

## Datums and Tools to Connect Geospatial Data Accurately

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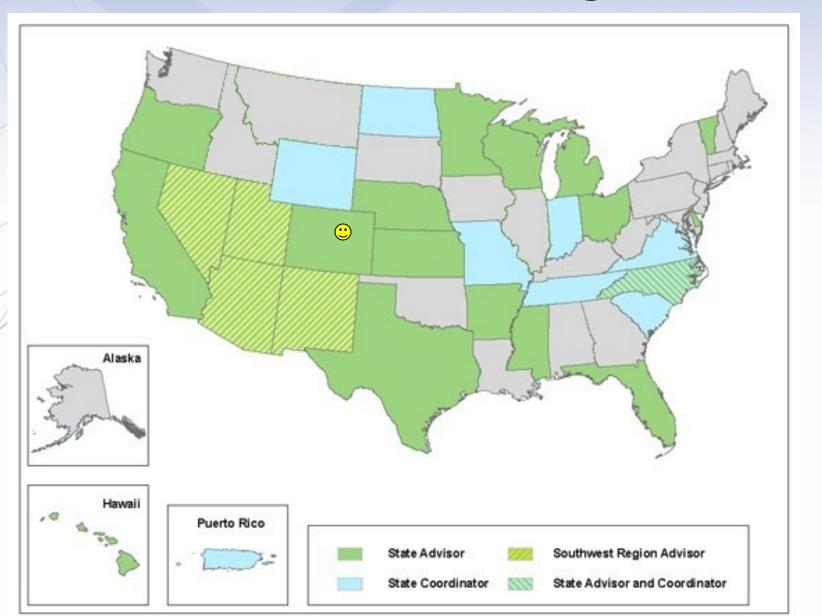
Colorado State Geodetic Advisor National Geodetic Survey National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

## Agenda

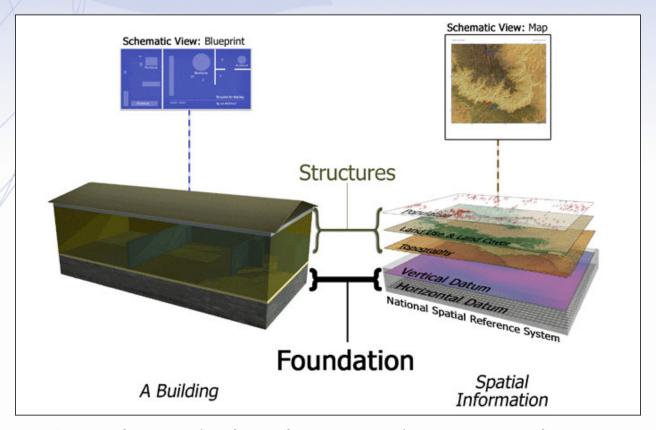
- Datums
- GPS Accuracy
- NGS National Spatial Reference System
- MetaData
- Tools
  - DS-World
  - CORS
  - OPUS
- New Datums



## NGS Advisor Program

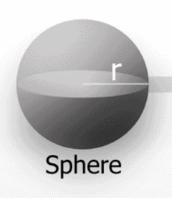


#### **Datums**



A mathematical and geometric concept that serves as a foundation or starting point for mapping, surveying, engineering based on realization of actual geospatial data points.

#### **Geodetic Reference Surfaces**



A beachball globe



Mathematical best fit to Earth's surface...
used for defining Latitude and Longitude

Modeled best fit to "sea surface" equipotential gravity field used for defining Elevation

#### Geodetic Datums

#### **Horizontal**

2-D (Latitude and Longitude) (e.g. NAD 27, NAD 83 (1986))

#### Vertical/Geopotential

1-D (Orthometric Height) (e.g. NGVD 29 NAVD 88, Local Tidal)

#### **Geometric**

3-D (Latitude, Longitude and Ellipsoid Height)
Fixed and Stable(?) - Coordinates seldom change
(e.g. NAD 83 (1993), NAD 83 (2007))

also

4-D (Latitude, Longitude, Ellipsoid Height, Velocities)
Coordinates change with time
(e.g. NAD 83, ITRF00, ITRF05)

### **GPS** Receiver Grades

- Recreational Grade
  - **-** \$100-\$1000

1-10 meters



- Mapping
  - **-** \$2,000-\$6,000

submeter - 3 meter



- Survey Grade
  - -\$10,000 +

5mm - 2 cm



## Autonomous GPS Accuracy



NAD83 HD0P <= 2.0 HDOP > 2.0

Display@15sec

Reference Latitude-Longitude 1,844m 35:08:04.59 N 106:29:30.92

Weighted Mean Latitude-Longitude 1.844m 35:08:04.56 N 106:29:30.93

Mouse Pointer Latitude-Longitude 35:08:04.92 N 106:29:31.23 W

Reference to: Pointer Now Mean 13m@323° 3.4m@207° 0.8m@212°

Now: SVs AURA HDOP EPE UTC

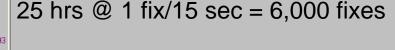
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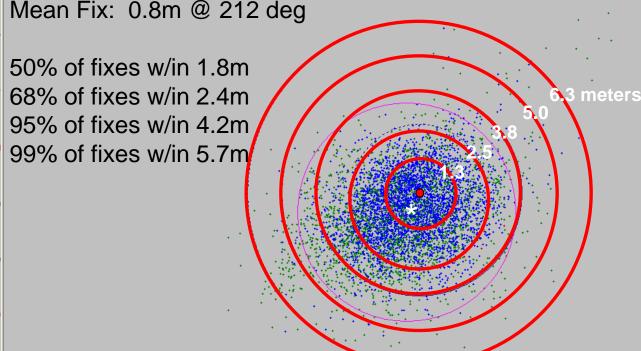
MA: Time 97% 94% 68% 48% 01:00 3.2m 3.2m 2.9m 2.7m

All: Count AURA HDOP EPE Drift 6.000 6m 1.1 4.7m 5m/min

All: Time 99% 95% 68% 50%

UTC Date Distribution by HDOP





SA Watch Registered to William Stone

SVs/Position Error (Scale Max: 10m)

GPS Receiver Datum

Reference Latitude-Longitude

1,844m 35:08:04.59 N 106:29:30.92

Weighted Mean Latitude-Longitude 1,844m 35:08:04.56 N 106:29:30.93

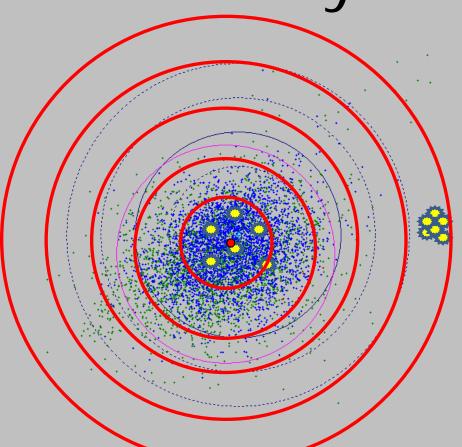
Mouse Pointer Latitude-Longitude 35:08:04.92 N 106:29:31.23 W

Reference to: Pointer Now Mean 13m@323\* 3.4m@207\* 0.8m@212\*

NAD83

HD0P <= 1.0 HD0P <= 2.0 HD0P > 2.0 Display@15sec

## Accuracy



Precision

SA Watch Registered to William Stone

Now: SVs AURA HDOP EPE UTC GPS port closed

MA: Count AURA HDOP EPE Drift 31 5m 1.3 4.9m 4m/min

MA: Time 97% 94% 68% 48% 01:00 3.2m 3.2m 2.9m 2.7m

All: Count AURA HDOP EPE Drift 6,000 6m 1.1 4.7m 5m/min

All: Time 99% 95% 68% 50% 1:00:59:54 5.7m 4.2m 2.4m 1.8m

UTC Date Distribution by HDOP 4/13/2006 54% 46% 0%

Veighted Mean

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### U.S. Department of Commerce National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Geodetic Survey

Mission: To define, maintain & provide access to the

National Spatial Reference System (NSRS)

to meet our Nation's economic, social & environmental needs

National Spatial Reference System

•Latitude •Scale

LongitudeGravity

HeightOrientation

& their time variations

### The NSRS Supports





Nautical charts, among many other geospatial applications
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Flood zones for the National Flood Insurance Program
Emergency Response I magery

Federal Emergency Management Agency



**Levee Safety Program** to determine levee heights and positions United States Army Corps of Engineers



**Topographic Maps** and interior water data for the nation United States Geological Survey



NSRS gravity data for the **geospatial mission of NGA**National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency



Aeronautical Data Quality Assurance

Federal Aviation Administration

#### The NSRS has evolved



1 Million Monuments (Separate  $\rightarrow$  (3-Dimensional) Horizontal and Vertical Systems)

70,000 **Passive Marks** 

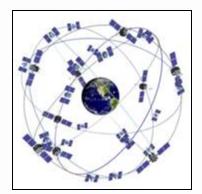




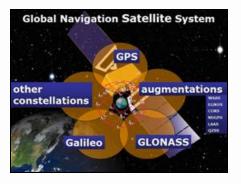
Passive Marks (Limited Knowledge → of Stability)

