



**Federal Geographic Data Committee
Coordination Group Meeting
Tuesday, February 19, 2013
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Eastern
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **FED ONLY****

Location: National Capital
Planning Commission
401 9th Street, NW
Suite 500
Washington, DC

AGENDA

9:00 – 9:10	Welcome and Introductions	<i>Ivan DeLoatch, FGDC OS</i>
9:10 – 9:15	Previous Meeting Action Item Review	<i>Arista Maher, FGDC OS</i>
9:15 – 10:00	FGDC Business Report	<i>Ken Shaffer, FGDC OS</i>
10:00 – 10:30	Cultural Resources Work Group Report	<i>Deidre McCarthy, NPS</i>
10:30 – 11:10	Open Source Geospatial Software at OpenGeo.org	<i>Ilya Rosenfeld, OpenGeo.org</i>
11:10 – 11:30	USGS Interoperability Assessment/ “Plug-Fest” Event	<i>Glenn Guempel, USGS</i>
11:30 – 12:00	NSDI Strategic Plan	<i>Ivan DeLoatch, FGDC OS</i>
12:00 – 1:00	LUNCH	

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1:00 – 1:15	GAO Report Response Update	<i>Ivan DeLoatch, FGDC OS</i>
1:15 – 1:35	Geospatial Platform	<i>Ivan DeLoatch, FGDC OS</i>
1:35 – 2:25	Data Sets/Data Themes	<i>Wendy Blake-Coleman, EPA</i>
2:25 – 2:45	Standards Working Group – CG Endorsement Recommendations	<i>Julie Maitra, FGDC OS</i>
2:45 – 3:00	Action Item Review & Next Meeting Agenda	<i>Arista Maher, FGDC OS</i>
3:00	<i>Adjourn</i>	

<p>*Read-ahead Documents</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2013 FedGIS Conference FGDC Sessions.docx 2. CG Subcommittee to Theme alignment 20130219 v3.pptx 3. Cultural Resources Subcommittee Report - Deidre McCarthy and John Knoerl.ppt 4. FGDC Business Report CG - 20130219 v4.ppt 5. NSDI Strategic Plan Overview v2.pptx 6. OpenGeo - Ilya Rosenfeld.pdf 7. revised draft National Shoreline Data Content Standard 8. USGS Interoperability Assessment - Glenn Guempel.pptx
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* Read-ahead documents are located at the *my.usgs.gov* site for member access.

CG Meeting Planning

<p>Coordination Group Meetings Topics (in addition to the following standing items)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome and Introductions; - Previous Meeting Action Item Review; - FGDC Business Update; - FGDC Secretariat Report; - Summary of Action Items / Next Meeting Agenda; - Adjourn - All meetings are scheduled from 9am to 3pm EST at NCPC in D.C., unless otherwise noted
<p>March 12, 2013</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report from: National Digital Orthoimagery Program (NDOP) SC (Anne O'Connor); Vegetation SC (Ralph Crawford); Cadastral SC (Don Buhler).
<p>April 9, 2013</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report from: Users/Historical Data WG (Colleen Cahill); Metadata SC (Jennifer Carlino); Transportation Subcommittee (Mark Bradford).
<p>May 14, 2013</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report from: Geodetic Control SC (Juliana Blackwell); Standards WG (Julie Maitra).
<p>June 4, 2013</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report from: Wetlands SC (Bill Wilen); Marine and Coastal Spatial Data SC (Tony LaVoi); Geologic SC (Dave Soller).



