

National Geospatial Advisory Committee December 1-2, 2009 Meeting Summary

ACTIONS, DECISIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS

Review and Adoption of August NGAC Minutes

DECISION: The NGAC adopted the minutes of the August 2009 meeting.

Dialogue with the Mapping Science Committee (MSC)

ACTION: FGDC will provide a link to MSC reports and downloadable executive summaries that are available through the National Academies Press (<http://www.nap.edu/>)

ACTION: The NGAC will consider identifying issues to be recommended or referred to MSC for more detailed studies/reports. NGAC may also review and endorse MSC studies as appropriate.

Leadership Remarks

ACTION: DOI will make decisions on FGDC leadership and priorities by end of January 2010

ACTION: DOI/FGDC will complete guidance to the NGAC prior to the March 2010 NGAC meeting

ACTION: The Chair will send a thank you letter to Andrew Jackson (DOI), offer to provide assistance on DOI/Administration priorities, and request follow-up meeting.

Developing Effective Place-Based Policies

ACTION: The Chair will send thank you letters to Derek Douglas (EOP) and Xavier de Souza Briggs (OMB), offer to provide assistance on place-based initiatives and Administration priorities, and request follow-up meetings.

ACTION: FGDC Executive Committee will identify opportunities to support place-based projects identified through FY 2011 budget process.

ACTION: FGDC will compile notes from discussion on place-based policies and provide to NGAC members.

FGDC Virtual Forum/Communications Subcommittee

ACTION: NGAC members will be invited to observe December 9 FGDC Virtual Forum event.

ACTION: Communications Subcommittee will continue to provide input and help publicize the external forum events in 2010.

Economic Recovery Subcommittee

DECISION: The NGAC adopted the Economic Recovery Subcommittee's paper on lessons learned from the economic recovery bill.

Geospatial Policy Benefits Paper

DECISION: The NGAC adopted the geospatial policy benefits paper in concept. The work team will edit and format the paper and send it to the Chair and the FGDC Executive Director for final approval.

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Emerging Technologies Subcommittee

ACTION: The Emerging Technologies Subcommittee will develop an initial plan of action prior to the March 2010 NGAC meeting.

Geospatial Revolution Project

ACTION: NGAC members provide additional feedback/story ideas for Geospatial Revolution project to Penn State team by end of December.

Transportation for the Nation

ACTION: NGAC will invite DOT/Steve Lewis to return and report on progress in developing the Transportation for the Nation plan as it is developed in 2010.

The National Map

ACTION: NGAC members will provide input on first draft of TNM strategic plan through the NGAC National Map Subcommittee.

National LIDAR Concept

ACTION: USGS/FGDC will identify opportunities where NGAC can provide input into development of LIDAR concept – potentially through a new NGAC Subcommittee.

Partnerships

ACTION: FGDC will provide link to ASPRS data licensing survey results on NGAC wiki/web page (including aggregated data).

Governance/Metrics Paper

ACTION: The NGAC endorsed the high-level concepts in the Governance Subcommittee's paper on NSDI metrics. The NGAC also agreed on next steps, including outreach by the Subcommittee to refine the metrics approach, and continued internal discussion within the NGAC regarding NSDI governance.

Next Steps

ACTION: FGDC will compile a summary of the meeting and post to the NGAC website for use/distribution by NGAC members.

ACTION: The Chair will send a letter to the DOI Secretary summarizing committee activities over the past two years.

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Next Meeting

The next NGAC meeting is tentatively planned for late March, 2010 in the Washington, DC area. Potential agenda topics include the following:

- Welcome/Orientation for new NGAC members
- FGDC guidance to NGAC
- Place-based policies follow-up
- FGDC Virtual Forum follow-up
- Follow-up/updates on ongoing NGAC Subcommittee activities
- Discussion of NRC data licensing study
- Discussion of geospatial technology forecast
- Discussion of "G-Commerce" business models