

# GPS on Bench Marks Update to FGCS

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# GPS on Bench Marks - What & Why?

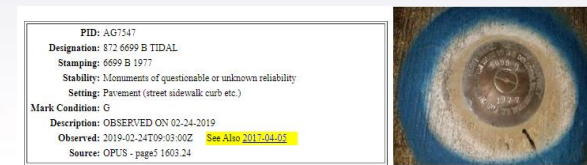
GPS on Bench Marks is about preparing the country and our communities to take full advantage of the benefits of the Modernized NSRS, by collecting new GPS observations on bench marks with published NAVD 88 heights.

## Primary GPSONBM Campaign Benefits:

- 2020.0 Reference Epoch Coordinates (REC's)
- Data for NAVD 88 – NAPGD2022 Transformation Tools
- Build time series of observations in areas of motion

## Added benefits:

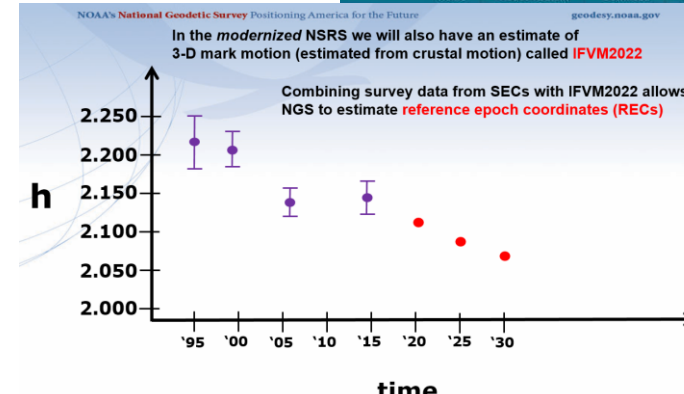
- Evaluate gravimetric geoid models
- Check your RTN results
- Update and maintain passive control marks
- Identify marks suspected of movement



PID:	AG7547
Designation:	872 6699 B TIDAL
Stamping:	6699 B 1977
Stability:	Moments of questionable or unknown reliability
Setting:	Pavement (street sidewalk curb etc.)
Mark Condition:	G
Description:	OBSERVED ON 02-24-2019
Observed:	2019-02-24T09:03:00Z <a href="#">See Also 2017-01-05</a>
Source:	OPUS - page# 1603.24

