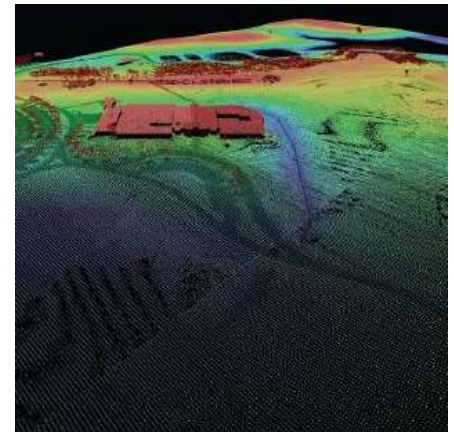
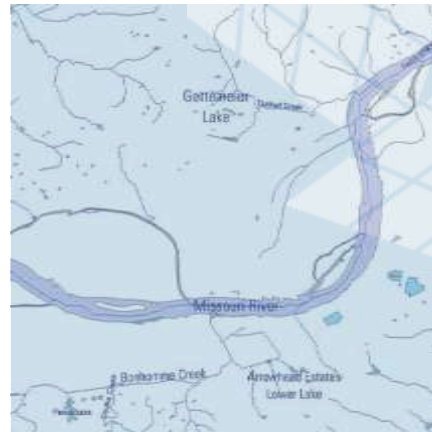
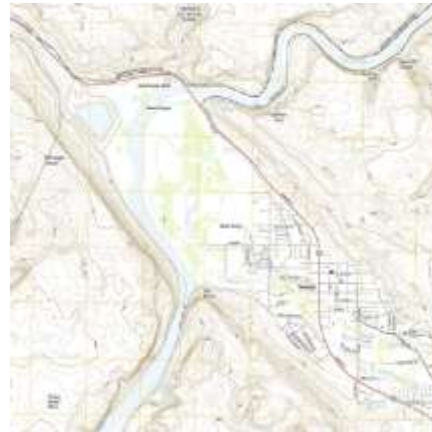


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# Handout with links

## USGS National Map Links – Handout at Michigan IMAGIN – 6/5/17

USGS > <https://www.usgs.gov/>

USGS Michigan Water Science Center > <https://mi.water.usgs.gov/>

\* **The National Map** > <http://nationalmap.gov>

\* **National Map videos** > <https://training.usgs.gov/TEL/TheNationalMap/TNM-TEL-Index.html>

National Geospatial Program >

<https://www.usgs.gov/science/mission-areas/core-science-systems/national-geospatial-program>

National Map FAQ's > <https://www2.usgs.gov/faq/categories/9854>

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Historical Topographic Map Collection > <https://nationalmap.gov/historical/>

FAQ - How do I find and download US Topo and HMC maps?

<https://www2.usgs.gov/faq/categories/9797/3571>

See short videos at > <http://training.usgs.gov/TEL/TheNationalMap/TNM-TEL-Index.html>

Lesson 4c - Downloading Maps with National Map Download Client

Lesson 9a - Accessing US Topo through USGS Store

Lesson 9b - Accessing USGS Historical Maps Through TopoView

Lesson 6b - Using USGS The National Map Data on Mobile Devices

US Topo Style Template (to create ESRI ArcGIS v10x map document (mxd) and geod.

files) > <https://viewer.nationalmap.gov/tools/topotemplate/>

National Map Hydrography > <https://nhd.usgs.gov>

National Hydrography Dataset (NHD)

Watershed Boundary Dataset (WBD) > <https://nhd.usgs.gov/wbd.html>

NHDPlus High Resolution (NHDPlus HR) > [https://nhd.usgs.gov/NHDPlus\\_HR.html](https://nhd.usgs.gov/NHDPlus_HR.html)

NHD monthly newsletter > [https://nhd.usgs.gov/newsletter\\_list.html](https://nhd.usgs.gov/newsletter_list.html)

USGS Hydrography Seminar Series > <https://nhd.usgs.gov/HydrographySeminarSeries.html>

Hydrography Requirements and Benefits Study > <https://nationalmap.gov/HRBS.html>

> <http://www.dewberry.com/services/geospatial/national-hydrography-requirements-and-benefits-study>

Michigan section pages C-621 to C-648

Michigan Drain Commissioners (MACDC) plan for NHD >

[http://www.michigan.gov/documents/cgi/MACDC\\_Business\\_Plan\\_Final\\_Draft\\_v4r\\_470878\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/cgi/MACDC_Business_Plan_Final_Draft_v4r_470878_7.pdf)

> [http://www.michigan.gov/cgi/0,4548,7-158-52927\\_53037\\_12699---,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/cgi/0,4548,7-158-52927_53037_12699---,00.html)

Introducing the NHDPlus High Resolution: A new framework for water-related information >

<https://www.usgs.gov/news/introducing-nhdplus-high-resolution-a-new-framework-water-related-information>

> <https://www.usgs.gov/news/technical-announcements>

National Hydrography Dataset / Watershed Boundary Dataset Map Service Improvement >

<https://www.usgs.gov/news/national-hydrography-dataset-watershed-boundary-dataset-map-service-improvement>

National Map Corps – Volunteered Geographic Information (VGI)

> <https://nationalmap.gov/TheNationalMapCorps>

3D Elevation Program: Summary for Michigan - USGS Fact Sheet 2014-3107

> <http://pubs.usgs.gov/fs/2014/3107/pdf/fs2014-3107.pdf>

Other state 3DEP fact sheets > [https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep\\_statefactsheets.html](https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep_statefactsheets.html)

2016 Michigan QL2 status from DTMB >

[https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/MIDEPTTMB/2016/08/24/file\\_attachments/608001/MI\\_LiDAR\\_QL2\\_Status\\_2\\_0160815.pdf](https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/MIDEPTTMB/2016/08/24/file_attachments/608001/MI_LiDAR_QL2_Status_2_0160815.pdf)

2017 lidar partnership awards

> <https://www.usgs.gov/news/2017-lidar-partnership-awards-announced>

Wayne County Michigan Lidar – 3DEP 2017

> [https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep\\_fy17projectlist.html#Michigan](https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep_fy17projectlist.html#Michigan)

USDA NRCS Michigan 2016 3DEP lidar for 30 counties

> [https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep\\_fy16projectlist.html#Michigan](https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep_fy16projectlist.html#Michigan)

3DEP fact sheets and publications > [https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep\\_pubs.html](https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep_pubs.html)

3DEP and America's Infrastructure > <https://pubs.usgs.gov/fs/2016/3093/fs20163093.pdf>

3DEP - Precision Agriculture and Other Farm Practices

> <https://pubs.usgs.gov/fs/2016/3088/fs20163088.pdf>

3DEP – Landslide Recognition, Hazard Assessment, and Mitigation Support

> <https://pubs.usgs.gov/fs/2016/3094/fs20163094.pdf>

Lidar Base Specifications: Techniques and Methods 11–B4

> <https://pubs.usgs.gov/tm/11b4/> > <https://pubs.usgs.gov/tm/11b4/pdf/tm11-B4.pdf>

Lidar Topography and Hydrographic Integration: Fundamentals and Application Issues

> [https://nhd.usgs.gov/documents/Hydrography\\_Seminar\\_8\\_Heidemann.pdf](https://nhd.usgs.gov/documents/Hydrography_Seminar_8_Heidemann.pdf)

Seasketch – lidar wish list areas of interest > <http://seasketch.ch/hwpR3E-MxO>

> <http://www.seasketch.org/#projecthomepage/5272840f6ec5f42d210016e4/layers>

Six-minute video "Using SeaSketch to View 3DEP Lidar Areas of Interest (Lesson 11d)"

> <https://www.usgs.gov/media/videos/using-seasketch-view-3dep-lidar-areas-interest-lesson-11d>

> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H-Q-YyZuZv0>

From NM video set > <https://training.usgs.gov/TEL/TheNationalMap/TNM-TEL-Index.html>

US Interagency Elevation Inventory > <https://www.csc.noaa.gov/inventory/>

**National Enhanced Elevation Assessment (NEEA)** pages 386–388 for Michigan section

> [https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep\\_neea.html](https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep_neea.html)

> <http://www.dewberry.com/services/geospatial/national-enhanced-elevation-assessment>

Draft 3D Nation Study Questionnaire

3D Nation Requirements and Benefits Elevation Data Study Questionnaire (NEEA II) >

<https://iocm.noaa.gov/iwg/docs/3D-Nation-Questionnaire-DRAFT-clean-FRN-02-23-17.pdf>

> <https://iocm.noaa.gov/iwg/> > <https://iocm.noaa.gov/>

**National Map technical support help desk** > [tnm\\_help@usgs.gov](mailto:tnm_help@usgs.gov)

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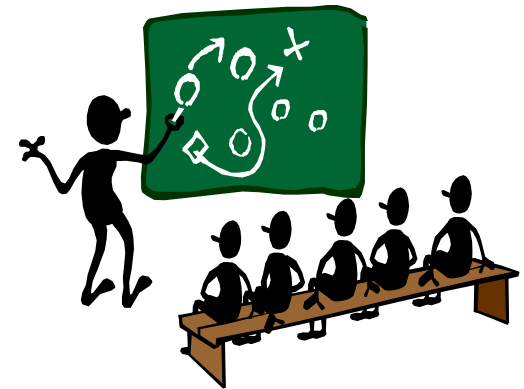
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- National Park Service (NPS)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)

## **Indian Affairs**

- Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)
- Bureau of Indian Education

## **Insular Areas**

- Office of Insular Affairs

## **Land & Minerals Management**

- Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
- Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement
- Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation & Enforcement

## **Water and Science**

- Bureau of Reclamation (BOR)
- **U.S. Geological Survey (USGS)**



# + About the USGS

## Seven Mission Areas

1. Climate and Land Use Change
2. **Core Science Systems**
3. Ecosystems
4. Energy and Minerals
5. Environmental Health
6. Natural Hazards
7. Water

**The USGS through these mission areas provides impartial and unbiased information on the:**

- Health of our ecosystems and environment
- Natural hazards that threaten the Nation
- Natural resources the country relies on
- Impacts of climate and land-use change

- Mission areas were determined to address the large multi-disciplinary challenges that face our society today
- Recognizes that today's issues are more complex and interwoven than our historic perception recognized



# U.S. Geological Survey in Michigan

- Lansing, Grayling, Escanaba

Michigan-Ohio Water Science Center

- Ann Arbor

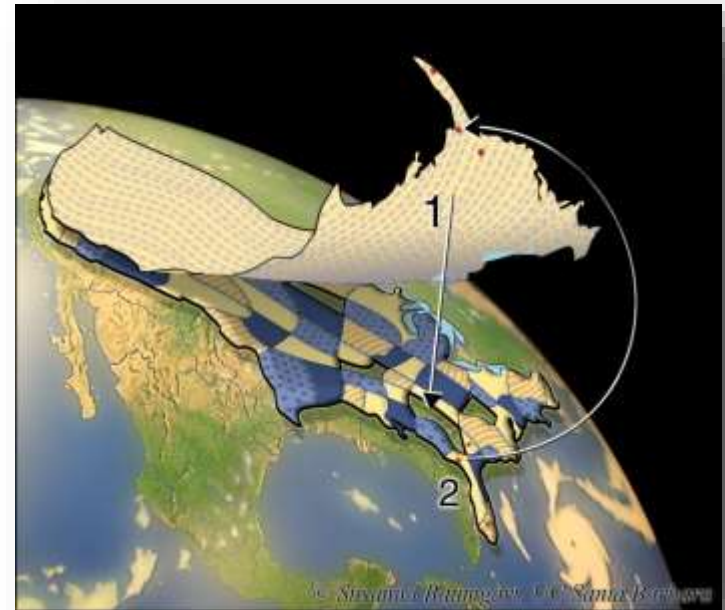
Great Lakes Science Center





## Overview

- One of the cornerstones of the **National Geospatial Program**
- Developed and maintained through partnerships
  - Collaborative effort among the USGS, Federal, State, and local partners to improve and deliver topographic information for the Nation
  - Nationwide repository of integrated data from these sources
- **The National Map** provides 3DEP, NHD, WBD and other topographic information via web visualization, services, and downloadable data







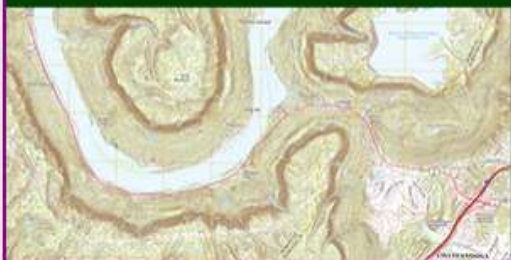
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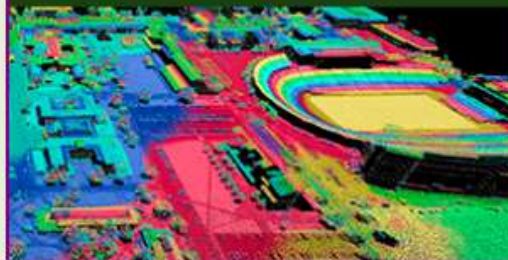
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## National Hydrography Data Set



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## The National Map - Service Endpoints

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### Topo Map Vector Data

<a href="#">REST</a>	<a href="#">WMS</a>	<a href="#">ArcGIS.com</a>	<a href="#">ArcMap</a>	<a href="#">Legend</a>	<a href="#">Thumbnail</a>	Published Date: Refresh Cycle: Continuous	Spatial Reference: 102100 (3857) Min Scale: 0 Max Scale: 0
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### Elevation Index - 3DEP

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### Watershed Boundary Dataset

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### Transportation

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### Structures

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- Contains an overview of the course, including how to operate the lesson player, what software is required and how to obtain help with the course.

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- General discussion of each of the eight-data layers of TNM. This includes: Major features and attributes, Maintenance activities, and Links to more detailed information.
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- Discussion about the information that is available for each layer.
- Discussion on how the information is managed for each layer.
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- Lesson ends with a demonstration of each of the eight data layers.
- This lesson runs for 36 minutes.

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- Upon completion of this lesson, you will have the skills to: view TNM data (along with mashed up data layers), navigate TNM overlays and cached background maps, and view metadata for TNM layers.
- This lesson runs for 8 minutes.

## **Lesson 3b - The National Map Viewer - Map Tools**

- Upon completion of this lesson, you will have the skills to: use map tools to identify features, perform queries, get coordinates and acquire measurements and spot elevations.
- This lesson runs for 6 minutes.

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- This lesson provides a brief introduction to using The National Map Client, including the basic features of the user interface.
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- This lesson runs for 7 minutes.

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- This lesson will introduce and demonstrate how to use The National Map Download Manager.
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# National Map Short Videos

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**3DEP Topic Lesson: Digital Elevation Models, Hydro-Flattening, Hydro-Enforcement, and Breaklines**

- Topographic DEM
- Hydrologic DEM
- What does hydro-flattened mean?
- What does hydro-enforced mean?
- What are breaklines?

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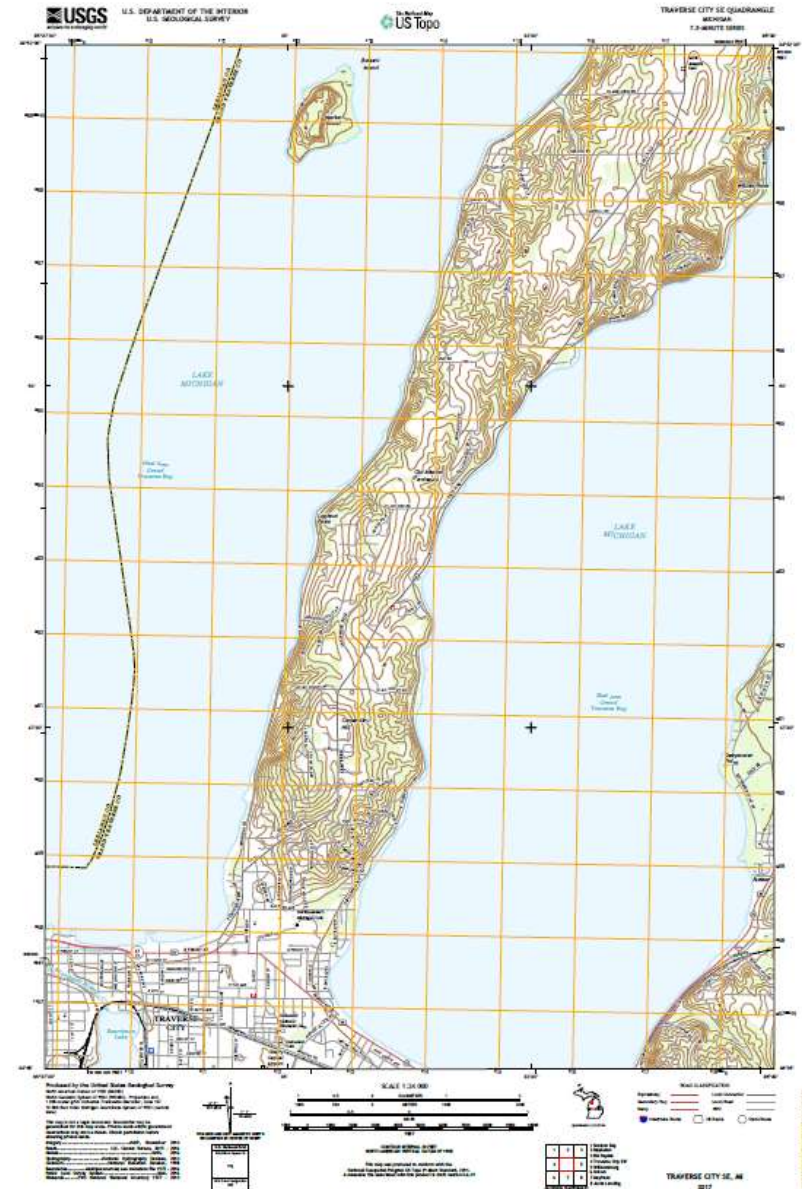
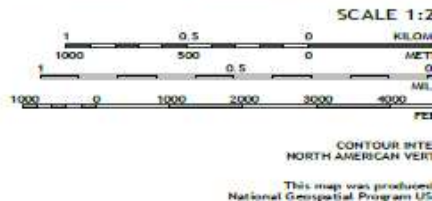
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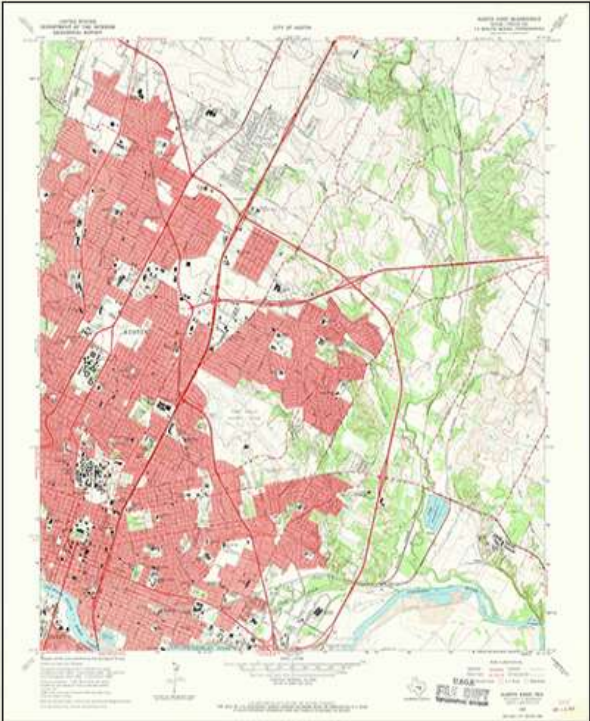
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## US Topo: Maps for America

Building on the success of [133 years of USGS topographic mapping](#), the US Topo series is a new generation of maps of the American landscape. US Topo topographic maps are produced by the [National Geospatial Program](#) of the [U.S. Geological Survey](#) (USGS). The project was launched in late 2009, and the term "US Topo" refers specifically to quadrangle topographic maps published in 2009 and later. These maps are modeled on the familiar 7.5-minute quadrangle maps of the period 1947-1992, but are mass-produced from national GIS databases on a repeating cycle. US Topo maps repackaging geographic information system (GIS) data in traditional map form; this benefits non-specialist map users, as well as applications that need traditional maps.


US Topo maps can be downloaded free of charge from [several USGS websites](#). Prior to May 2017, the maps have been published in Portable Document Format (PDF) with geospatial extensions (GeoPDF®), patented by TerraGo Technologies. After May 2017 the maps will begin to be published in an ISO 32000 compliant geospatial PDF using a modernized production system. All maps can be viewed and printed with Adobe Reader or comparable PDF viewing software. Limited GIS functionality, such as displaying ground coordinates, is available with all maps, and the layered construction of the PDF files allows users to turn data layers on and off.

The maps include layers not present on most traditional topographic maps, such as aerial photo and shaded relief images. Many additional feature classes have been added



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## How do I find and download US Topo and HTMC maps?

[US Topo](#) maps and the maps of the [Historical Topographic Map Collection](#) (HTMC) can be downloaded free of charge, in PDF format, from these applications:

- [The National Map Download Client](#) is our primary application for finding and downloading maps and other data products of the USGS National Geospatial Program. This is our newest and most general search and download interface for maps and digital geospatial base data.
- [A text query application](#). CSV-format information here allows advanced users to write custom download scripts. This application serves US Topo and HTMC topographic quadrangle maps only.
- [TopoView](#) provides the best visual overview of the HTMC, but does not serve current US Topo maps or other geospatial data. It serves GeoTIFF, JPG, and KMZ versions of the HTMC maps, in addition to the product standard GeoPDF. Bulk delivery is not yet available for these additional formats.
- The [USGS Store website](#) has several search and download features. The Store also sells printed maps, and USGS maps and publications that are not included in either the US Topo or HTMC series.

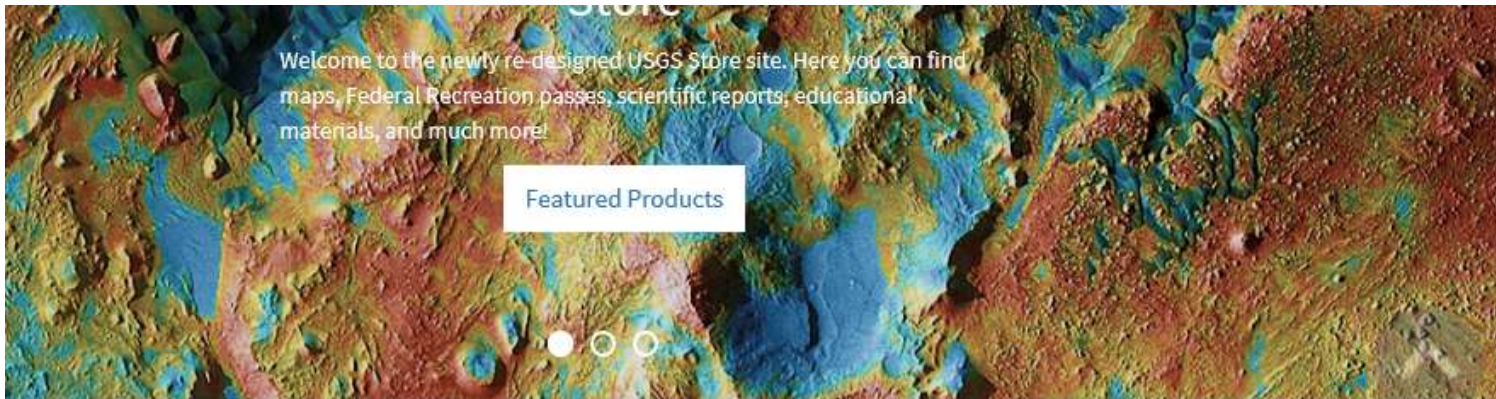
For tutorial information on download and product use, see the [US Topo and Historical Topographic Map Users Guide](#).