Federal Geographic Data Committee Coordination Group Meeting ACTION ITEMS Through February 19, 2012

Due Date: 2/28/13		
Lead:	CG Members	Action#: 20121113-01
Action:	CG members should identify one or two potential participants from their departments or agencies for the Federal Metadata Coordinators ISO Implementation Workshop, which will be held on April 16-17, 2013. Potential participant names should be sent to Jennifer Carlino by January 31, 2013.	
Contact:	Jennifer Carlino, FGDC OS, jcarlino@usgs.gov	
Resolution/ Response:	Continue to need responses on this item.	
Due Date: 3/12/13		
Lead:	Coordination Group Members	Action#: 20130115-06
Action:	Coordination Group members are asked to review the revised Metadata Work Group charter and vote by January 31, 2013.	
Contact:	Ken Shaffer, FGDC OS, kmschaffer@fgdc.gov	
Resolution/ Response:	The background materials for the electronic vote are still being put together; it will be sent out as soon as that is complete.	
Due Date: 3/12/13		
Lead:	Wendy Blake-Coleman, EPA	Action#: 20130115-10
Action:	Wendy Blake-Coleman will edit the Data Themes At-a-Glance sheets and ask the data theme leads to review and edit existing committees and add any missing items.	
Contact:	Wendy Blake-Coleman, EPA, blake-coleman.wendy@epamail.epa.gov	
Resolution/ Response:		
Due Date: 3/12/13		
Lead:	Coordination Group Members	Action#: 20130115-12
Action:	CG Members with ideas for future agenda topics should email Arista Maher with those ideas, as well as a point-of-contact for the presentation.	
Contact:	Arista Maher, FGDC OS, amaher@fgdc.gov	
Resolution/ Response:		
Due Date: 4/1/13		
Lead:	Ivan DeLoatch, FGDC OS	Action#: 20130219-01
Action:	At the next meeting with the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, Ivan DeLoatch will share further information with the CFPB on OGC's work on parcels, as well as NextGen	

	911.	
Contact:	Ivan DeLoatch, FGDC OS, ideloatch@fgdc.gov	
Resolution/ Response:		
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Lead:	Roxanne Lamb, FGDC OS	Action#: 20130219-02
Action:	Roxanne Lamb will send out the link regarding the FedGeo Day meeting slated to take place on February 28, 2013 in Washington, DC.	
Contact:	Roxanne Lamb, FGDC OS, rhilamb@fgdc.gov	
Resolution/ Response:	Roxanne provided the link to Arista, who shared it with the Coordination Group on February 19.	
Due Date: 3/12/13		
Lead:	Coordination Group Members	Action#: 20130219-03
Action:	Any Coordination Group member with interest in serving as a community user representative on the USGS Interoperability Assessment should contact Glenn Guempel.	
Contact:	Glenn Guempel, USGS, gguempel@usgs.gov .	
Resolution/ Response:		
Due Date: 3/12/13		
Lead:	Wendy Blake-Coleman, EPA	Action#: 20130219-04
Action:	Wendy Blake-Coleman will work with the FGDC Secretariat to make the slides from the Geospatial Platform session at the Esri Federal Users' Conference available to Coordination Group Members.	
Contact:	Wendy Blake-Coleman, EPA, blake-coleman.wendy@epamail.epa.gov	
Resolution/ Response:		
Due Date: 3/8/13		
Lead:	Coordination Group Members	Action#: 20130219-05
Action:	Coordination Group members are asked to vote on the FGDC Standards Work Group recommendations by March 8.	
Contact:	Julie Maitra, FGDC OS, jmaitra@fgdc.gov	
Resolution/ Response:		



Federal Geographic Data Committee Coordination Group Meeting MEETING MINUTES February 19, 2013

(Note: Primary CG members are indicated in **blue text**; alternate CG members are indicated in **red text**.)

