



**Federal Geographic Data Committee  
Coordination Group Meeting  
Tuesday, April 19, 2011  
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

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**Location:** National Capital  
Planning Commission  
(NCPC)  
401 9<sup>th</sup> Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20004

**Room:** Suite 500 (5<sup>th</sup> Floor)

**AGENDA**

9:00 – 9:10	<b>Welcome and Roll Call</b>	<i>Randy Fusaro, Census; Ken Shaffer, FGDC</i>
9:10 – 9:15	<b>Previous Meeting Action Item Review</b>	<i>Ken Shaffer, FGDC</i>
9:15 – 10:00	<b>FGDC Business and Secretariat Report</b>	<i>Ken Shaffer, FGDC</i>
10:00 – 10:25	<b>Geologic Data Subcommittee Update</b>	<i>Dave Soller, USGS</i>
10:25 – 10:50	<b>Spatial Water Data Subcommittee Update</b>	<i>Tod Dabolt, EPA</i>
11:00 – 11:30	<b>Geospatial Platform</b>	<i>Karen Siderelis, DOI</i>
11:30 – 12:00	<b>Executive Committee Liaison Discussion</b>	<i>Karen Siderelis, DOI</i>
10:50 – 11:00	<b>Data Themes Update</b>	<i>Randy Fusaro, Census</i>
12:00 – 1:00	<b>Lunch</b>	
1:00 – 1:35	<b>SDSFIE Presentation</b>	<i>Dave LaBranche, DoD</i>
1:35 – 2:20	<b>Transportation for the Nation Strategic Plan</b>	<i>Steve Lewis, DOT</i>
2:20 – 2:50	<b>A-16 Supplemental Guidance</b>	<i>Hank Garie, GT</i>
2:50 – 3:00	<b>Action Item Review &amp; Next Meeting Agenda</b>	<i>Ken Shaffer and Gita Urban-Mathieux, FGDC</i>
3:00	<b>Adjourn</b>	

<b>*Read-ahead Documents</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. CG Questionnaire on Agency Use of Address Data Files_v4.doc</li> <li>2. LaBranche - SDSFIE Presentation 04192011.ppt</li> <li>3. Lewis_TFTN_FGDCCG_04192011.pptx</li> <li>4. Standards Update - 2011-04-19.pdf</li> </ol>
<b>Other Relevant documents</b>	

\* Read-ahead documents are located at the my.usgs.gov site for member access.

## CG Meeting Planning

<p><b>Coordination Group Meetings Topics</b> (in addition to the following standing items)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Welcome and Introductions; - Previous Meeting Action Item Review; - FGDC Business Update; - FGDC Secretariat Report; - Summary of Action Items / Next Meeting Agenda; - Adjourn</li> <li>- All meetings are scheduled from 9am to 3pm EST at NCPC in D.C., unless otherwise noted</li> </ul>
<p><b>May 10, 2011</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reports from: <b>Marine and Coastal Spatial Data Subcommittee (Tony LaVoi)</b>; and <b>Cadastral SC (Don Buhler)</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>June 14, 2011</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reports from: <b>National Digital Orthoimagery Program (NDOP) Subcommittee (Anne O'Connor)</b>; <b>Transportation for the Nation (Mark Bradford)</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>July 19, 2011</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reports from: <b>Segment Architecture/Shared Infrastructure Work Group (Doug Nebert)</b>; <b>Standards Work Group (Julie Maitra)</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>August 9, 2011</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reports from: <b>Geologic Subcommittee (Dave Soller)</b>; <b>Cultural and Demographic Statistics Work Group (Randy Fusaro)</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>September 13, 2011</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reports from: <b>Users/Historical Data WG (Colleen Cahill)</b>; <b>Geodetic Control SC (Joe Evjen)</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>October 18, 2011</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reports from: <b>Vegetation SC (Ralph Crawford)</b>; <b>Spatial Water Data SC (Tod Dabolt and Bob Pierce)</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>November 8, 2011</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reports from: <b>Metadata WG (TBD)</b>; <b>Wetlands SC (Bill Wilen)</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>ExCom Liaison Schedule</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• April 19: Karen Siderelis</li> <li>• May 10: Joe Klimavicz</li> <li>• June 14: Adrian Gardner</li> </ul>



