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FGDC Steering Committee

# FGDC Current Activities Update

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# FGDC Update Topics

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- ◆ Executive Committee Meeting
- ◆ GAO Engagement
- ◆ Imagery NGDA Theme
- ◆ National Address Database
- ◆ NSDI Strategic Plan
- ◆ National Geospatial Data Asset (NGDA) Management Plan
- ◆ FGDC 2016 Priorities
- ◆ NGAC Appointments
- ◆ Steering Committee Membership

# Executive Committee

- ◆ Met on September 30<sup>th</sup> and held a conference call on November 19<sup>th</sup>. Discussed topics:
  - ◆ Geo Investments Definitions and next steps
  - ◆ Discussion of NDOP initial recommendations on the feasibility of a national imagery initiative
  - ◆ FGDC 2016 key priority milestones
  
- Pending action for Steering Committee – endorsement vote for the “Geospatial Investment Definitions for Tracking and Reporting Geospatial Investment Costs”

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# 2014 GAO Engagement – Actions Status

Four recommendations to FGDC - GAO report March 2015 (GAO-15-19)

- ◆ Correct search function on Geospatial Platform and monitor regularly
  - Technical, and catalog record content improvements: on-going
- ◆ Regular collection of Geospatial Platform performance measures with reports to Steering Committee
  - Metrics and dashboards being designed and developed
- ◆ Create address data theme and associated subcommittees and working groups to further a national address database
  - Pilots being led by DOT and the Census Bureau continue
- ◆ NDOP to reassess the feasibility of the Imagery for the Nation initiative, identify discrete steps that could be taken to further a national imagery program for all levels of government
  - Initial assessment provided to SC and CG in September
  - Co-leadership of the Imagery theme and changes in the subcommittee structure to include satellite expertise in discussion
- ◆ Dec 3, 2015 status updates to GAO in preparation for their annual status of GAO recommendations determined to deal with duplication and potential cost savings.

# Imagery NGDA Theme

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- ◆ Part of GAO-15-193 recommendations
  - Reassess the feasibility of a national imagery initiative
- ◆ National Digital Orthoimagery Program (NDOP) subcommittee provided assessment report at September SC meeting
  - Identified a number of on-going barriers
- ◆ Executive Committee action

# Imagery NGDA Theme

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Following points were made in GAO response

- ◆ USGS co-lead role is pending a change in early 2016 – pending an announcement
  - Will bring satellite expertise to the subcommittee
  - Subcommittee structure may need reevaluation
- ◆ ExCom agreed that any national imagery initiative should be addressed as part of the Imagery NGDA's Strategic Plan – not a separate initiative
- ◆ While the ExCom agrees there are benefits from a national program, the effort will not be able to move forward in the current budget climate

# National Address Database

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- ◆ Part of GAO-15-193 recommendations
  - Create an address data theme ... to assist in furthering a national address database
- ◆ DOT and Census pilots on-going
  - Working with Feds, States, partners
  - Based on actual use-cases
  - To identify minimal content requirements
- ◆ Position paper by March 2016
  - To be presented to the Steering Committee
- ◆ An FGDC 2016 priority activity
- ◆ On-going Executive Committee discussion item

# NSDI Plan Strategic Plan – Next Steps

◆ FGDC finalizing the FY15 Status Report / FY16 Implementation Plans provided to Executive Champions in September 2015.

- FY 15 Status Report:

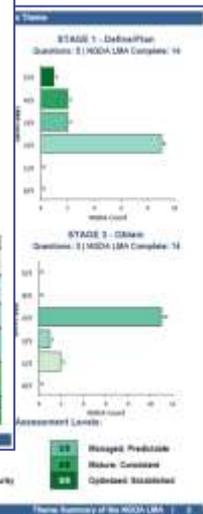
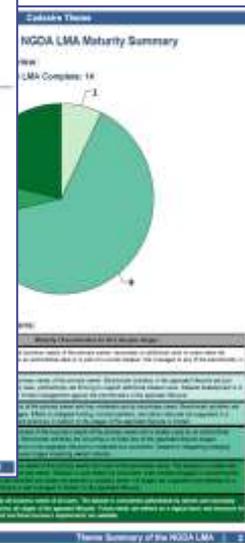
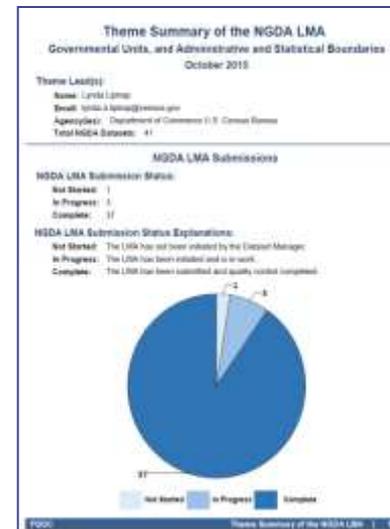
- Reports results for FY 15 Tasks/Targets

- FY 16 Implementation Plan:

- Final targets for FY 16 activities
- Report will be completed in FY16 Q1

# NGDA Management Plan - Current Activities

- ◆ Compiling results of NGDA Lifecycle Maturity Assessment
- ◆ Theme Leads, Dataset Managers, CG reviewed
  - LMA Performance Dashboard
  - Dataset Report
  - Theme Summary Report
- ◆ Thank you! 106 comments received from 20 people
- ◆ Adjudicating feedback (results in Jan)



