

National Geospatial Advisory Committee
March 17-18, 2015 Meeting Summary
ACTIONS, DECISIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS

Review and Adoption of December 2015 NGAC Minutes

DECISION: The NGAC adopted the minutes of the December 3, 2014 NGAC webinar meeting.

FGDC Update

ACTION: FGDC will issue call for nominations for next round of appointments to the NGAC in Spring 2015. NGAC members are encouraged to share this opportunity widely through their professional organizations and networks.

Outreach and Communications Subcommittee

ACTION: FGDC will seek input through the NGAC Outreach and Communications Subcommittee on the development of the NSDI/Geospatial Platform Outreach and Communications Strategy.

Crowd-Sourced Geospatial Data

ACTION: As a follow-up to the panel discussion on crowd-sourced geospatial data, NGAC members should provide any additional questions to Molly Vogt, who will consolidate the questions and coordinate responses from the presenters.

Privacy/NTIA/UAS

DECISION: The NGAC approved the following resolution:

“The NGAC recommends that the FGDC work collaboratively with the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) to ensure that the geospatial community is actively involved in the multi-stakeholder engagement process described in the February 2015 Presidential Memorandum “Promoting Economic Competitiveness While Safeguarding Privacy, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties in Domestic Use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems.” The NGAC encourages the FGDC to work collaboratively with the NTIA to develop and communicate appropriate best practices for privacy, accountability, and transparency issues regarding commercial and private UAS use for data acquisition, while encouraging innovation and the development and deployment of appropriate technologies that benefit the nation and serve the scientific and economic missions of multiple agencies. The NGAC looks forward to providing input and suggestions to the FGDC to inform the multi-stakeholder process as it develops.”

ACTION: NGAC members and their organizations are encouraged to submit responses to the NTIA Request for Comments on “Privacy, Transparency, and Accountability Regarding Commercial and Private Use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems.” The request for comments is posted at:

<http://www.ntia.doc.gov/federal-register-notice/2015/request-comments-privacy-transparency-and-accountability-regarding-comm>.

Comments are due by April 20, 2015.

3DEP Subcommittee

ACTION: FGDC/USGS will provide information to the NGAC on the series of public meetings on 3DEP requirements planned for May/June once the meetings are scheduled.

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Landsat Advisory Group

Action: USGS will provide a briefing for members of the Landsat Advisory Group (LAG) on March 20 regarding USGS activities and responses to previous recommendations by the LAG.

NGAC Subcommittees

ACTION: The NGAC discussed the following approach for the 2015 NGAC Subcommittees:

- Subcommittees refine 2015 workplans
- Subcommittees provide status reports at June NGAC meeting
- Subcommittees develop draft papers by September NGAC meeting
- Subcommittees develop final draft papers prior to the December NGAC meeting

Next Meeting

The next NGAC meeting is scheduled for June 9-10, 2015 in Washington, DC. Additional information will be provided prior to the meeting.