√	Coordination Group Attendees	Organization	√	Attendee	Organization
	Shirley Hall	USDA- Farm Service Agency		Robert Welsh	DOI – Office of Surface Mining
x	Marisa Capriotti	USDA – Natural Resources Conservation Service	x	Christina Lett	DOI – US Fish & Wildlife Service
	Betsy Kanalley	USDA – US Forest Service		Bill Wilen	DOI – US Fish & Wildlife Service
	Ralph Crawford	USDA – US Forest Service	x	Ivan DeLoatch	DOI – USGS/FGDC; Chair, CG
	Juliana Blackwell	DOC – National Geodetic Survey	x	Dick Vraga	DOI – USGS
	Tony LaVoi	DOC - NOAA		Bob Pierce	DOI – USGS
x	Lynda Liptrap	DOC – Census Bureau		Edward Hugler	Dept of Labor – OASAM
x	Anne O'Connor	DOC – Census Bureau		Cecelia Henderson	Dept of State
x	Jim Bjostad	DOD - NGA		Mark Bradford	DOT - Research & Innovative Technology Admin
x	David LaBranche	DOD - DISDI		Raquel Wright	DOT – Federal Railroad Admin
	Mitchell Fiedler	DOD - DISDI		Jimmy Amoaka-Atta	Dept of Treasury
	Nancy Blyler	DOD – US Army Corps of Engineers		Pheakdey Lim	Dept of Veterans' Affairs
x	Tai Phan	Dept. of Education – Institute of Ed Statistics		Tom Garin	Dept of Veterans' Affairs
	David Morehouse	Dept. of Energy – US Energy Info Administration	x	Wendy Blake-Coleman	EPA
x	Stephanie Foster	DHHS – CDC		Dave Catlin	EPA
x	Lew Summers	DHS – Office of the CIO	x	John Sullivan	GSA
	Dennis Hardy	DHS		Autumn Wallin	GSA
x	Jon Sperling	HUD – Policy Development & Research		Colleen Cahill	Library of Congress
	Salvatore Sclafani	HUD - Office of Community Planning & Development	x	Jacqueline Nolan	Library of Congress

	David Chase	HUD – Policy Development & Research		Gregory Mann	NASA
	Antoinette Sebastian	HUD – Office of Environment & Energy	x	Brett Abrams	NARA
	Don Buhler	DOI - BLM		Clifford Jacobs	National Science Foundation
	Doug Vandegraft	DOI – Bureau of Ocean Energy Mgmt, Regulation & Enforcement		Marlon Sellow	Small Business Administration
	Steven Schwartz	DOI - BOEMRE	x	David Timmons	Social Security Administration
	Joe Gregson	DOI – Nat’l Park Service	x	Ray Mitchell	Tennessee Valley Authority
	Tim Smith	DOI – Nat’l Park Service			
	Other Attendees	Organization		Attendee	Organization
x	Anne Ball	NOAA	x	Arista Maher	FGDC OS
x	Roger Barlow	USGS	x	Julie Maitra	FGDC OS
x	Bill Burgess	NSGIC	x	Marcia McNiff	USGS
x	Jennifer Carlino	FGDC OS	x	Terry Rhea	FAA
x	Ashley Chappell	NOAA	x	Ilya Rosenfeld	OpenGeo.org
x	Allison Cole	NACO/NSGIC	x	Ken Shaffer	FGDC OS
x	Teddy Dyer	DOE	x	Yen Shan	SBA
x	Leonard Gore	BLM	x	Vaishal Sheth	FGDC OS
x	Rich Grady	Applied Geographics	x	Gita Urban-Mathieux	FGDC OS
x	Shawn Gravatt	FGDC OS/COMSO	x	Lucie Vogel	IHS
x	Glenn Guempel	USGS	x	Chuq Yang	FGDC OS/COMSO
x	Roxanne Lamb	FGDC OS	x	Shawn Zintel	FGDC OS/COMSO

Welcome and Introductions - Ivan DeLoatch, FGDC OS

Ivan DeLoatch welcomed participants to the meeting, and asked attendees to introduce themselves.

Previous Meeting Action Item Review - Arista Maher, FGDC OS

Arista Maher reviewed the action items, noting resolutions and responses.

FGDC Business Report - Ken Shaffer, FGDC OS

[\[Presentation\]](#)

Ken Shaffer reported out on recent meetings and other developments in the FGDC. The meeting’s agenda was reviewed. The most recent Executive Committee meeting was held on February 14. Some of the topics discussed included: the response to the GAO report, the NSDI Strategic Plan, the A-16 Implementation Plan, the Geospatial Platform Marketplace, the upcoming Esri Federal Users’ Conference, the 2013 FGDC Guidance to NGAC, and some pre-decisional budget items.