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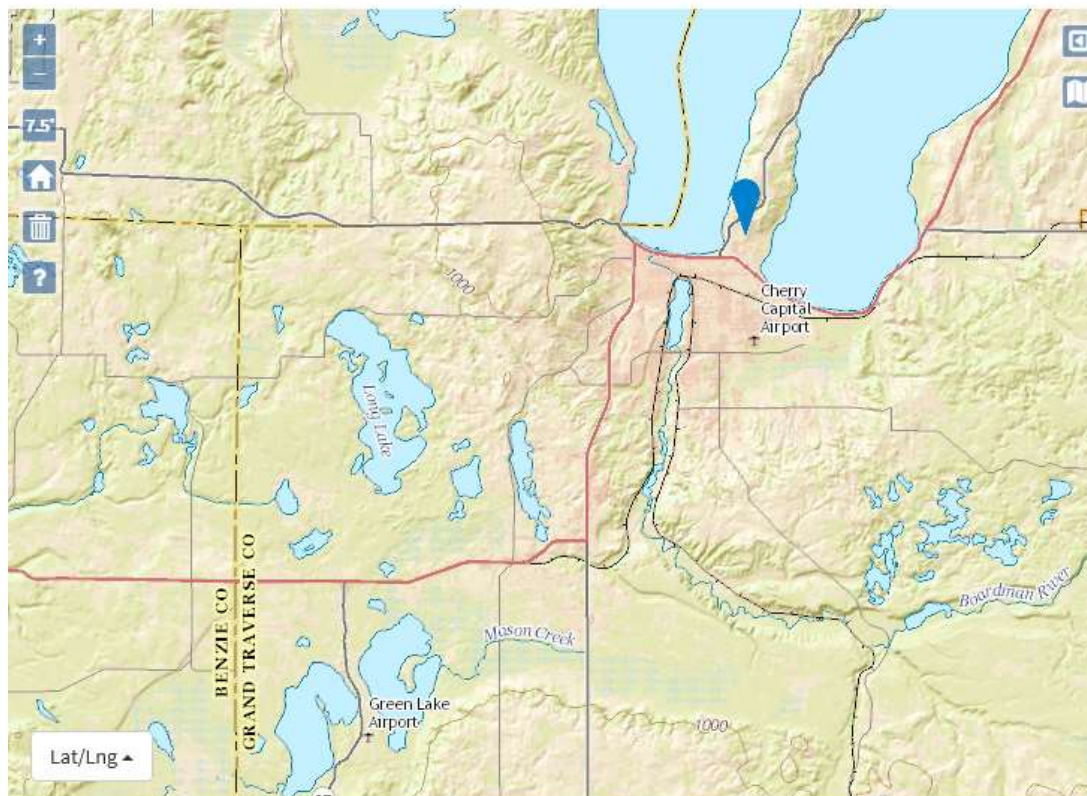
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USGS US Topo 7.5 - minute map for TRAVERSE CITY SE, MI

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**Format:** Flat

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TRAVERSE CITY SE, MI HISTORICAL MAP  
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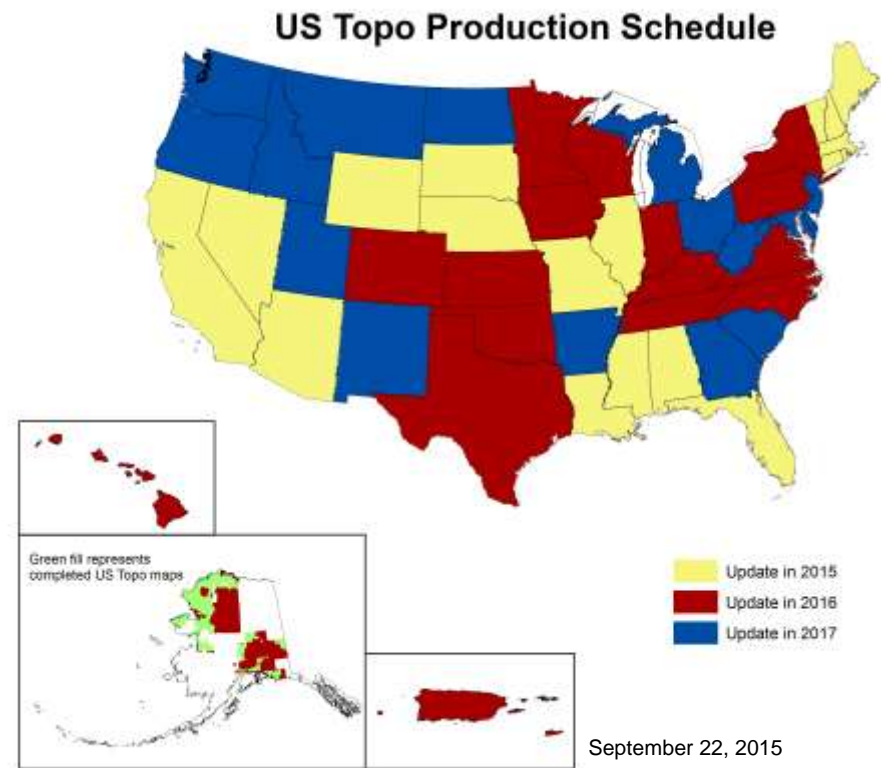
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# + US Topo Program (cont.)

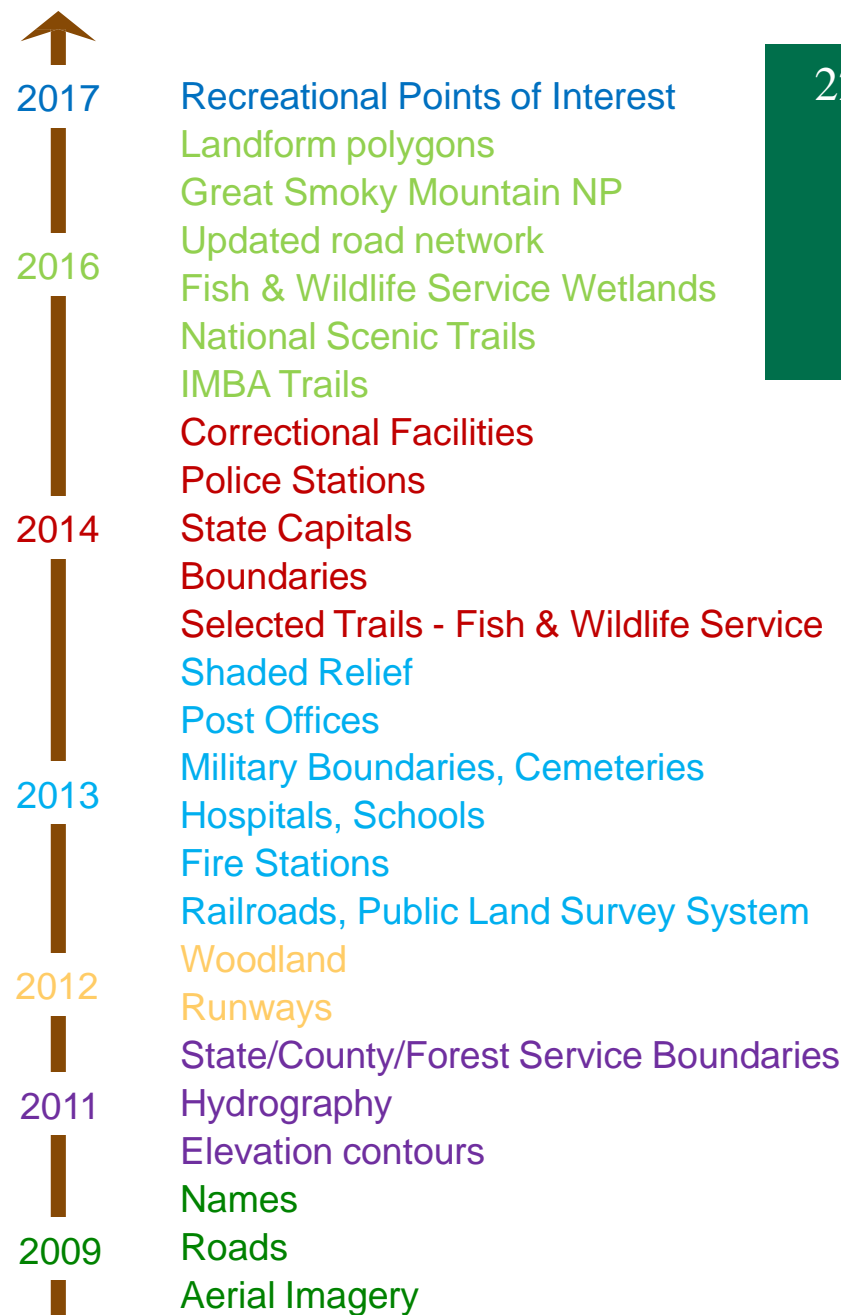
- Continuously maintained
- 3-year production cycle
- Producing over 11,000 new, higher-resolution (1:25,000-scale) digital maps for Alaska
- Maps are published in PDF with geospatial extensions (GeoPDF®)
- Geospatial PDF coming soon
- US Topo maps can be downloaded free of charge from several USGS interfaces
- See:

<https://nationalmap.gov/ustopo/index.html>



# + US Topo Program (*cont.*)

- Orthoimage base
- Core feature layers
- Recent US Topo maps also include the PLSS and the US National Grid
- Key data layers:
  - orthoimagery
  - transportation
  - geographic names
  - topographic contours
  - boundaries
  - hydrography
  - structures
  - woodlands





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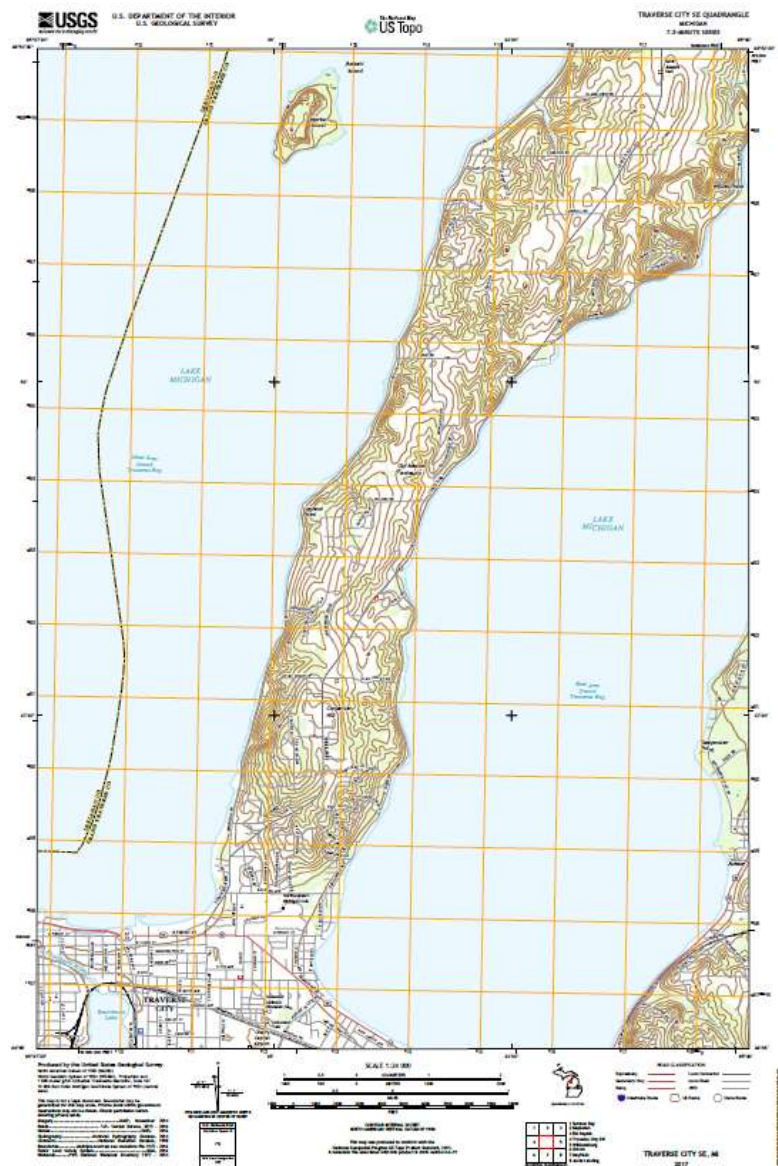
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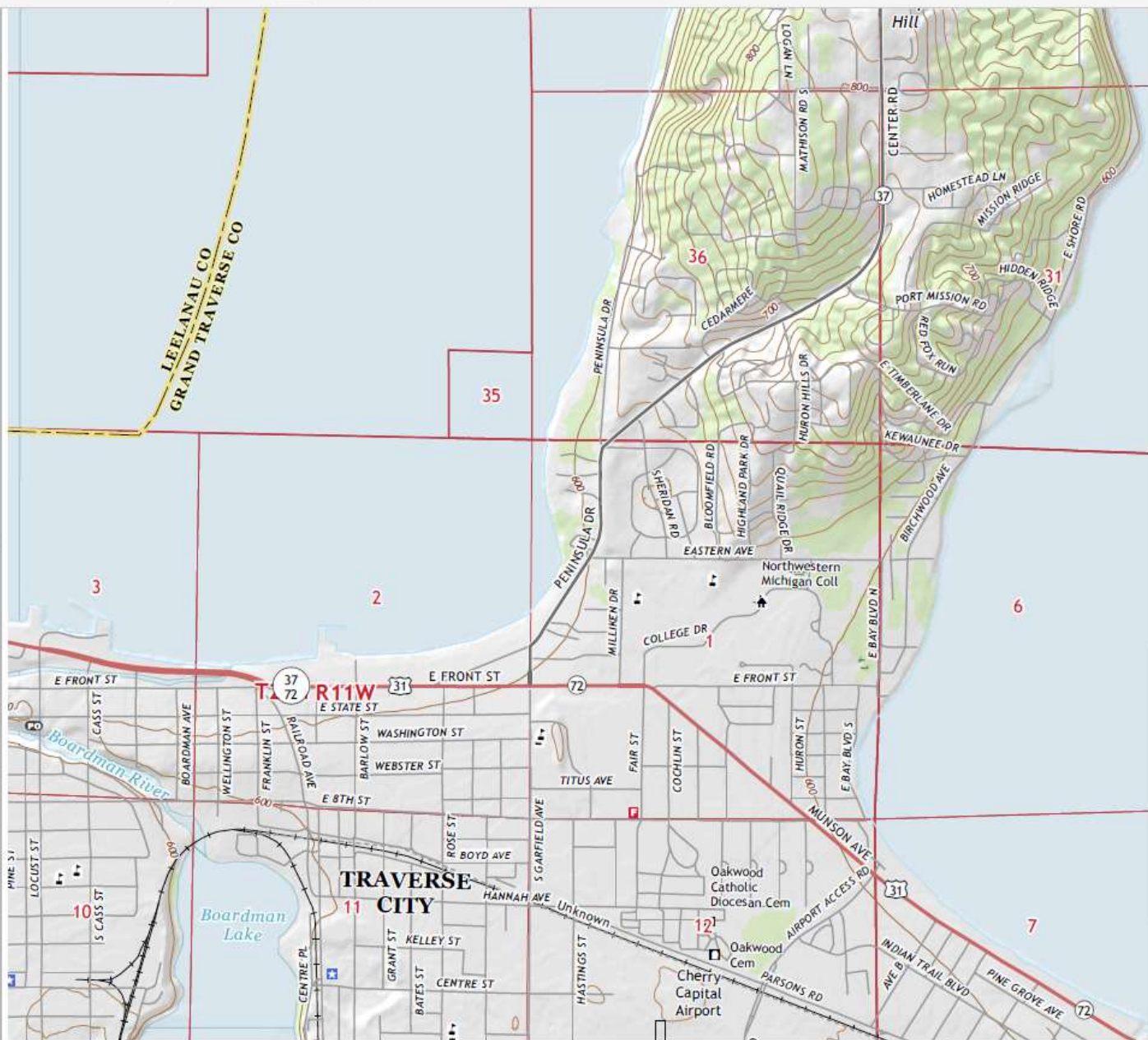
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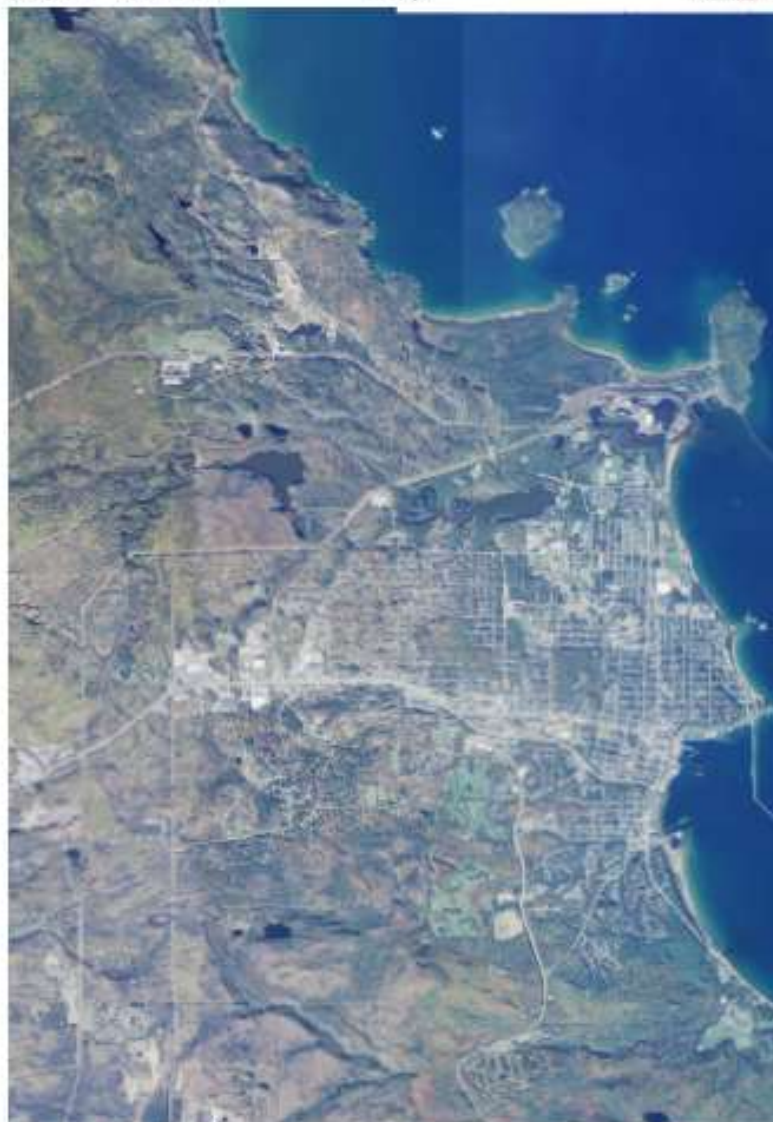
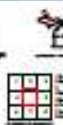
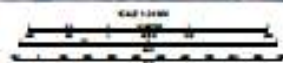
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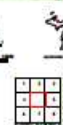
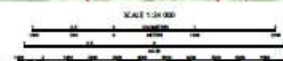
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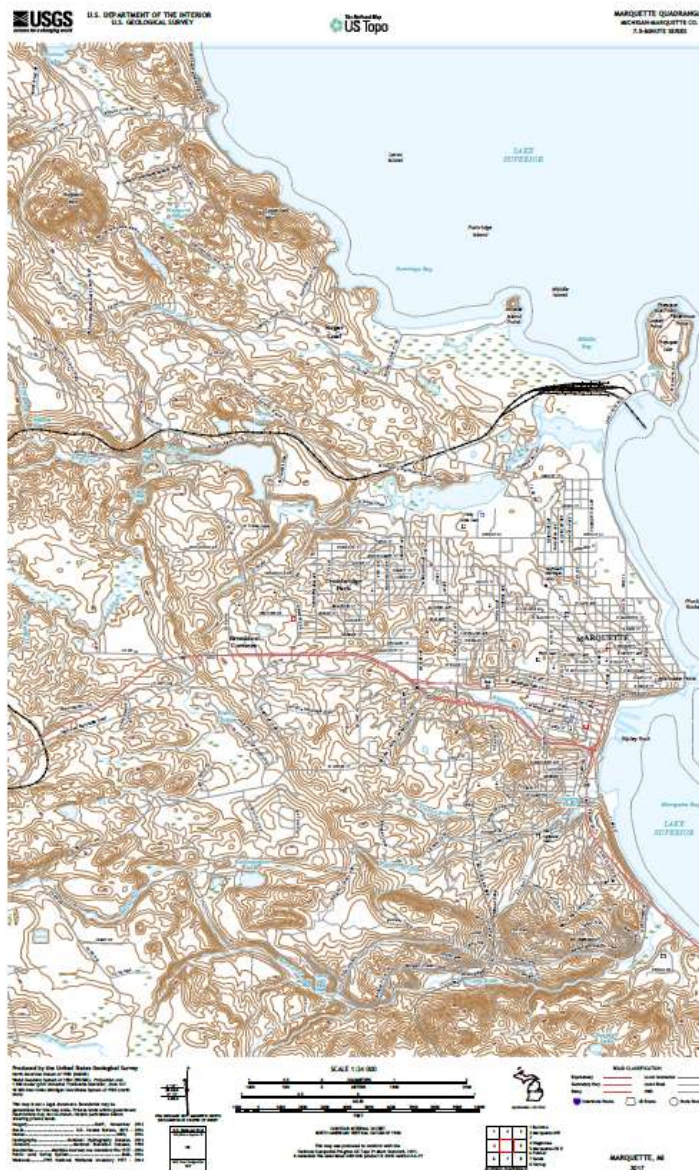
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# Topo TNM Style Template

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**Topo TNM Style Template**

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**A NEW GIS-READY TOPOGRAPHIC MAP STYLE TEMPLATE!**

The Topo TNM Style Template can be readily used with the Topo Combined Vector Product (recently renamed "Topo Map Vector Data products") and other data available for download from *The National Map* (TNM). The template and TNM data are intended to be used together to quickly provide the GIS user with a fully customizable map in the style of US Topo maps using the most current TNM data.