ONLINE VERTICAL DATUM TRANSFORMATION  
INTEGRATING AMERICA'S ELEVATION DATA

UTM 17 SPC 902(FL W)  
NORTHING: 3092230.756m 400542.905m  
EASTING: 363717.233m 162081.017m  
MERGENCE: -0.64937500° -0.18060278°  
INT SCALE: 0.99982924 0.99997892  
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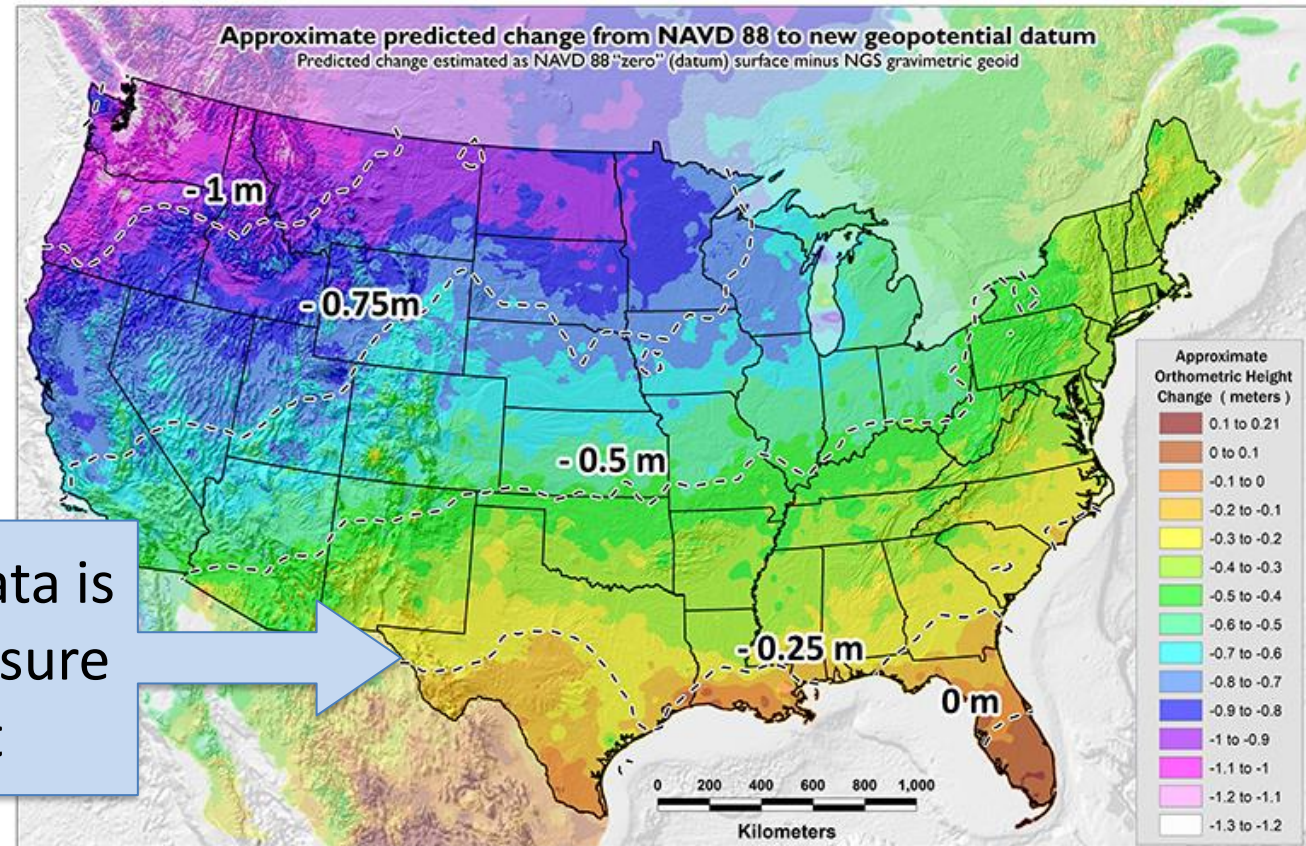
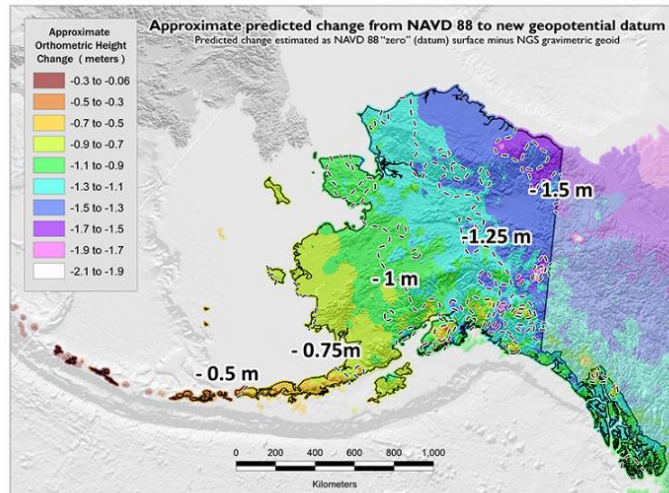


Target: IAD83/2011/2007/CORRS6(HARM) - North American tech  
Geographic (Longitude, Latitude)  
meter (m)  
Target: NAVD 88  
meter (m)  
Height Sounding  
Geoid model:

# GPSonBM Measurements Connect Current and Future Datums

The relationship between the old and new datums vary by location. GPSonBM data is used to measure that relationship. The accuracy of the transformations in any particular place will be directly related to the density of GPSonBM data available in that area.

**In moving from NAVD 88 to NAPGD2022, there will be a Shift:** A one-time 0 to 2 meter jump in orthometric heights  
 -From fixing biases and/or tilts in NAVD 88