## Federal Geographic Data Committee Coordination Group Meeting ACTION ITEMS Through March 8, 2011

<b>Complete</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Grant Thornton	<b>Action#: 20101109-09</b>
<b>Action:</b>	Grant Thornton will identify tasks to pursue under the Supplemental Guidance that will move the Geospatial Platform forward.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Hank Garie, Grant Thornton, <a href="mailto:henry.garie@gt.com">henry.garie@gt.com</a>	
<b>Resolution/Response:</b>	Secretariat met with GT 2/17/11 to begin discussion of subtasks.	
<b>Pending</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	FGDC Secretariat	<b>Action#: 20101214-05</b>
<b>Action:</b>	The FGDC Secretariat will meet with Grant Thornton to discuss how to address the subtask of refining and implementing a survey component to identify Platform business requirements, in relation to the Shared Infrastructure task.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Ivan DeLoatch, FGDC, <a href="mailto:ideloatch@fgdc.gov">ideloatch@fgdc.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/Response:</b>	This task, one of the 5 GeoLoB 2011 major goals, requires further discussion.	
<b>Complete</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Coordination Group Members	<b>Action#: 20101214-06</b>
<b>Action:</b>	The gaps in the candidate list of themes and associated datasets for the Geospatial Platform will be identified by the Coordination Group, and recommendations will be made to resolve those discrepancies prior to the February 1, 2011 end date.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Randy Fusaro, Census, <a href="mailto:randy.j.fusaro@census.gov">randy.j.fusaro@census.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/Response:</b>	A Themes Resolution meeting is scheduled for 3/22/11 from 1-4 pm EST. A meeting announcement with supporting materials was sent via email to the CG members 3/11/11. Final comment resolution on Theme definitions are in progress.	
<b>Pending</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	FGDC Secretariat	<b>Action#: 20110111-02</b>
<b>Action:</b>	Gregg Black (NGA) will send to the Secretariat for distribution to the CG their available information on their Standards Open Support Processes they have developed.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Ken Shaffer, FGDC, <a href="mailto:kmshaffer@usgs.gov">kmshaffer@usgs.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/Response:</b>	Secretariat has requested any available information and will forward to members upon receipt.	
<b>Complete</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	FGDC Secretariat	<b>Action#: 20110111-03</b>
<b>Action:</b>	The FGDC Secretariat will facilitate a discussion within the next two weeks to determine whether the Coordination Group Task Team on Standards will be established as a separate entity from the Standards Working Group.	

