Format Standards and Visualization

Format Standards

- Standard formats allows for existing tools to provide quick access to the data and enhances usage by others
- Output from a number of current models use a variety of non-standard formats
 - Older models will probably not be modified to use format standards unless done by the CCMC
- Recommendation to developers of new models to consider using a standard format
 - Any one of the multi-platform standards
 - Greatly facilitate community and CCMC usage
- Recommend that some effort goes into implementation guidelines (standard meta data and definitions)

Visualization

- 1 & 2D visualization well in hand with a number of existing packages
- Only a few 3D visualization tools that are easy to use, reliable, and cheap that meet requirements
- Current Wisdom: Community should look at the OpenDX software tools for visualization of our models