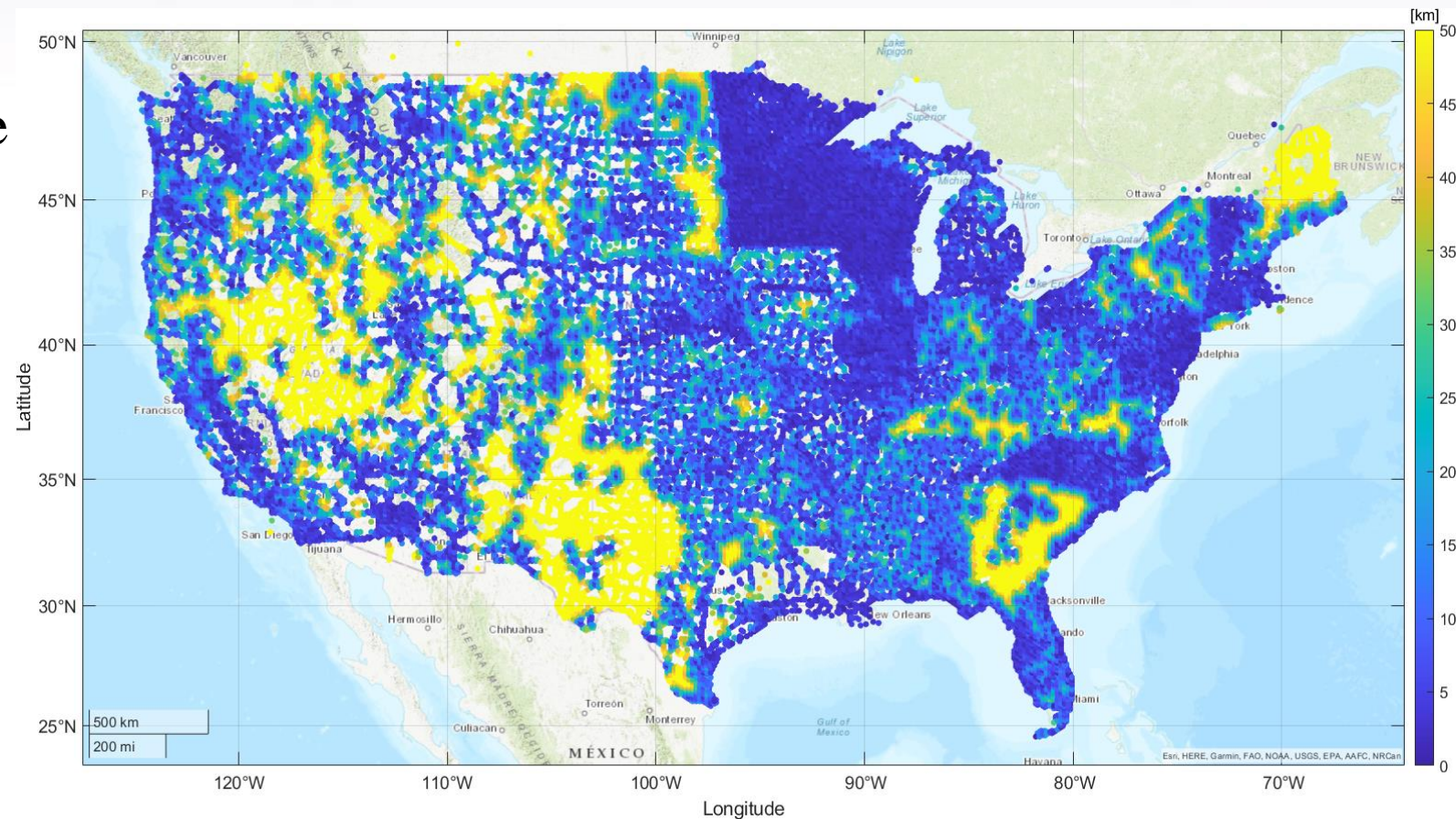
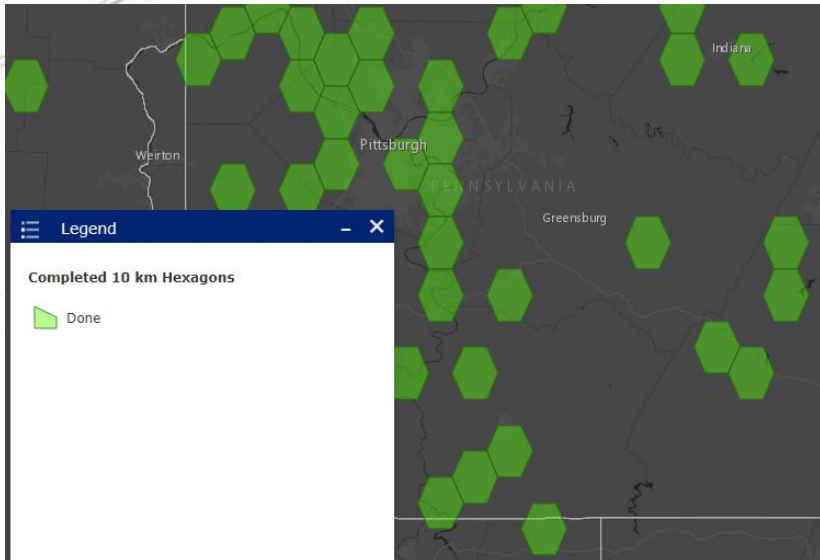


GPSonBM data is used to measure the Shift

# 2022 Transformation Tool Campaign

NGS will make a **national scale, mapping grade** transformation tool with the data we have in the NGS Database and Shared through OPUS. We must interpolate over areas with data gaps.