1,800+ CORS (Time Dependent System Possible; 4-Dimensional)





GPS CORS → GNSS CORS



## NGS National Spatial Reference System(NSRS) Improvements

TIME	NETWORK	LOCAL	
NETWORK SPAN	ACCURACY	ACCURACY	
NAD 27 1927-1986	10 meters	(1 part in 100,000)	
NAD83(86) 1986-1990	1 meter	(1 part in 100,000)	
NAD83(199x)* 1990-2007 HARN	0.1 meter	B-order (1 part in 1 million) A-order (1 part in 10 million)	
NAD83(NSRS2007) 2007 - 2011 (CORS)	0.01 meter	0.01 meter	
NAD83(NSRS2007) 2011 -	0.01 meter	0.01 meter	
(CORS)			

<sup>\*</sup> CO was completed and adjusted in 1992

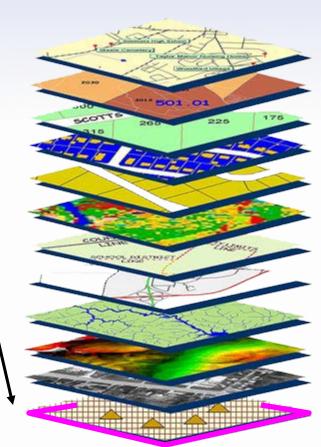
## Accurate positioning begins with accurate coordinates

Geodetic control (the NSRS) is the foundation for all geospatial products.

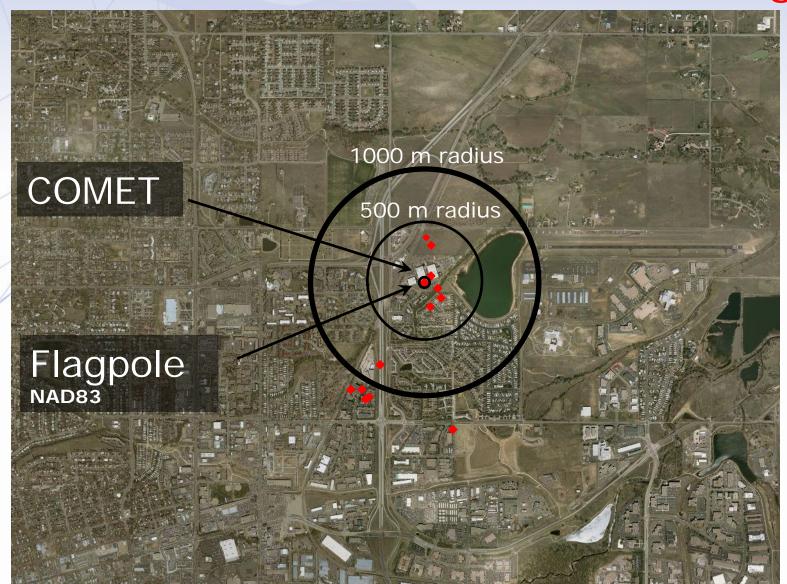
Without Geodetic Control as a "base map" layer, GIS applications will not work properly



ource: Zurich-American Insurance Gro

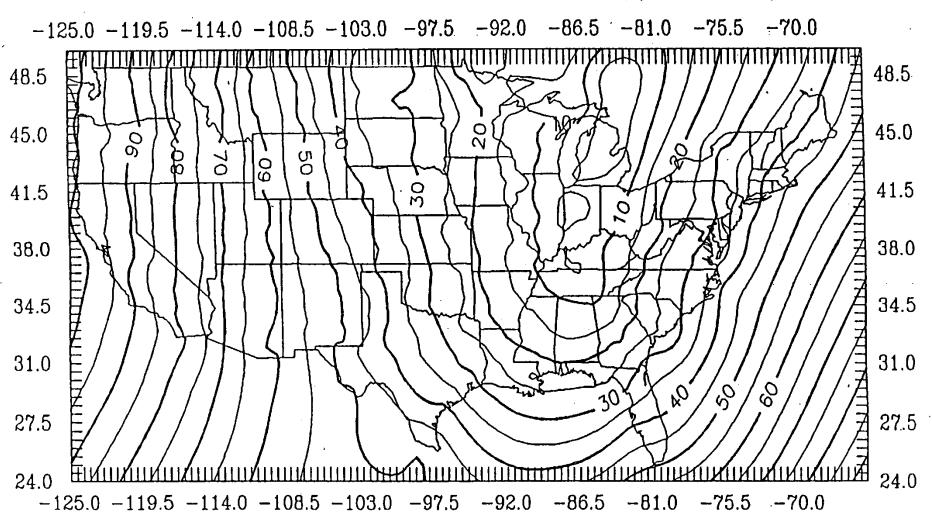


## Same point different datum's = different lat/long's



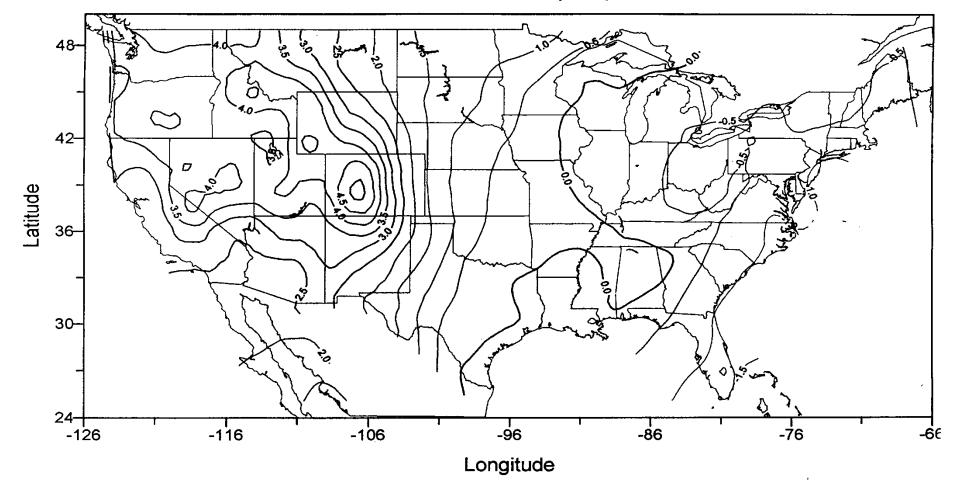
### Datum Differences NAD 27 – NAD 83

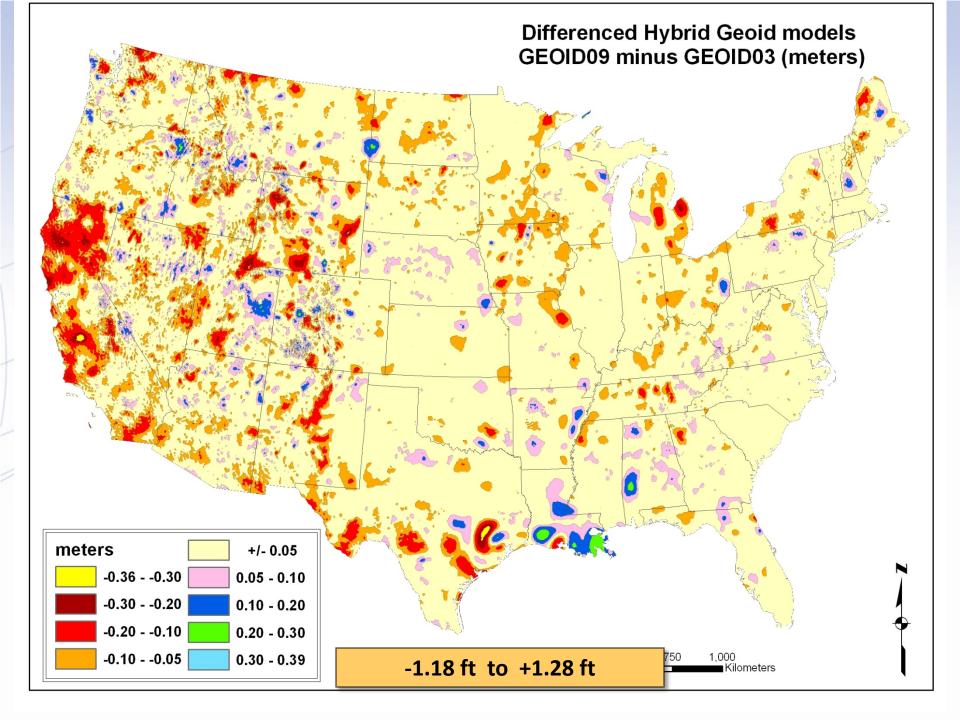
MAGNITUDE OF DATUM SHIFT (METERS)



### Datum Difference NGVD 29 – NAVD 88

NAVD88 - NGVD29 (feet)

