

**Project Charter Amendment  
For  
Department of the Interior's (DOI) Geospatial Modernization Blueprint**

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**Purpose:** This amendment outlines the relationship, with regards to governance and architecture development, implementation and maintenance processes, between the DOI Geospatial Modernization Blueprint (GMBT) and the recently launched Federal Geospatial Line of Business (GeoLOB) initiative.

**Background:** The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and the General Services Administration (GSA) launched the Geospatial Line of Business (GeoLoB) in March 2006. The managing partner is Ivan DeLoatch, Staff Director of the Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC), which is hosted by the National Geospatial Program Office (NGPO), U.S. Geological Survey. Karen Siderelis is the managing partner for the Geospatial Modernization Blueprint and leads the NGPO. The GeoLoB has similar goals as the DOI GMBT for improving the overall cost effectiveness, utility, re-use and sharing of geospatial information and technologies. However, the scope of the GeoLOB is federal-wide with the DOI GMBT's scope essentially being Departmental. It is envisioned that the DOI GMBT architectural efforts will be a feeder into the federal GeoLOB initiative. As a result, the Core Team of GMBT in partnership with the DOI OCIO has agreed to provide oversight, input and coordination for the federal GeoLoB activities on behalf of DOI.

Also, in March 2006, OMB issued a request asking each agency to identify one senior agency official to hold agency-wide responsibility, accountability and authority for geospatial issues and to serve on the Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) Steering Committee. Mark Limbaugh, Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, been designated as the Senior Agency Official for Department of the Interior (DOI).

**Coordinating Responsibilities:**

- The managing partner/executive sponsor for the federal GeoLOB will request approval from the DOI Investment Review Board for any/all DOI IT resources (e.g., funding, staffing) in support of the federal GeoLOB.
- The managing partner/executive sponsor for the GeoLOB will submit business cases in alignment with the DOI Capital Planning and Control Process and schedule for any/all DOI IT resources in support of the GeoLOB.
- The managing partner/executive sponsor for the federal GeoLOB will coordinate architecture related activities in support of the federal GeoLOB with the DOI OCIO, specifically the Interior Enterprise Architecture Program Office.

### **GeoLoB Vision**

The Nation's interests are served, and the core missions of Federal agencies and their partners are met, through the effective and efficient development, provision, and interoperability of geospatial data and services.

### **GeoLoB Goals**

- Productive intergovernmental collaboration for geospatial-related activities and investments across all sectors and levels of government
- Optimized and standardized common geospatial functions, services, and processes that are responsive to customers
- Cost efficient acquisition, processing, and access to geospatial data and information