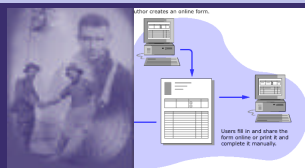




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Online Mark Recovery Form

NOAA's National Geodetic Survey (NGS) has made it easier to submit recovery information for National Spatial Reference System (NSRS) control points. Control point users may now submit information on the location and condition of NSRS survey markers using a form on the NGS Web site.

NSRS is the highly accurate, consistent geographic framework for the United States. It is the foundation for the National Spatial Data Infrastructure, a critical component of the information superhighway. NSRS is a significant national resource - one whose value far exceeds its intended purpose. Cooperation among all control point users is needed in order to preserve this valuable utility for continued use.

Activities based on precise location information have increased tremendously in recent years. Many of the benefits we take for granted today depend on complete, correct, and up-to date-control point information. NGS appreciates the important contributions of the host of individuals and groups who have contributed valuable information on the condition of NSRS control points and looks forward to continuing this vital association.

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