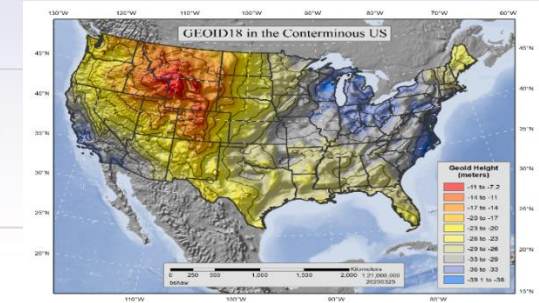
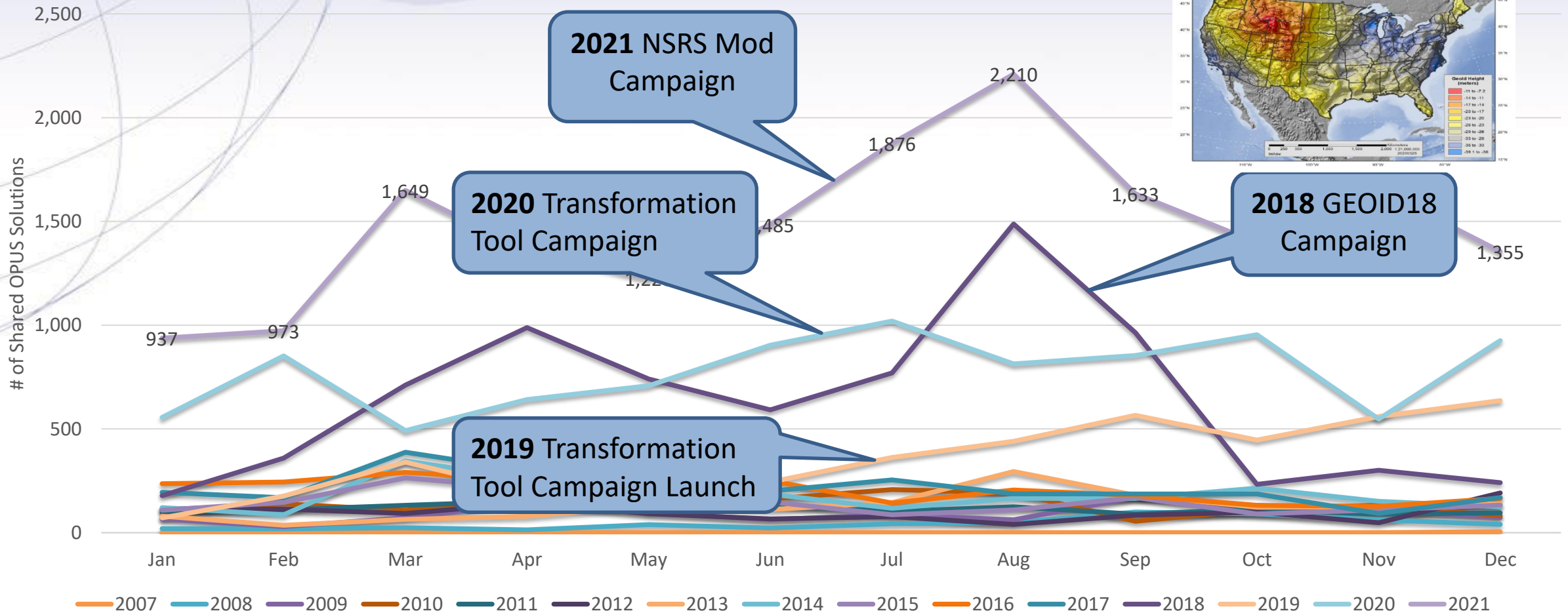
Uncertainties in the transformed coordinates will grow larger as the distance from a GPSONBM data point increases.



# GPSonBM is Driving a Surge in Shared OPUS Solutions

## Modernized NSRS will be Realized through Shared GNSS Data

Shared OPUS solutions, by Month & Year



## Break to Live Demo

- [GPS on Bench Marks for the Transformation Tool](#)
- [GPS on BM Transformation Tool Progress Dashboard](#)
- [OPUS Shared Solutions Dashboard](#)
- [OPUS](#) & [OPUS Projects](#)

# Recent Resources

- NGS OPUS User Forum: Tips on Successful Use of OPUS Shared Solutions from 11/30/21 – Available in [NGS Presentation Library](#)
- [A guide to the latest Beta NGS Map](#) – December 2021 GPS World – by Dave Zilkoski
- [GNSS on Bench Marks?](#) – January 2022 xyHt - by Gavin Shrock
- NSPS [“Surveyor Says!”](#) Podcast with Tim Burch – January 2022-

<u>Title</u>	<u>Presenter</u>
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The Colorado 1-cm Geoid Experiment	Yan Wang
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NGS Geospatial Resources	Brian Shaw
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