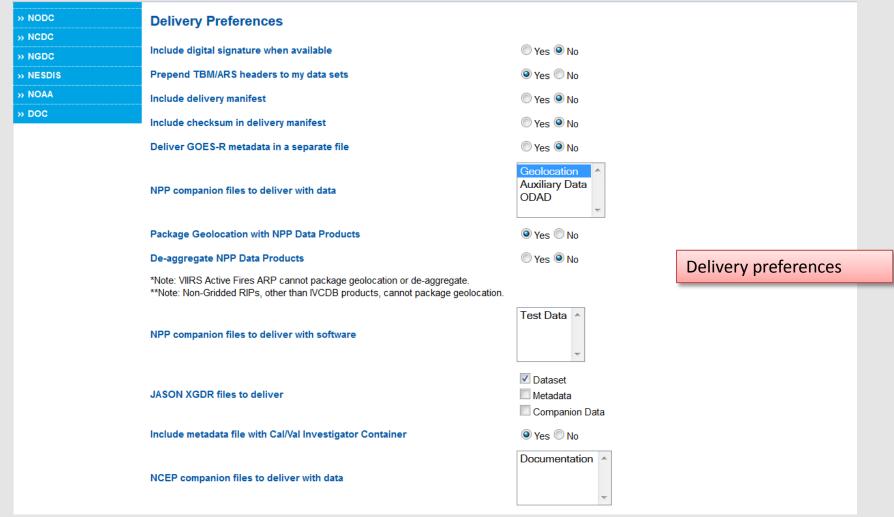


Set up your user preferences (1)





Set up your user preferences (2)





Set up your user preferences (3)

AVHRR Data Extraction Preferences

Datatype	Scan Line Selection	Bits/Pixel			Channel Number	Resolution	
		8	10	16		1 Km	4 Km
AVHRR_LAC	V	0	•	0	1 A 2 3 4 5 \rightarrow	•	
AVHRR_HRPT	V	0	•	0	1 A 2 3 4 5	•	
AVHRR_FRAC	V	0	•	0	1 A 2 3 4 5 -	•	©
AVHRR_GAC	V		•		1 ^ 2 3 4 5 \rightarrow		•

Data format preferences for AVHRR and GOES data

GVAR Data Extraction Preferences

Datatype	Subset Flag	Bits/	/Pixel	Channel Number	lumber Output Format			Spatial Resolution		Map Overlay		
	Geo.	8	16		Area	NetCDF	GIF	JPG	Raw	VIS	IR	
GVAR_SND		0	•	1 A 2 III 3 4 V	•	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	V
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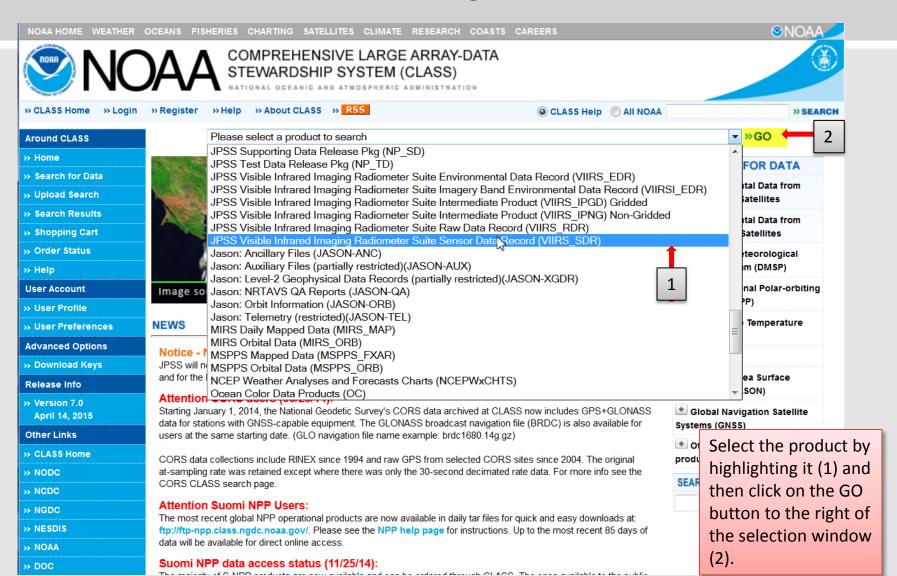