<b>Contact:</b>	Ken Shaffer, FGDC, <a href="mailto:kmschaffer@fgdc.gov">kmschaffer@fgdc.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/Response:</b>	Only 3 agencies (NGA, USACE, USGS) have stepped forward to participate in this effort. Additional CG members from other agencies are needed. Multiple calls through meetings and email went to FGDC agencies for participation through both the CG and ExCom. Agency's who are participating include: FGDC OS; DOI, USGS; NGA; DoD DISDI; USACE, AGC. As the outcome of this process is to reduce redundancy and approval times by integrating the FGDC (predominantly civil domain) with the GWG (DoD/IC) domain geospatial technology standards process, additional civil agency representation is recommended. Meetings continue to occur.	
<b>Complete</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Coordination Group Members	<b>Action#: 20110208-02</b>
<b>Action:</b>	Coordination Group members who wish to participate on a panel regarding the A-16 Supplemental Guidance at <i>The National Map Users Conference</i> are asked to contact Dick Vraga.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Dick Vraga, USGS, <a href="mailto:rvraga@usgs.gov">rvraga@usgs.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/Response:</b>	Agenda has been set. There is not an A-16 panel at the TNM conference.	
<b>Complete</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Ivan DeLoatch, FGDC	<b>Action#: 20110208-04</b>
<b>Action:</b>	The FGDC Secretariat will host a follow-up meeting on IFTN with DOI and USDA in the near future.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Ivan DeLoatch, FGDC, <a href="mailto:ideloatch@fgdc.gov">ideloatch@fgdc.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/Response:</b>	This has become an ExCom action item and removed from the CG actions list.	
<b>Pending</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Karen Siderelis, DOI	<b>Action#: 20110208-05</b>
<b>Action:</b>	Coordination Group members who are interested in serving on the Capabilities Assessment Task Team (CATT) are asked to contact Karen Siderelis and their SAOGIs. (2011 GeoLoB primary task and OMB deliverable.)	
<b>Contact:</b>	Karen Siderelis, DOI, <a href="mailto:karen_siderelis@ios.doi.gov">karen_siderelis@ios.doi.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/Response:</b>	CATT Terms of Reference, including call for participants, was circulated to the CG for review and comment following the 3/8 CG meeting via email 3/11/11. Due to lack of response and participation in this effort, further discussions on the approach need to occur.	
<b>Complete</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Arista Maher, FGDC	<b>Action#: 20110308-01</b>
<b>Action:</b>	The FGDC Secretariat will follow up with Dave LaBranche on presenting on SDS/FIE at the April 19 CG meeting.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Arista Maher, FGDC, <a href="mailto:amaher@fgdc.gov">amaher@fgdc.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/Response:</b>	Dave is scheduled to present at the 4/19/11 CG meeting.	
<b>Complete</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Randy Fusaro, Census	<b>Action#: 20110308-02</b>
<b>Action:</b>	Randy Fusaro will organize a meeting for any interested CG members to discuss the National Geospatial Data Themes on Tuesday, March 22. Themes will then	

	be disseminated and put before CG members for a vote.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Randy Fusaro, Census, <a href="mailto:randy.j.fusaro@census.gov">randy.j.fusaro@census.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/ Response:</b>	Meeting scheduled for 3/22/11 from 1-4pm EST. Final comments on the Themes definitions are being addressed. This item is on the 4/19/11 CG agenda.	
<b>Complete</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Jon Sperling, HUD, and Randy Fusaro, Census	<b>Action#: 20110308-03</b>
<b>Action:</b>	Randy Fusaro and Jon Sperling will collaborate on a document to distribute to CG Federal agencies for the input, to determine which agencies use address data, what its source is, their requirement, preferred data source(s), etc.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Jon Sperling, HUD, <a href="mailto:jon.sperling@hud.gov">jon.sperling@hud.gov</a> , Randy Fusaro, Census, <a href="mailto:randy.j.fusaro@census.gov">randy.j.fusaro@census.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/ Response:</b>	The survey was sent to CG members for review 4/13/11. A brief discussion on questions feedback will occur at the 4/19/11 CG meeting.	
<b>Complete</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Coordination Group Members	<b>Action#: 20110308-04</b>
<b>Action:</b>	Coordination Group Members will review the Capabilities Assessment Team Terms of Reference Document and provide feedback to Ken Shaffer by COB Friday, March 18.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Ken Shaffer, FGDC, <a href="mailto:kmshaffer@fgdc.gov">kmshaffer@fgdc.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/ Response:</b>	CATT Terms of Reference, including call for participants, was circulated to the CG for review and comment following the 3/8 CG meeting via email 3/11/11. No substantive comments on approach were received. The approach to this task will be revisited with the CG and ExCom.	
<b>Pending</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Ivan DeLoatch, FGDC	<b>Action#: 20110419-01</b>
<b>Action:</b>	The FGDC Secretariat will invite the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to become involved with the FGDC.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Ivan DeLoatch, FGDC, <a href="mailto:ideloatch@fgdc.gov">ideloatch@fgdc.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/ Response:</b>		
<b>Pending</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Ken Shaffer, FGDC	<b>Action#: 20110419-02</b>
<b>Action:</b>	The FGDC Secretariat will post the GWG briefing on the web site.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Ken Shaffer, FGDC, <a href="mailto:kmshaffer@fgdc.gov">kmshaffer@fgdc.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/ Response:</b>		
<b>Pending</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Coordination Group Members	<b>Action#: 20110419-03</b>
<b>Action:</b>	CG members should submit additional questions for the Standards survey to Julie Maitra.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Julie Maitra, FGDC, <a href="mailto:jmaitra@fgdc.gov">jmaitra@fgdc.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/ Response:</b>		
<b>Pending</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Jon Sperling, HUD	<b>Action#: 20110419-04</b>