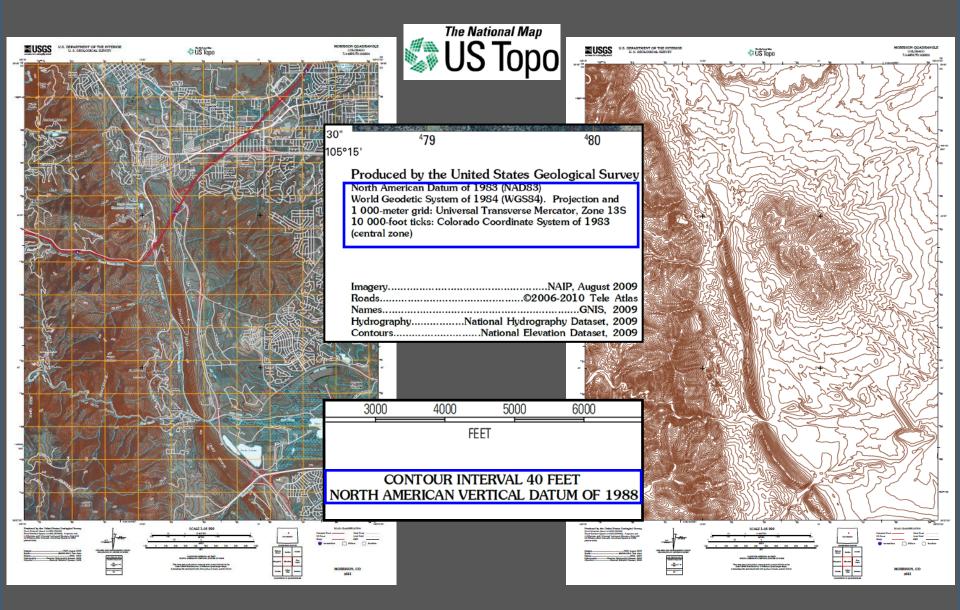




## Datum Differences On Average in COLORADO

On Average in COLORADO				
DRAFT				
	Meters	Feet		
Horizontal				
NAD 27-NAD 83	40-57	131-187		
NAD 83 (1986) - HARN	0.2-0.6	0.66-1.97		
HARN - NAD 83 (2007)	0.02	0.06		
NAD 83 (2007) - NAD 83 (2011)	0.02-0.04	0.06-0.13		
NAD 83 (2011) - New Datum (2022)	1.3 - 1.4	4.3 - 4.6		
DRAFT				
Vertical				
Orthometric Heights				
NGVD 29- NAVD 88	0.46 - 1.5	1.5 - 5.0		
NAVD 88 - New Datum (2022)	0.5 - 0.75	1.6 - 2.5		
DRAFT				
NAVD 88- NAD 83 ellipsoidal height	18	60		
DRAFT				
Geoid Models				
Geoid 96 - Geoid 99				
Geoid 99 - Geoid 03	0.02-1.3	0.06-4.3		
Geoid 03 - Geoid 09	-0.05-(+)0.05	-0.16-(+) 0.16		
Geoid 09- Geoid 12				

## 2011 US Topo Map



# Are NAD 83 & WGS 84 The Same?

but for your application is it significant?

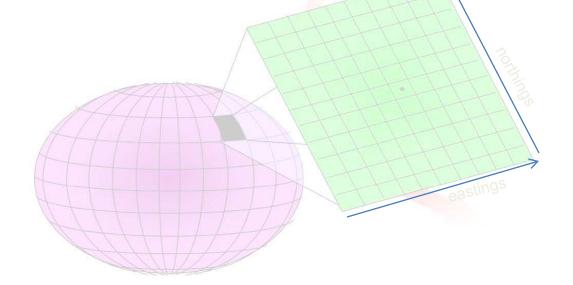
If requirements are *greater* than 3m then *Yes* 

If requirements are *less* than 3m then *No* 

Federal Register Notice: Vol. 60, No. 157, August 15, 1995, pg. 42146 "Use of NAD 83/WGS 84 Datum Tag on Mapping Products"

#### State Plane Coordinates

State plane coordinates are the projection of latitudes and longitudes



To a flat mapping surface that is usually defined by state law

#### Plane Coordinate Conversion Tools

#### State Plane Coordinates

GPPCGP (NAD 27 only)

SPCS83 (NAD 83 only)

http://www.ngs.noaa.gov/TOOLS/spc.shtml

#### UTM

UTMS (Both NAD 27 & NAD 83)

http://www.ngs.noaa.gov/TOOLS/utm.shtml

#### Both

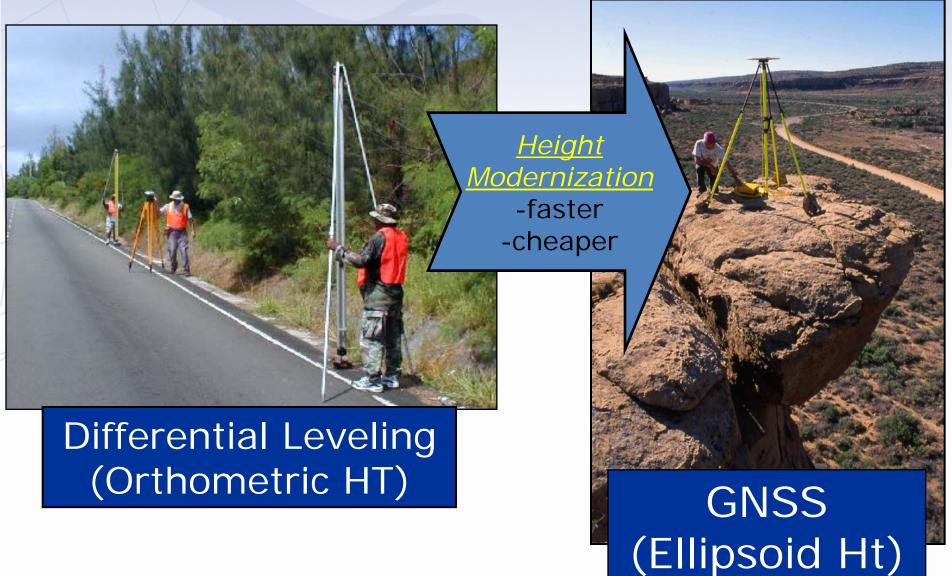
CORPSCON (Both NAD 27 & NAD 83)

http://crunch.tec.army.mil/software/corpscon/corpscon.html

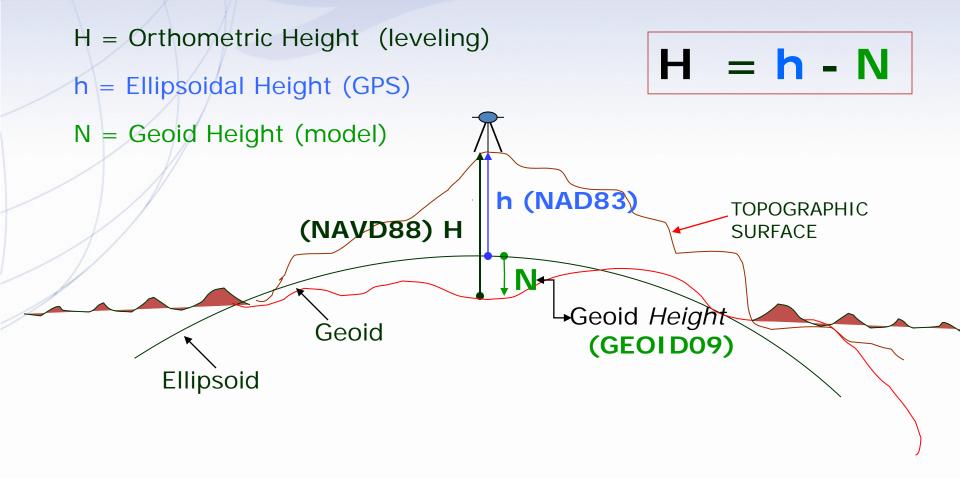
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www.geodesy.noaa.gov

