

2024 Current Fiscal Year Report: National Geospatial Advisory Committee

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1. Department or Agency

Department of the Interior

2. Fiscal Year

2024

3. Committee or Subcommittee

National Geospatial Advisory
Committee

3b. GSA Committee No.

34559

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year? 5. Current Charter 6. Expected Renewal Date 7. Expected Term Date

No 11/08/2021 11/08/2023

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year? 8b. Specific Termination Authority 8c. Actual Term Date

No

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year 10a. Legislation Req to Terminate? 10b. Legislation Pending?

Continue Not Applicable Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific Establishment Authority 13. Effective Date 14. Committee Type 14c. Presidential?

P.L. 115-254 10/05/2018 Continuing No

15. Description of Committee National Policy Issue Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for
this Fiscal Year

17a. Open 17b. Closed 17c. Partially Closed 17d. Total

Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

Current Next
FY FY

18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$0.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

Federal geospatial programs are highly dependent upon partnerships and coordination with external groups, including State, local and Tribal governments, and non-profit and private sector partners. The NGAC plays an important role in providing a forum to convey views representative of non-Federal partners in the geospatial community and reviewing and commenting upon geospatial policy and management issues.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

FGDC has worked to ensure a balanced committee membership that reflects the variety of viewpoints within the geospatial community. The

Committee is composed of up to 30 representatives or special Government employees who are selected to generally achieve a balanced representation of the viewpoints of the various stakeholders involved in national geospatial activities. Selection of Committee members includes consideration of geographic balance. The Committee membership includes balanced representation from among, but not limited to, the following stakeholder groups involved in the geospatial community: - Federal Government - State government - County government - Regional government - City/Municipal government - Tribal government - Private sector - User industries - Professional associations - Non-profit organizations - Academia.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The NGAC meets 3-4 times per year. In FY 2023, the NGAC had three meetings. The meetings have been well-attended, substantive, and productive.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

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20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

N/A

21. Remarks

The Committee met three times in FY 2023.

Designated Federal Officer

Josh Delmonico Executive Director, Federal
Geographic Data Committee

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Alameh, Nadine	03/07/2022	03/07/2025	Taylor Geospatial Institute	Representative Member
Andris, Clio	03/07/2022	03/07/2025	Georgia Institute of Technology	Representative Member
Avila, Frank	03/07/2022	03/07/2025	National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Baker, Chad	04/18/2023	04/18/2026	State of California Transportation Department	Representative Member
Bluehorse, Byron	03/07/2022	03/07/2025	Sovereign Planning	Representative Member
Cawley, Maggie	03/07/2022	03/07/2025	OpenStreetMap U.S.	Representative Member
Dangermond, Jack	04/18/2023	04/18/2026	ESRI	Representative Member
Dupont, Lynn	03/07/2022	03/07/2025	New Orleans Regional Planning Commission	Representative Member
Granberg, Bert	04/18/2023	04/18/2026	Wasatch Front Regional Council	Representative Member
Howard, Holli	04/18/2023	04/18/2026	Google Maps	Representative Member
Jones, Leslie	04/18/2023	04/18/2026	State of Alaska	Representative Member
LaVoi, Tony	03/07/2022	03/07/2025	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Mattke, Ryan	04/18/2023	04/18/2026	University of Minnesota	Representative Member
Meade, Mark	04/18/2023	04/18/2026	NV5 Geospatial	Representative Member
Pulford, Curtis	04/18/2023	04/18/2026	City of Phoenix, AZ	Representative Member
Raj, Devaki	04/18/2023	04/18/2026	CrowdAI	Representative Member
Ravada, Siva	04/18/2023	04/18/2026	Oracle Spatial	Representative Member
Robertson, Breece	04/18/2023	04/18/2026	One Tree Planted	Representative Member

Sagan, Vasit	04/18/2023	04/18/2026	Saint Louis University	Representative Member
Stewart, Kathleen	03/07/2022	03/07/2025	University of Maryland	Representative Member
Thiel, Phil	04/18/2023	04/18/2026	Dewberry	Representative Member
Thompson, Gary	03/07/2022	03/07/2025	State of North Carolina	Representative Member
Trainor, Timothy	04/18/2023	04/18/2026	Tim Trainor Consultants, LLC	Representative Member
Blackmer, Gale [NGAC 3D Elevation Program Subcommittee]	07/05/2022	07/05/2025	Pennsylvania Geological Survey	Representative Member
Gaffney, Karen [NGAC 3D Elevation Program Subcommittee]	07/05/2022	07/05/2025	North Coast Resource Partnership	Representative Member
Maidment, David [NGAC 3D Elevation Program Subcommittee]	07/05/2022	07/05/2025	University of Texas	Representative Member
Reichardt, Mark [NGAC 3D Elevation Program Subcommittee]	07/05/2022	07/05/2025	Open Geospatial Consortium (Retired)	Representative Member
Steinberg, Steve [NGAC 3D Elevation Program Subcommittee]	07/05/2022	07/05/2025	County of Los Angeles, CA	Representative Member
Van Rens, Jim [NGAC 3D Elevation Program Subcommittee]	07/05/2022	07/05/2025	Riegl, USA Inc.	Representative Member
Walker, Stewart [NGAC 3D Elevation Program Subcommittee]	07/05/2022	07/05/2025	Lidar Magazine	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 30

Narrative Description

The Committee supports FGDC agencies' missions by providing advice and recommendations related to management of Federal and national geospatial programs, the development of the National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI), and the implementation of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-16 and the Geospatial Data Act. The Committee reviews and comments upon geospatial policy and management issues and provides a forum to convey views representative of non-Federal stakeholders in the geospatial community.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if
Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

A key outcome enabled by the NGAC is the effective interagency and intergovernmental coordination of national geospatial policy issues.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

The NGAC primarily provides policy advice on the effective management and coordination of national geospatial programs.

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

101

Number of Recommendations Comments

The Committee made 4 recommendations in FY 2023: (1) NGAC resolution regarding U.S. geodesy capabilities (2) NGAC Comments on the FY 2022 FGDC Summary of GDA Annual Reports (3) NGAC Evaluation of Geospatial Data Act Implementation (4) NGAC Assessment of the 3D Elevation Program In addition to formal recommendations, the NGAC has also provided continuing feedback and comment on the development of a Federal climate mapping capability, as required under Executive Order 14008 ("Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad"), and on the development of the strategic plan for the National Spatial Data Infrastructure, which is required under the Geospatial Data Act of 2018.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

25%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

Approximately 25% of NGAC recommendations (25 of 101) have been or are expected to be fully implemented.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

75%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Approximately 75% of NGAC recommendations (76 of 101) have been or are expected to be partially implemented.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

Feedback on recommendations is provided at subsequent meetings of the committee. The FGDC also provides written feedback on NGAC recommendations.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities ☒
Reallocated resources ☐

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| Issued new regulation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Proposed legislation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Approved grants or other payments | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Action Comments

NGAC recommendations have been utilized to help shape and manage relevant agency programs and initiatives. In addition to formal recommendations, the NGAC has also produced a set of white papers and research papers and has provided feedback and comment on Federal geospatial initiatives and programs.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

Not Applicable

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

- | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Contact DFO | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online Agency Web Site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online Committee Web Site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online GSA FACA Web Site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Publications | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Access Comments

Committee documents are posted on the NGAC website (www.fgdc.gov/ngac). In addition, FGDC representatives provide information about committee activities at geospatial industry meetings, conferences, etc.