<b>Action:</b>	Jon Sperling will share the Questionnaire on Agency use of Address Data Files with his contacts at FedStats.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Jon Sperling, HUD, jon.sperling@hud.gov	
<b>Resolution/ Response:</b>		
<b>Pending</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Randy Fusaro, Census	<b>Action#: 20110419-05</b>
<b>Action:</b>	CG members are asked to email Randy Fusaro with comments or additional questions on the Questionnaire on Agency Use of Address Data Files. When Randy receives the input, she will update the questionnaire and email it back to the CG members on Monday, April 25.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Randy Fusaro, Census, randy.j.fusaro@census.gov	
<b>Resolution/ Response:</b>		
<b>Pending</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Dave Soller, USGS	<b>Action#: 20110419-06</b>
<b>Action:</b>	Dave Soller will send Geologic Data Subcommittee Update slides to the CG.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Dave Soller, USGS, drsoller@usgs.gov	
<b>Resolution/ Response:</b>		
<b>Pending</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Wendy Blake-Coleman, EPA, and Dave Soller, USGS	<b>Action#: 20110419-07</b>
<b>Action:</b>	Wendy Blake-Coleman and Dave Soller will collaborate on putting together nationally consistent geologic data sets, similar to the watershed effort.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Wendy Blake-Coleman, EPA, blake-coleman.wendy@epa.gov; Dave Soller, USGS, <a href="mailto:drsoller@usgs.gov">drsoller@usgs.gov</a> .	
<b>Resolution/ Response:</b>		
<b>Pending</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Wendy Blake-Coleman, EPA	<b>Action#: 20110419-08</b>
<b>Action:</b>	Wendy will contact Dave Soller about nationally consistent geologic data sets and using watersheds as a model.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Wendy Blake-Coleman, EPA, Blake-Coleman.Wendy@epa.gov	
<b>Resolution/ Response:</b>		
<b>Complete</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Ken Shaffer, FGDC	<b>Action#: 20110419-09</b>
<b>Action:</b>	Ken Shaffer will email the ISO data themes list out to the CG members.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Ken Shaffer, FGDC, kmshaffer@fgdc.gov	
<b>Resolution/ Response:</b>	4/19 Ken emailed the list.	

<b>Pending</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	Coordination Group Members	<b>Action#: 20110419-10</b>
<b>Action:</b>	Randy Fusaro will email out the updated data themes list to the CG members.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Ken Shaffer, FGDC, <a href="mailto:kmshaffer@fgdc.gov">kmshaffer@fgdc.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/Response:</b>		
<b>Pending</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	FGDC Secretariat	<b>Action#: 20110419-11</b>
<b>Action:</b>	CG members will continue vetting the list of data themes through their respective agencies and will submit their concurrence or non-concurrence with comments votes to Ken Shaffer and Arista Maher by COB April 29.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Ken Shaffer, FGDC, <a href="mailto:kmshaffer@fgdc.gov">kmshaffer@fgdc.gov</a> ; Arista Maher, FGDC, <a href="mailto:amaher@fgdc.gov">amaher@fgdc.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/Response:</b>		
<b>Pending</b>		
<b>Lead:</b>	FGDC Secretariat	<b>Action#: 20110419-12</b>
<b>Action:</b>	The FGDC Secretariat will look into obtaining more information from DoD/Marine Corps about their portfolio management template.	
<b>Contact:</b>	Ivan DeLoatch, FGDC, <a href="mailto:ideloatch@fgdc.gov">ideloatch@fgdc.gov</a>	
<b>Resolution/Response:</b>		

