



Steering Committee Meeting
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2014 GAO Engagement

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Background

- ◆ GAO engagement on Geospatial data (311299) - letter received January 6, 2014
- ◆ Issues under review/Objective(s)/Key questions(s):
 1. Determine the implementation status of prior recommendations
 - ◆ Engagement 311267
 2. Describe the types of geospatial data that selected federal agencies and States are acquiring.
 - ◆ Looking for use cases and maps to show the pervasive use across the government
 3. Determine the extent to which selected federal agencies and States invest in potentially duplicative geospatial data
 - ◆ Focused primarily on address and imagery data
 - ◆ GAO met with States - MD, OH, SC, MT, WA

2014 GAO Engagement – Recent Actions

- ◆ GAO posed follow-up questions to:
 - NOAA, Census, USGS on data theme activities
 - GSA on Data.gov/GeoPlatform.gov relationship
- ◆ FGDC OS/DOI met with GAO on 9/15/14 - questions on:
 - The status and reporting of the National Geospatial Data Asset (NGDA) Management Plan's actions
 - GeoPlatform.gov operations
 - Likely the last meeting - minor clarifying questions needed for their report may potentially be asked
- ◆ Continue to look for “evidence” of implementation of 2012 actions

2014 GAO Engagement – Next Steps

- ◆ GAO is currently drafting their report

Projected timeline of actions

- ◆ November 2014 - GAO will provide their statement-of-facts to the interviewed agencies for their review and response
- ◆ December 2014 - GAO provides draft report to interviewed agencies with a 30-day comment and response period
- ◆ January 2015 – Responses to draft report due to GAO
- ◆ February 2015 – GAO anticipates releasing their final report