The Topo TNM Style Template is provided by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) National Geospatial Technical Operations Center (NGTOC). It has been developed according to the 24,000-scale, 7.5-minute layout and cartographic design of published US Topo Maps and is intended for use in any geographic location where data is available for download from TNM. The template is provided as an Esri-specific solution (ArcGIS v10.0 map document (mxd)) for the benefit of USGS earth scientists and other scientific professionals who have a requirement for symbolized and annotated topographic base map layers to support advance Geographic Information System (GIS) analysis and mapping. Symbolized map layers, links to Web Map Services, labeling rules, grids, standard map layout, and marginalia information are included in the template. Ancillary data for tailoring the template is provided along with the template in an Esri file geodatabase (v10.x). The USGS recognizes that this solution only meets the needs of end users dependent upon Esri products. Research continues into alternative formats.

This template may be used with any TNM datasource available for download and can easily be extended with any data layers according to end user needs. For best results in symbolization and labeling, it is recommended to be used with Topo Map Vector Data products. These products are currently under production and many are now available for download from [TNM Downloader](#).

The Topo Map Vector Data products are one specific type of staged product intended for a variety of GIS and cartographic applications, including use with the Topo TNM Style Template. These products are staged at a 7.5-minute footprint that corresponds with a single US Topo Map extent. They will contain four feature datasets that include feature classes from all TNM Vector data themes, including Elevation Contours, Government Units (Boundaries), Woodland Tint polygons, Structures, Transportation, Hydrography, TNM Derived Names, and 7.5-minute map cells.

The following items are available for download:

1. [Zip file](#) containing the template, tailoring data contained in a file geodatabase, and tailoring instructions in PDF.
2. [Frequently Asked Questions](#) document in PDF.
3. Topo TNM Style Template [Metadata](#), [FAQ](#), [Text](#), and [XML](#).

The USGS values your comments. Email can be sent to [tnm\\_help@usgs.gov](mailto:tnm_help@usgs.gov) or contact us through the methods listed [here](#).

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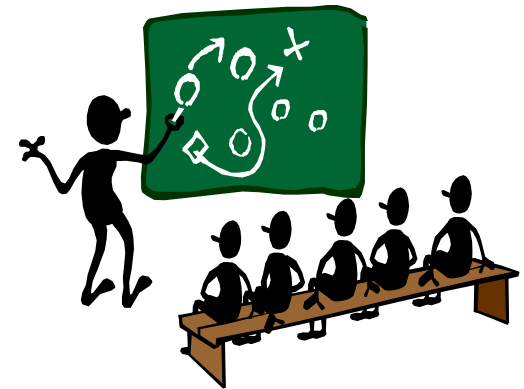
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- **Historical Topographic Map Collection (HTMC)**
- **Started 2011**
- **High-resolution scans of more than 178,000 historical topo maps**
- **Between 1884 and 2006**
- **GeoPDF® versions can be downloaded free of charge**
- **Website:**  
**<http://nationalmap.gov/historical>**



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## The National Map: Historical Topographic

[The National Map Home](#) >> Historical Topographic Map Collection

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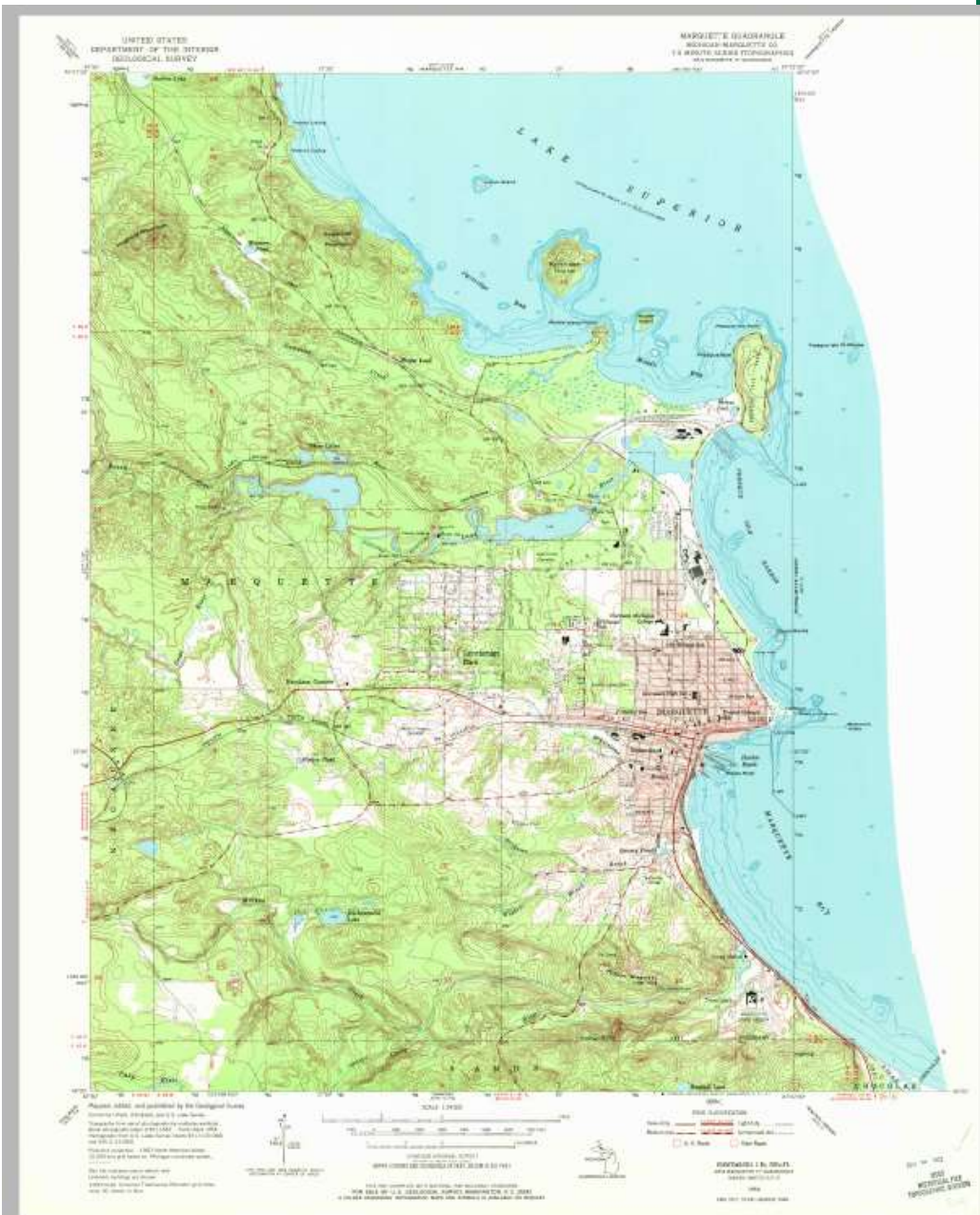
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## Historical Topographic Maps - Preserving the Past

In 2009, USGS began the release of a new generation of topographic maps ([US Topo](#)) in electronic form, and in 2011, complemented them with the release of high-resolution scans of more than 178,000 historical topographic maps of the United States. The topographic map remains an indispensable tool for everyday use in government, science, industry, land management planning, and recreation.

Historic maps are snapshots of the nation's physical and cultural features at a particular time. Maps of the same area can show how an area looked before development and provide a detailed view of changes over time. Historical maps are often useful to scientists, historians, environmentalists, genealogists and others re:

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# Michigan's Oldest Maps

Published 1895 1:62,500

Passage Island

Perch Lake

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# Topoview & Historical Map Archive

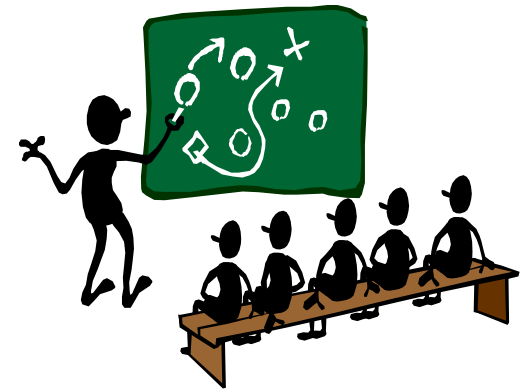
Entire Historical Topographic Map Collection is now available in GeoTIFF format !!!

- Historical topos have been available in GeoPDF format through TNM viewer & USGS Store
- National Geologic Map Data Base (NGMDB) has added additional file formats of the historical topos: GeoTIFF, JPEG, & KMZ
  - GeoTIFF files are a compressed, 300 dpi TIFF image format, with embedded georeferencing information so that the map can be used directly in GIS
- <http://ngmdb.usgs.gov/maps/TopoView/>
- Demo on YouTube:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kOpe3WXsZrQ>

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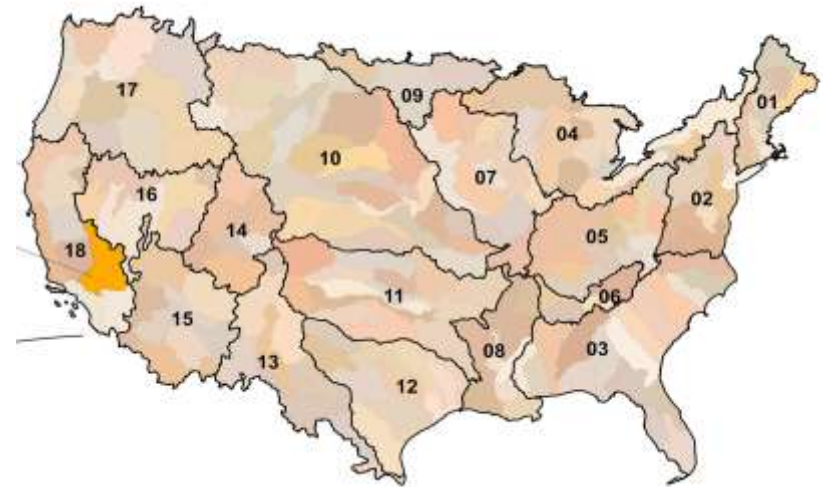


# Foundational Hydrography Datasets

Surface water layers of *The National Map*






National Hydrography Dataset (NHD)



Watershed Boundary Dataset (WBD)





## Hydrography

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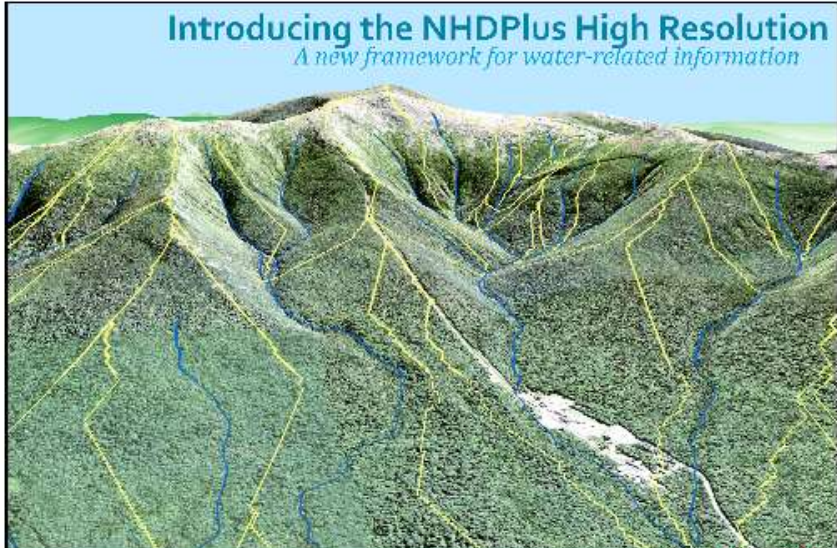
### Hydrography

**NHDPlus High Resolution  
National Hydrography Dataset  
Watershed Boundary Dataset**


The [National Hydrography Dataset](#) (NHD) and [Watershed Boundary Dataset](#) (WBD) are digital geospatial datasets that map the surface water of the United States and are a part of [The National Map](#). The NHD represents the nation's drainage networks and related features, including rivers, streams, canals, lakes, ponds, glaciers, coastlines, dams, and streamgages. The [NHD High Resolution](#), at 1:24,000 scale or better, is the most up-to-date and detailed hydrography dataset for the nation (please visit the [NHD Medium Resolution](#) page for information about accessing the legacy 1:100,000 scale dataset). The WBD represents drainage areas of the country in eight nested levels.

Together, the NHD and WBD, along with data from the [3D Elevation Program](#) (3DEP), are processed to create the [NHDPlus High Resolution](#) (NHDPlus HR), a networked geospatial framework of stream reaches, elevation-based catchment areas, flow surfaces, and values

**Introducing the NHDPlus High Resolution**  
*A new framework for water-related information*



[Go to the NHDPlus HR page](#)



# NHD (Hydrography) Monthly Newsletter



## National Hydrography Dataset

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## NHD Newsletters

[Archived NHD Newsletters](#)

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### 2010

[December 2010](#)

- LiDAR and the NHD
- NHD Management Team Meeting
- Projects for NHD and WBD
- USGS Reorganizes to Better Address Science Strategy
- WBD Integration Status
- NHD Photo of the Month
- November Hydrography Quiz / New December Quiz
- Upcoming NHD Training

There are three ways to access the data:



1. [GO to the NHD Viewer](#) | [Help](#)



2. [GO to Pre-staged Subregions](#) | [Help](#)



3. [GO to NHD Extracts by State](#) | [Help](#)

**Need Help Downloading NHD Data?**  
**See Instructions.**



## Seminar 9, Session 1 – Tuesday May 23, 2017 - 1:00 PM Eastern - One Hour

### NHDPlus High Resolution (NHDPlus HR) Seminar, Session 1

**Abstract** – The USGS has just released the first NHDPlus High Resolution (NHDPlus HR) datasets in Beta version for seven hydrologic regions covering a quarter of the conterminous U.S. NHDPlus HR extends the rich attribution and functionality present in the NHDPlus Version 2 to the spatial accuracy and detail present in the high resolution National Hydrography Dataset and 1/3 arc-second 3D Elevation Program data. For more information, please see the [NHDPlus High Resolution page](#).

Topics will include:

- Overview: What is NHDPlus HR, what does Beta mean, what you can do with it, and how it improves upon the NHDPlus Version 2
- Data availability: Production and release plans
- How to download: TNM Download viewer, FTP and Cloud folders
- What comes after Beta: The NHDPlus HR Refresh concept, Beta QC and Markup tool overview
- Learn about the VisibilityFilter Attribute: The ability to represent the data at different scales, currently populated for testing in Regions 01 and 06

## Seminar 8 - Thursday May 19, 2016 - 2:00 PM Eastern - One Hour

### Lidar Topography and Hydrographic Integration Fundamentals and Application Issues Karl Heidemann, Senior Lidar Scientist, USGS EROS Data Center Science and Applications Branch

**Abstract** - Light Detection and Ranging (lidar) has become the dominant technology for topographic mapping. The significant improvements in spatial resolution, vertical accuracy, and most dramatically, relative accuracy of lidar data has enormous impact on the hydrology/hydrography community, making it possible to map features from lidar data that previously required costly field surveys.

This seminar will present a brief overview of lidar technology and terminology to establish a common understanding of these topics. Particular emphasis will be placed on those topics and concepts that relate to the reintegration of hydrography (namely the NHD) and the new generation of lidar-derived topographic data.



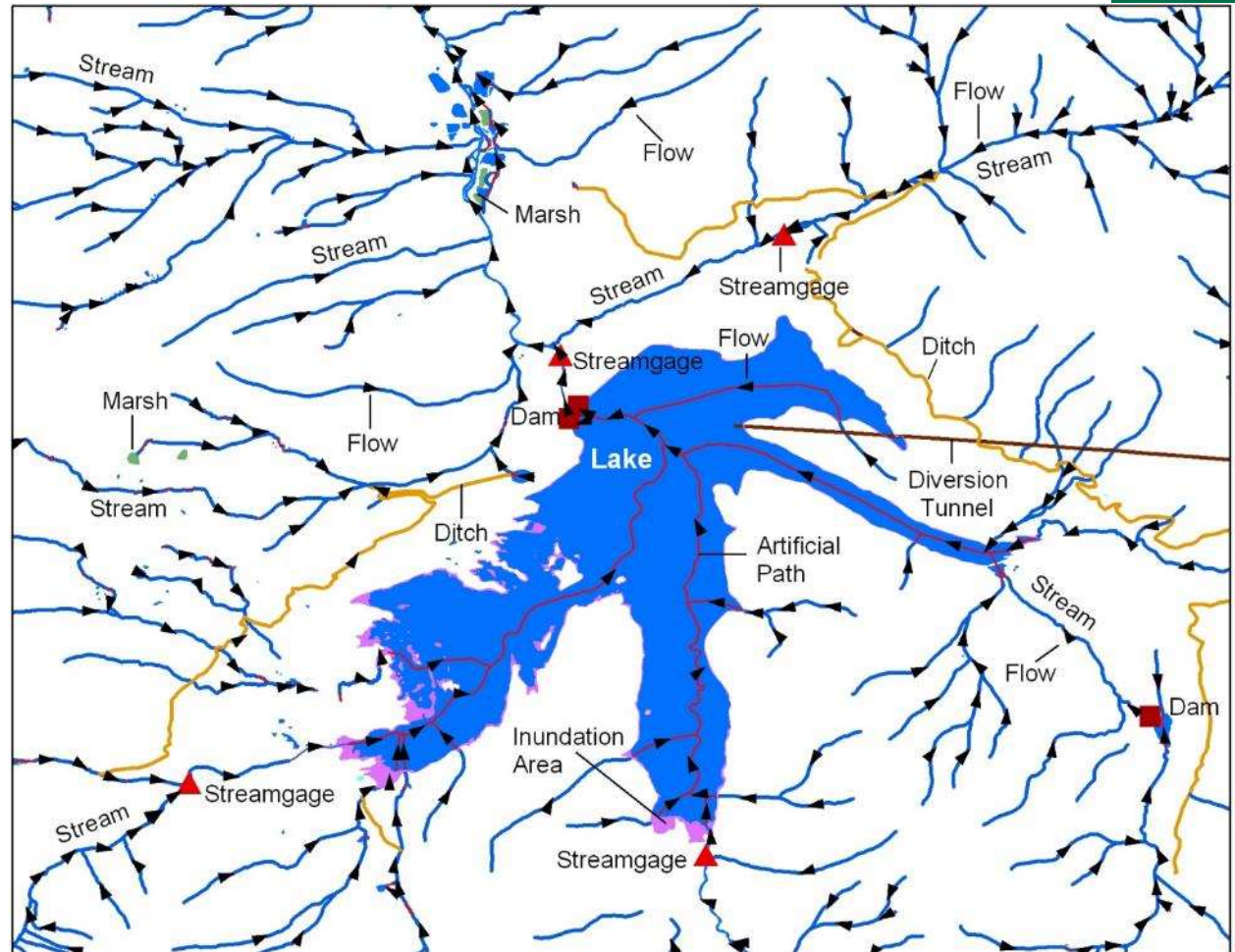
# What is the National Hydrography Dataset?

Surface water features found on topographic maps

National drainage network of rivers and streams, plus other hydro info

Currently maintain 24k – Local Res Version (63k – 24k in AK)

Shapefile and GDB downloads plus services



# + Watershed Boundary Dataset (WBD)

## Overview

- WBD is a **seamless baseline drainage area** dataset for the Nation
- Boundaries are **defined by hydrographic and topographic criteria** with no regard for administrative boundaries
- Delineated in a **nested multi-level, hierarchical drainage system**
- Each level assigned a **progressive 2-digit Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC)** which describes where the unit is in the country and the 'level' of the unit
- **Jointly managed** by the USGS National Geospatial Program (NGP) and Water Mission Area (WMA) and the US Dept. of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) as part of the integrated hydrologic information system

# + WBD (*cont.*)

## Watershed Definitions

The WBD represents drainage basins at eight scales

Name	Level	Digit	Number of HUCs
Region	1	2	21
Subregion	2	4	222
Basin	3	6	352
Subbasin	4	8	2,149
Watershed	5	10	22,000
Subwatershed	6	12	160,000

2-digit hydrologic unit  
First level  
Region  
(177,560 square miles average)

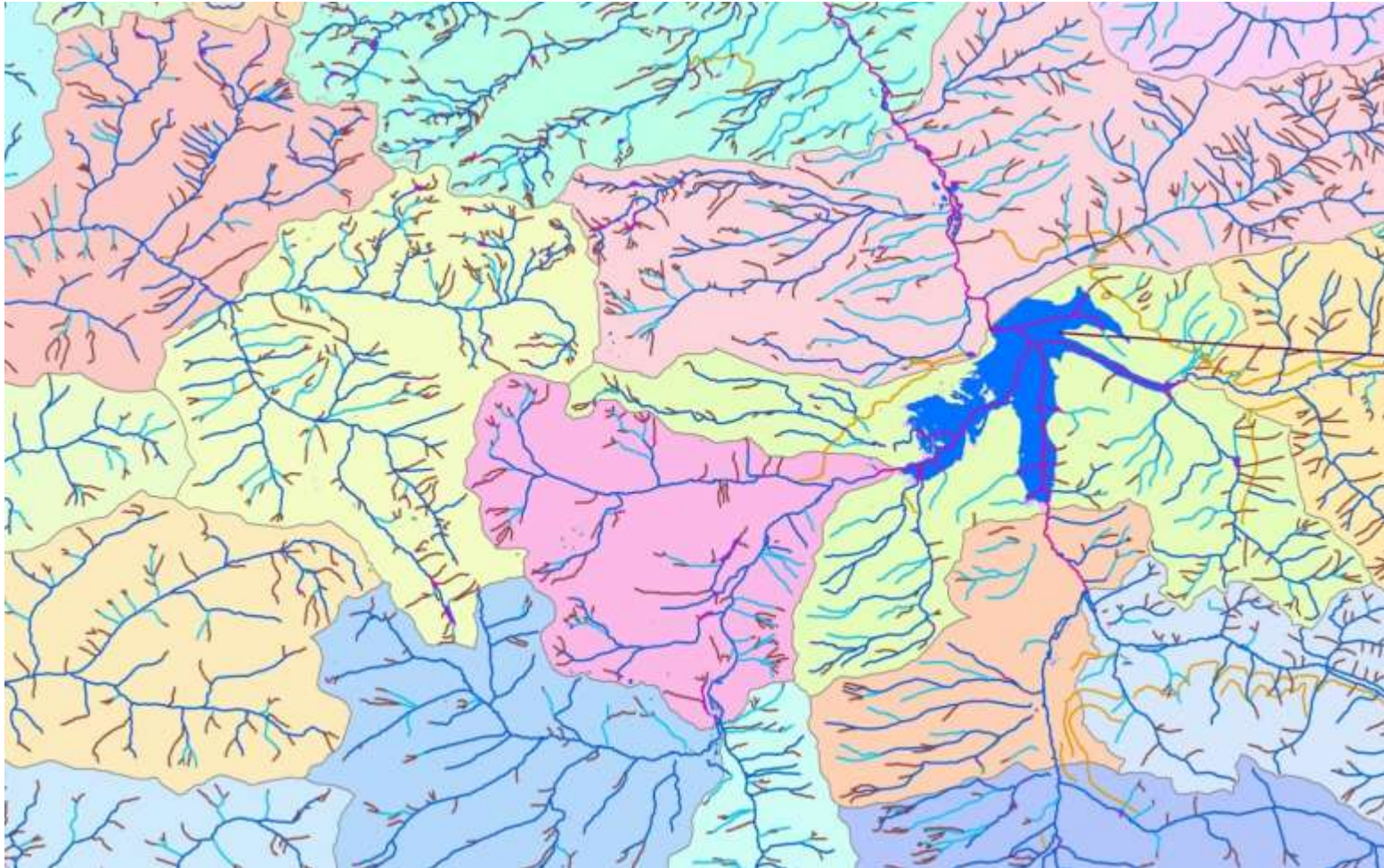
Pacific Northwest  
Region 17  
(273,647 square miles)





## ◆ WBD

### NHD Network Integrated with Hydrologic Units





APRIL 20, 2017

## National Hydrography Dataset / Watershed Boundary Dataset Map Service Improvement

As part of an ongoing effort to improve the suite of hydrography web-based map services, the USGS will separate the services for the National Hydrography Dataset (NHD) and Watershed Boundary Dataset (WBD).