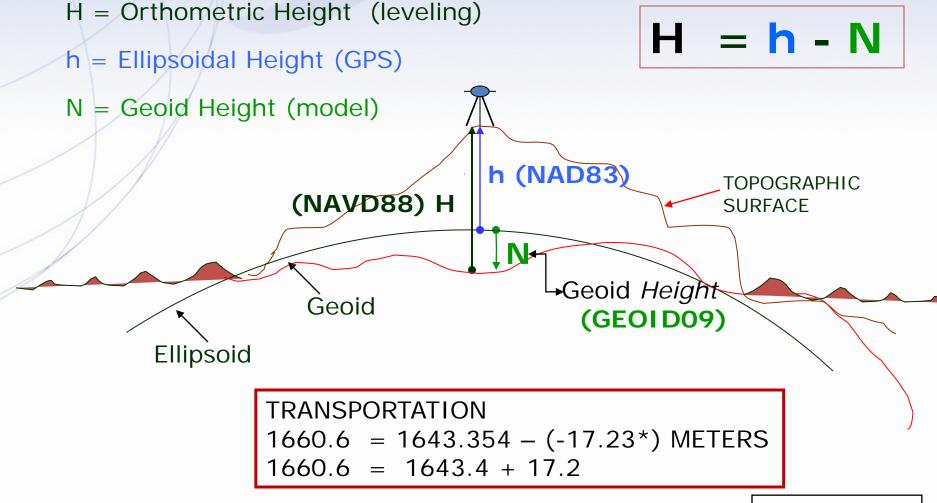
## Height Modernization



## Ellipsoid, Geoid, and Orthometric Heights

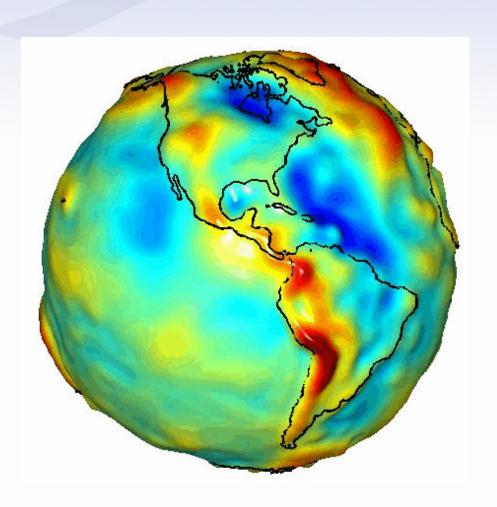


## Ellipsoid, Geoid, and Orthometric Heights

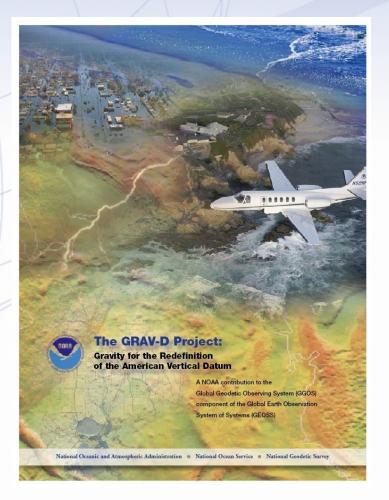


\*56.53 feet

## Exaggerated view of the Earths Gravity Measure

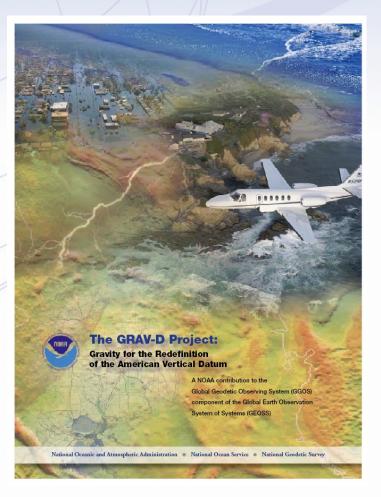


## Gravity for the Redefinition of the American Vertical Datum (GRAV-D)



- GRAV-D means fast, accurate, consistent orthometric heights everywhere in the USA
- GPS already gives fast accurate ellipsoid heights
- If the geoid were modeled (and monitored) to highest accuracy...
- Voila... Fast, accurate orthometric heights, anywhere, anytime
- No need to use leveling to "bring in the datum"

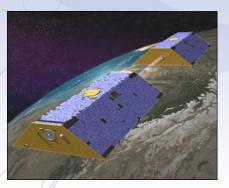
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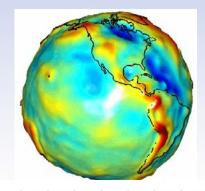
- Replace the Vertical Datum of the USA by 2022 (at today's funding) with a gravimetric geoid accurate to 1 cm
- Orthometric heights accessed via GNSS accurate to 2 cm
- Three components of project:
  - Airborne gravity survey of entire country and its holdings
  - Long-term monitoring of geoid change
  - Partnership surveys

<u>Gravity</u> and <u>Heights</u> are inseparably connected

### Building a Gravity Field



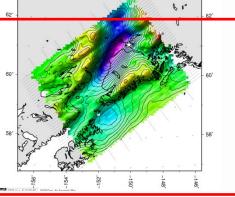
Long Wavelengths: (≥ 350 km)



GRACE and GOCE (not shown)



Intermediate Wavelengths (500 km to 20 km)

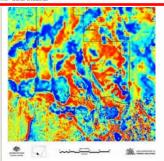


Airborne Measurement



Short Wavelengths (< 100 km)

Surface Measurement

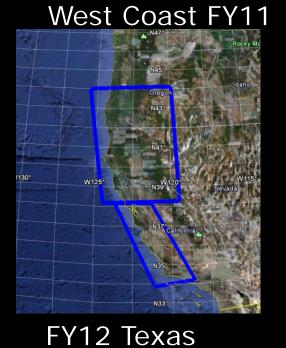


### **GRAV-D Update**



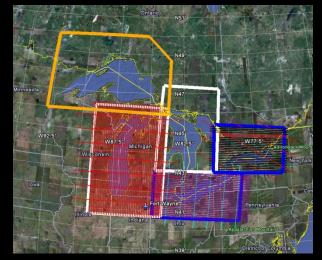
FY10 = Green







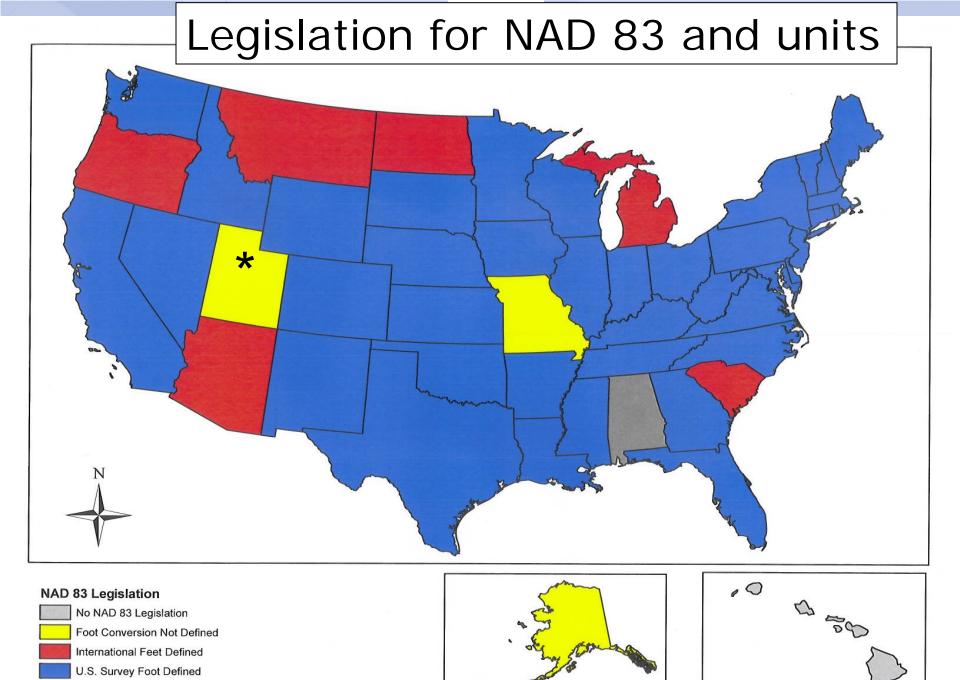
**Great Lakes FY11-13** 



#### Metadata

#### For instance:

- ✓ What is the Source of the Data?
- ✓ What is the Datum/Adjustment Epoch?
- ✓ What are the Field Conditions?
- ✓ What Equipment was used, especially what Antenna?
- ✓ What firmware was in the receiver and collector?
- ✓ What redundancy, if any, was used?