Select data family to search



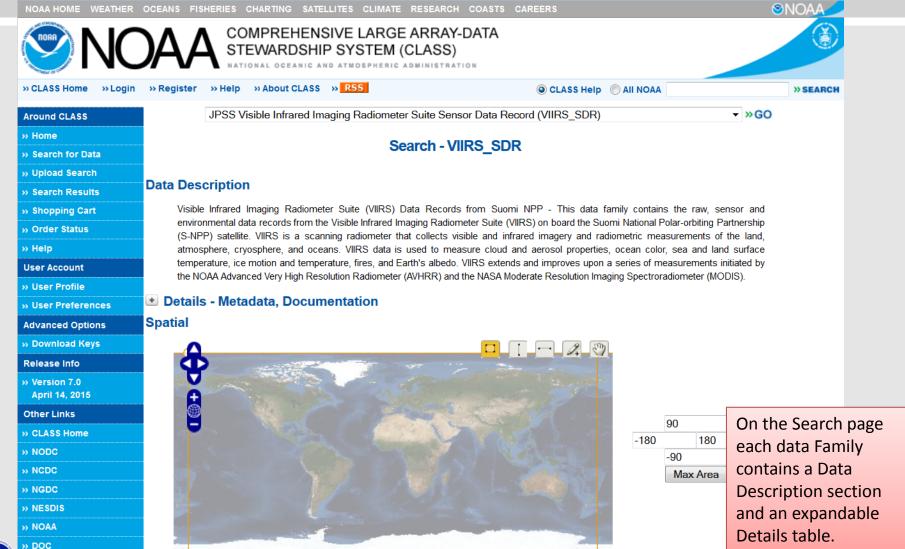


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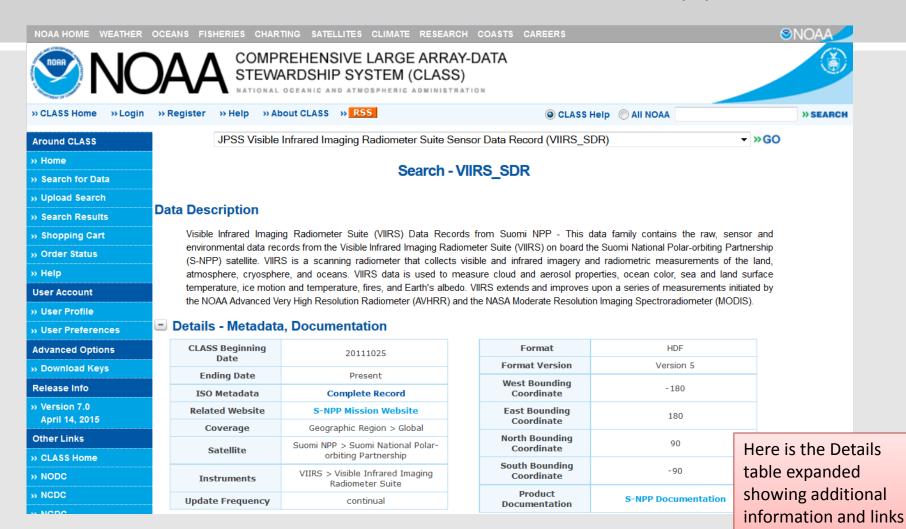




Search for data – data description (1)



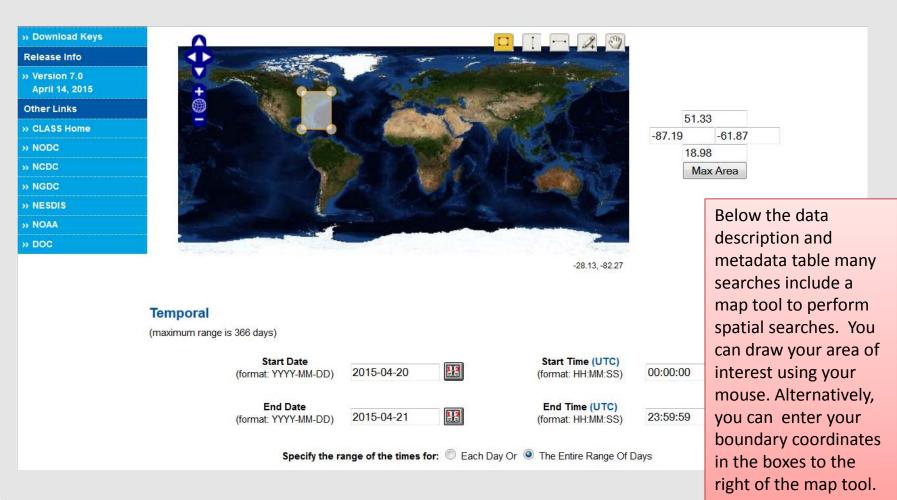
Search for data – details table (2)