*Attribution: National Geospatial Program*



# Stewardship

## NHD and WBD

**NHD Stewardship**

The National Hydrography Dataset (NHD) contains detailed geospatial information about the Nation's surface water. Making these data accurate will be an ongoing task as the landscape changes and users demand greater accuracy. Just as building the NHD required a large partnership across the nation, maintaining the NHD also requires an extensive partnership, and can best be accomplished by those closest to the hydrography. Users within the states and federal lands understand the hydrography around them and are motivated to ensure the accuracy of the NHD to meet their business needs; therefore, they are ideally suited to become the stewards of the data; an agency in each state will manage the maintenance activities within the state. The maintenance will be performed by that agency or other agencies in the state. The United States Geological Survey (USGS) will facilitate the overall process, providing national management, coordination, tools, standards, documentation, training, quality assurance, data archival, and data distribution. Updates to the NHD will be made by the stewards, transmitted to the USGS, processed, and made available in the national dataset distribution.

Learn more about NHD Stewardship [here](#).

**Locate your area's stewardship POC**

Some of the files on this page are presented in Portable Document Format (PDF); the latest version of Adobe Acrobat Reader or similar software is required to view it. [Download the latest version of Acrobat Reader, free of charge.](#)

- The NHD and WBD data have relied on cooperative mapping through stewardship
- Many states have a stewardship program
- NHD and WBD stewardship models are managed separately and differently



# Michigan Drain Commissioners (MACDC) plan for NHD

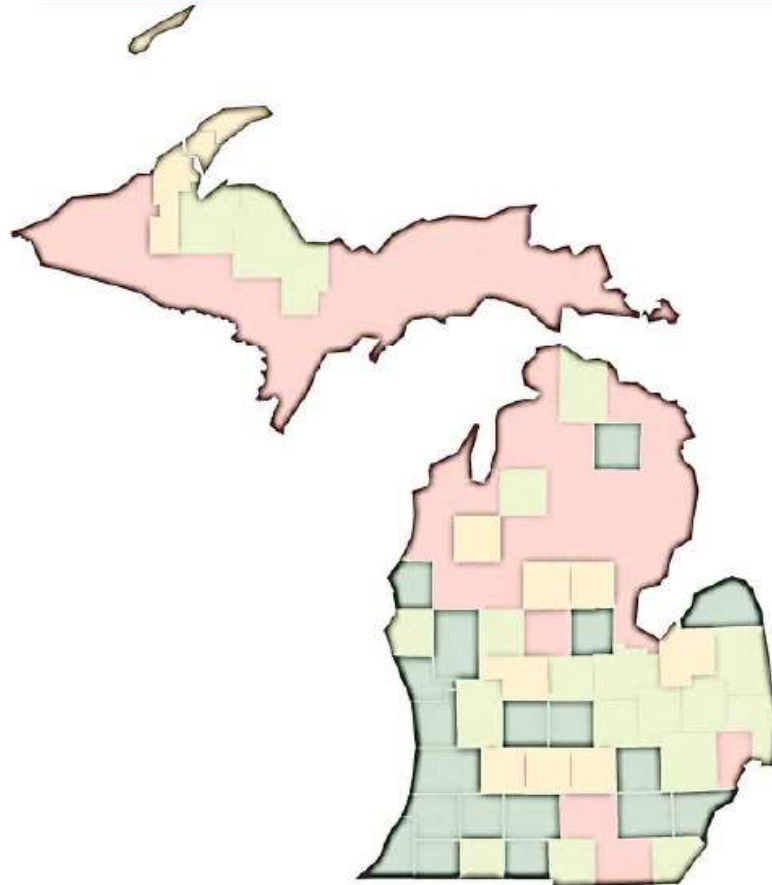
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## Michigan Association of County Drain Commissioners (MACDC)

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### Business Plan for NHD Implementation

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# Hydrography Requirements and Benefits Study - HRBS

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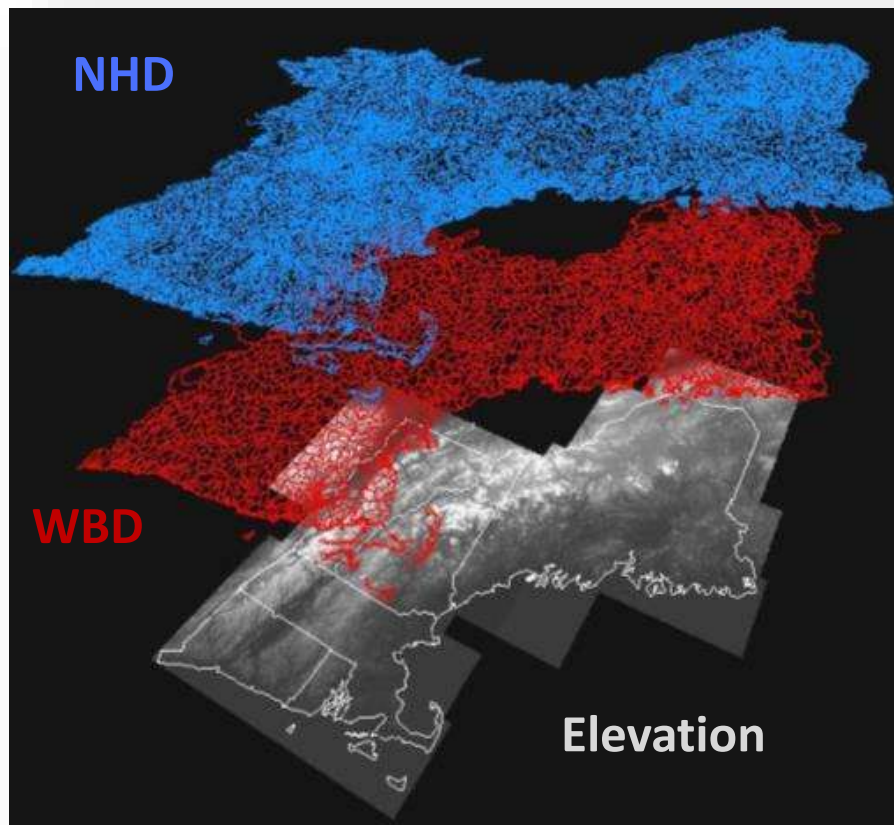
- Documented 420 Mission Critical Activities
- 23 Federal Agencies, 50 States, 8 Tribal governments and 3 national associations
- <https://nationalmap.gov/HRBS.html>
- **Michigan section pages C-621 to C-648**
- Current Annual Benefits - \$538M
- Future Potential Annual Benefits - \$602M
- Benefits likely significantly under-reported - 35% of respondents were unable to provide a dollar value for future benefits
- Program recommendation during FY17



# National Hydrography Dataset Plus - NHDPlus

Medium Resolution created for CONUS

High Resolution in work for CONUS and AK



Catchments for each unique NHDPlus stream segment (flowline) shown.

## Incorporates

- Hydrography
- Boundaries
- Elevation



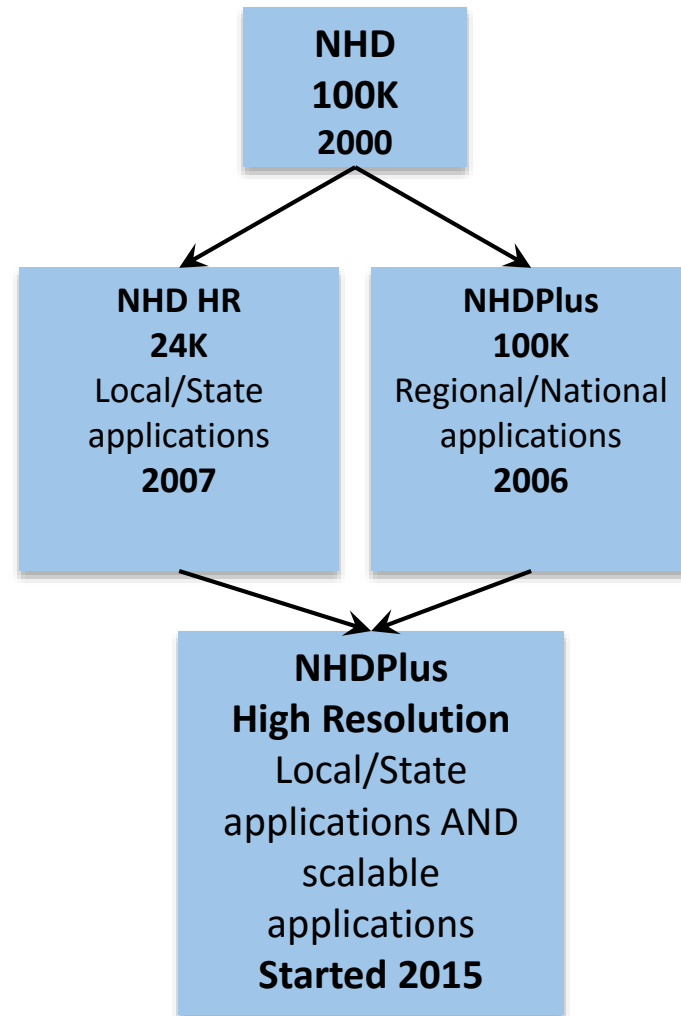
# NHDPlusHR

Taking NHDPlus v2 (MedRes) to a new level

The best of 24K+ data  
and NHDPlus

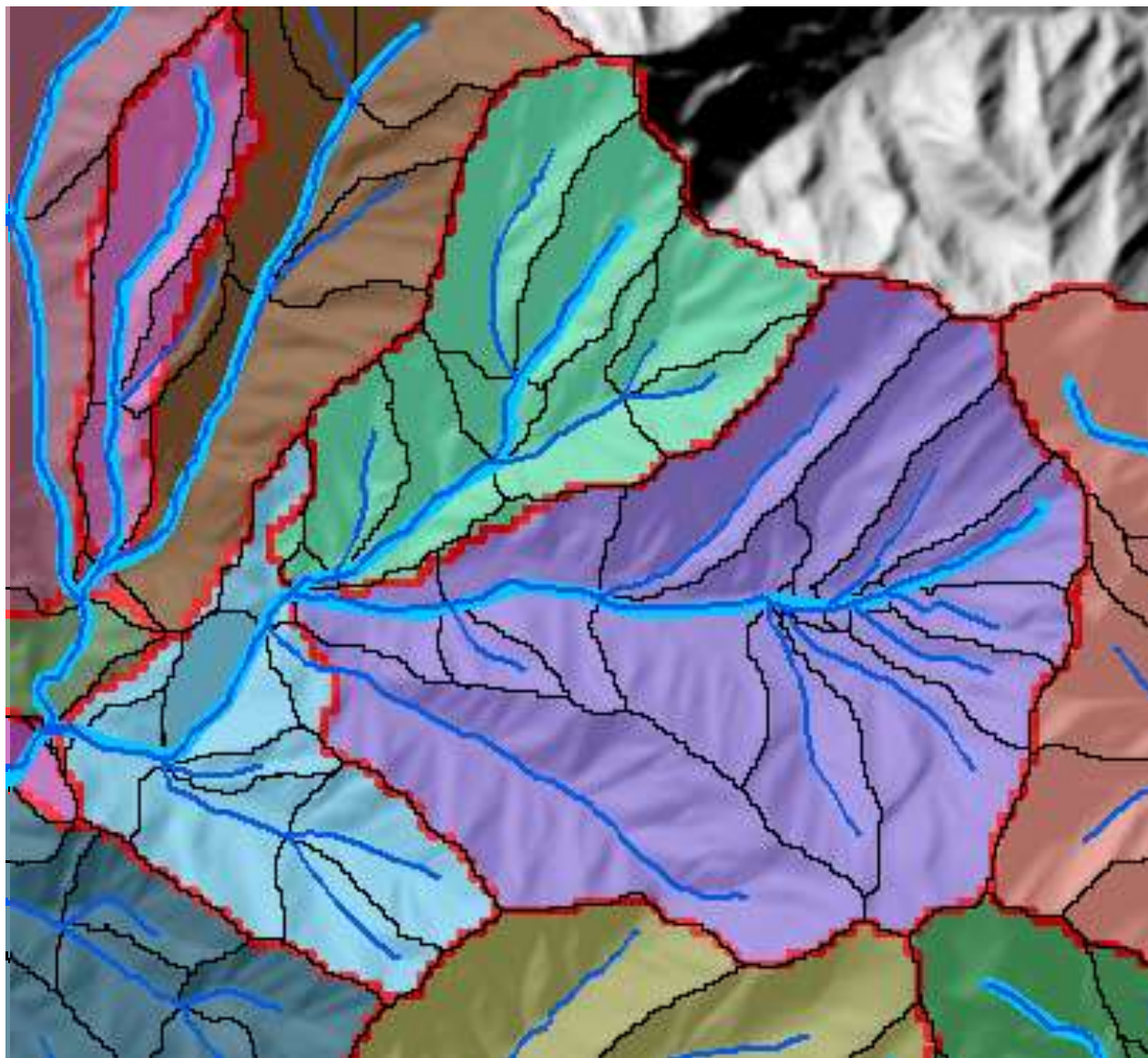
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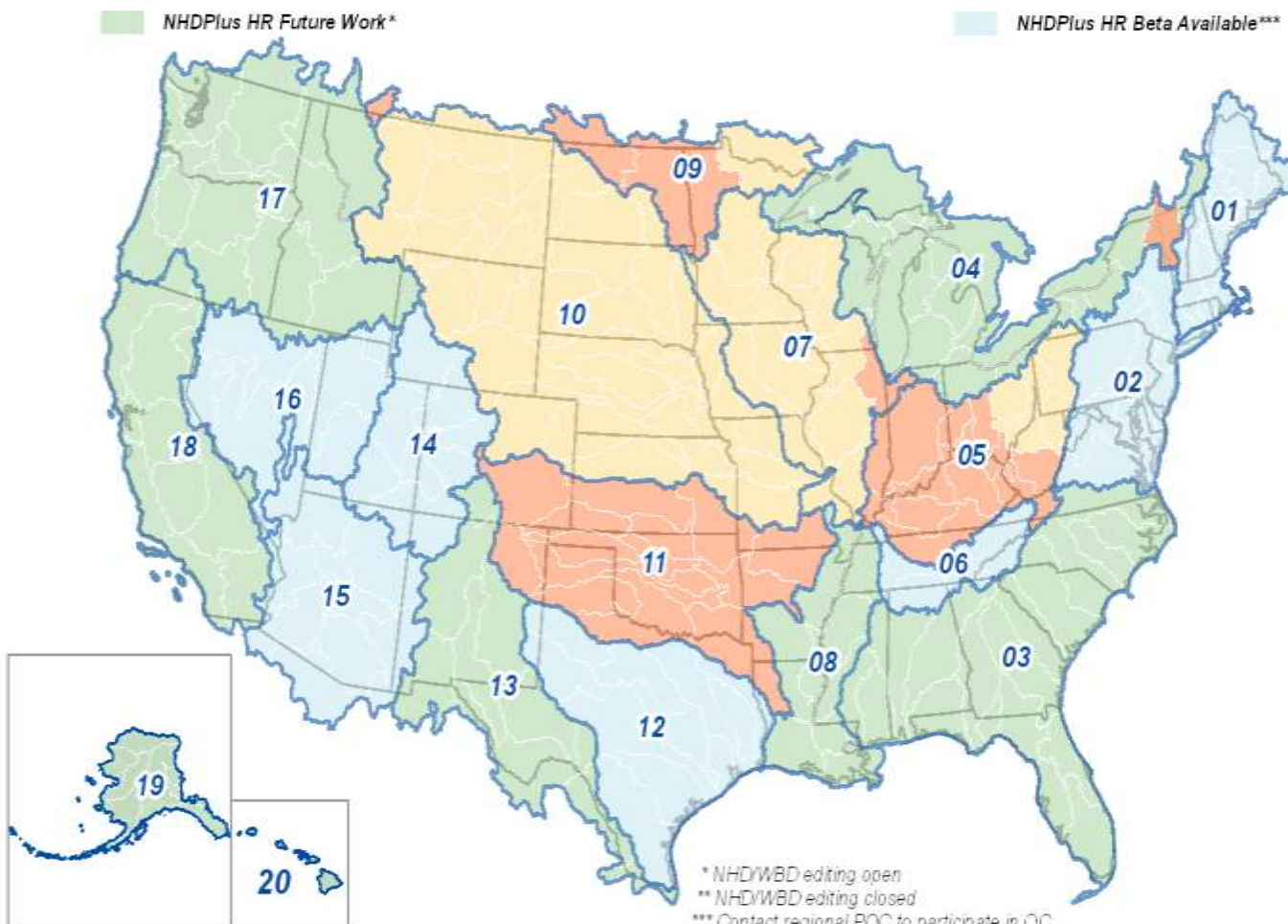
Link data to one  
network and generalize  
to many different scales



# NHDPlus HR Adds Local Detail

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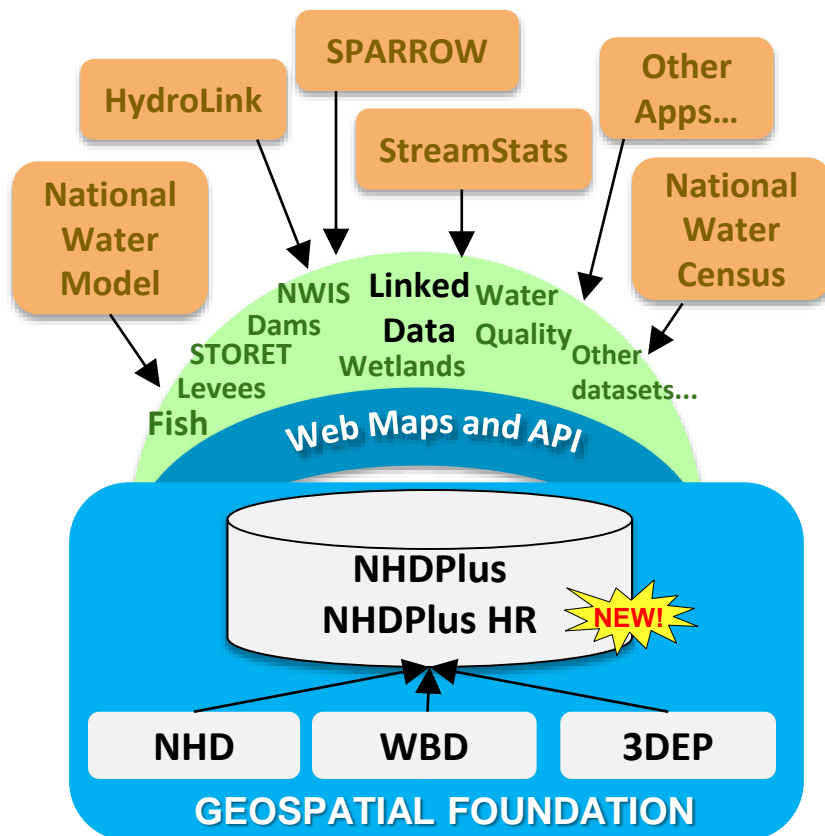




# + NHDPlus is the foundation for navigating the Nation's Water Information

NHDPlus, with related web maps and API, creates a geospatial foundation for:

- Linking any type of **data** to the water network
- Providing the framework for **systems** like the National Water Model
- Navigating the stream network to discover related data for a growing range of **applications**



## EXAMPLE: THE WATER QUALITY PORTAL

Water Quality Portal data were mapped to NHDPlus to provide data discovery and navigation capabilities -users can now find more than 200 million data records about the health of water in the US collected by over 400 state, federal, tribal, and local agencies along 2.7 million stream segments represented in NHDPlus

## EXAMPLE: GOLD KING MINE

In August, 2015, waste spilled from the Gold King Mine and contaminated the Animas River with toxic heavy metals. The Governor of Colorado declared a disaster zone and the USGS was requested to provide all existing water quality records for the river. Because the Water Quality Portal is now linked to NHDPlus, what once took a group of experts several days of dedicated effort to assemble from multiple databases can be done today in less than two minutes via a simple map-based query (<http://www.waterqualitydata.us/>)

**USGS is producing NHDPlus HR to greatly increase the detail and accuracy of the stream network**



# Streamer

*Welcome to Streamer!*  
Explore America's larger streams as you trace upstream to their source or downstream to where they empty.

