

Geospatial Platform

NGAC Platform Subcommittee Comments

- 1) Who is the audience for this document? State it and stick to it. What do we want this document to result in?
- 2) Be aggressive, be forward looking. What will be different 5 years from now if we take this on? Ten years from now?
- 3) Considerable comment on the roles of state/locals – how are they to be incented? How do they get a meaningful seat at the governance table? Licensing issues? Multiple roles (customer in one case, provider in another)?
- 4) Likewise, what is the role of the private sector? Why should they get involved?
- 5) Who's in charge? Questions about the role of and eventual home of the Platform Managing Partner – suggestions included FGDC, GSA, OMB, etc. as location. More focus on the authority and role of the MP is required. Who is in charge? What authority do they have (and what authority do they need?) Intergovernmental Working Group?

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- 6) Funding and business model sections seem to be agreed upon as a good start, but many pointed out the complexities and difficulties that lie ahead
- 7) Questions about existing initiatives and how they fit in or are replaced by the Platform (The National Map? GOS? GeoLOB? NSDI? etc.)
- 8) Management tools – change management, content management, customer relations management... Need to ensure we are leveraging best approaches
- 9) Generally... could stand to be a little more positive in tone (not stressing redundancy and wastefulness in intro, stressing incentives over enforcing compliance throughout document)