<b>ID</b> (yyyymmdd-#)	<b>Decision/Description</b>
	Decisions provide a position/foundation on which actions are taken.
20110111-02	A Coordination Group Task Team will be formed to take the next steps in the FGDC/GWG standards synchronization process.
20110208-01	The Document Adjudication Task Team Terms of Reference (DATT TOR) is now (typo in earlier minutes) part of CG standard operating procedure.





## Federal Geographic Data Committee Coordination Group Meeting MEETING MINUTES April 19, 2011

√	Coordination Group Attendees	Organization	√	Attendee	Organization
x	Shirley Hall	USDA- Farm Service Agency		Bill Wilen	DOI – US Fish & Wildlife Service
x	Marisa Capriotti	USDA – Natural Resources Conservation Service		Ivan DeLoatch	DOI – USGS/FGDC; Chair, CG
x	Betsy Kanalley	USDA – US Forest Service	x	Dick Vraga	DOI – USGS
	Ralph Crawford	USDA – US Forest Service		Bob Pierce	DOI – USGS
	Juliana Blackwell	DOC – National Geodetic Survey		Dan Sandhaus	DOI - USGS
x	Tony LaVoi	DOC - NOAA		Edward Hugler	Dept of Labor – OASAM
x	Randy Fusaro	DOC – Census Bureau	x	Roy Standing	Dept of State
x	Anne O’Connor	DOC – Census Bureau	x	Mark Bradford	DOT - Research & Innovative Technology Admin
	Steve Jackson	DOD - NGA	x	Raquel Wright	DOT – Federal Railroad Admin
x	David LaBranche	DOD - DISDI		Elaine Boston	Dept of Treasury
	Mitchell Fiedler	DOD - DISDI	x	Pheakdey Lim	Dept of Veterans’ Affairs
	Nancy Blyler	DOD – US Army Corps of Engineers		Tom Garin	Dept of Veterans’ Affairs
	Tai Phan	Dept. of Education – Institute of Ed Statistics	x	Wendy Blake-Coleman	EPA
	David Morehouse	Dept. of Energy – US Energy Info Administration		George Brilis	EPA
	Carl Kinkade	DHHS – CDC	x	Tod Dabolt	EPA – Office of Water
	Robert Shankman	DHHS – Office of Preparedness and Emergency Ops	x	Sandra Downie	GSA
	Jeff Booth	DHS – Office of the CIO		Philip Klokis	GSA
	Dennis Hardy	DHS	x	Autumn Foard Wallin	GSA
x	Jon Sperling	HUD – Policy Development & Research	x	Colleen Cahill	Library of Congress
	Salvatore Sclafani	HUD - Office of Community Planning & Development	x	Jacqueline Nolan	Library of Congress



	Antoinette Sebastian	HUD – Office of Environment & Energy		Gregory Mann	NASA
	David Chase	HUD – Policy Development & Research	x	Brett Abrams	NARA
	Don Buhler	DOI - BLM		Clifford Jacobs	National Science Foundation
	Doug Vandegraft	DOI – Bureau of Ocean Energy Mgmt, Regulation & Enforcement		Trisha Christian	Small Business Administration
	Steven Schwartz	DOI - BOEMRE		David Timmons	Social Security Administration
	Joe Gregson	DOI – Nat'l Park Service		Ray Mitchell	Tennessee Valley Authority
	Tim Smith	DOI – Nat'l Park Service			
	Robert Welsh	DOI – Office of Surface Mining			
	Christina Lett	DOI – US Fish & Wildlife Service			
	<b>Other Attendees</b>	<b>Organization</b>		<b>Attendee</b>	<b>Organization</b>
x	Acqunetta Anderson	BHarrisonSoc	x	John Mahoney	FGDC
x	Jeanette Archetto	GT	x	Julie Binder Maitra	FGDC
x	Anne Ball	NOAA	x	Kristie McLeroy	NRCS
x	Nathan Beck	FDA	x	Catherine Nolan	GT
x	Bill Burgess	NSGIC	x	Ken Shaffer	FGDC
x	Teddy Dyer	DoE	x	Vaishal Sheth	FGDC
x	Hank Garie	GT	x	Karen Siderelis	DOI
x	Dan Good	USDA	x	Dave Soller	USGS
x	Glenn Guempel	NGA	x	Gita Urban-Mathieux	FGDC
x	Charles Hickman	USGS	x	Linda Zellmer	CUAC
x	Alex Hume	GT	x	Jim Maas	OMB
x	Roxanne Lamb	FGDC	x	Raymond Mitchell	
x	Steve Lewis	DOT	x	Tom Ralph	DOT