*Learn more about your stream traces and the places they pass through in brief or detailed reports.*

*See weather radar and near real-time streamflow conditions.*

*Getting started with Streamer is as easy as following these quick instructions to the right.*

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**1** Zoom in to activate trace buttons

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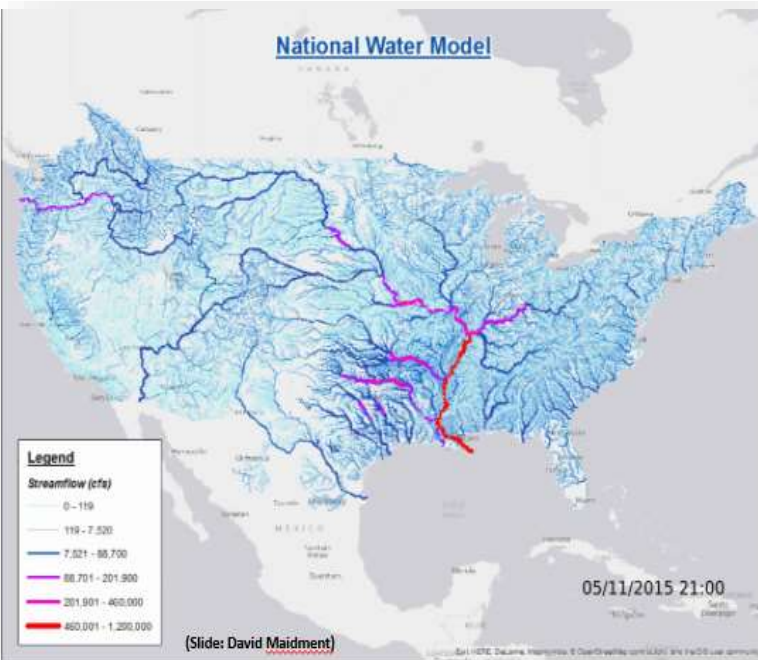
Map Contents

Base Map: Terrain  
Quick-Touch Streamflow  
Weather Radar  
Overlaid Map

**Go To Map ▶**

# Foundational Hydrography Datasets

## Future



	<b>IN USE TODAY: Medium Resolution NHDPlus</b>	<b>IN PROGRESS: High Resolution NHDPlus</b>	<b>FUTURE: Hydrography Derived from Lidar</b>
<b>Number of features nationally</b>	3 million	34.5 million	300 million
<b>Elevation source</b>	30 meter	10 meter	1 meter
<b>Hydrography source</b>	1:100,000-scale NHD	1:24,000-scale or better (local) resolution NHD	1:5,000-scale or better derived from lidar
<b>Watershed boundaries source</b>	Composite WBD snapshot of 2010- 2012	Updated WBD	Catchments derived from lidar

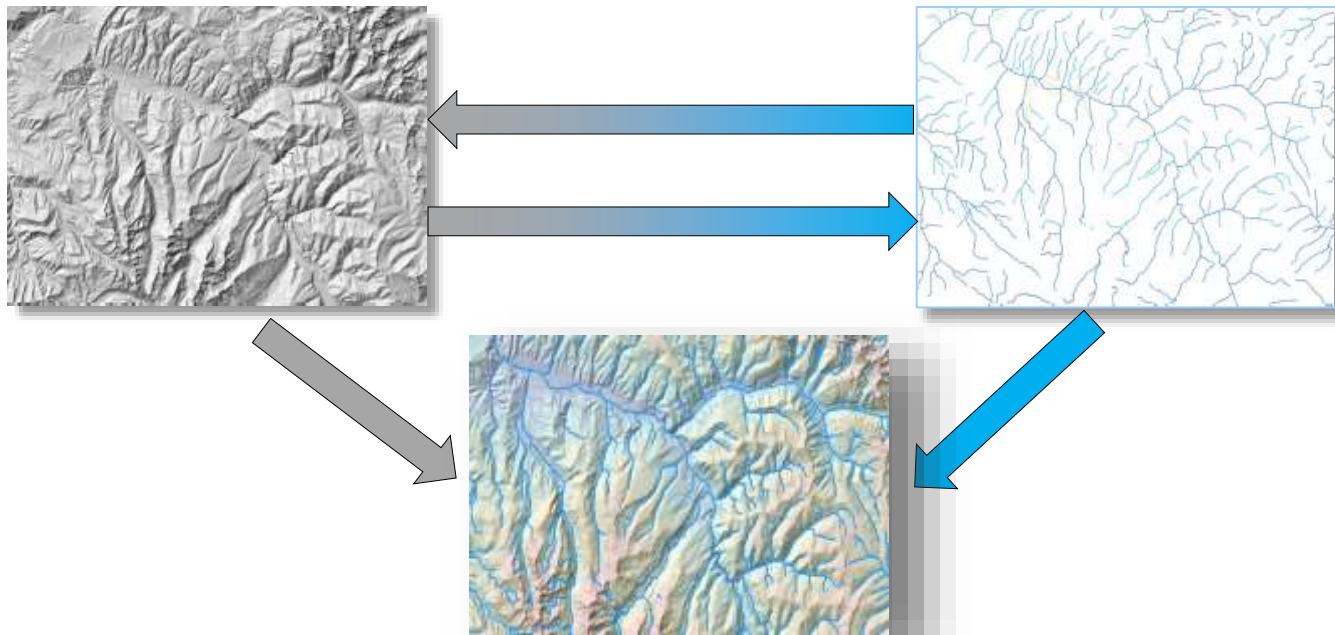
- Early analysis of the Hydrography and Benefits Study indicates that the most medium to long-term requirements will be met best by deriving hydrographic data from 3DEP data so that the elevation and hydrography are fully integrated
- Pilot projects underway to determine approaches and associated costs



# Future: Ele-Hydro

## Hydrography derived from 3DEP Lidar

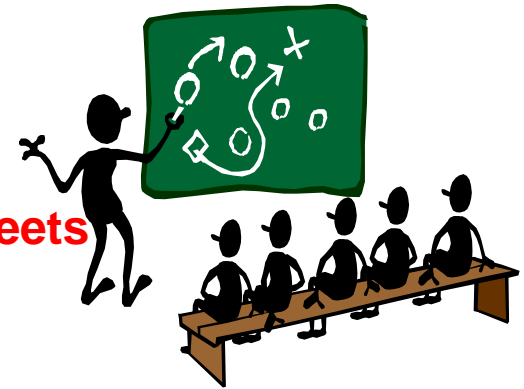
- Integration of lidar and hydrography data
- Alignment of elevation and hydrography such that streams flow in channels
- Final data product can be accessed in one dataset



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- 3D Elevation Program (3DEP)



- **U.S. Board on Geographic Names – BGN**
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## **THE PLAIN DEALER**

### **Name that creek yourself and get feds to back you**

Friday, December 02, 2005

Wonder if that creek behind your house has a name? You can check the topographic map for your neighborhood. They are probably available at the nearest library or town hall.

If it doesn't have a name, or you think the one on the map is inappropriate, you can come up with a moniker and ask the U.S. Board of Geographic Names to make it official.

The board says any American has the right to propose a new name or a change. It has one hard and fast rule: No names of living people. And it might help your cause to get some backing from the county commissioners, township, village or city.

An application is available through the Internet at:

[geonames.usgs.gov](http://geonames.usgs.gov), where you can reach the board's Web site.

If you don't have Internet access, here's the address:

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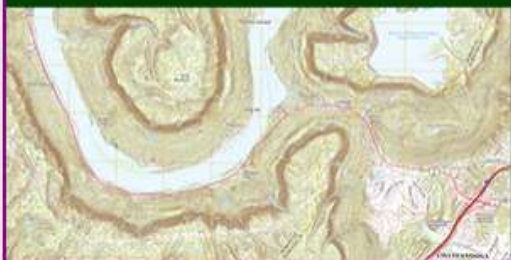
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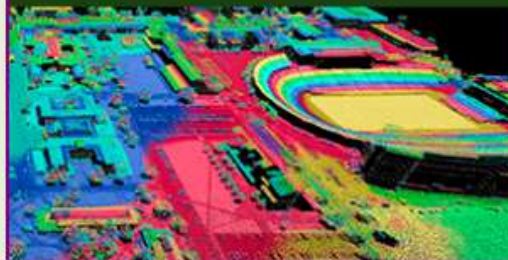
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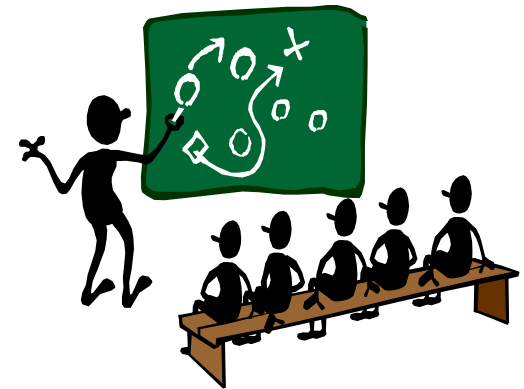
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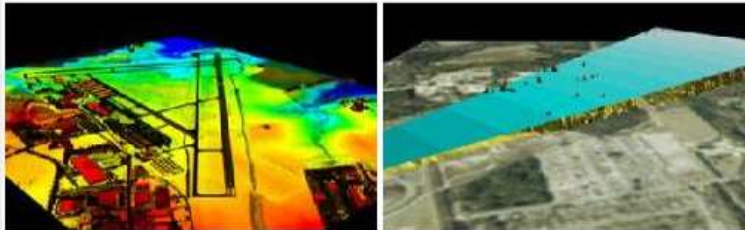
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### Introduction and Goals



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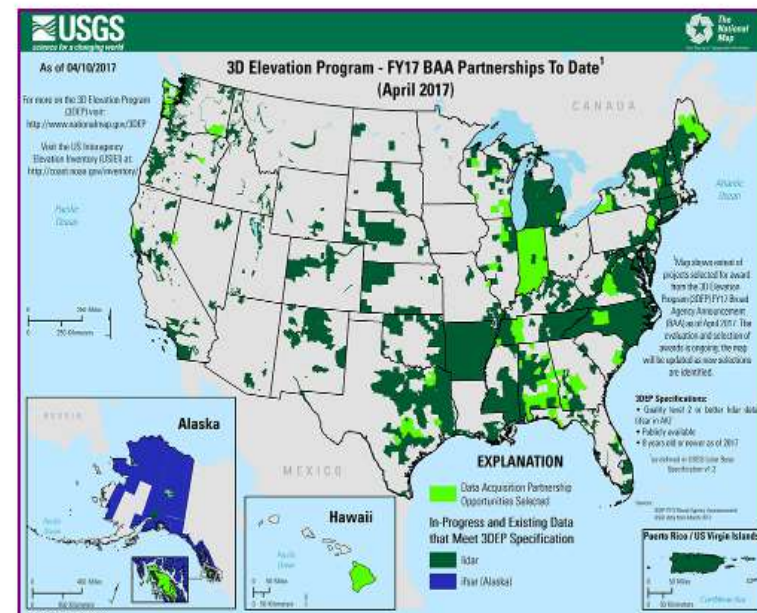
The 3D Elevation Program (3DEP) initiative is being developed to respond to growing needs for high-quality topographic data and for a wide range of other three-dimensional representations of the Nation's natural and constructed features. The primary goal of 3DEP is to systematically collect enhanced elevation data in the form of high-quality light detection and ranging (lidar) data over the conterminous United States, Hawaii, and the U.S. territories, with data acquired over an 8-year period. Interferometric synthetic aperture radar (IfSAR) data will be collected over Alaska, where cloud cover and remote locations preclude the use of lidar over much of the State. The 3DEP initiative is based on the results of the [National Enhanced Elevation Assessment](#).

## 3DEP Data Acquisition Partnership Opportunities

### FY17 USGS Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) for the 3D Elevation Program (3DEP)

#### Partnership Opportunities

The FY16/FY17 Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) for 3D Elevation Program (3DEP) was released on August 11, 2016. The BAA provides detailed information on how to partner with the USGS and other Federal agencies to acquire high-quality 3D Elevation data. Information and contacts are available at Fed Biz Opps (Search for Reference Number: G16PS00711) and Grants.gov (Funding Opportunity Number: G16AS00121). Applicants may contribute funds toward a USGS lidar data acquisition activity via the Geospatial Products and Services Contracts or they may request 3DEP funds toward a lidar data acquisition activity where the requesting partner is the acquiring authority. Federal agencies, state and local governments, tribes, academic institutions and the private sector are eligible to submit proposals. FY17 Project awards have been made. An [award summary](#) is available. The BAA remains open; however additional FY17 awards are based



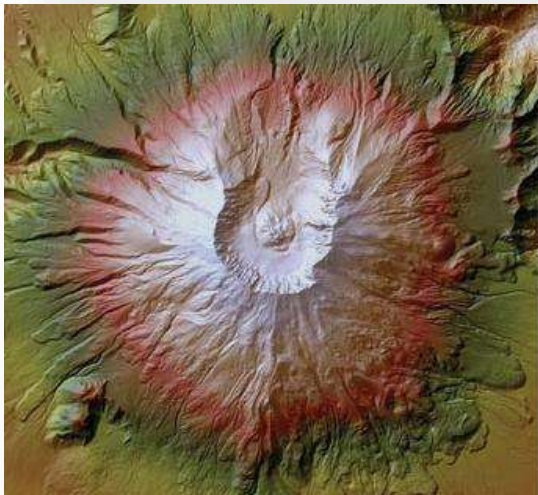
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**Overview** - USGS has a long history providing elevation data

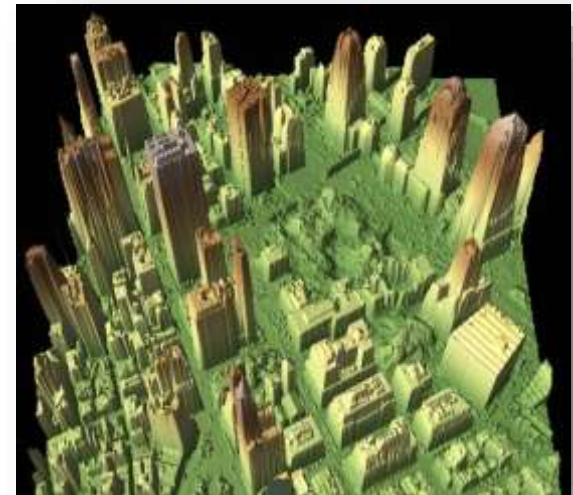
- First through contours on topographic maps
- Later by digital data in the National Elevation Dataset (NED)

## Background

- 3DEP initiative - based on the results of the National Enhanced Elevation Assessment (NEEA)
- Lidar for the Nation with IfSAR over Alaska



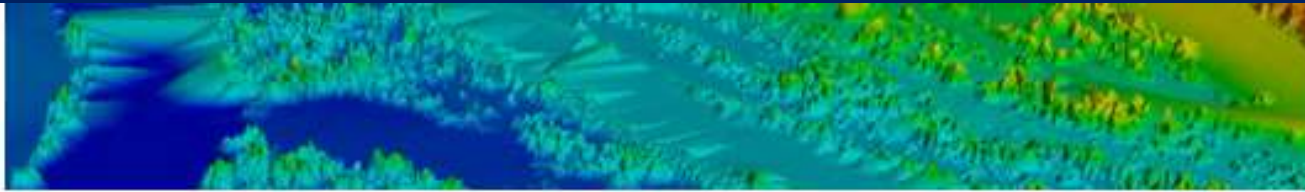
Lidar examples of natural (Mount St Helens, left) and constructed (urban area, right) features





# NEEA – National Enhanced Elevation Assessment

Is a national effort needed? What should it look like?



## Final Report of the National Enhanced Elevation Assessment

Revised March 29, 2012

The National Enhanced Elevation Assessment (NEEA) was performed to document national requirements for improved elevation data, estimate the benefits and costs of meeting these requirements, and evaluate multiple national enhanced program implementation scenarios. The study was sponsored by member agencies of the National Digital Elevation Program and was completed December 2011. Study participants included 34 federal agencies, 50 states, and selected local governments and tribes, as well as private and not-for-profit organizations. An analysis of the results showed that an improved national program has the potential to generate \$1.2-billion to \$13-billion in new benefits each year once fully operational. The report was developed by Dewberry under contract to the USGS. The findings build on similar results documented by the National Research Council, federal agencies, and numerous state reports. Questions regarding the report should be directed to Greg Snyder, USGS, at [gsnyder@usgs.gov](mailto:gsnyder@usgs.gov).

### Downloads

- [NEEA Final Report](#)
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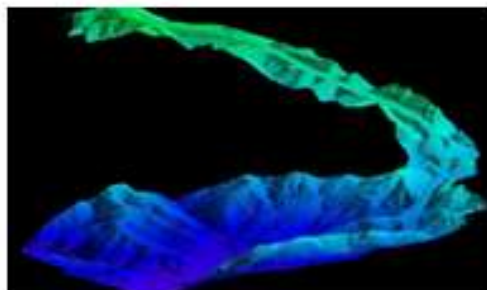
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Geologic Resources and  
Hazards Mitigation



Natural Resource  
Conservation



Infrastructure Management



Flood Risk Mitigation

# Michigan Input to NEEA

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- **Sam Quon** (City of Lansing and Ingham County)
  - **Mike Sobocinski** (Michigan State Police hazard mitigation)
  - **Mike Toth** (MDOT lead on elevation)
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- Flood map analysis and loss estimates for properties in flood prone areas
  - Forest fire susceptibility and identification of structures in wildland interface areas
  - Preliminary design and planning
  - ID glacial deposits for metallic, non-metallic and aggregate evaluation (John Esch)







## The 3D Elevation Program—Summary for Michigan

### Introduction

Elevation data are essential to a broad range of applications, including forest resources management, wildlife and habitat management, national security, recreation, and many others. For the State of Michigan, elevation data are critical for agriculture and precision farming, natural resources conservation, flood risk management, water supply and quality, infrastructure and construction management, coastal zone management, and other business uses. Today, high-density light detection and ranging (lidar) data are the primary sources for deriving elevation models and other datasets. Federal, State, Tribal, and local agencies work in partnership to (1) replace data that are older and of lower quality and (2) provide coverage where publicly accessible data do not exist. A joint goal of State and Federal partners is to acquire consistent, statewide coverage to support existing and emerging applications enabled by lidar data.

The National Enhanced Elevation Assessment (NEEA; Dewberry, 2011) evaluated multiple elevation data acquisition options to determine the optimal data quality and data replacement cycle relative to cost to meet the identified requirements of the user community. The evaluation demonstrated that lidar acquisition at quality level 2 (table 1) for the conterminous United States and quality level 5 interferometric synthetic aperture radar (isar) data (table 1) for Alaska with a 6- to 10-year acquisition cycle provided the highest benefit/cost ratios. The 3D Elevation Program (3DEP) initiative (Snyder, 2012a,b) selected an 8-year acquisition cycle for the respective quality levels. 3DEP, managed by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), the Office of Management and Budget Circular A-16 lead agency for terrestrial elevation data, responds to the growing need for high-quality topographic data and a wide range of other 3D representations of the



**Figure 1.** Map of Michigan showing publicly available lidar data. Information source is the United States Interagency Elevation Inventory, March 2015 (<http://coast.noaa.gov/inventory/?redirect=301ocmf>). The inventory is updated annually. Quality level 2 or better data meet 3DEP requirements. See table 1 for quality level information.

Nation's natural and constructed features. The Michigan Statewide Authoritative Imagery and Lidar (MiSAIL) program provides statewide lidar coordination with local, State, and national groups in support of 3DEP for Michigan.

### 3D Elevation Program Benefits for Michigan

The top 10 Michigan business uses for 3D elevation data, which are based on the estimated annual conservative benefits of the 3DEP initiative, are shown in table 2. The NEEA survey respondents in the State of Michigan estimated that the national 3DEP initiative would result in at least \$10.2 million in new benefits annually to the State. The cost for such a program in Michigan is approximately \$19 million, resulting in a payback period of 1.9 years and a benefit/cost ratio of 4.2 to 1 over an 8-year period. Because monetary estimates were not provided for all reported benefits, the total benefits of the 3DEP to Michigan are likely much higher. On the basis of the NEEA survey results, all levels of government and many organizations in Michigan could benefit from access to statewide high-resolution elevation data.

For Michigan, approximately 72 percent of the identified business use requirements

### 3D Elevation Program

3DEP is a national program managed by the USGS to acquire high-resolution elevation data. The initiative is backed by a comprehensive assessment of requirements (Dewberry, 2011) and is in the early stages of implementation. 3DEP will improve data accuracy and provide more current data than is available in the National Elevation Dataset (NED). The goal of this high-priority cooperative program is to have complete coverage of the United States by the end of 2022, depending on funding and partnerships. 3DEP can conservatively provide new benefits of \$1.2 billion/year and has the potential to generate \$13 billion/year in new benefits through improved government services, reductions in crop and homeowner losses resulting from floods, more efficient routing of vehicles, and a host of other government, corporate, and citizen activities (Dewberry, 2011). A shared, common elevation dataset would foster cooperation and improve decision-making among all levels of government and other stakeholders.

### Benefits of a Funded National Program

- Economy of scale—Acquisition of data covering larger areas reduces costs by 25 percent.
- A systematic plan—Acquisition of data at a higher quality level reduces the cost of "buying up" to the highest levels needed by State and local governments.
- Higher quality data and national coverage—Ensure consistency for applications that span State and watershed boundaries and meet more needs, which results in increased benefits to citizens.
- Increase in Federal agency contributions—Reduces State and local partner contributions.
- Acquisition assistance—Provided through readily available contracts and published acquisition specifications.

will be met in agriculture and precision farming, natural resources conservation, and flood risk management uses, as shown in table 2. The status of publicly available lidar data in Michigan is shown in figure 1. By enhancing coordination between 3DEP and various government and private organizations in Michigan, it may be possible to realize more than the cited conservative benefits and attain the higher potential benefits for many business uses.

The following examples highlight how 3DEP data can support business uses in Michigan: (1) Approximately 28 percent of the land area of Michigan is devoted to agricultural uses. Enhanced elevation data can provide a more accurate depiction of terrain and improve precision farming activities, which helps improve crop yields, prevent soil degradation, and reduce agricultural chemical runoff—factors that help farmers realize a larger return on their investments. (2) Enhanced elevation data could enable State, regional, and local governments to reduce field work for conservation projects such as grade stabilization, ponds, grassed waterways, terracing, and wetland delineation and restoration, which would yield a cost savings

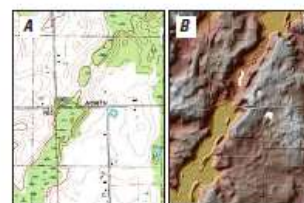
to the public. (3) Subtle features not evident on conventional USGS topographic maps (or aerial photography) often are readily apparent on lidar images (fig. 2). The availability of lidar data has fundamentally changed how geological mapping and geological resource evaluations are conducted.

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**Figure 2.** Enhanced elevation lidar data provide a more detailed view of the landscape and reveal subtle features that are not evident on a traditional USGS 7.5-minute topographic map (from 1980) of Northwest Albin, Michigan (A). Features such as the esker glacial deposits trending southwest to northeast on the lidar shaded relief map of the Northwest Albin area of Calhoun County (B) are often the source of economically important gravel deposits. Courtesy of Michigan Geological Survey.

**Table 2.** Conservative benefits estimates for the top 10 business uses of the proposed 3DEP data identified in the National Enhanced Elevation Assessment for Michigan (Dewberry, 2011).

Rank	Business use	Annual benefits (millions)
1	Agriculture and precision farming	\$3.16
2	Natural resources conservation	2.93
3	Flood risk management	1.27
4	Water supply and quality	0.75
5	Infrastructure and construction management	0.72
6	Coastal zone management	0.69
7	Forest resources management	0.36
8	Aviation navigation and safety	0.13
9	Geologic resource assessment and hazard mitigation	0.11
10	Renewable energy resources	0.03
	Other	0.04
	Total	10.19

### 3D Elevation Program—Continued

The USGS and its partners will acquire quality level 2 or better (table 1) 3D lidar data over the conterminous United States, Hawaii, and the U.S. territories. Interferometric synthetic aperture radar (isar) data are being collected at quality level 5 (table 1) in Alaska. The data will be acquired over an 8-year period and will be made available to the public. By using this acquisition scenario, a number of high-quality elevation-data products can be created to serve a wide range of business uses in government and the private sector.

**Table 1.** Data quality levels and related accuracies for the 3D Elevation Program (3DEP) initiative as provided on page 6 in USGS Circular 1399 (<http://dx.doi.org/10.3133/cir1399>). These data quality parameters for the 3DEP initiative approximate those used in the National Enhanced Elevation Assessment (Dewberry, 2011).

Quality level	Nominal pulse spacing (meters)	Vertical error as RMSE (centimeters)
1	0.35	10
2	0.7	10
3	1.4	20
4	n/a	139
5	n/a	185

### Next Steps for Implementing 3DEP

Accomplishing the 3DEP initiative's goal of national coverage in 8 years depends on the following factors:

- Increased partnerships among Federal, State, Tribal, and local governments.
- Partnerships that acquire elevation data to the program's specifications across larger project areas.
- Increased communication about and awareness of the program's benefits and goals.
- Support for the program from government and other stakeholders.