# NGDA Management Plan - Current Activities

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## ◆ Theme Strategic Plans

- Plans are due June 30, 2016
- Transportation complete, Geodetic Control in work

## ◆ GeoPlatform Theme Lead Collaboration Community

- Updating for improved usability

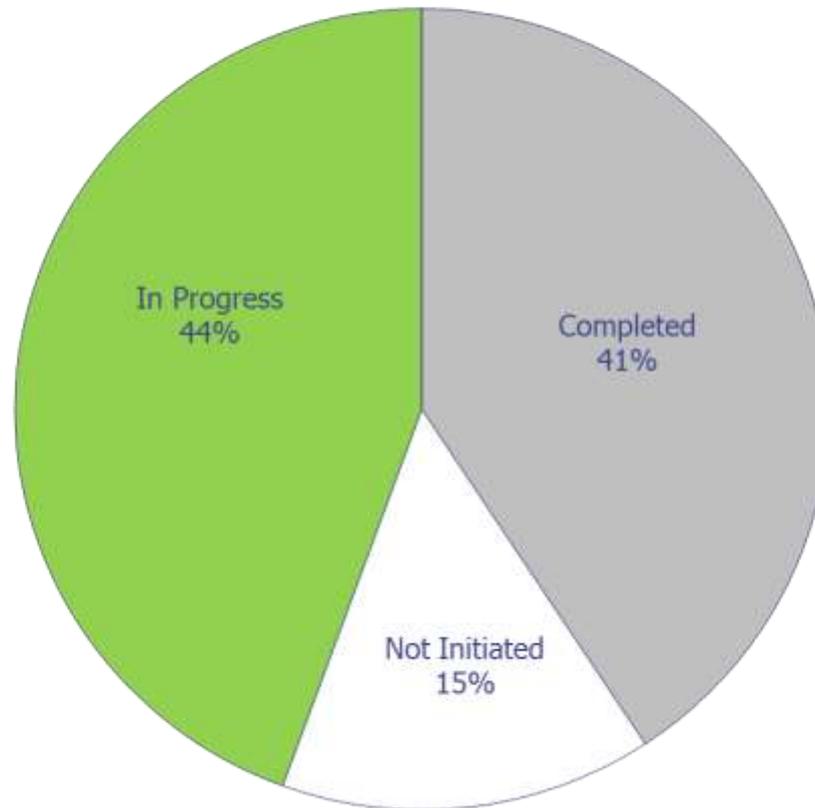
## ◆ Geospatial Investment Definitions

- FGDC Executive Committee meeting Nov. 19 discussion topic
- Deliberated on identifying appropriate government bodies with which to engage on cross-government geospatial investment reporting strategies.

## ◆ Theme Lead Meetings in January

- January 21, 10 am – 1 pm, Webinar
- February 25, 1 to 3 pm, Esri FedGIS Conference, Theater 306

## Status of 27 NGDA Management Plan Actions



*As of December 1, 2015*

# NSDI Framework Data Collaboration

- ◆ The 2015 COGO Report Card – focus on Framework Data
  - Integrating COGO and their findings in to our ongoing work towards advancing the NSDI
  - Shared goals of improving the quality and national coverage of each framework dataset in terms of Currency, Completeness (including interoperability & metadata), Scale/Resolution, Accessibility, etc.
- ◆ Proposal
  - As a part of A-16 Theme Plans being developed in FY16, for those Themes that contain a framework dataset evaluated in the COGO Report Card:
    - ◆ Theme Leads to engage COGO as team members to help develop Theme Plan to address challenges identified in the COGO Report Card
    - ◆ Theme plans due June 2016
    - ◆ Implementation to substantially begin **~6 months after due date**

# FGDC 2016 Priorities

## 1. Data Initiatives:

- National Address Database
  - ◆ Develop and implement approach for a National Address Database. Ensure governance & funding models meet needs of major stakeholders.
- 3D Elevation Program
  - ◆ Make significant advancements in the 3DEP initiative. Secure funding commitments for enhancement and institutionalization of program.
- Open Water Data
  - ◆ Advance the integration of water information into a connected, national water data framework.

## 2. Communications Strategy

- ◆ Finalize and implement national communications strategy for NSDI and Geospatial Platform. Develop a variety of effective and adaptable tools – videos, social media, web presence, etc.

## 3. Geospatial Platform

- ◆ Make significant advancements to further develop and institutionalize the Geospatial Platform. Continue to collaborate with external partners on communities, shared services, etc.

## 4. NSDI Strategic Plan/Transition Strategy

- ◆ Develop forward-looking ideas and strategic approaches that can be incorporated into transition plans and the next version of the NSDI strategic plan

# NGAC Appointments

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- ◆ FGDC received excellent response to the call for nominations for NGAC appointments last July.
- ◆ The 2015 NGAC recommended appointments is currently under review within DOI.
- ◆ Announcement of new appointments is expected in December 2015.

# Steering Committee Membership

- ◆ Department of Education:
  - **Douglas Gevertt**, Program Manager, National Center for Education Statistics, replaces Tai Phan as the SAOGI Alternate.
- ◆ Department of Housing and Urban Development
  - **Dr. Calvin Johnson**, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Research, Evaluation and Monitoring replaces Jean Lin Pao.
- ◆ Federal Communications Commission
  - **Chris Gao**, IT/GIS Specialist, replaces Donald Campbell.

# Questions???