**Welcome and Roll Call – Randy Fusaro, Census; Ken Shaffer, FGDC**

Randy Fusaro (Census) called the meeting to order. A roll call of members present was taken.

**Previous Meeting Action Item Review – Ken Shaffer, FGDC**

The action items were reviewed for the members. It was noted that there will not be an A-16 panel at The National Map conference that is being held in May.

**FGDC Business and Secretariat Report – Ken Shaffer, FGDC**

[Presentation](#) [PDF]

[Standards Update](#) [PDF]

- The National Geospatial Advisory Committee (NGAC) identified Federal agency points of contacts (POCs) for a number of data and programmatic items. Ivan DeLoatch (FGDC OS) will follow-up with the Federal POCs to let them know NGAC will be contacting them.
- Geospatial Line of Business tasks and Geospatial Platform – The Core Team will hold a 2-day meeting in the first half of May. The purpose is to look at the strategy for moving forward with the LoB and Platform activities.
- Federal Trade Commission Privacy Report – Geolocation privacy language in draft FTC policy needs to be reviewed to prevent unintended consequences. After the ExCom meeting next week there will be a meeting with the FTC to discuss potential unintended consequences of the proposed language and to help educate the policy makers.

**ACTION: The FGDC Secretariat will invite the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to become involved with the FGDC.**

FGDC agency participation on GWG focus groups is imperative if the FGDC is going to work cooperatively with DOD/IC to vet geospatial technology standards. CG members should review Rick Pearsall's briefing to determine which focus group address standards relevant to their agency. The briefing includes suggestions of which agency should be on which group. USGS now has representatives on 5 of the 8 focus groups.

**ACTION: The FGDC Secretariat will post the GWG briefing on the web site.**

It was announced that Rick Pearsall, NGA, a long standing lead in geospatial standards retired at the beginning of April.

#### Standards Survey

A survey on the use of FGDC endorsed standards has been developed to set a baseline for standards use reporting, and to build a knowledge base for agency's to see who is implementing specific standards in case they need guidance.

- A question on agency use of Standards implementation guides should be added to the survey and the guides posted on the FGDC web site.
- Suggestions for the survey – 1) Add check box if implementation guides exists, 2) add a question about which of the 65 new standards are useful.
- EPA has profiles of the standards they use that define what is useful or needs adding.
- Issue: number of responses per agency – limit who is responding or open it up. The survey will be sent to all Federal members with a note that they should coordinate a response with the CG member. The CG members will be asked to validate a single response from the agency for use in reporting.
- What do FGDC CG members want from the survey?
- Want to know if agencies have adopted what standards.
- Who is using what standards?
- Are the standards being used by the agencies?
- What is the purpose of the survey information? It is not intended to be a hammer but to develop an information baseline on standards usage and help building communities within and across agencies for standards implementation.

- Quality assessment – A question will be included asking if agencies have a mechanism for validating standards use.
- Most agreed that the survey was a good idea.