The new NGAC appointments were released on February 4. There were 13 new appointees; current member Dr. Bob Austin has been selected to chair the NGAC. The upcoming NGAC and Steering Committee meeting schedule was reviewed. The next Steering Committee meeting will be held on March 19, 2013 at the Department of Interior, and the next NGAC meeting will be held on April 2-3 at the National Conservation Training Center in Shepherdstown, WV. Interested attendees for either of these meetings should contact Arista Maher to register.

FGDC Secretariat staff first met with representatives from the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) in December 2012. The CFPB has requested FGDC assistance in evaluating considerations for the development of a parcel ID database. The FGDC staff met with the CFPB again on February 12, 2013, along with subject matter experts from Department of Interior, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the Census Bureau.

ACTION: At the next meeting with the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, Ivan DeLoatch will share further information with the CFPB on OGC's work on parcels, as well as NextGen 911.

The next meeting of the Coordination Group meeting will be a *webinar-only* meeting on Tuesday, March 12, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Eastern (there will be no in-person meeting at NCPC due to a scheduling conflict). The Federal Metadata Coordinators ISO Implementation Workshop will take place on April 16-17, 2013 at USGS in Reston, VA. There is still some space for participants who wish to register with Jennifer Carlino (jcarlino@usgs.gov).

Memos from Anne Castle, FGDC Chair, have come out to Steering Committee, with copies to the Coordination Group, regarding the priority nature of responding to the GAO recommendations. The status of the response to each of the three major recommendations was shown. The FGDC Executive Committee (ExCom) is still discussing the approach to Recommendation 1 (implementation of OMB's portfolio management guidance). The response to Recommendation 2 (guidance development on planned investments using the Geospatial Platform) is still being developed as far as the technical capability of the Platform. Jerry Johnston and others are fleshing out the idea of having data acquisition as a service, whereby an existing agency contracting mechanism can be employed. On Recommendation 3 (the creation of a strategic plan with timeframe), the initial workplan has been developed and will be discussed later on in today's meeting.

On the Geospatial Line of Business and Geospatial Platform updates, there are still some outstanding interagency agreements. COMSO has assisted in conducting the Geospatial Platform Enhancement Sessions. The monthly EVM reports have been completed. The FY 2013 Interagency Agreements were distributed to SAOGIs and CIO POCs on February 6. A recent issue has arisen, given that the agency investment amount for FY 2013 does not match up with the agreement made by Steering Committee, so agencies are struggling with this challenge. The FGDC is working with agencies to resolve this issue. For GeoPlatform 2.0, COMSO has drafted a revised logo and they have also created a mock-up and Drupal community template. They are actively integrating OMB's community module. They are using America's Great Outdoors as an

example, and hope to have this ready to demo at the Esri Fed UC next week. The upcoming FedGeo Day meeting was also discussed.

ACTION: Roxanne Lamb will send out the link regarding the FedGeo Day meeting slated to take place on February 28, 2013 in Washington, DC.

The FGDC Standards update included a review of the January 30 Standards Work Group Meeting. The recommendations of the group will be covered in this afternoon's session. The next SWG meeting will be April 25 at GSA. CAP Standards projects and other activities were reviewed as well.

Cultural Resources Subcommittee Report – Deidre McCarthy, NPS

[\[Presentation\]](#)

Deidre McCarthy gave an overview and recent activities update on the recently formed Cultural Resources Subcommittee. John Knoerl (john_knoerl@nps.gov) is the Chair of the Cultural Resources Subcommittee. The National Park Service (NPS) has been identified as the theme lead agency for the Cultural Resources data theme. Deidre serves as the theme lead.