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## The 3D Elevation Program—Landslide Recognition, Hazard Assessment, and Mitigation Support

### 3D Elevation Information Underpins Our Understanding of Landslides

A core mission of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) is to provide information that leads to reduced loss of life and damage to property and infrastructure from landslides. Gathering this information relies on a detailed and accurate understanding of the landscape. The USGS Landslide Hazards Program (<https://www.usgs.gov/science/mission-areas/natural-hazards/landslide-hazards>) conducts landslide hazard assessments, pursues landslide investigations and forecasts, provides technical assistance to respond to landslide emergencies, and engages in outreach. All of these activities benefit from the availability of high-resolution, three-dimensional (3D) elevation information in the form of light detection and ranging (lidar) data and interferometric synthetic aperture radar (InSAR) data.

Research on landslide processes addresses critical questions of where and when landslides are likely to occur as well as their size, speed, and effects (Schulz, 2005). This understanding informs the development of methods and tools for hazard assessment and situational awareness used to guide efforts to avoid or mitigate landslide impacts. Such research is essential for the USGS to provide improved information on landslide potential associated with severe storms, earthquakes, volcanic activity, coastal wave erosion,

and wildfire burn areas. Decisionmakers in government and the private sector increasingly depend on information the USGS provides before, during, and following disasters so that communities can live, work, travel, and build safely. High-resolution 3D elevation data significantly aid in the refinement of assessments of where and when landslides will occur, improving information delivered to decisionmakers and the public (figs. 1 and 2). A nationwide program to provide a baseline of high-quality 3D elevation data is essential for supporting improved hazard assessments, response preparation, and effective response execution.

The 3D Elevation Program (3DEP) (Sugarbaker and others, 2014; see sidebar) is collecting 3D elevation data in response to a call for action to address landslide applications and a wide range of other urgent needs nationwide. 3DEP furnishes the programmatic infrastructure and provides data to users, reducing their costs and risks and allowing them to concentrate on their mission objectives. The programmatic infrastructure includes (1) data acquisition partnerships that leverage funding, (2) contracts with experienced private mapping firms, (3) technical expertise, standards, and specifications, and (4) most important, providing public access to high-quality 3D elevation data.



Figure 1. Oblique aerial view and smaller-scale lidar image (inset) of the Oso, Washington, landslide of March 22, 2014. Red arrows start at upper edge of scarp and show direction of material flow. Photograph taken on April 1, 2014, by Mark Reid (USGS). Lidar image derived from 3DEP data collected by the Washington Department of Transportation on March 24, 2014.

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### 3D Elevation Program (3DEP)

The 3D Elevation Program (3DEP) is a national program managed by the USGS to acquire high-resolution elevation data.



## The 3D Elevation Program and America's Infrastructure

### Infrastructure Connects Us All

Infrastructure—the physical framework of transportation, energy, communications, water supply, and other systems—and construction management—the overall planning, coordination, and control of a project from beginning to end—are critical to the Nation's prosperity. The American Society of Civil Engineers (2013) warns that, despite the importance of the Nation's infrastructure, it is in fair to poor condition and needs sizable and urgent investments to maintain and modernize it, and to ensure that it is sustainable and resilient.

Three-dimensional (3D) light detection and ranging (lidar) elevation data (fig. 1) provide valuable productivity, safety, and cost-saving benefits to infrastructure improvement projects and associated construction management (Dewberry, 2012). However, the acquisition of 3D elevation data primarily on a project-by-project basis can increase infrastructure project costs and risks, and

distract management attention from project goals (Chang and others, 2012).

By providing data to users, the 3D Elevation Program (3DEP) of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) (Sugarbaker and others, 2014; see sidebar) reduces users' costs and risks and allows them to concentrate on their mission objectives. 3DEP includes (1) data acquisition partnerships that leverage funding, (2) contracts with experienced private mapping firms, (3) technical expertise, lidar data standards, and specifications, and (4) most important, public access to high-quality 3D elevation data.

The size and breadth of improvements for the Nation's infrastructure and construction management needs call for an efficient, systematic approach to acquiring foundational 3D elevation data. The 3DEP approach to national data coverage will yield large cost savings over individual project-by-project acquisitions and will ensure that data are accessible for other critical applications.

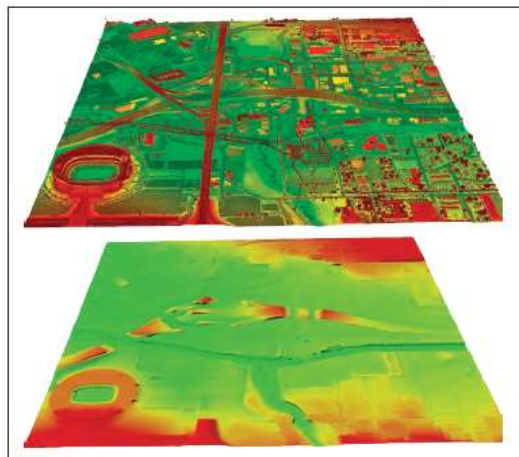


Figure 1. 3D elevation data for an area of Denver, Colorado, in the form of a lidar point cloud (top) and a derived bare-earth digital elevation model (bottom). These data along with other products provide valuable productivity, safety, and cost-saving benefits to infrastructure improvement projects. Image provided by Jason Stoker (USGS).

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## The 3D Elevation Program—Precision Agriculture and Other Farm Practices

### Agricultural Productivity and High-Quality Terrain Information

A knowledge base of the Nation's knowledge of relevant terrain information—

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### 3D Elevation Program (3DEP)

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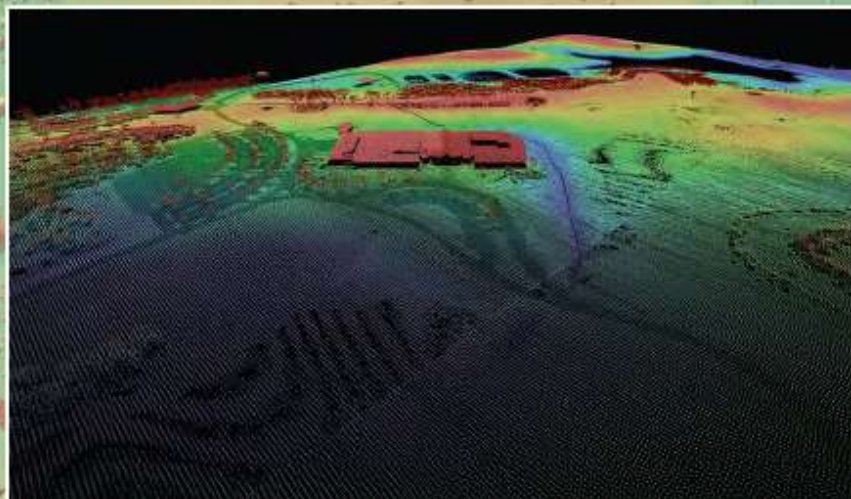
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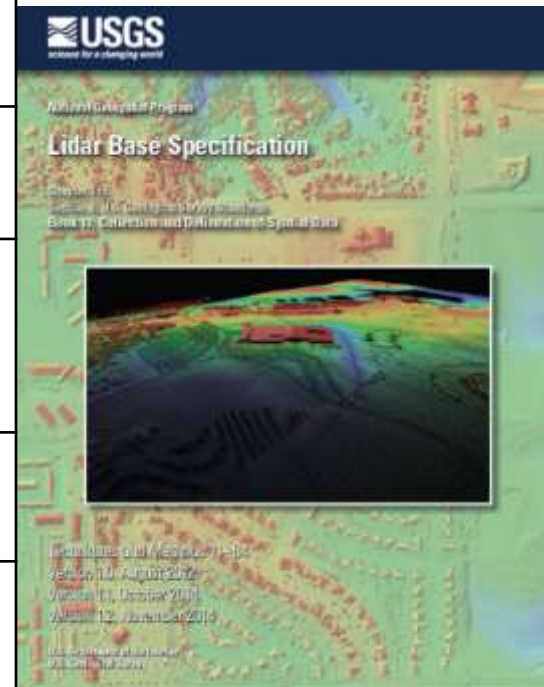
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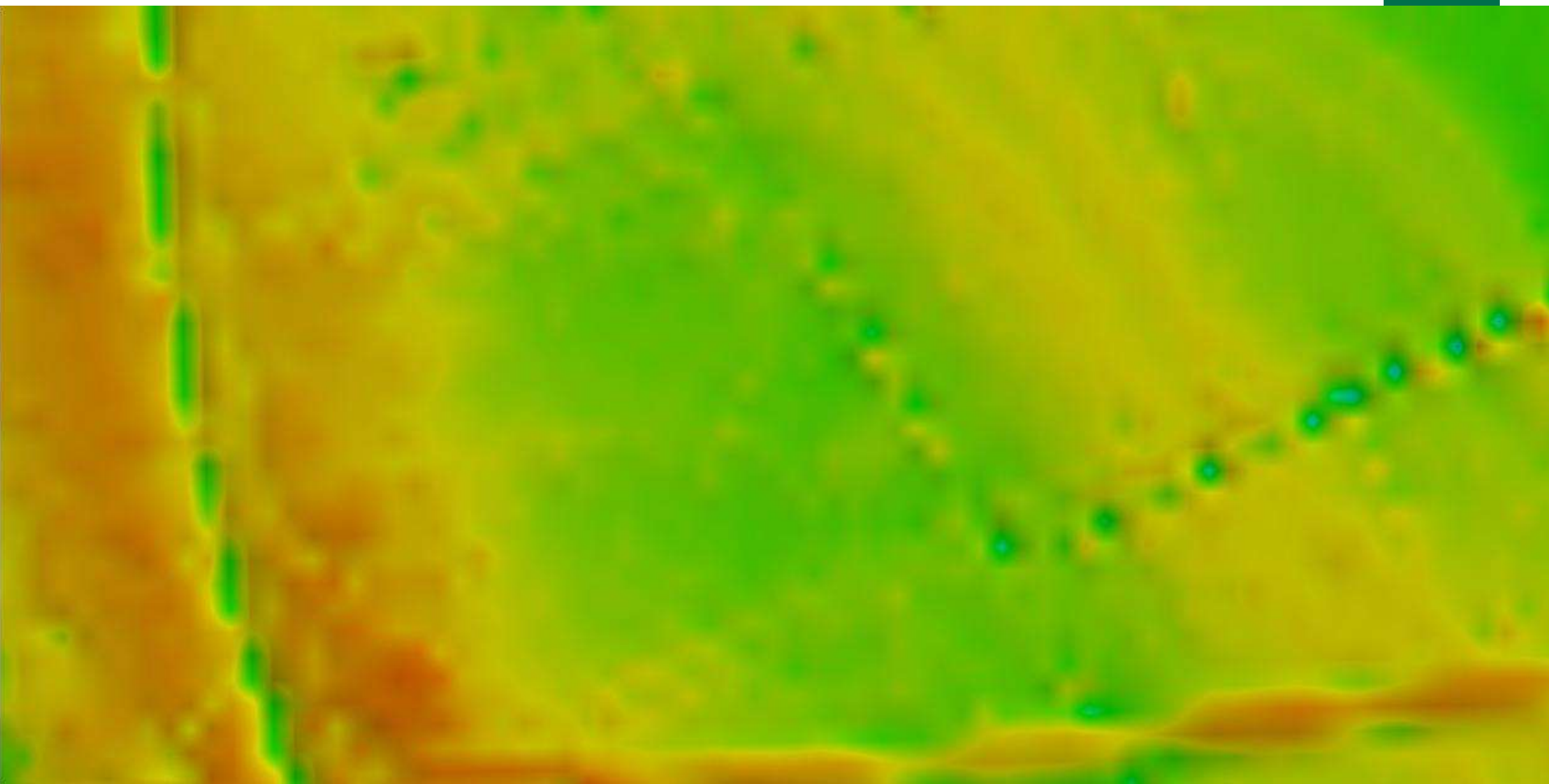
# 3DEP Quality Levels

Quality Level	Source	Vertical Accuracy RMSEz	Nominal Pulse Spacing (NPS)	Nominal Pulse Density (NPD)	DEM Post Spacing
QL1	Lidar	10 cm	0.35 m	8 points/sq meter	0.5 meter
QL2	Lidar	10 cm	0.7 m	2 points/sq meter	1 meter
QL3	Lidar	20 cm	1.4 m	0.5 points/sq meter	2 meter
QL4	Imagery	139 cm	N/A	N/A	5 meters
QL5	Ilsar	185 cm	N/A	N/A	5 meters

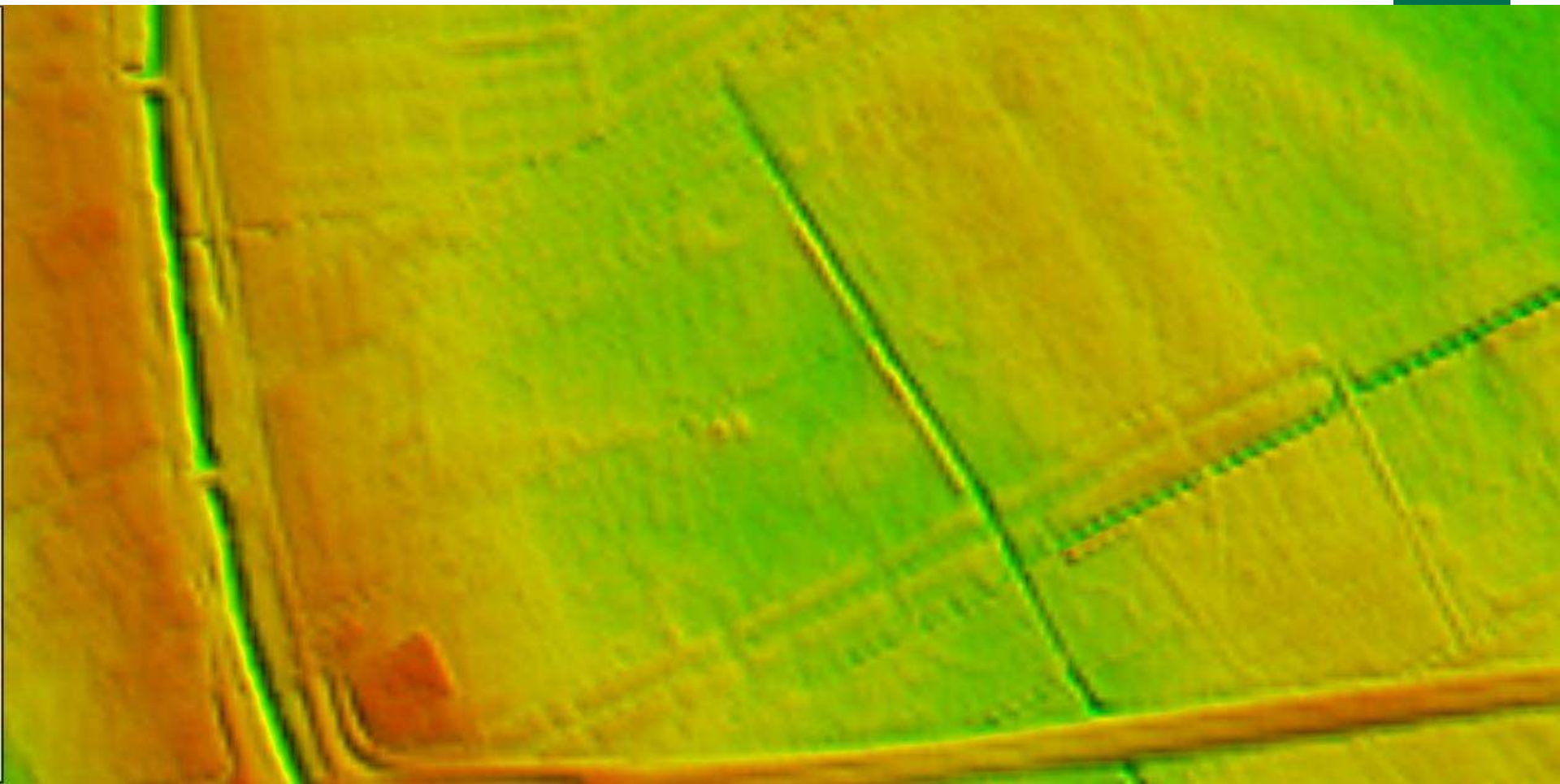




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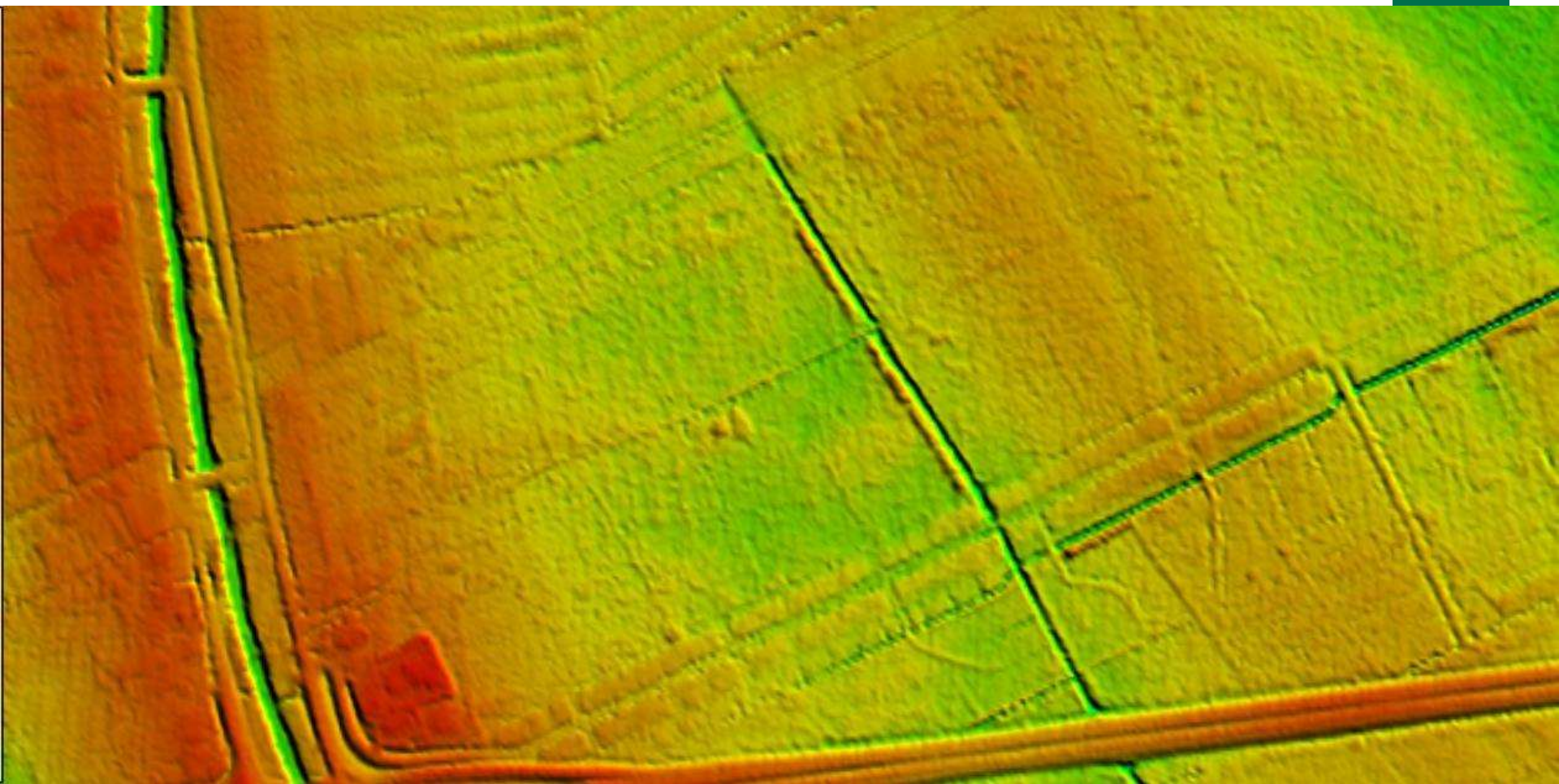


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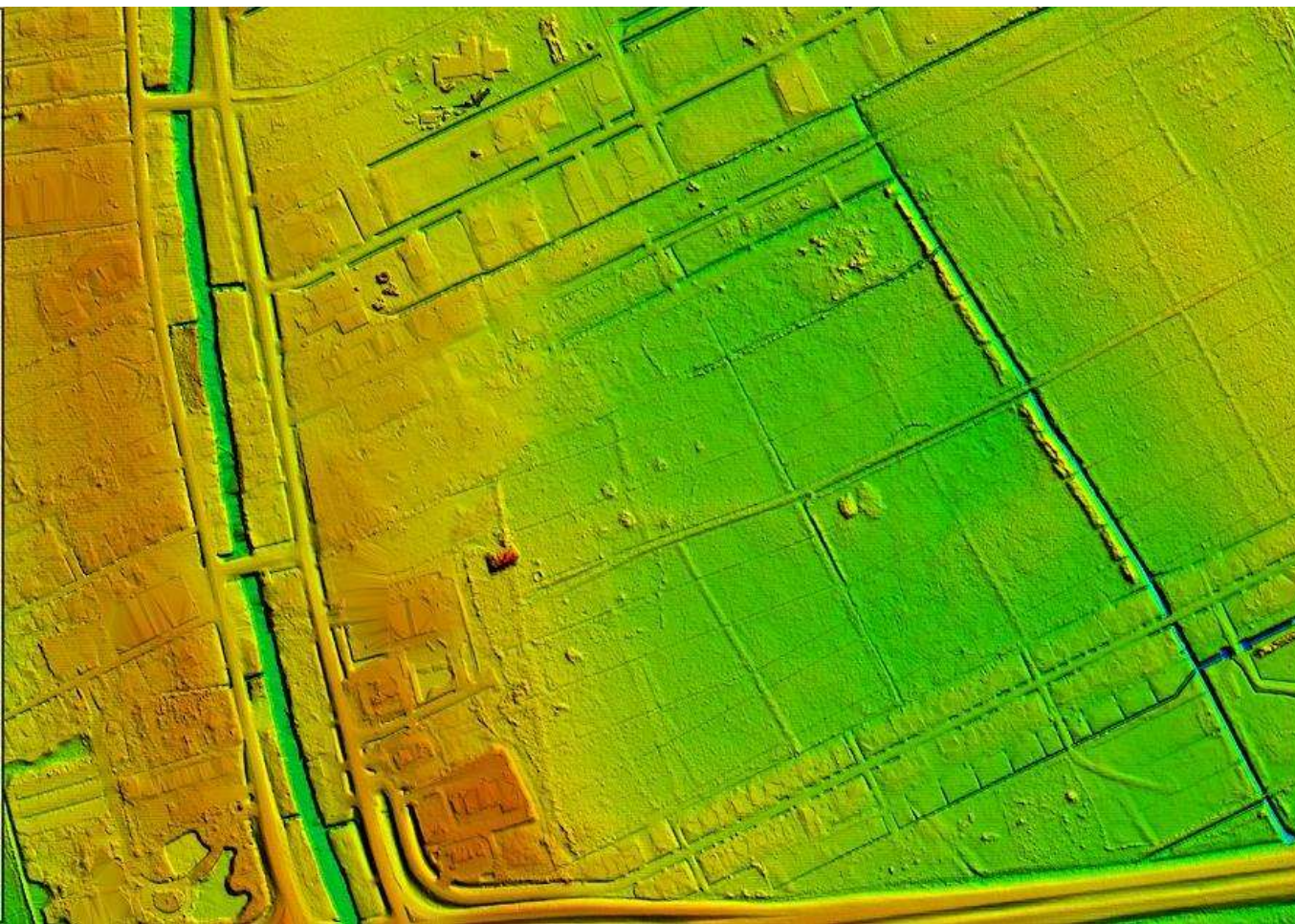