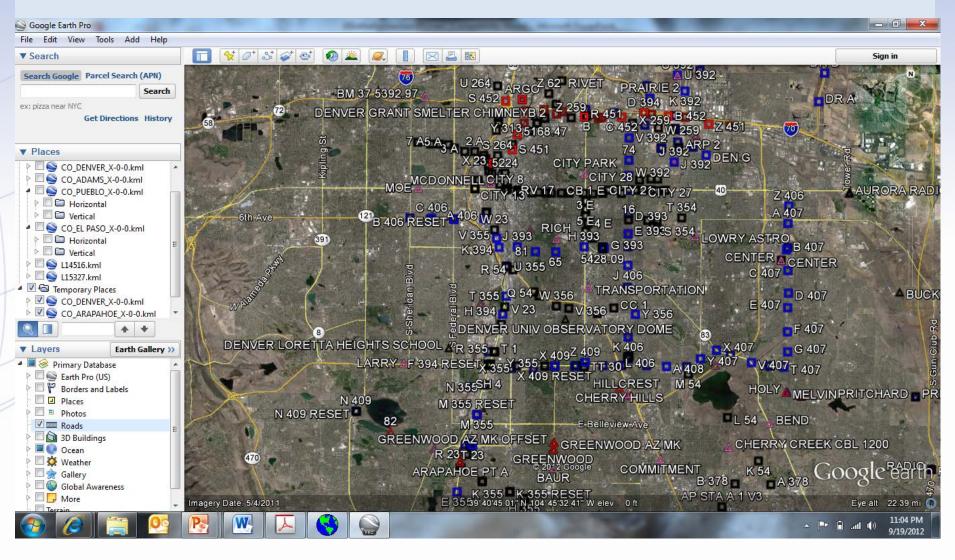


June 6, 2008

### "DSWorld" Software Program

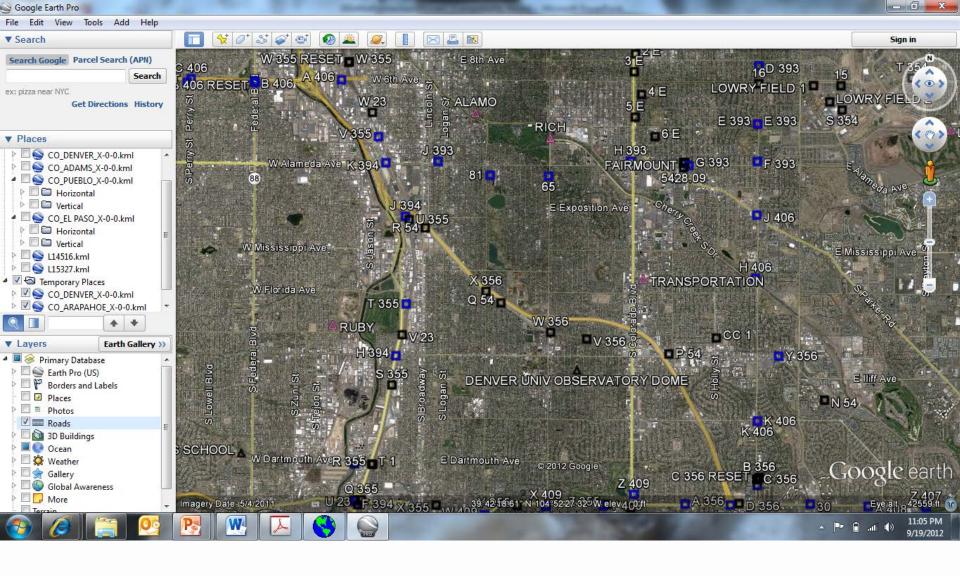
- Highly rated new NGS software tool
- Developed to search the NGS database
- Easy to learn/use
- Multiple search options available
- Displays search results using Google Earth

#### **Geodetic Control**

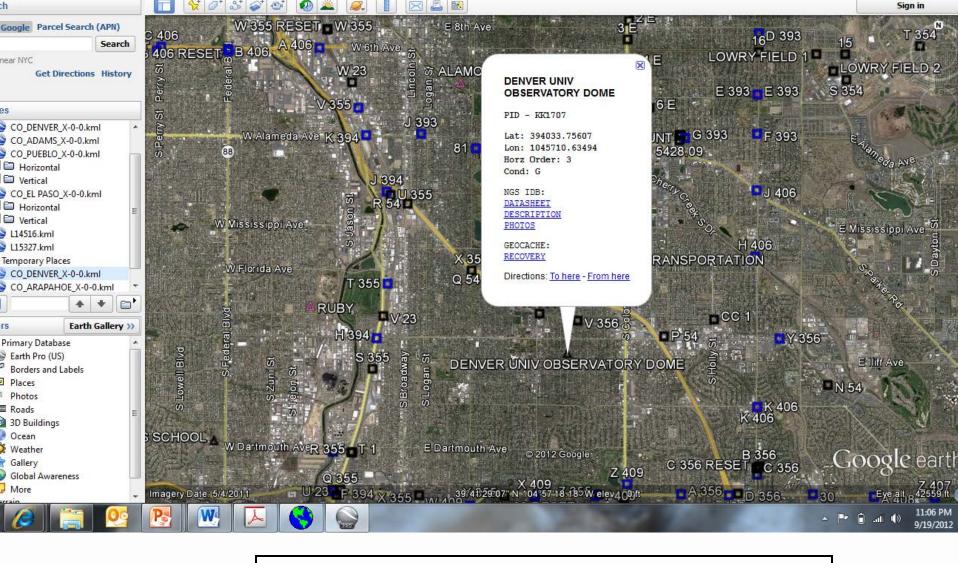


Triangles – Horizontal Control Squares – Vertical Control Blue – First Order

Red – Second Order



Triangles – Horizontal Control Black - Third Order



Datasheets Recovery
Photos Directions
Descriptions

### The NGS Data Sheet

See file dsdata.txt for more information about the datasheet.

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PROGRAM = datasheet95, VERSION = 7.89.4
National Geodetic Survey, Retrieval Date = SEPTEMBER 20, 2012
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KK1707 PID - KK1707
KK1707 STATE/COUNTY- CO/DENVER
KK1707 COUNTRY - US
KK1707 USGS QUAD - ENGLEWOOD (1997)
KK1707
KK1707
                        *CURRENT SURVEY CONTROL
KK1707
KK1707* NAD 83(1992) POSITION- 39 40 33.75607(N) 104 57 10.63494(W) ADJUSTED
KK1707* NAVD 88 ORTHO HEIGHT - **(meters) **(feet)
KK1707
KK1707 LAPLACE CORR - -6.42 (seconds)
                                                        DEFLEC09
KK1707 GEOID HEIGHT - -17.16 (meters)
                                                        GEOID12A
KK1707 HORZ ORDER - THIRD
KK1707
KK1707. The horizontal coordinates were established by classical geodetic methods
KK1707.and adjusted by the National Geodetic Survey in January 1993.
KK1707.
KK1707. Photographs are available for this station.
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KK1707. The Laplace correction was computed from DEFLEC09 derived deflections.
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KK1707. The following values were computed from the NAD 83(1992) position.
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KK1707;
                     North East Units Scale Factor Converg.
KK1707;SPC CO N - 342,996.421 961,336.211 MT 1.00000681 +0 21 12.5
KK1707;SPC CO N - 1,125,314.09 3,153,983.89 sFT 1.00000681 +0 21 12.5
KK1707;SPC CO C - 509,502.023 961,335.259 MT 0.99998621 +0 20 42.1
KK1707; SPC CO C - 1,671,591.22 3,153,980.76 sFT 0.99998621 +0 20 42.1
KK1707;UTM 13 - 4,391,803.264 504,034.733 MT 0.99960020 +0 01 48.1
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                        SUPERSEDED SURVEY CONTROL
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 TT 1707 NT 02/1006\ 20 40 22 7E246/N\ 104 E7 10 6100E/N\ ND/
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AE5253 STATE/COUNTY- CO/DENVER
AE5253 COUNTRY - US
AE5253 USGS QUAD - ENGLEWOOD (1997)
AE5253
AE5253
                        *CURRENT SURVEY CONTROL
AE5253
AE5253* NAD 83(2011) POSITION- 39 41 30.20319(N) 104 56 17.89898(W) ADJUSTED
AE5253* NAD 83(2011) ELLIP HT- 1643.348 (meters) (06/27/12) ADJUSTED
AE5253* NAD 83(2011) EPOCH - 2010.00
AE5253* NAVD 88 ORTHO HEIGHT - 1660.6 (meters) 5448. (feet) GPS OBS
 AE5253
 AE5253 NAVD 88 orthometric height was determined with geoid model GEOID96
AE5253 GEOID HEIGHT - -17.14 (meters)
                                                      GEOID96
 AE5253 GEOID HEIGHT -
                         -17.24 (meters)
                                                      GEOID12A
AE5253 NAD 83(2011) X - -1,267,215.662 (meters)
                                                      COMP
 AE5253 NAD 83(2011) Y - -4,749,765.076 (meters)
                                                      COMP
AE5253 NAD 83(2011) Z - 4,052,755.494 (meters)
                                                      COMP
AE5253 LAPLACE CORR - -6.36 (seconds)
                                                      DEFLEC09
 AE5253
 AE5253 FGDC Geospatial Positioning Accuracy Standards (95% confidence, cm)
AE5253 Type
                                         Horiz Ellip Dist(km)
 AE5253 -----
 AE5253 NETWORK
                                          0.81 2.04
AE5253 -----
AE5253 MEDIAN LOCAL ACCURACY AND DIST (004 points) 0.89 1.97 3.57
AE5253 -----
AE5253 NOTE: Click here for information on individual local accuracy
AE5253 values and other accuracy information.
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 AE5253. The horizontal coordinates were established by GPS observations
APERES and adjusted by the National Condetic Current in Tune 2012
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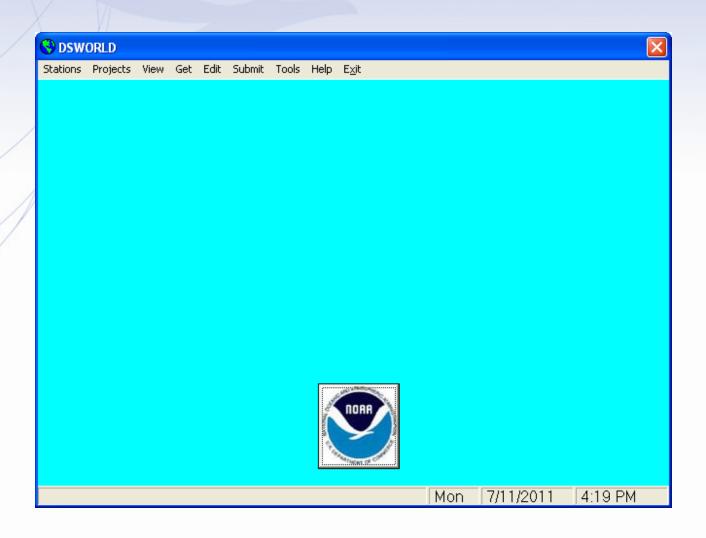
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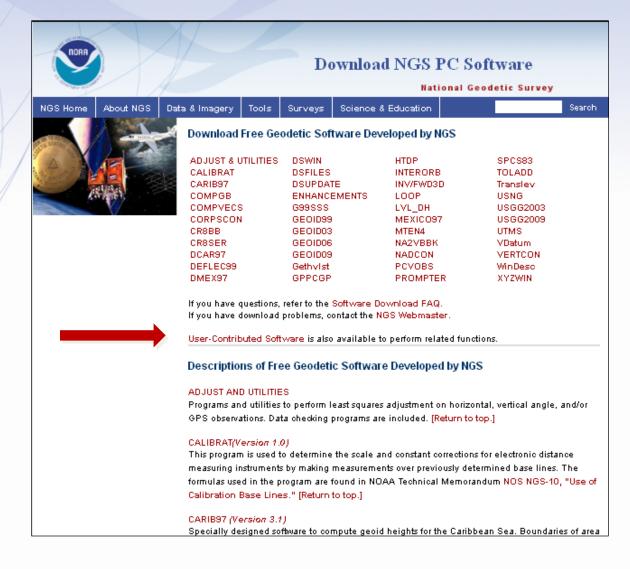
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KK0426 STATE/COUNTY- CO/DENVER
KK0426 COUNTRY - US
KK0426 USGS QUAD - ENGLEWOOD (1997)
KK0426
KK0426
                            *CURRENT SURVEY CONTROL
KK0426
KK0426* NAD 83(1986) POSITION- 39 41 14. (N) 104 59 28. (W) SCALED
KK0426* NAVD 88 ORTHO HEIGHT - 1604.300 (meters) 5263.44 (feet) ADJUSTED
KK0426
                           -17.03 (meters)
KK0426 GEOID HEIGHT -
                                                               GEOID12A
KK0426 DYNAMIC HEIGHT - 1602.751 (meters) 5258.36 (feet) COMP
KK0426 MODELED GRAVITY - 979,604.9 (mgal)
                                                               NAVD 88
KK0426
KK0426 VERT ORDER - FIRST CLASS II
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KK0426.an estimated accuracy of +/- 6 seconds.
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KK0426. The orthometric height was determined by differential leveling and
KK0426.adjusted by the NATIONAL GEODETIC SURVEY
KK0426.in June 1991.
KK0426
KK0426. The dynamic height is computed by dividing the NAVD 88
KK0426.geopotential number by the normal gravity value computed on the
KK0426.Geodetic Reference System of 1980 (GRS 80) ellipsoid at 45
KK0426.degrees latitude (g = 980.6199 gals.).
KK0426
KK0426. The modeled gravity was interpolated from observed gravity values.
KK0426
KK0426:
                        North
                                 East
                                            Units Estimated Accuracy
KK0426; SPC CO C - 510,720.
                              958,060. MT (+/- 180 meters Scaled)
PPO426
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## DSWorld opening screen