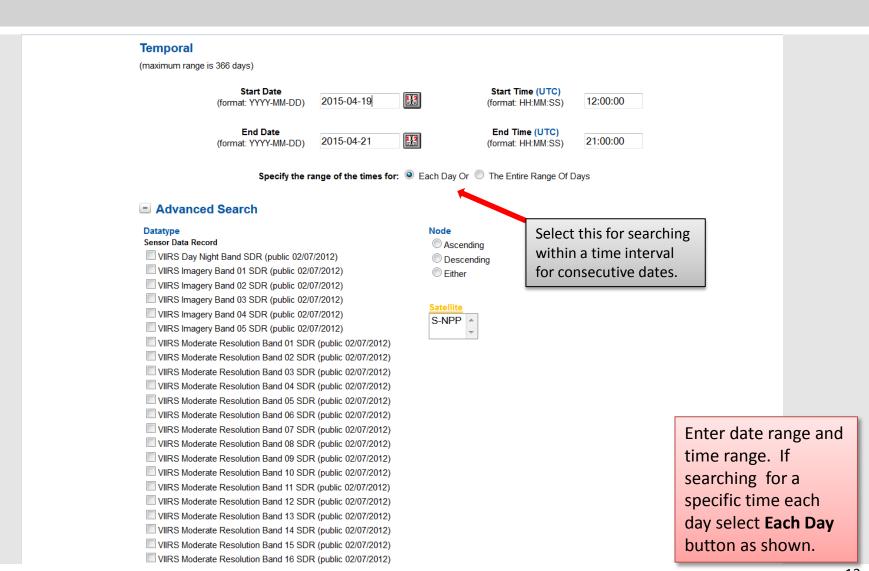


to metadata and documentation.

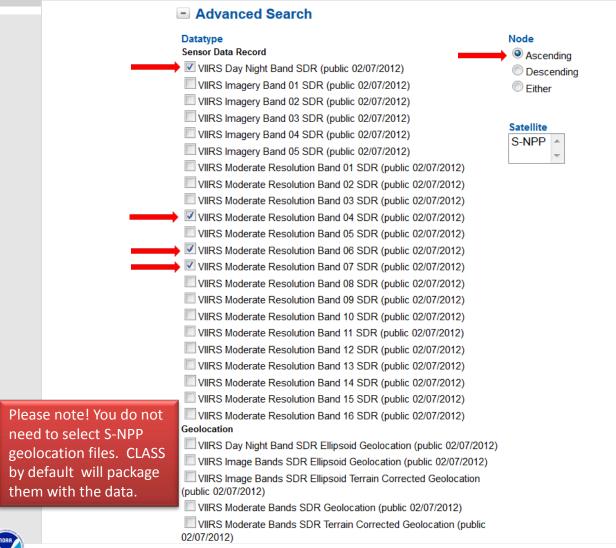
Search for data - spatial search (3)



Search for data – temporal search (4)

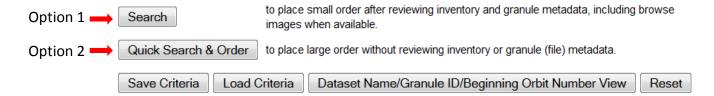


Search for data – product selection (5)



Then select datatypes with a checkmark. You can select a Node for polar-orbiting data.

Search for data – initiating your search (6)



Now you are ready to place your search for actual datasets.

At the bottom of each Search page there will be two types of searches. For option 1, clicking on the **Search** button will allow you to retrieve an inventory of files from which you can select a limited number of files to order and also the opportunity to view file level metadata.

