The NSF-sponsored workshop on Future Directions in Tectonics, to be held in Madison, WI on July 22-24, has been **postponed** until **May, 2016**.

We received a small number of interested responses to the original workshop invitation, due to short leeway time and busy summer schedules. Many others contacted us expressing interest in the workshop, but regretfully could not attend given travel that had already been scheduled.

We believe it is important to have a critical mass of scientists at this workshop that fully represents the broad tectonics community, and to ensure that potential participants have ample time to arrange their schedules. The organizing committee was concerned that a small number of participants would prevent us from attaining the goals of this important vision-forming event, hence the need to reschedule.

We have received significant positive feedback and strong community support for this workshop, and we feel that rescheduling it for spring 2016 will enable more people to attend and for more comprehensive planning of the workshop structure.

We continue to welcome comments and suggestions via the website listed below. These comments will be used in forming a vision of the workshop content and structure. We will also hold town-hall meetings at the 2015 GSA and AGU national meetings to solicit community input for planning the workshop.

Please provide comments on this workshop website link provided [here](#).

We apologize for any inconvenience that results from this change in schedule, but hope that it will ultimately better serve the community than moving forward with short notice on such an important event.

A modified announcement and call for applications for the May, 2016 workshop will be coming soon.

Sincerely,