## Where do you get DS-World?



### National Geodetic Survey





# OPUS Online Positioning User Service

- OPUS S (2 hrs)
- OPUS RS (15 minutes)
- OPUS DB (Publish)
- OPUS Projects (Network)

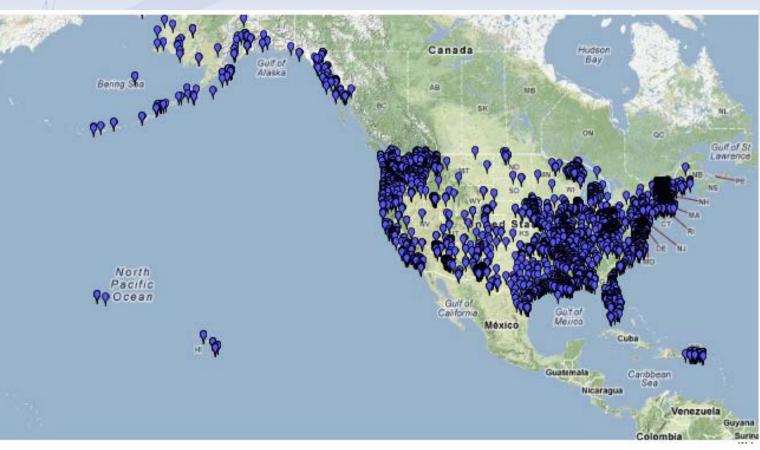
## 4,000++ OPUS-Published Solutions April 2012