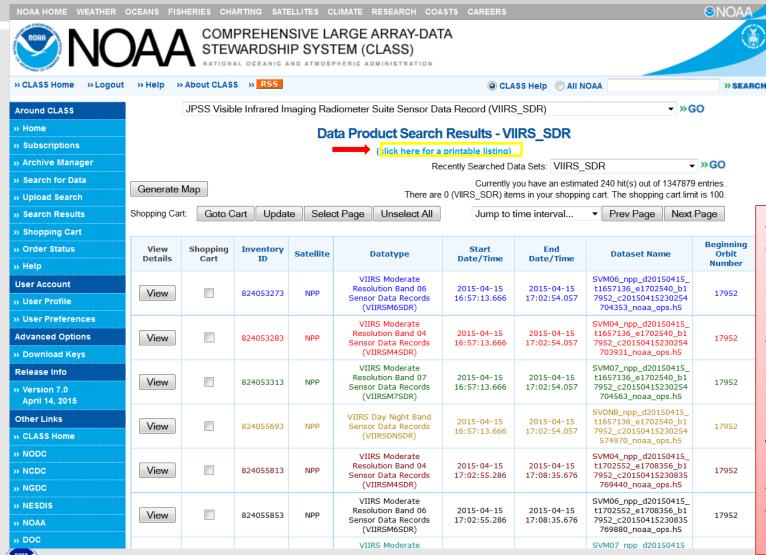
For option 2, clicking on the **Quick Search & Order** button will allow you to by-pass the inventory listings and to go directly to the Shopping Cart page to place your order. Option 2 will also enable you to place larger orders.

Also, below the search buttons you will have an opportunity to save your search criteria to your local machine for future searches. This comes in handy for placing frequent orders of the same datatypes and spatial extents and satellite-ids.

The final option includes searching on known values such as file name, granule id and orbit number. This tutorial will not explore this option for now.



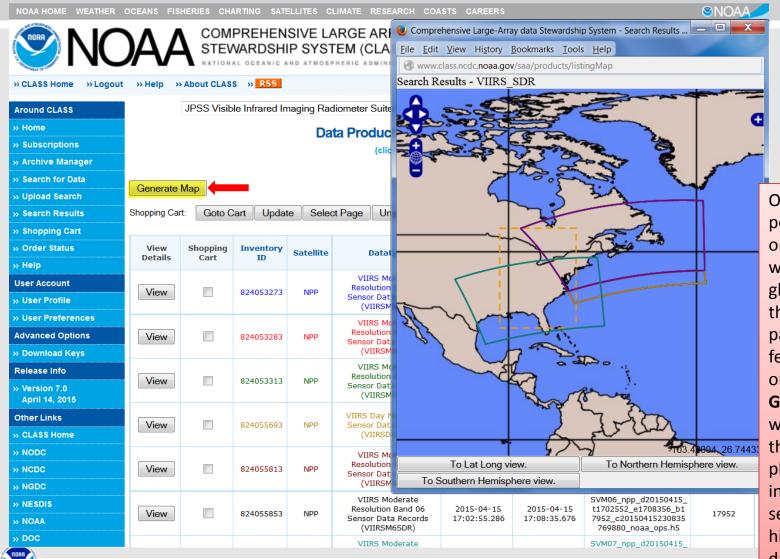
Search Results page – inventory listing (1)



After clicking on the **Search** button (option 1) you will see a listing of datasets (files or granules) and other information. Ten datasets are displayed at a time.