# 3 meter DEM





# 3DEP 1 meter DEM



# 3DEP Products

## Layer

### Seamless DEM

2 Arc Second (~ 60m resolution) (Seamless Alaska only)

1 Arc Second (~ 30m resolution) (Seamless 48 states, some Alaska, Canada, Mexico)

1/3 Arc Second (~ 10m resolution) (Seamless 48 states, Hawaii, US territories)

### Project Based DEM

1/9 Arc Second (~ 3m resolution) (No longer collected but still distributed)

1 meter

5 meter (Alaska only)



**NEW 3DEP Products for**  
*The National Map!*

### Source Data

Source DEM - Original Product Resolution DEM (OPR)

Digital Surface Model (DSM) (Alaska only)

Orthorectified Radar Intensity Imagery (ORI) (Alaska only)

Lidar Point Cloud (Classified Las)



# Michigan QL2 LiDAR Past/Current/Future Projects

**QL2 LiDAR PROJECTS**

□ No Acquisition Planned

**SOURCE**

- 3DEP
- FEMA15
- FEMA16
- NRCS/USGS 3DEP 16/17

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3DEP View (v1.0)

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Data Extent

Varies

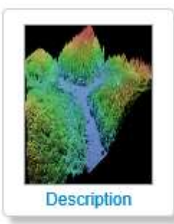
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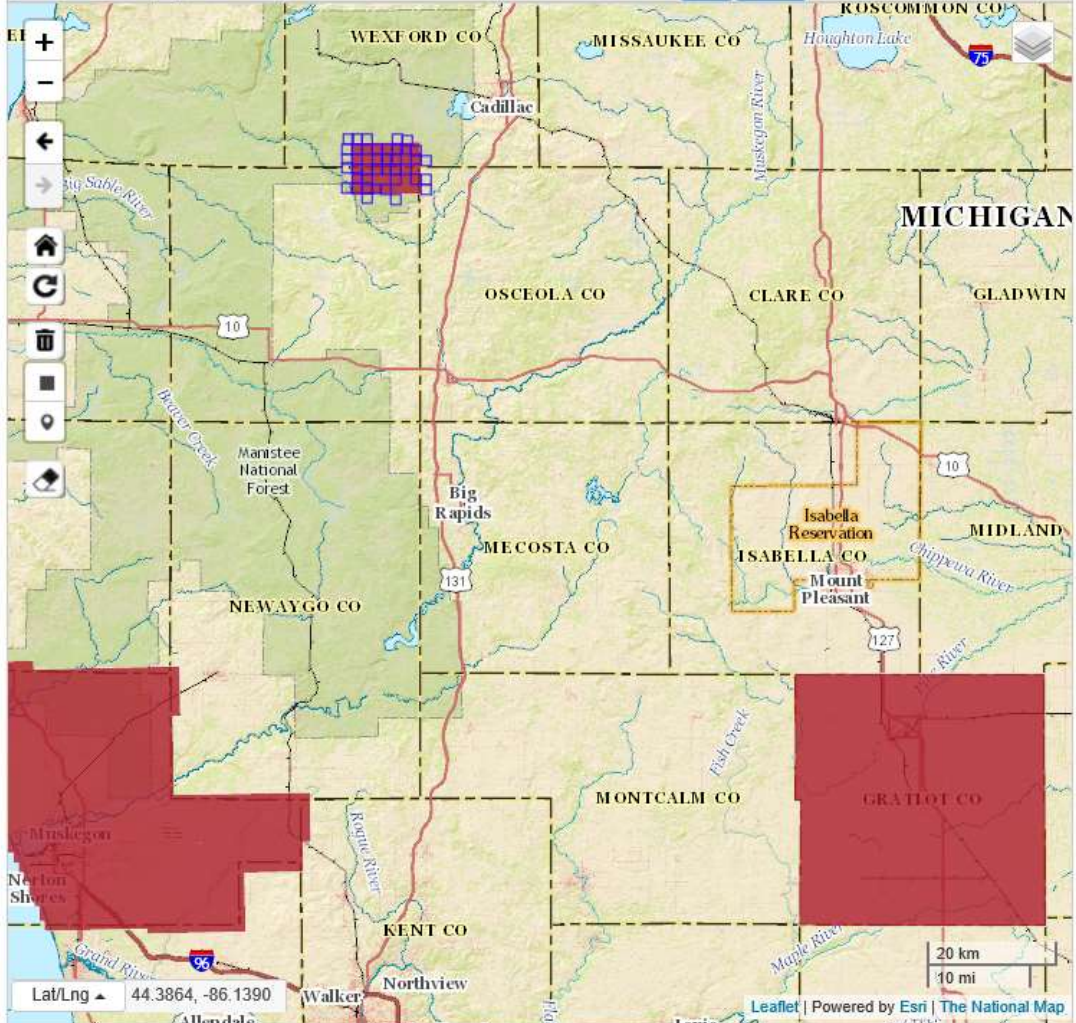
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- DEM Source (OPR)
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Description

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Date received	State	PTS project and link	Square miles	Contract source	Completed date	Quality level
11/3/2015	WI	<a href="#">Lincoln Co</a>	946	GPSC		QL2
11/5/2015	MI	<a href="#">MI_GratiotCo</a>	574	GPSC		QL2
4/23/2015	WA	<a href="#">Elwha River LiDAR 2014 - MOD2</a>	6	GPSC		QL2
10/8/2014	CA	<a href="#">CA_SonomaCo</a>	1,600	partner		QL1
8/25/2015	AZ	<a href="#">AZ_Eastern Pima Co</a>	2,203	partner		QL2
2/17/2016	VA	<a href="#">VA_Eastern-Shore_BAA</a>	1,175	GPSC		QL2
2/13/2015	IL	<a href="#">IL Contributed ILDOT District 4 QL3 (FultonCo)</a>	1,193	contributed		QL3
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11/17/2015	MO-A	<a href="#">MO-AR 2014 Lidar (Crittenden-Cross)</a>	1,073	partner		QL2
5/23/2016	IL	<a href="#">IL_Ford-Iroquois-Livingston_2015</a>	486	contributed		QL2
5/23/2016	IL	<a href="#">IL_BureauCO</a>	869	contributed		QL2
2/10/2016	MI	<a href="#">MI_13County_2015_C16 (Allegan Co)</a>	828	contributed		QL2
2/10/2016	MI	<a href="#">MI_13County_2015_C16 (Berrien Co)</a>	571	contributed		QL2
2/10/2016	MI	<a href="#">MI_13County_2015_C16 (VanBurren Co)</a>	611	contributed		QL2
9/12/2016	PA	<a href="#">PA_Allentown Ortho Acq-LiDAR_2016_D16</a>	20	GPSC		QL1
8/2/2016	IL	<a href="#">IL_Pike-Scott_2015</a>	1,100	GPSC		QL2
8/2/2016	FL	<a href="#">FL_SRWMD-LidarGaps-NorthCentralFL (BAA-FY15)_16</a>	1,689	GPSC		QL2
5/1/2016	NH	<a href="#">NH_Connecticut-River_2015 (North-L6)</a>	4,229	GPSC		QL2
4/1/2016	TN	<a href="#">TN 27 County QL2 Lidar (Cumberland Plateau) 16(Blk 1)</a>	2,332	GPSC		QL2
5/3/2016	TN	<a href="#">TN 27 County QL2 Lidar (Cumberland Plateau) 16(Blk 2)</a>	3,232	GPSC		QL2
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7/5/2016	TN	<a href="#">TN 27 County QL2 Lidar (Cumberland Plateau) 16(Blk 4)</a>	3,731	GPSC		QL2
2/18/2016	MI	<a href="#">MI_13County_2015_C16 (Emmet Co)</a>	468	contributed		QL2
7/18/2016	AL	<a href="#">AL_BAA AL 3 County QL2 Lidar 16</a>	2,910	GPSC		QL2
12/22/2015	ND	<a href="#">ND_North Dakota 2014 QL3 Lidar_15 (McKenzie Co)</a>	3,013	partnership		QL3
8/24/2016	WY	<a href="#">WY_Casper-Natrona</a>	354	contributed		QL2
8/11/2016	VA	<a href="#">VA_ChesapeakeBay</a>	3,765	GPSC		QL2
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4/15/2016	MI	<a href="#">MI_13County_2015_C16 (LeeLanau Co)</a>	348	contributed		QL2
4/15/2016	MI	<a href="#">MI_13County_2015_C16 (GrandTraverse Co)</a>	465	contributed		QL2



# + FY17 Broad Agency Announcement

## Status (03/01/17)

### ■ Summary of proposals

- 41 proposals in 25 states
- Total value of \$36.2 M: offering \$22.5M and seeking \$13.7 M from 3DEP
- ~155,000 sq. mi.

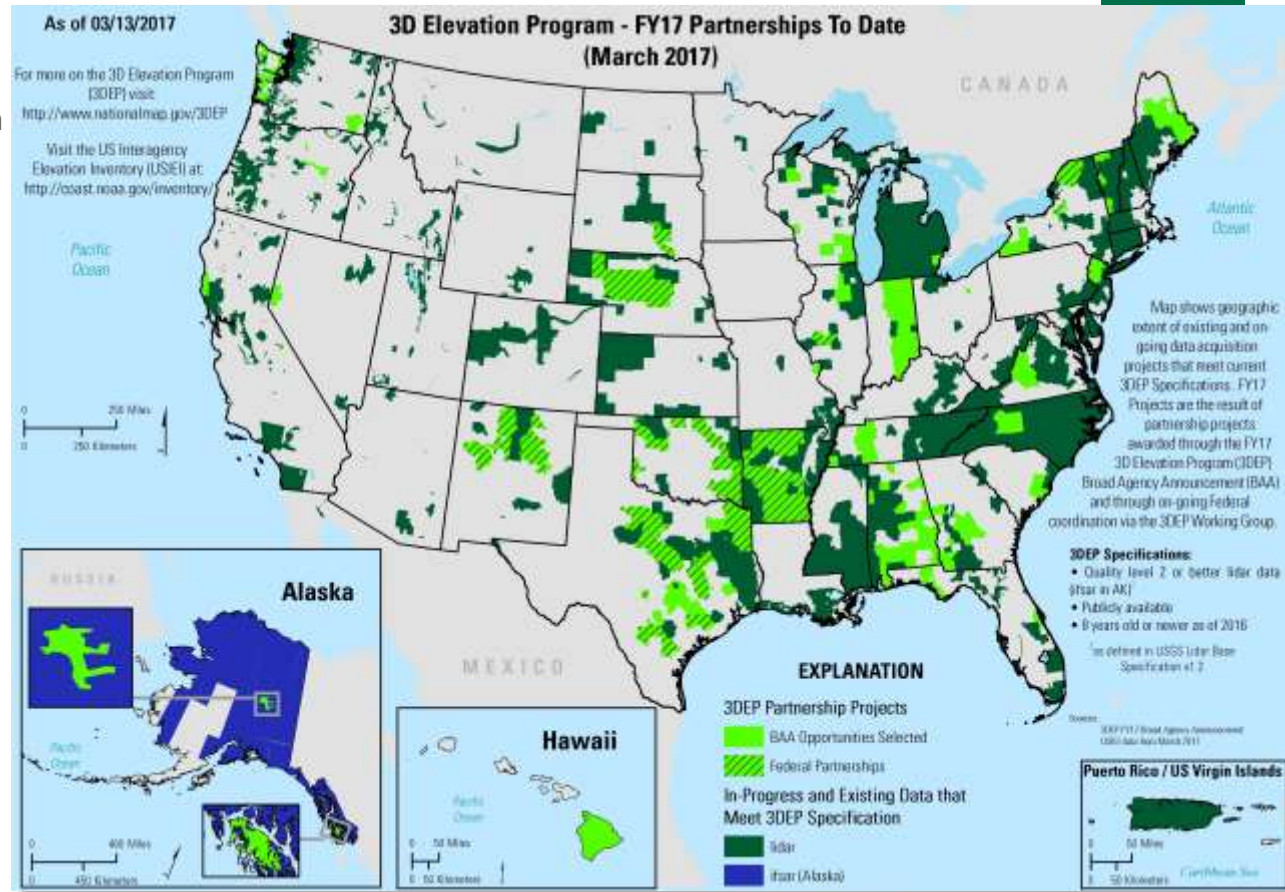
### ■ Awards to date

- 33 Projects in 25 States
- Total Value \$29M
  - Federal \$17.2M:
    - USGS \$7.6M
    - NRCS \$6.7M
    - FEMA \$1M
    - Other Feds \$1.9
  - Non-Federal \$11.8M
- ~125,000 sq. mi.

### ■ Reaching new partners –

20 new and 13 repeat partners

- **Additional Federal investments** - \$25.7M and ~121,000 sq. mi





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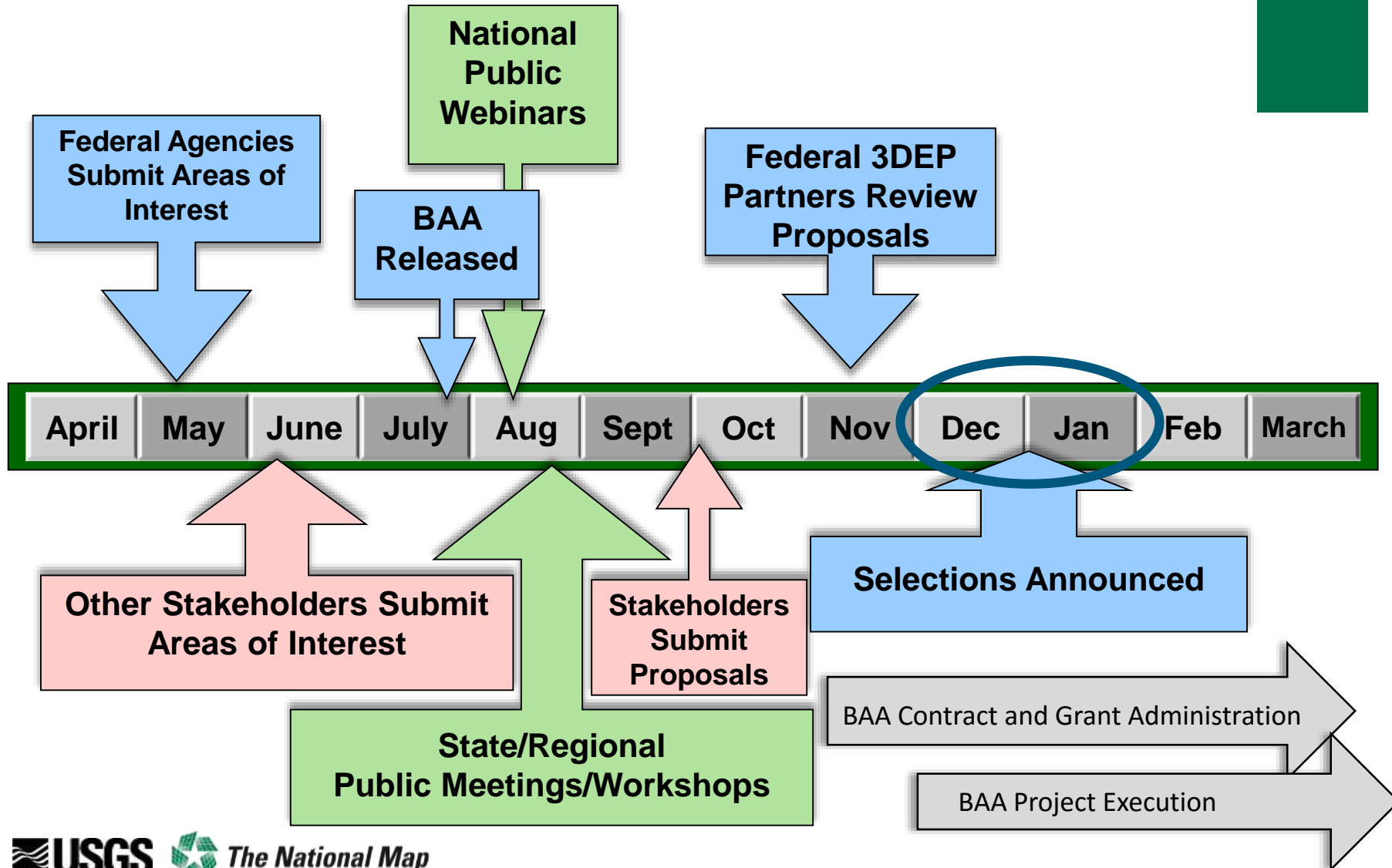
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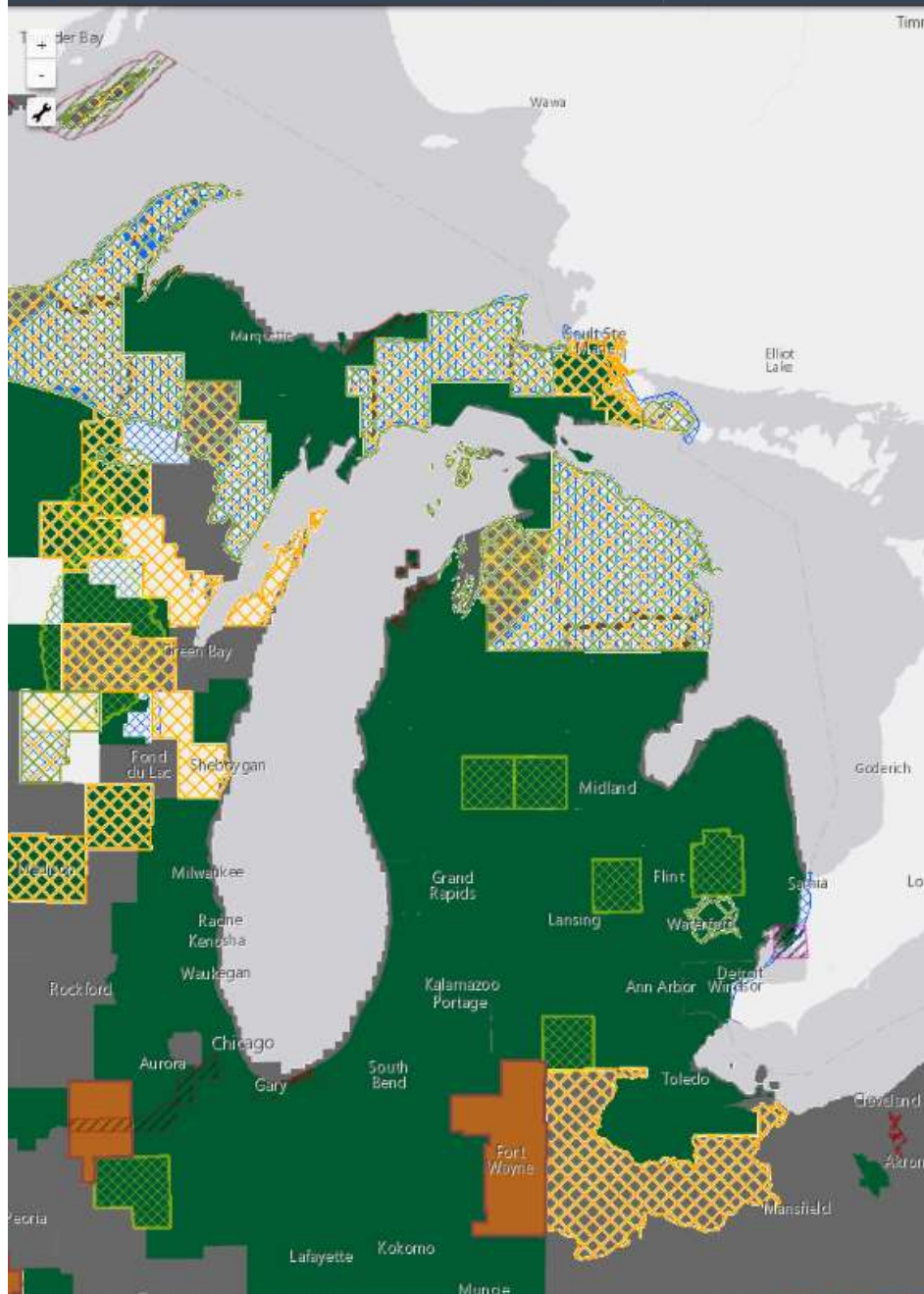
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# 3DEP BAA Timeline (Funding Grants)





## Data Layers

## My Plans

## Participate

Data Layers

Basemap

Legend & Ordering

Search layers by name or keyword

### Mapping Priorities: Needs, Requirements

- ☒ Topographic Lidar 3DEP Areas of Interest
    - ☒ Federal 3DEP Interests (1-3 yrs)
      - ☒ NOAA 3DEP Areas of Interest
      - ☒ NRCS 3DEP Areas of Interest
      - ☒ NPS 3DEP Areas of Interest
      - ☒ FEMA 3DEP Areas of Interest
      - ☒ FWS 3DEP Areas of Interest
      - ☒ Forest Service 3DEP Areas of Interest
      - ☒ USGS 3DEP Areas of Interest
      - ☒ NOAA Elevation Priorities 2017
      - ☒ USFS BAA proposed 2017
    - ☒ USACE 3DEP FY17 Areas of Interest
    - ☒ USACE 3DEP FY18 Areas of Interest
    - ☒ NOAA 3DEP 2017 priorities
  - ☒ State and Local 3DEP Interests (1-3 yrs)
  - ☒ Other Partner Interests (1-3 yrs)
- ☒ Topobathymetric Lidar Areas of Interest
  - ☒ Federal
  - ☒ State
  - ☒ Other Partner Interests
- ☒ Acoustic/Sonar (bathy, etc.) Areas of Interest
  - ☒ Marine Protected Areas - Inventory
  - ☒ Federal
  - ☒ State
  - ☒ Other Partner Interests (Universities, local agencies, etc)
- ☒ Digital Imagery (in conjunction with Topo/topobathy lidar?)
  - ☒ Federal
  - ☒ State
  - ☒ Other Partners (Universities, local agencies, etc.)