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### NGS Data Sheets

## Traditional blue booking

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  DESIGNATION - C 281
         - DO0454
  STATE/COUNTY- TX/THROCKMORTON
  USGS QUAD - THROCKMORTON NE (1965)
                       *CURRENT SURVEY CONTROL
                                   099 06 11.86433(W)
  NAD 83(2007) - 33 11 10.75472(N)
                                                       NO CHECK
  NAVD 88
                383.465 (meters)
                                       1258.08 (feet) ADJUSTED
                   2002.00
  EPOCH DATE -
               -845,419.278 (meters)
                                                       COMP
             - -5,276,185.563 (meters)
                                                       COMP
      - 3,471,464,429 (meters)
                                                       COMP
  LAPLACE CORR-
                    0.24 (seconds)
                                                       DEFLEC09
                                             (02/10/07) NO CHECK
  ELLIP HEIGHT-
                      353.943 (meters)
  GEOID HEIGHT-
                     -28.98 (meters)
                                                       GEOTD09
                     383.004 (meters)
                                        1256.57 (feet) COMP
  ----- Accuracy Estimates (at 95% Confidence Level in cm) -----
         PID Designation
                                      North East Ellip
  MODELED GRAV- 979,426.2 (mgal)
                                                       NAVD 88
  VERT ORDER - SECOND
                      CLASS 0
```

### New OPUS-DB

#### SURVEY DATASHEET (Version 1.0)

PID: DO0454

Designation: C 281

Stamping: C 281 1934

Stab ility: Most reliable; expected to hold position well

Setting: In rock outcrop or ledge

Mark Condition: G

Description: Recovered as described by "Alpha Land Surveying, Inc."

Observed: 2006-09-28T22:19:00Z See Also 2006-09-28

So unce: OPUS - page 5 0810.20

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Close-up View

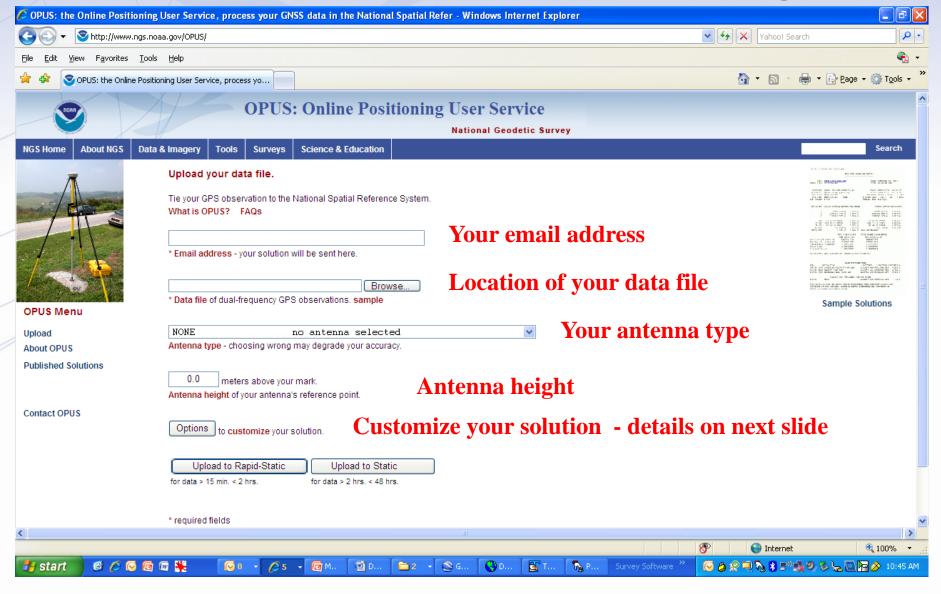
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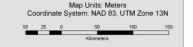
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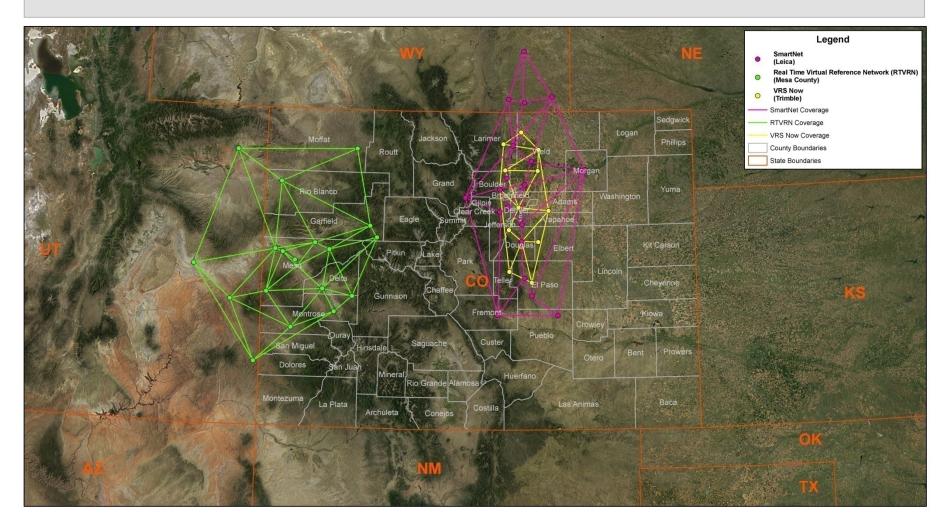
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### Real Time Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) Reference Networks for the State of Colorado





## Introducing... NAD 83(2011) epoch 2010.00

### Multi-Year CORS Solution (MYCS)

- Reprocessed all CORS GPS data Jan 1994-Apr 2011
- 2264 CORS & global stations
- NAD 83 computed by transformation from IGS08