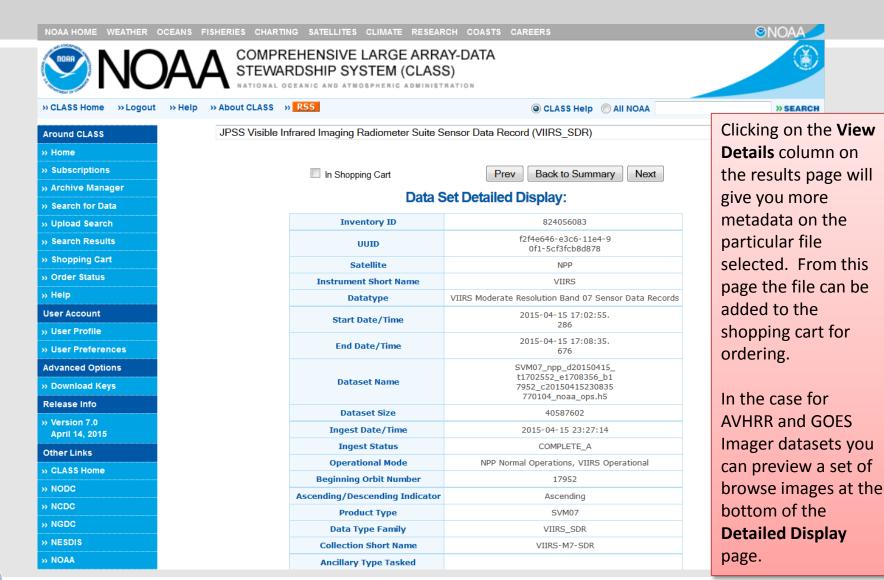
The entire inventory listing can be printed from the link above the results table (see arrow).

Search Results page – Generate Map (2)



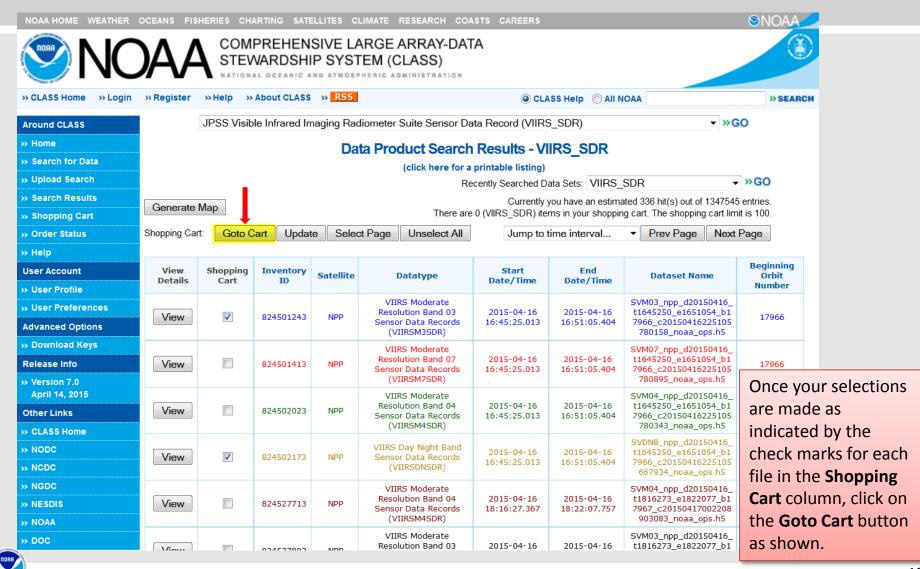
On searches performed on polarorbiting datasets where a region of the globe was selected. the search results page will include a feature to view swaths on a map. The **Generate Map** button will allow you to see the geographic placement of each file in relation to your search area, which is highlighted in a dashed yellow line.

Search Results page – Detailed Display (3)