**ACTION: CG members should submit additional questions for the Standards survey to Julie Maitra.**

Questionnaire on Agency Use of Address Data Files – Randy Fusaro, Census

[Questionnaire](#) [DOC]

The survey (questionnaire) will go to CG members and they will forward as appropriate. Wendy Blake-Coleman, EPA stated that we need to get FedStats participating in the survey.

**ACTION: Jon Sperling will share the Questionnaire on Agency Use of Address Data Files with FedStats.**

**ACTION: CG members are asked to email Randy Fusaro with comments or additional questions on the Questionnaire on Agency Use of Address Data Files. When Randy receives the input, she will update the questionnaire and email it back to the CG members on Monday, April 25.**

**Geologic Data Subcommittee Update – Dave Soller, USGS**

**ACTION: Dave Soller will send Geologic Data Subcommittee Update slides to the CG.**

- Geological Cartographic Standard – Updates
  - Subcommittee has been collaborating with ESRI – geologic mapping template, this works is done and they are working to continue to advance these efforts.
  - Working with Canada on symbols to provided cross-boundary consistency.
  - Repurposing some of the symbols is being considered.
  - Digital Mapping Techniques will be discussed in an upcoming conference. (Looking for volunteers to work on this.)
  - Enhancements and revision - Since 2006, the subcommittee has had many good comments, so possible revision to standard is planned to be addressed.
- Geologic Database Design
  - Looking to create interoperable design.
  - Looking at set of designs in use – NPS, USGS (National Coop Geologic Mapping Program).
  - There is a range of information in the current sets.
  - Paleo info will be included on the design.
  - Looking how to do outreach – Do FGDC agencies have recommendations?
- A-16 Geologic Theme definition – want to use definition from Subcommittee charter.
  - Dave Soller will send the definition but he needs some guidance.
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**ACTION: Wendy Blake-Coleman and Dave Soller will collaborate on putting together nationally consistent geologic data sets, similar to the watershed effort.**

### **Spatial Water Data Subcommittee Update - *Tod Dabolt, EPA***

[Presentation](#) [PDF]

The presentation included an update on current activities. Two items of note include:

1. Should the Wetlands data be aligned under the Water Theme for the NGDA? There is movement in this direction but there are many programmatic issues to look at. Wendy suggested the to-be-identified Data Theme Manager could be the one to look at this.
2. There is a need to identify opportunities to increase accountability on the development and management of data for cross-agency purposes.

### **Geospatial Platform Update – *Karen Siderelis, DOI***

Progress on the following topics was discussed:

- V4 Roadmap was finalized and released to the web.
- The web site interface has been updated.
- Created high level outreach and communication strategic plan, this is not an implementation plan. The implementation plan will follow.
- Technical Deploy Task Team – Andrew Jackson, NGA leads this effort where they are developing use cases and stand-up for proof of concept architecture.
- Capabilities integration – bring in existing capabilities, Amazon and Azure cloud, several demonstrations will be held in the near future, show what the platform is and what it can achieve.

Capabilities Assessment Task Team (CATT) – intended to outreach to agencies to identify government elements ready for the Platform. The approach on this activity is being discussed. A two-day meeting for the Core Team in the next 2 – 3 weeks to get everyone on the same page, and to develop ideas is being planned. This will include: the GSA, Data.gov activities; trying to leverage resources; GOS integration; and discussions on Platform leadership partnerships. The Data.gov program will continue to develop but resources are not as great as they had been.

### **Executive Committee Liaison Discussion – *Karen Siderelis, DOI***

There was no March meeting. The April 27<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda is very full – several items about the Platform, Data.gov GOS migration, discussion on joint business case for Geospatial Line of Business/Geospatial Platform, A-16 Supplemental Guidance and implementation, NGAC activities, FTC privacy issues. There is a meeting in the afternoon of April 27<sup>th</sup> with the FTC to discuss geolocation privacy issues in relation to the FTC Privacy Report.

### **Data Themes Update – *Randy Fusaro, Census***

[List of Data Themes](#) [XLS]

The NGDA Themes list is in a final proposed stage with list of themes and definitions. Both the Soils definition and geology definition are still to be finalized. Datasets have not yet been mapped to the themes.