### National Adjustment of 2011 (NA2011)

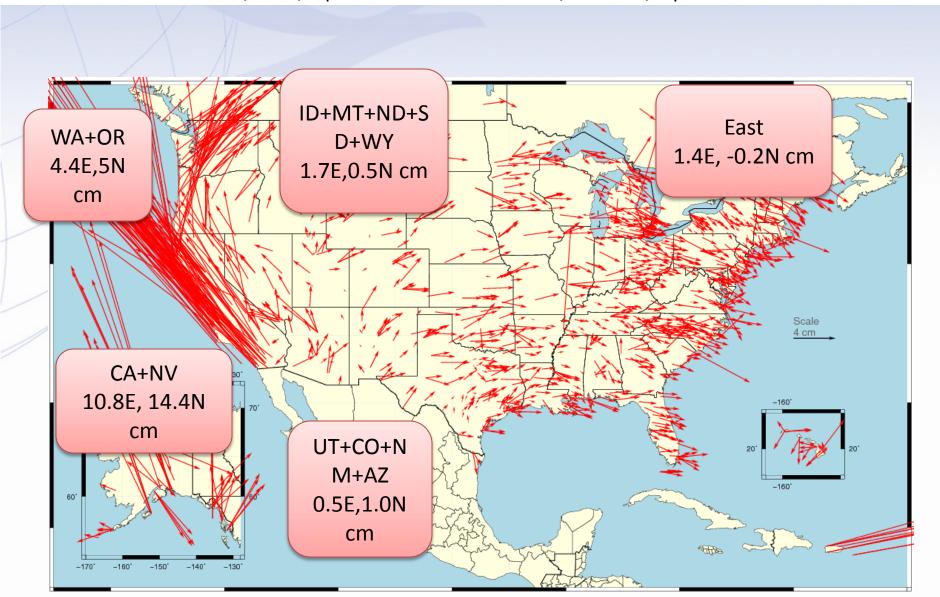
- New adjustment of GNSS passive control
- GNSS vectors tied (and constrained) to CORS NAD 83(2011) epoch 2010.00
- Approximately 80,000 stations and more than 400,000 GNSS vectors





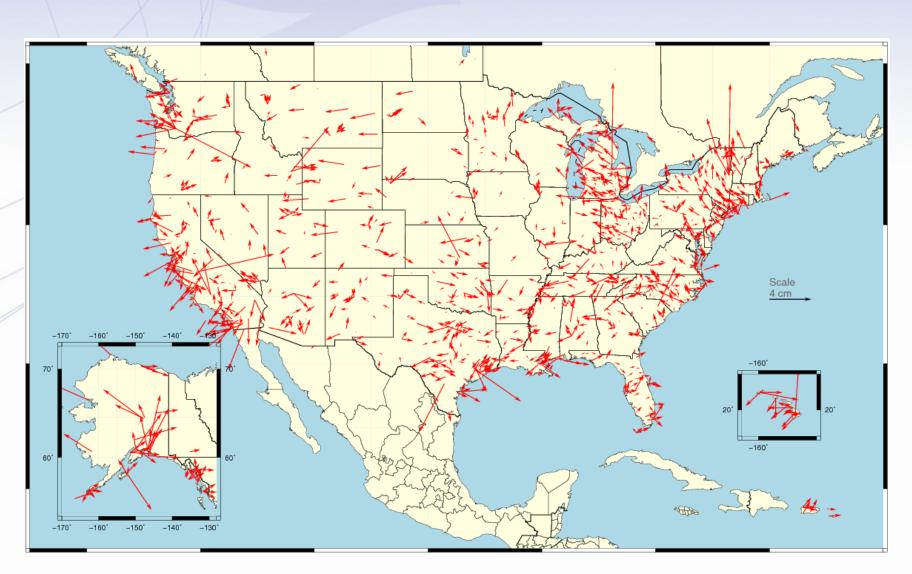
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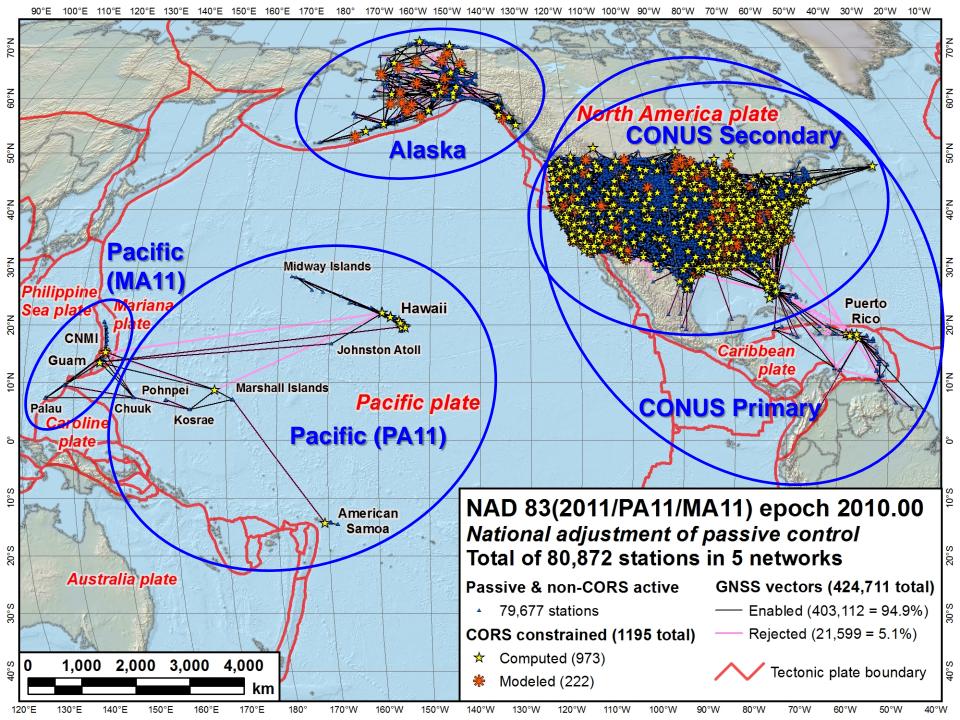
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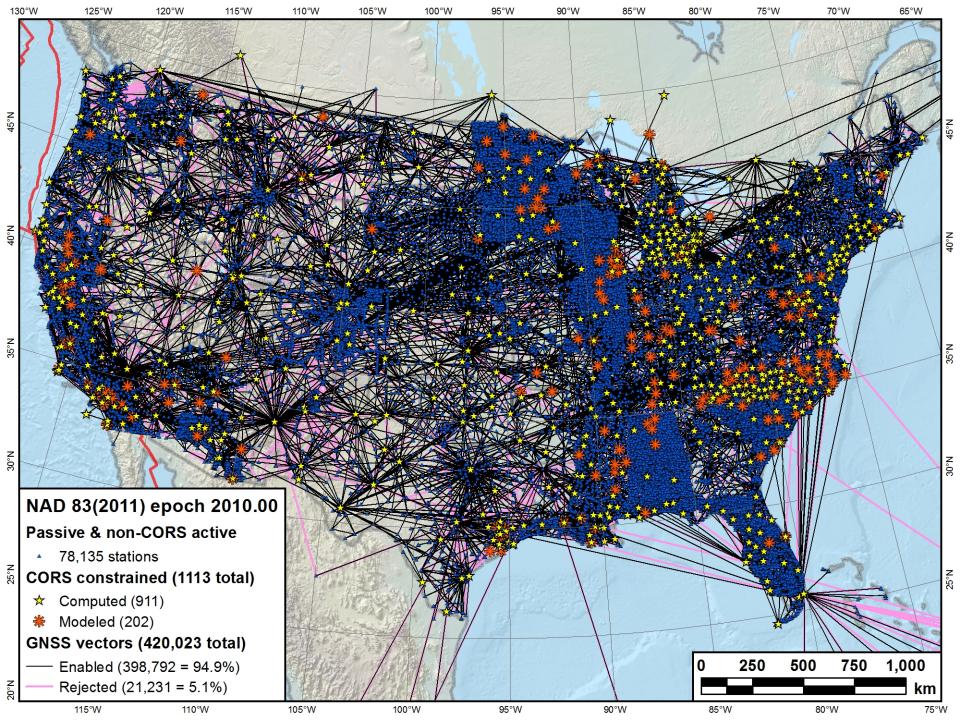


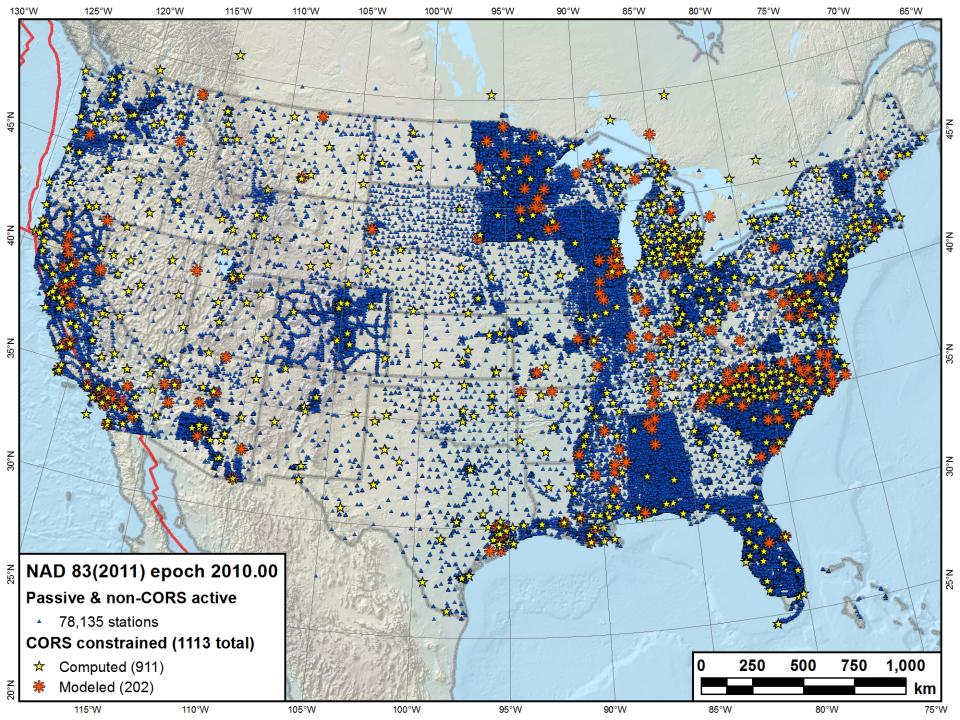
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NAD 83(2011) epoch 2002.00 - NAD 83(CORS96) epoch 2002.00









# NAD 83(2011/PA11/MA11) epoch 2010.00

## Passive control results summary

- Station network accuracies (95% confidence)
  - Overall median: 0.9 cm horiz, 1.5 cm height
    - 90% < 2.3 cm horizontal and 4.8 cm ellipsoid height
  - Median accuracies by network
    - CONUS Primary: 0.7 cm horiz, 1.2 cm height
    - CONUS Secondary: 1.6 cm horiz, 3.4 cm height
    - Alaska: 3.2 cm horiz, 5.7 cm height
    - Pacific (PA11): 2.2 cm horiz, 5.0 cm height
    - Pacific (MA11): 1.8 cm horiz, 3.8 cm height

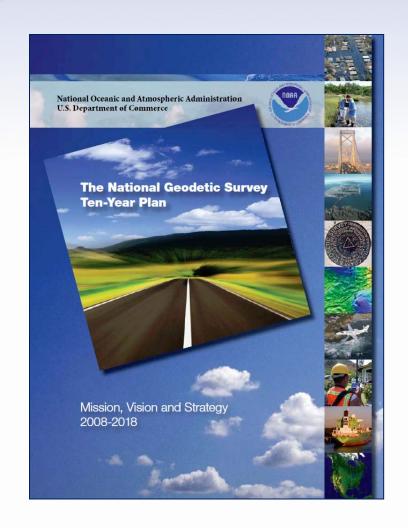
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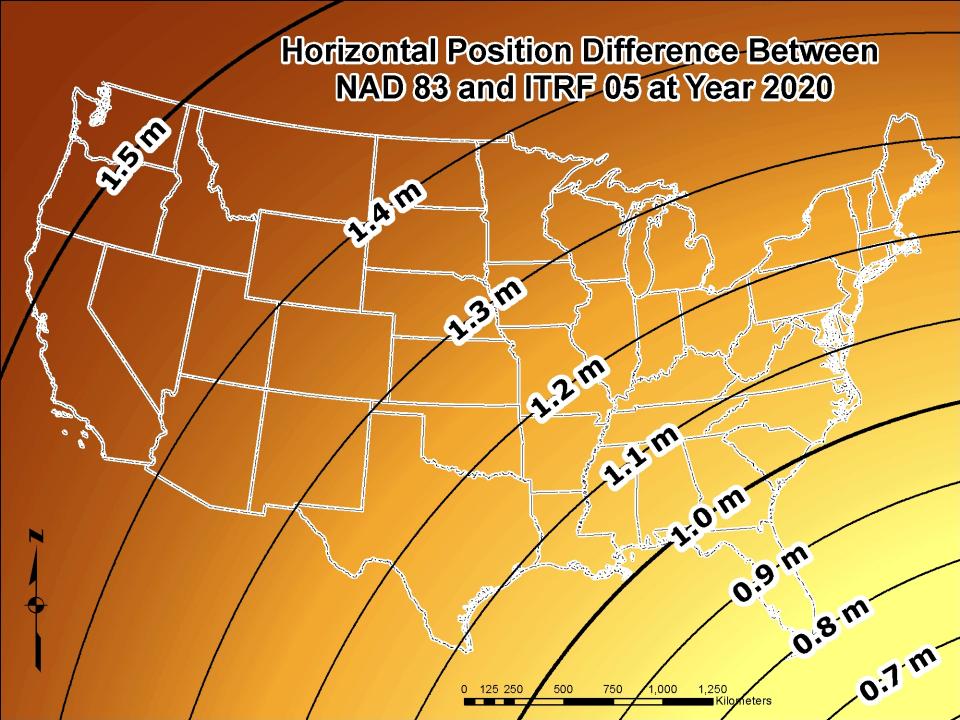
## Passive control results summary

- Station coordinate and height changes
  - Overall median: 1.9 cm horiz, 2.1 cm height
    - 97% changed < 5 cm horizontally and vertically
  - Median accuracies by network
    - CONUS: 1.9 cm horiz, 2.1 cm height
    - Alaska: 6.3 cm horiz, 2.8 cm height
    - Pacific (PA11): 2.1 cm horiz, 2.3 cm height
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# National Geodetic Survey Ten+Year Plan

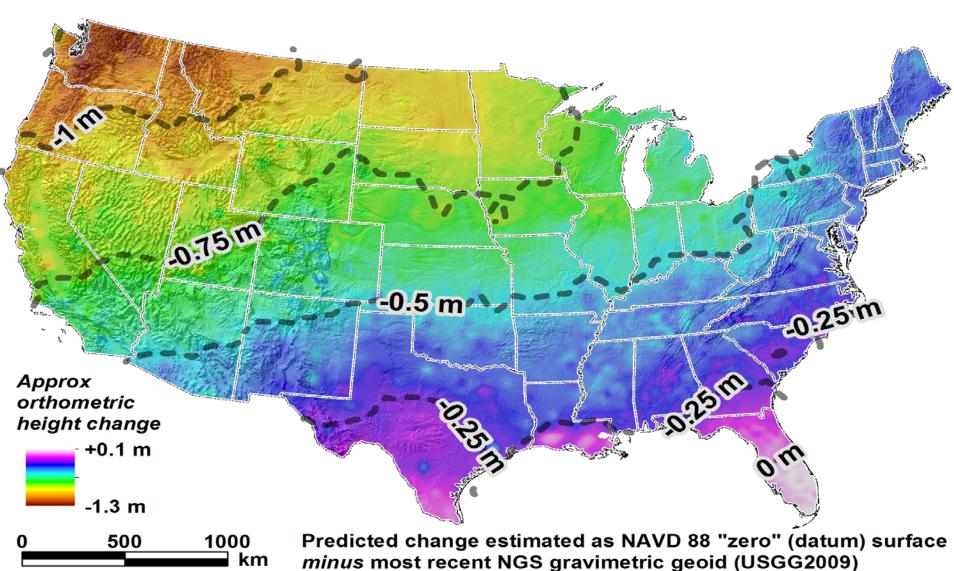
- Official NGS policy as of January 2008
- Replace NAVD 88 with a GPS/geoid datum
- Replace NAD 83 with a geocentric GPS based datum
- New 10 Year Plan for 2013





### **New Vertical Datum**

### Approximate predicted change from NAVD 88 to new vertical datum



### How to Plan for the Future

- Use most recent realization of NAD 83
- Move away from passive marks to GNSS
- Move off of NGVD 29 to NAVD 88
  - Understand the accuracy of VERTCON in your area
- Collect OPUS-DB on NAVD 88 bench
- Require/provide complete metadata for all survey/mapping contracts
  - How did they get the positions/heights?
  - Survey Manual/Spatial Data Accuracy and Georeferencing Standards

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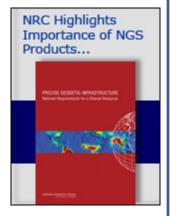
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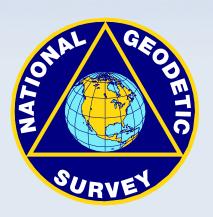
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