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1. To establish high standards of excellence for publications by encouraging appropriate review for all scientific, technical and engineering publications related to Sanford Underground Research Facility (SURF) research and technical activities prior to publication; and
2. To ensure SURF is notified of all publications that are based on work performed in whole, or in part, at SURF.

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