Each proposal must include a project vision statement of long-range goals. Should the project be successful in its first 2.5-year time period (First Work Plan), what further research would be proposed for subsequent projects for the Second Work Plan? What would you propose for an exit strategy?

The project vision statement should include ideas for new and supplementary experiments, studies, and activities that would begin after this funding period (2009) and end two later (2011). In addition, the statement should describe a longer-term vision (10-year). This should be a detailed but concept-based statement. Please include a brief exit strategy. Indicate how the project collaboration or impact could be sustained beyond the life of the project (e.g., identify other possible sources of financial support or institutional commitments; groups who would be interested in the research results).

Please structure this first part of your proposal narrative as follows:

- Executive Summary
- Introduction
- Project Vision Statement

Sections should be labeled clearly. The three sections together are limited to 2-pages maximum.

Asking for a statement of project vision in no way constitutes any obligation on the part of or intent by the CRSP ME to fund your project beyond the First Work Plan, which ends in 2009. The project vision statement can be helpful to peer-reviewers who will be evaluating the long-term possibility for impact from your project and its investigations.