Comment: Brett Abrams – Cultural & Demographic Data Subcommittee has been doing research on Federal data sets managed by the agencies.

- Got a good response for a list of datasets.
- Data sets are maintained at local level by hundreds of individuals.
- There may be a main federal contact but working with many locals.
- Different standards are in use.
- Different structures are being used for portfolio management.
- They are also asking if there is a prescriptive method for managing the dataset.

Next Steps for Data Themes:

- Look how your datasets are mapped to themes.
- Determine if a theme should be a single dataset or many.
- Determine if the data sets are national significant datasets.

The ISO theme definitions were used as much as possible in establishing the themes. The definitions were changed if the ISO definition did not seem to cover the Federal agency requirements.

**ACTION: Ken Shaffer will email the ISO data themes list out to the CG members.**

**ACTION: Randy Fusaro will email out the updated data themes list to the CG members.**

**ACTION: CG members will continue vetting the list of data themes through their respective agencies and will submit their concurrence or non-concurrence with comments votes to Ken Shaffer and Arista Maher by COB April 29.**

After the Federal agencies agree on the Federal theme requirements the broader stakeholders will be provided an opportunity to comment.

### **The Spatial Data Standards for Facilities, Infrastructure, and Environment, 3.0 - David LaBranche, DOD, DISDI**

[Presentation](#) [PDF]

[White paper](#) [PDF]

The SDSFIE provides a standardized structure for organizing and managing geospatial data, including data set, entity, and attribute information. The SDSFIE is predominated intended for use by the DoD installations and environment domain and has gone through a significant revision and normalization process. Where national standards overlap was identified (and efforts were made to identify overlaps), the SDSFIE is designed to be compatible with those standards and not duplicate them. The same applied for data definitions. There is a model builder

application to help with implementation/migration of the standard. These are not yet available outside of the DoD. Dataset archival is typically executed by the managing entity.

### **Transportation for the Nation Strategic Plan – Steve Lewis, DOT**

[Presentation](#) [PDF]

Presentation provided an overview of the TFTN efforts. Additional comments/notes include:

- Were there state/private partnership struggling with public domain issues? Currently, a routable data set compiled from source submissions is in the public domain but not the most current replications of the submissions.
- State data vary in standards use.
- All states but Wyoming contributed data of some sort.
- The Department of Transportation (DOT) is doing some of the standardization of the data, and accuracy of the source data is sometimes questionable.
- Census is both a consumer and contributor of data to TFTN.
- Currently, the plan is that there will be a feature service and download service available.
- DOT see 2 primary sets of users – Using the roads and managing/maintaining the roads.
- The next step is to develop a business plan that will contain a funding model. The business plan task is not yet fully resourced.

### **A-16 Supplemental Guidance – Hank Garie, Grant Thornton**

[Presentation](#) [PDF]

The presentation provided a framework approach for educating and providing an implementation approach for A-16 Supplemental execution. Specific points of interest included:

- The FGDC Cooperative Agreement Program (CAP) may be an incentive for state/local to get them involved but Federal agencies are not eligible for these funds.
- Federal incentives – costing savings, expediting completion, making consistent data available, competition, building partnerships.
- Inland Water theme has 3 datasets (NHD, WBD, NWI) that that could be used for an implementation pilot.
- This is going to be a multiyear effort.
- An agency implementation plan template will be developed.
- Nine data set maturity model walk-throughs were completed that will be used to shape the implementation plan.
- *The National Map* product plans could be used as best practice and to identify gaps.
- Life cycle management group created a 10 page document that could provide some good background information.
- Bill Burgess - bring stakeholders into the process early.

**ACTION: The FGDC Secretariat will look into obtaining more information from DoD/Marine Corps about their portfolio management template.**

### **Action Item Review – Gita Urban-Mathieux, FGDC**

The action items were reviewed for the Coordination Group members.

*Adjourn*