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Coordination Group Meeting

ISO Metadata Implementation Recommendations

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Overview

- October 2011, Metadata Summit results noted need to change existing FGDC metadata guidance
- November 2011, CG agreed with recommendation and action was taken by FGDC OS
- Dec 2011 Feb 2012, draft language that clarifies the FGDC is transitioning from the CSDGM to ISO metadata standards circulated among CG members and community experts for review
- March 2012, final draft submitted to CG for review
- April 2012, discuss and endorse at CG meeting



Existing Guidance on Website

(2008) At this time the FGDC recommends:

organizations currently using the CSDGM metadata standard remain to do so unless there is some compelling reason to change standards



Enhanced Website Information

(2012) Change Geospatial Metadata Standards page:

- FGDC Endorsed ISO Metadata Standards (List)
 - Which ISO Metadata Standards are Organizations Utilizing? (Description)
 - Should Our Agency be using ISO Metadata?
 (Factors to consider; Data type, Capabilities, Resources)
 - ISO Metadata Implementation is Happening (Description)



http://www.fgdc.gov/metadata/geospatial-metadata-standards

Suggested Revised Guidance

Non-Federally authored standards endorsed by the FGDC have same status as FGDC developed standards

ISO 19115 and associated standards are endorsed by the FGDC and the transition to ISO metadata is anticipated to occur over the next few years

While the selection of an appropriate standard is dependent on the nature of your metadata collection and publication process, ISO metadata can be considered an option now.



Discussion