
NGAC

**Geospatial Privacy Subcommittee
Status Report**

**NGAC Meeting
September 1, 2015**

Session Agenda

- Introduction
- NTIA Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) stakeholder engagement process
- Update on CIO Council coordination – planning for CIOC Privacy Summit
- Discussion
- Next Steps

Subcommittee Membership

- Chair: Kevin Pomfret
- Co-Chair: Doug Richardson
- Members:
 - Keith Clarke
 - Matt Gentile
 - Michael Jones
 - Tony Spicci

Guidance 2015

The issue of geolocation privacy is an area of continuing importance to the FGDC and the organizations represented on the NGAC. The FGDC will continue to collaborate with the NGAC to review and develop common approaches to understand and address the issue of geolocation privacy, including the following:

- Provide continuing feedback and advice on emerging geospatial privacy issues and policy developments. Develop and refine background and briefing materials on key geospatial privacy issues.

NTIA UAS Activities

- **March 2015** – National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) issued Request for Comments on “Privacy, Transparency, and Accountability Regarding Commercial and Private Use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems.” Comments due April 20, 2015. (<http://www.ntia.doc.gov/federal-register-notice/2015/request-comments-privacy-transparency-and-accountability-regarding-comm>).
- **March 2015 NGAC Meeting** – discussion of RFC and approval of resolution

NGAC 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.”

Approved March 18, 2015

FGDC/NGAC Comments

- FGDC submitted comments to NTIA - April 20, 2015
- Transmitted NGAC resolution on UAS
- Encouraged NTIA to fully include the geospatial community in the multi-stakeholder engagement process
- Noted that FGDC and NGAC representatives had registered to participate in stakeholder meetings; look forward to collaboration
 - FGDC Comments posted at: http://www.ntia.doc.gov/files/ntia/fgdc_comments_4-20-15.pdf
 - All comments posted at: <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/federal-register-notice/2015/comments-privacy-transparency-and-accountability-regarding-commercial-a>

NTIA Stakeholder Engagement

- Initial stakeholder meeting held on August 3 in Washington.
- Well-attended, with representatives from multiple stakeholder groups, including insurance industry, telecommunications, drone/UAS manufacturers, hobbyist organizations, public interest organizations, etc.
- NTIA's goal is to develop consensus on a set of best practices related to UAS privacy.
- NTIA is not planning to develop an enforceable code of conduct through this process, but a set of best practices that stakeholders can be encouraged to adopt/emulate.

NTIA Stakeholder Engagement

- The next public stakeholder meetings are scheduled for: September 24, October 21, and November 20 in Washington.
- The meetings will be webcast, with opportunity for stakeholders to participate remotely through a moderated conference bridge.
- Additional information available at:
<http://www.ntia.doc.gov/other-publication/2015/multistakeholder-process-unmanned-aircraft-systems>

CIO Council Coordination

- February 19 FGDC/NGAC briefing to CIOC Privacy Committee
 - CIOC Privacy Committee designation of Innovation and Emerging Technology Subcommittee as POC for geospatial privacy issues
- August 26 FGDC/NGAC Conference call with CIOC Privacy Committee staff
 - Opportunities for collaboration & planning for November 2015 “Privacy Summit” – including session on geospatial privacy issues

CIO Council Coordination

CIOC Privacy Summit

- Planned for early November (final date TBD)
- Approx. 400 attendees
- Federal Audience – from Privacy, Human Resources, Finance, IT, and Acquisitions communities.
- Keynote speaker – OMB Director Shaun Donovan
- Breakout Session on Geospatial Privacy:
 - CIOC has asked FGDC and NGAC to organize the breakout session
 - Panel discussion, consider use of case studies
- Great opportunity to reach a broad Federal audience



Discussion