

# National Geospatial Advisory Committee August 26-27, 2009 Meeting Summary

## ACTIONS, DECISIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS

### Review and Adoption of May NGAC Minutes

**DECISION:** The NGAC adopted the minutes of the May 2009 meeting as revised.

### FGDC/NGAC Activities

**ACTION:** FGDC will include a summary of NGAC activities in the FGDC FY 2009 Annual Report.

**ACTION:** FGDC will provide a summary of how NGAC's comments on Imagery for the Nation (IFTN) have been addressed in the IFTN Record of Decision.

**ACTION:** FGDC will work with OMB and other executive offices to identify opportunities to support the Administration's Place-Based Management initiative.

**ACTION:** The FGDC Cadastral Subcommittee will coordinate with the Federal Reserve to determine if there is authority under the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act to collect parcel-level data.

### Imagery for the Nation

**DECISION:** The NGAC approved the following resolution:

"The National Geospatial Advisory Committee endorses the outcomes documented in the August 2009 FGDC Executive Committee Record of Decision (ROD) on Imagery for the Nation (IFTN). The NGAC strongly encourages the FGDC and the Administration to seek authorizing legislation for IFTN, develop a Fiscal Year 2011 budget initiative to support IFTN, and move aggressively to implement the IFTN program as described in the ROD."

**ACTION:** Steve Lowe, USDA FGDC Executive Committee member, will contact USDA's Office of General Counsel (OGC) to determine whether OGC's legal opinion on NAIP contracting can be released.

### National Geospatial Policy and Strategy

To address the FGDC Executive Committee's guidance to the NGAC, the group agreed on the following actions:

#### Benefits

**ACTION:** Zsolt Nagy, Dennis Goreham, and Barney Krucoff will review NGAC documents and other materials and develop a brief summary of the benefits of developing a National Geospatial Policy.

#### Governance/Metrics

##### **ACTIONS:**

- NGAC members will send comments on the draft metrics paper to the Governance Subcommittee by September 4.
- The FGDC Executive Committee will review the draft metrics paper, provide comments, and hold a conference call with the Governance Subcommittee to discuss the paper.
- The Governance Subcommittee will revise the metrics paper prior to the December NGAC meeting.

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**National Geospatial Forum**

**ACTIONS:**

- The FGDC Executive Committee will review feedback from the NGAC, refine the plans for the Forum, and provide an updated plan/schedule to NGAC.
- FGDC will narrow the focus of the Forum and examine opportunities to align with the Place-Based Management initiative
- NGAC Communications Subcommittee will support the Executive Committee in planning/organizing the Forum

**Emerging Technologies**

**ACTION:**

NGAC established a new Subcommittee to address emerging technologies, including cloud computing. Several members volunteered, including Kim Nelson, Chris Tucker, Anne Miglarese, Jack Dangermond, Mike Byrne, Tim Loewenstein, Sean Ahearn, and Gene Schiller. Steve Lowe will serve as ExCom liaison to the Subcommittee.

**Partnerships**

**ACTION:** Members will send additional partnership examples and best-practice ideas to the Partnerships Subcommittee.

**ACTION:** FGDC will provide link to DOI Partnership Legal Framework Analysis to NGAC members.

**Economic Recovery/Lessons Learned Subcommittee**

**ACTION:** FGDC will provide copy of Western Governors Association resolution on GIS

**ACTION:** NGAC members provide any comments on draft Lessons Learned/Recommendations paper to Kim Nelson

**The National Map Subcommittee**

**ACTION:** The TNM Subcommittee will take the lead role for NGAC in participating in the development of the new strategic plan for The National Map.

**Communications Subcommittee**

**ACTION:** Schedule Subcommittee meeting to plan NGAC Town Hall session at 2009 ASPRS Conference.

**ACTION:** Communications Subcommittee will revise draft Op-Ed article to focus on Place-Based Management initiative. Karen Siderelis will coordinate with DOI Office of the Secretary.

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**Next Meeting**

The next NGAC meeting is scheduled for December 1-2, 2009 at the Marriott Metro Center in Washington, DC. Potential agenda topics include the following:

- Partnerships
- Subcommittee Reports
- Revised NSDI Metrics Paper
- NTIA Broadband Mapping
- Dialogue with NRC Mapping Science Committee
- Geospatial Revolution project

Additional Topics:

- Briefing on Federal Enterprise Architecture (FEA) Geospatial Profile
- Briefing from Mapping Science Committee on Licensing Study