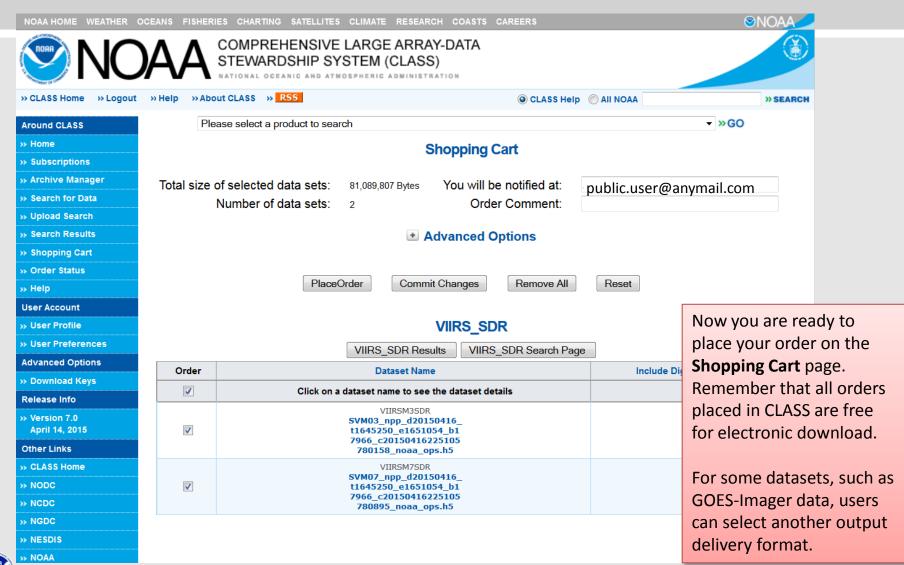




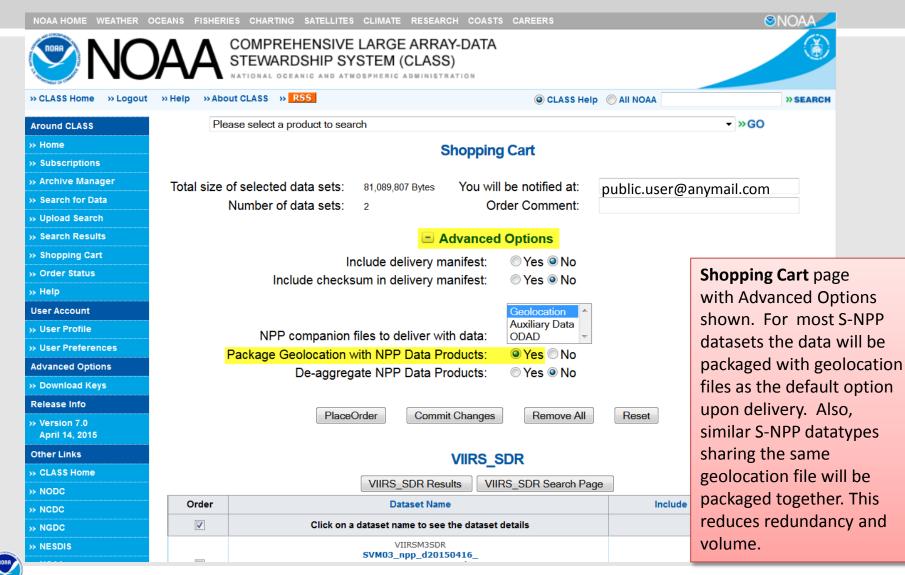
Search Results page – selecting files (4)



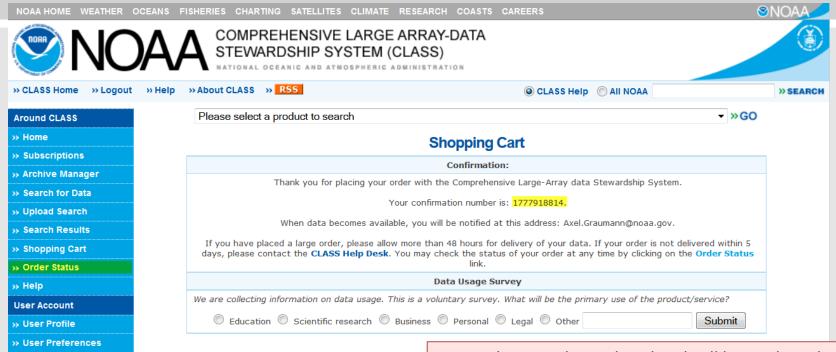
Shopping Cart page (1)



Shopping Cart page – Advanced Options (2)



Shopping Cart page – CLASS order confirmation (3)



Success! Your order is placed and will be ready within 24-48 hours depending on the size of the order. You will receive a notification by e-mail with the details of your order.

On the left side you may click on the **Order Status** link to check on the progress of your order.

A second e-mail is issued when your order is ready with download instructions. Both ftp and http access are provided.



