

# Latest Activities in Geospatial Arena

NDIIPP Meeting

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## Geospatial Records and National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)

- ❑ provides direction, guidance, and assistance to all agencies in managing their records throughout their lifecycle
- ❑ preserves electronic records with “enduring” value in non-proprietary formats
- ❑ offering access to these records

## Electronic and Special Media Records Services Division

- ❑ Vietnam War data with coordinates in ASCII format: available online
- ❑ Bureau of the Census administrative boundary records
- ❑ Fish and Wildlife's Wetlands Inventory and Wildlife Refuges Files
- ❑ Forest Service's Fire Management Maps
- ❑ BLM Conservation Area Files

## NARA Guidance: Geospatial Data Transfers

- Expanded existing guidance for GIS available in the CFR
- Acceptable transfer formats are in 36 CFR 1228.270 (d)(3)
- Metadata requirements are in 36 CFR 1228.270 (e)(2)

New NARA Guidance:

Selecting Sustainable Formats for Electronic Records

## **Characteristics**

- **Published Documentation and Open Disclosure:**  
Tagged Image File Format (TIFF) is an example of a format based on a publicly available, authoritative specification for scanned images.

## Community Building: Geospatial One Stop (GOS)

- Historical Collections Community on GOS
- Co-Data Steward with LC
- Put links to data and maps on the site

## Outreach to Data Managers: Federal Geographic Data Committee Geospatial Line of Business (GLOB)

- Developed questions for the maintenance and archiving data lifecycle stages
- Best Management Practices in Archiving

## Sharing Long-Term Preservation: Affiliated Archives

- EROS and NARA: MOU
- NCDC: Long-Term Preservation and Access

## Promoting Long-Term Preservation: Affiliated Relationships

- Affiliated relationship agreements
- Science records working group

# The Electronic Records Archives (ERA)

Building the Archives of the Future