The purpose of the Subcommittee is to “identify, prioritize, implement, coordinate, and oversee the strategies and tasks required to support the national cultural resource data theme and to coordinate Federal, Tribal, state, and local geospatial programs to that end.” Members of the subcommittee include about 20 Federal land holding agencies, 10 state historic preservation offices, and 10 tribal governments/preservation organizations. The National Register of Historic Places data set is included under the Cultural Resource theme's purview. Matthew Stutts at NPS is the data manager for this data set. Other data sets are being looked at to be included within the Cultural Resources theme.

The Subcommittee has committed to constructing a cultural resource spatial data transfer standard to facilitate sharing data between Federal agencies. Federal, state, and tribal agencies all maintain inventories of cultural resources and are heavily involved in the standard creation process in anticipation of using the FGDC standard created. Task groups to examine feature-level metadata requirements, linking spatial data to descriptive data, geographic delineation of features, and safeguarding sensitive information and exploring existing standards have been created and they are producing guidance. They hope to have a standard created by the end of 2013. A draft charter for the Subcommittee is in the process of being developed. Stephanie Toothman, the National Park Service Associate Director for Cultural Resources, has been identified as the Executive Champion. The Subcommittee's next meeting will be held on April 30, 2013. They will meet quarterly, via teleconference. They plan on discussing the draft charter and the progress of the individual task groups.

Open Source Geospatial Software at OpenGeo.org – Ilya Rosenfeld, OpenGeo.org

[\[Presentation\]](#)

Ilya Rosenfeld spoke about open source geospatial software and gave an overview of OpenGeo.org. OpenGeo.org are the makers of commercially supported, free and open source software that anyone can use to geo-enable your enterprises. Users can create, manage, publish, analyze, and visualize spatial data on the web. It can help geo-enable existing web enterprises. It allows spatial data to be authored in a distributed way, just as open source developers do it on GitHub. It also allows for easy metering and visualization of who and how data is being used, and allows analysts and developers to solve spatial problems using their favorite scripting language. GeoScript.org is one resource for this.

FedGeo Day is a one-day conference dedicated to geospatial open source, sponsored by a number of companies. More information is available at fedgeoday.com. Ilya will be presenting at this conference as well.

USGS Interoperability Assessment/ “Plug-Fest” Event – Glenn Guempel, USGS

[\[Presentation\]](#)

Glenn Guempel gave a summary of the USGS Interoperability Assessment. The “Plug Fest” event is essentially a test of clients and services. USGS servers receive hundreds of thousands of hits a day. The user community is working alongside vendors to test the clients and services to make sure they are compliant with relevant standards and that they are stood-up correctly. The aim is also to improve the way data is being served. They are looking at a variety of OGC web mapping services. The goal is to assess if the OGC standards, as implemented in USGS servers, are meeting users’ requirements. The time frame will be March through September 2013. There is a call for community user representatives, if CG members would like to be involved.

[ACTION: Any Coordination Group members with interest in serving as a community user representative on the USGS Interoperability Assessment should contact Glenn Guempel \(gguempel@usgs.gov\).](mailto:gguempel@usgs.gov)

NSDI Strategic Plan – Ivan DeLoatch, FGDC OS

[\[Presentation\]](#)

Ivan DeLoatch reviewed the status of the NSDI Strategic Plan, including upcoming meetings on the topic. The purpose is to develop a concise Strategic Plan to guide the Federal government’s activities toward furthering the National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI). The timeline of projected activities was shown. It was noted that weekly core team meetings are currently being held. The Secretariat hopes to involve NGAC members and others in these meetings. The upcoming Strategic Visioning Workshop and NSDI Leadership Forum on March 5 and 7 will involve participation from the Federal and non-Federal geospatial communities in order to get substantial feedback and ideas on the development of the NSDI Strategic Plan. Coordination

Group members are asked to participate in the process through meetings, professional organizations, and online discussions. CG members' input will be a valuable resource in the development of the Strategic Plan, and members are strongly encouraged to participate.

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