



FGDC Coordination Group January 6, 2009

FGDC Business Update

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FGDC Business Update

- ◆ Steering Committee Votes
- ◆ SAOGI Membership Changes
- ◆ 2009 Meeting Schedules
- ◆ Transition Planning
- ◆ CAP Grants Deadline



Steering Committee Votes

◆ December 16, 2008 SC Meeting

- Discussion and votes
- Imagery for the Nation (IFTN) recommendation
- Endorsement of the A-16 Supplemental Guidance

◆ Electronic vote via email

- Single email with both votes sent to members
- Follow-up calls to reach a quorum



Steering Committee Votes (cont'd)

◆ VOTE ITEM 1

◆ Imagery for the Nation (IFTN)

- ◆ The Executive Committee recommended that 6-inch imagery be eliminated as a Federally-funded component of IFTN, but that it be offered as a buy-up option as part of the 1-foot component.
- ◆ Quorum majority vote approved this approach.

◆ IFTN Next Steps

- IFTN workgroup will incorporate this recommendation into the IFTN program requirements.
- **Governance** - Discussions underway among the IFTN Chairs and the National Digital Orthophoto Program (NDOP) members about governance of IFTN as an initiative of the FGDC
- **High-resolution prioritization** - ExCom has tasked the Technical Plan Work Group to develop an authoritative coordination process for prioritizing funding for high-resolution imagery to be flexible to meet current needs (State/Federal) each year
- Contact: Vicki Lukas, vlukas@usgs.gov



Steering Committee Votes (cont'd)

◆ VOTE ITEM 2

◆ OMB Circular A-16 Supplemental Guidance

◆ The A-16 Supplemental Guidance document that provides clarification and implementation details to the OMB Circular A-16 concluded its formal review process.

◆ Quorum majority vote endorsed the approval of this document and its content.

◆ A-16 Supplemental Next Step

■ A-16 Supplemental Guidance document will be sent to OMB for review and concurrence.

■ Contact: Lew Sanford, Isanford@fgdc.gov



Steering Committee Votes (cont'd)

◆ All respondents endorsed both items

◆ Votes received (as of 1/5/09)

Agree/Endorsement Votes (21):

-USDA

-DOC

-DoD

-DOE

-DOEd

-EPA

-GSA

-HUD

-DOI

-DOJ

-DoT

-LoC

-NARA

-NGA

-NRC

-NSF

-DOS

-Treasury

-TVA

-NASA

-DHS



SAOGI Membership Changes

- ◆ Letter from the FGDC Chair to transitioning SAOGIs
 - Appoint a designee until new SAOGI is in place
 - ◆ Transitions are occurring
 - ◆ Minimize communication breakdown
 - ◆ All Agencies – please notify the FGDC Secretariat as soon as possible with membership changes.
 - Email: Pat Phillips, FGDC Executive Secretary:
paphillips@fgdc.gov
- AND**
- Email: fgdc@fgdc.gov



2009 Meeting Schedules

◆ Coordination Group (12)

- January 6, February 3, March 3, April 7, May 5
- June 2, July 7, August 4, September 1, October 6, November 3, December 1

◆ Executive Committee (TBD)

- January 13

◆ Steering Committee (TBD)

◆ NGAC (4)

- February 4-5, Alexandria
- May 12-13, Washington D.C.
- September – TBD, December - TBD



Transition Planning

- ◆ Action item from 12/2 Coordination Group meeting: Ask for volunteers to participate in the DOI-led Transition Team. Names received so far:

- Randy Fusaro – Census
- Jon Sperling – HUD
- Abe Gedamu- Food and Drug Administration
- Wendy Black-Coleman - EPA

ACTION: Submit any other names to paphillips@fgdc.gov and fgdc@fgdc.gov

- ◆ First actions of work group:

- Revise DOI fact sheets for broader use
- Develop ideas for approaching the new Administration on supporting FGDC efforts



2009 NSDI Cooperative Agreements Program

- ◆ Proposals can be submitted via Grants.gov until **January 6**
- ◆ Up to 26 proposals will be awarded
- ◆ Funds available \$1,310,000
- ◆ February - announcement of awards

<http://www.fgdc.gov/grants/>



Thank You

Questions?

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