Advanced Options

>> Download Keys Release Info

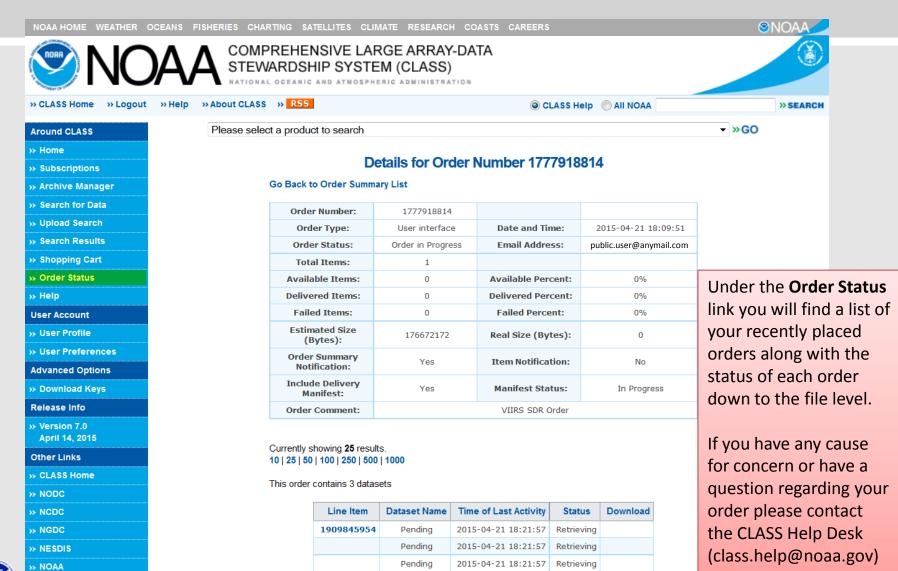
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Other Links

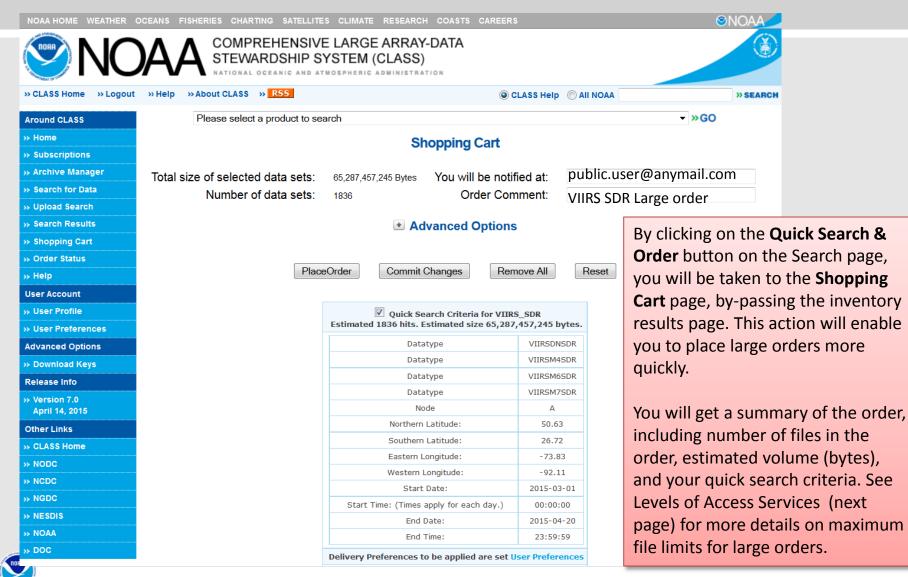
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Order Status page – details of order status





Shopping Cart from Quick Search & Order



Levels of Access Services - Orders (1)

CLASS order types:	Average completion time	Average File Limit	Contact the CLASS Help Desk?
Ad hoc orders (Use Search button to obtain inventory)	Usually within 12 to 24 hours	Up to 500 files	No
Large orders (use Quick Search & Order button to skip inventory)	24 to 48 hours	1000 to 3000	No
Block orders (use Quick Search & Order button)	> 48 hours	3000 to 6000	Yes
Subscription (standing orders)	< 6-7 hours	No limit	Yes



Levels of Access Services – FTP (2)

CLASS provides daily tar files containing publicly available S-NPP products (excluding the Raw Data Records) for easy anonymous FTP download at:

ftp://ftp-npp.class.ngdc.noaa.gov/

- Most recent 85 days
- 76 datatypes (including Geolocation files)
- Data are compressed and "tar"-ed by datatype
- Sorted by date/instrument-processing level/product
- Includes manifest files (xml format)
- No registration required!



Assistance and Support

For questions regarding access in CLASS please contact:

class.help@noaa.gov

Also, see the CLASS Help section for more information and FAQ's