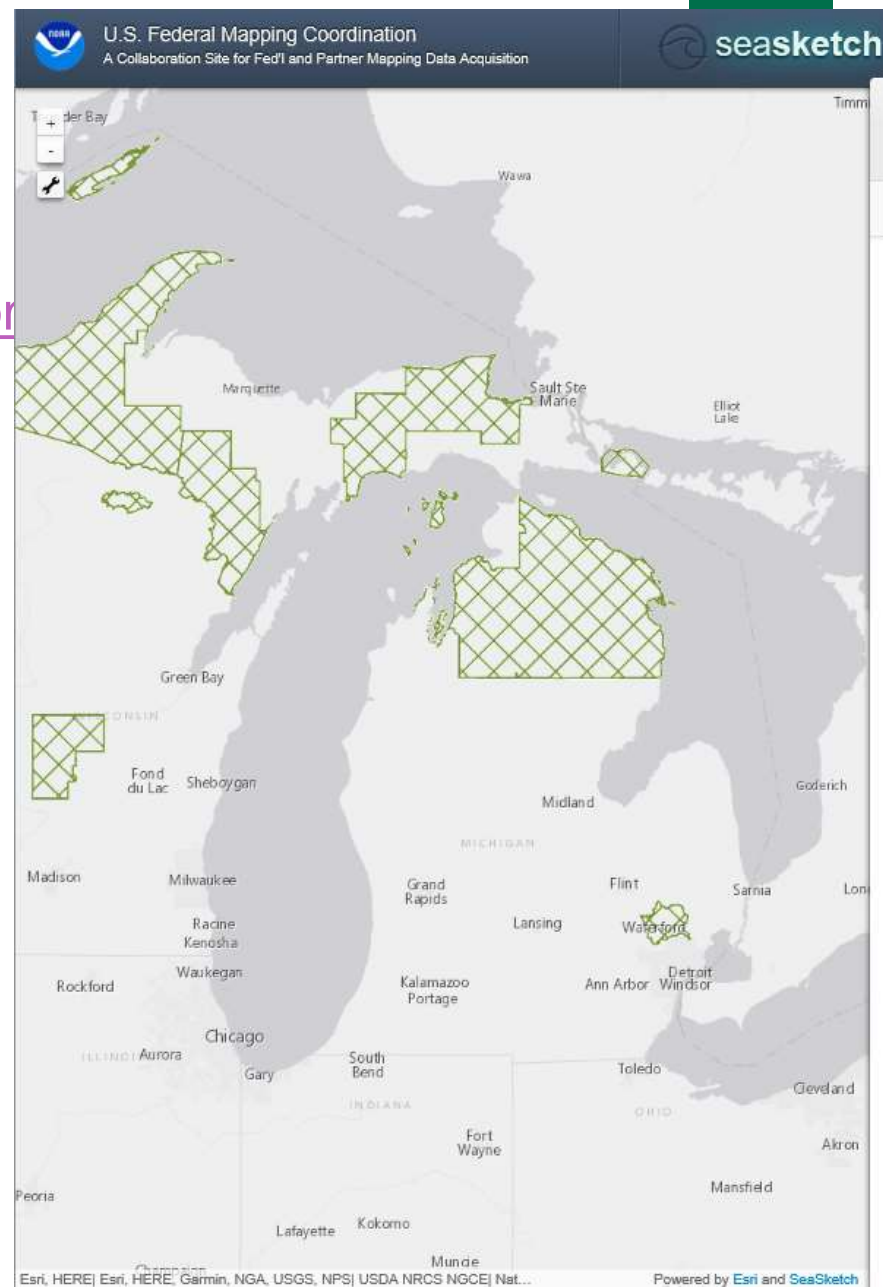
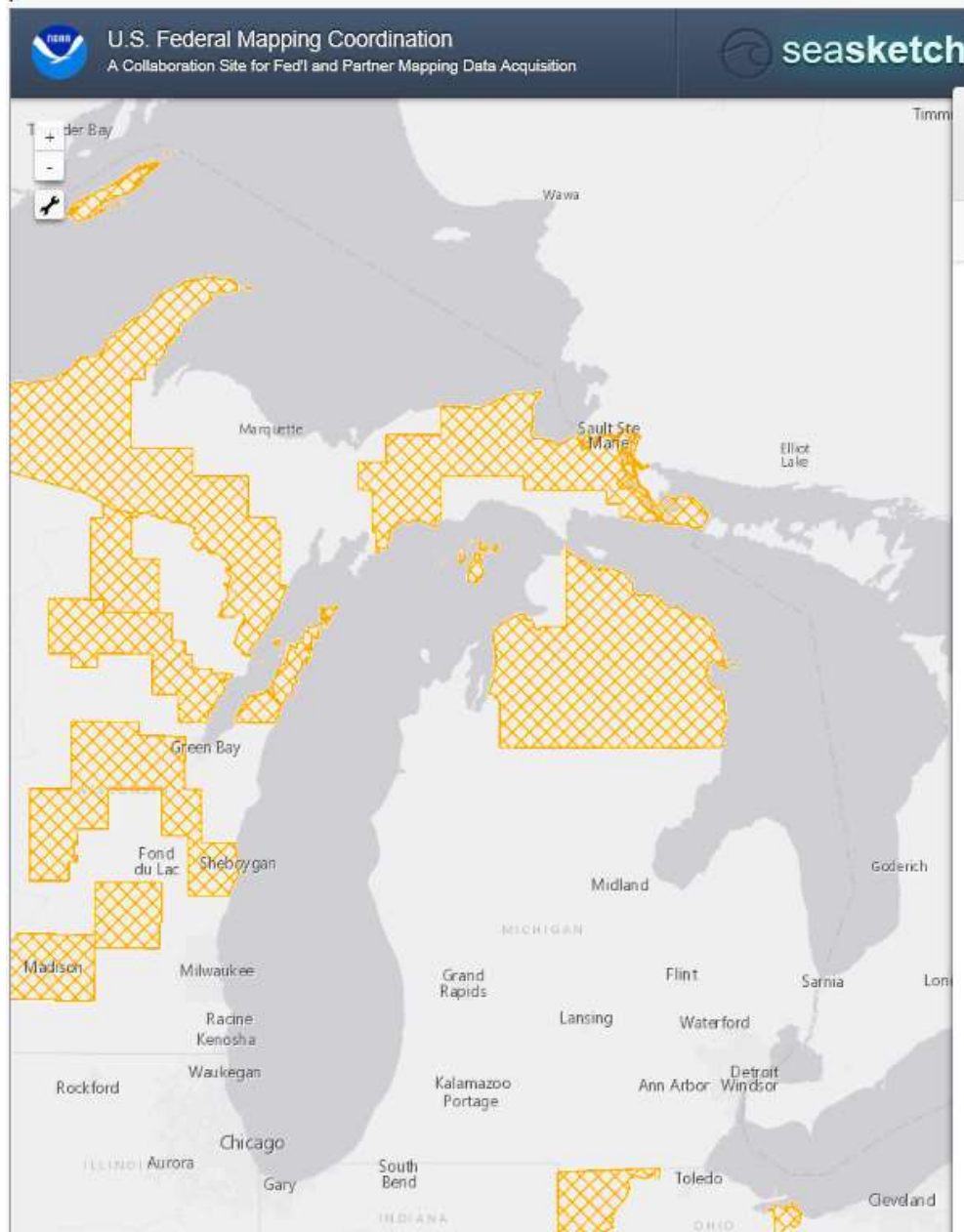
### Planned (Funded) and Ongoing Mapping Projects

- ☒ Topographic Lidar
  - ☒ FEMA Planned and Ongoing Topo Lidar
  - ☒ USGS Planned and Ongoing Topo Lidar
- ☒ Topobathymetric Lidar
  - ☒ NOAA
  - ☒ USACE
  - ☒ USGS
- ☒ Acoustic/Sonar (Hydro, Bathy, Water Column, etc)
  - ☒ Federal



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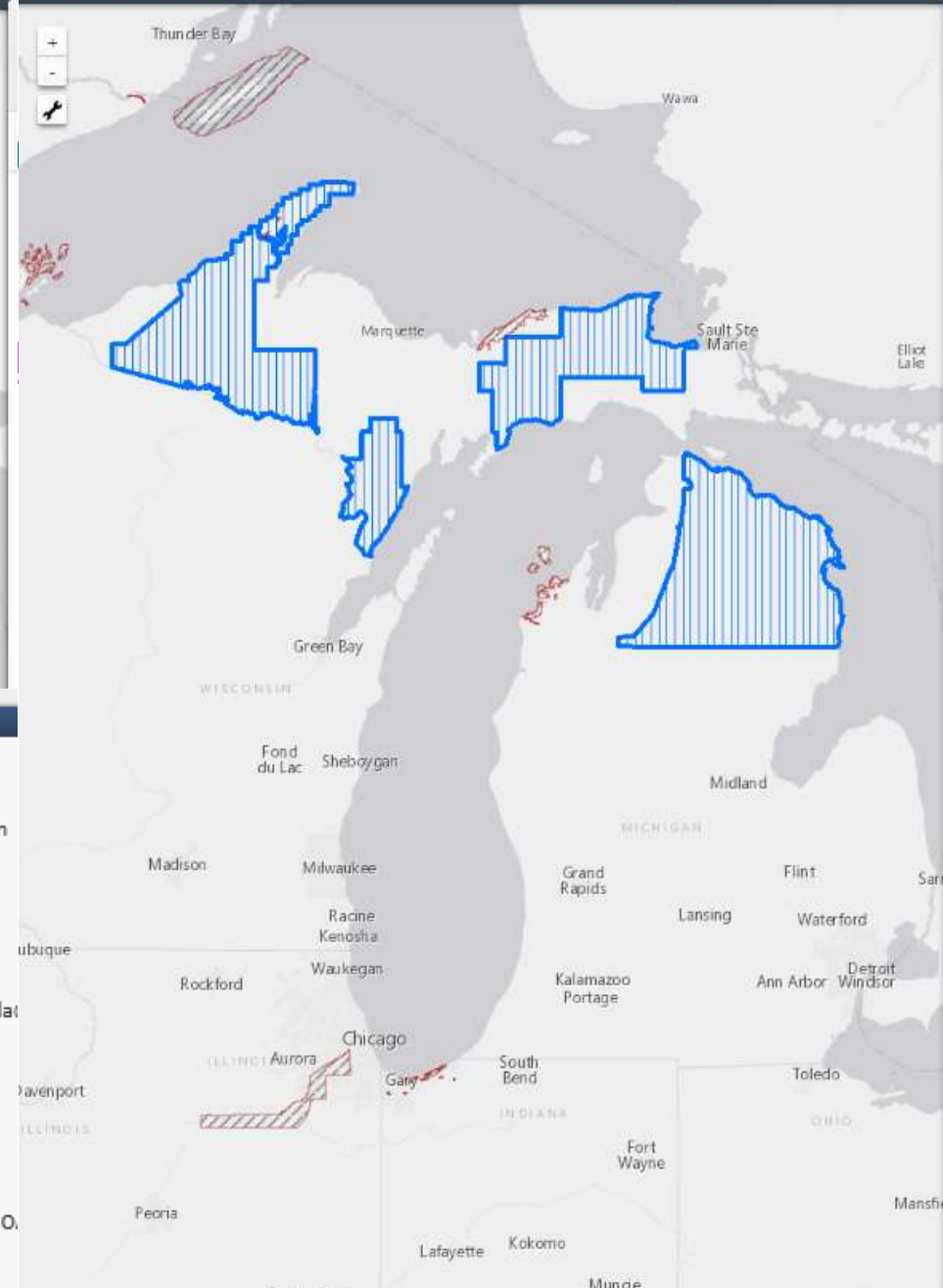
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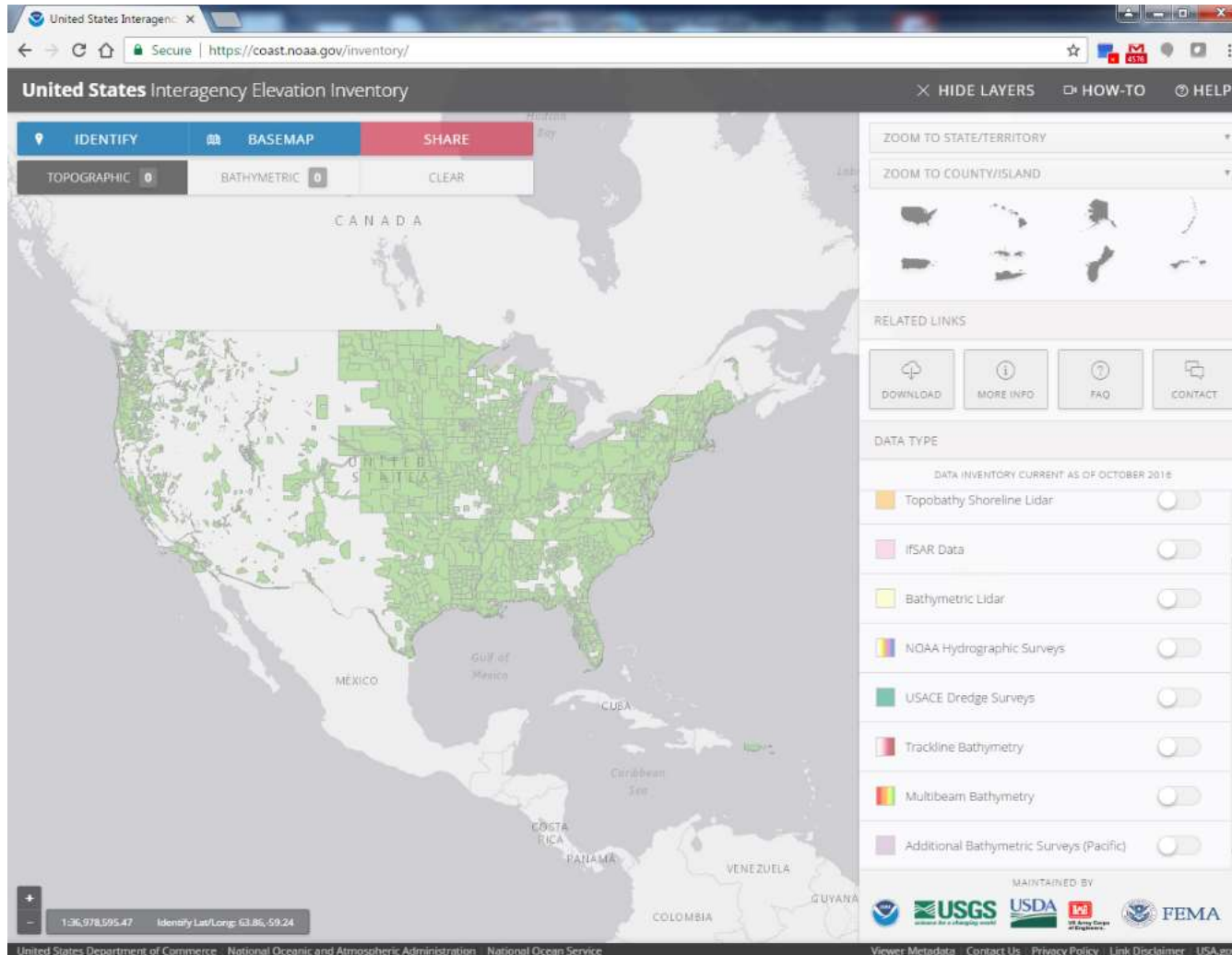
#### FS\_Requirements\_add1

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Data_Type	Lidar-Topo
CollectionYear	2018
ProjectStatus	3DEP Area of Interest
Restrictions	Unknown
State	MI
Point_Of_Contact	Trevor Hobbs/Terry Saarela, HMNF, 231-775-2421, tchobbs@fs.fed.us/tsaarela
Metadata_Link	Null
Data Access	Null
Horizontal_Datum	Null
Horizontal_Accuracy	1 meter
Vertical_Accuracy	10 cm RMSE NVA
Vertical_Datum	Null
Notes	This would complete coverage at QL2 for the Huron-Manistee NF. Looks like NO interest in this area as well.
Point_Spacing	< 0.71 m



# U.S. Interagency Elevation Inventory

<https://coast.noaa.gov/inventory/>





# + 3DEP Multi-Year Planning

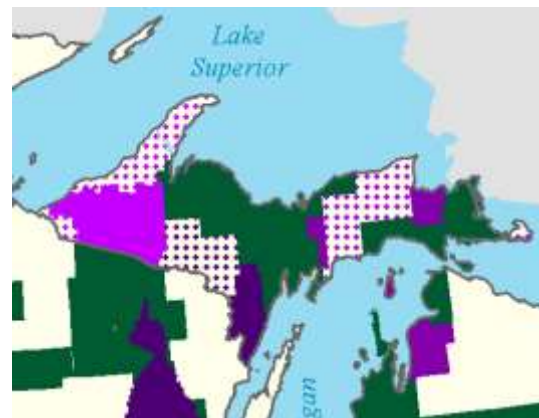
Next Steps – Transform individual agency plans and needs into a collaborative national acquisition plan

- Overall goal is to leverage interests and maximize acquisition coverage
- All projects need to be compared to existing data and each other to fill in gaps and create optimal collection strategy
  - Coordinate among Federal agencies
  - Coordinate with non-Federal partners through development of state plans and BAA projects
  - Use USGS 3DEP funding to help fill in



Design projects to avoid leaving coverage gaps

Revisit unfunded requirements with opportunity to leverage with a funded project



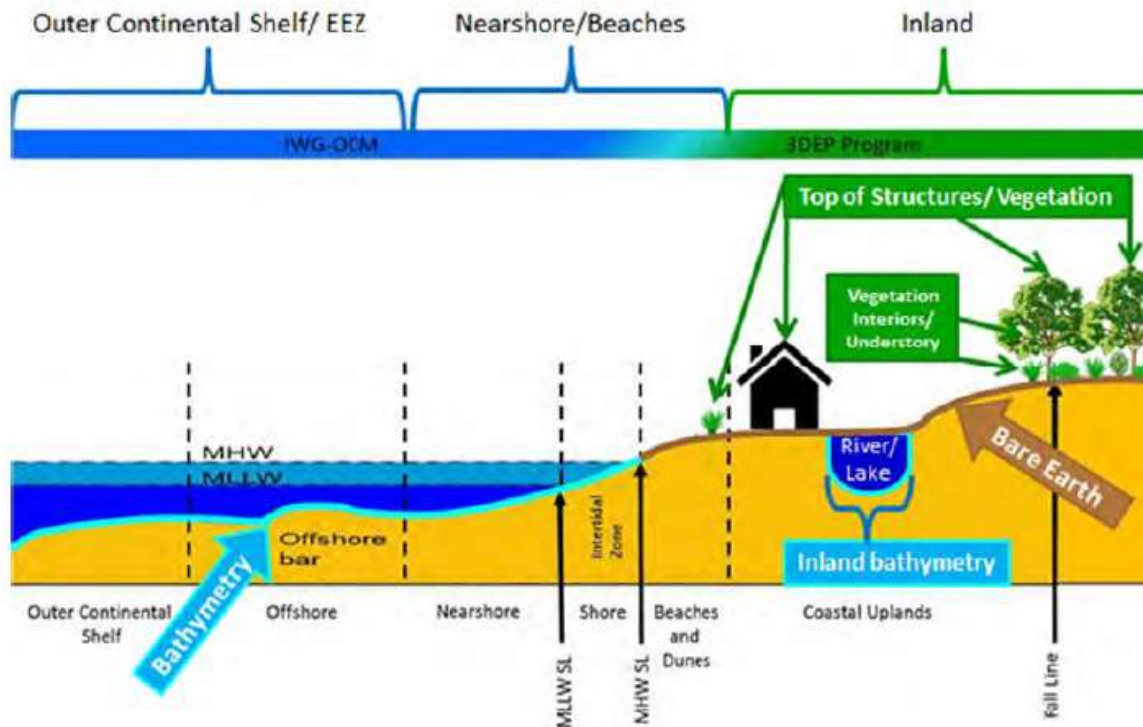
Use funded projects to guide larger, regional acquisitions – ex. complete all of Upper Peninsula, MI (i.e. expand to included dot-shaded area)

# 3D Nation Requirements and Benefits Study

(NEEA update with more coastal and inland topobathy)

**Question 9.** For your Mission Critical Activity, how would you characterize the area for which you need 3D data? Check all that apply.

- ☐ Inland, including inland waters
- ☐ Nearshore/Beaches
- ☐ Offshore/Outer Continental Shelf/EEZ



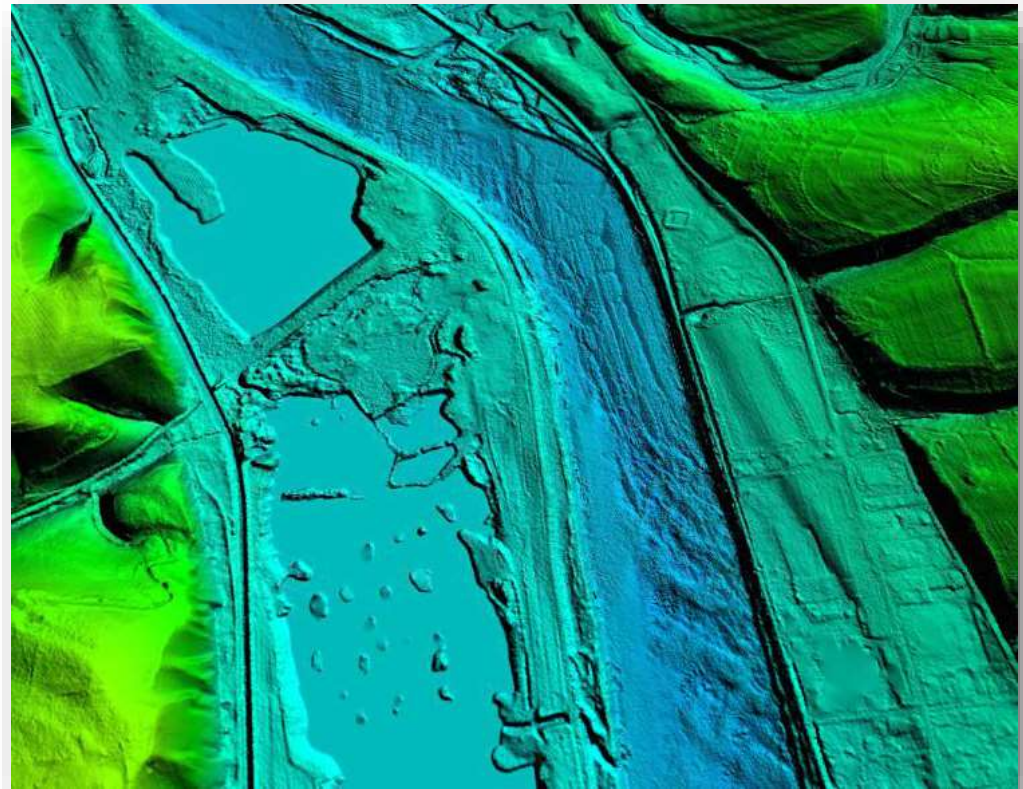
**Question 10.** For your Mission Critical Activity, what do you need/want to measure in 3D? Check all that apply.

- ☐ Bare earth ground

# Emerging Technology



- Geiger mode and single photon lidar tests
  - Potential to increase quality and/or bring down costs
  - Pilots in NC, SD, and IL
- Inland bathymetry
  - Technology proven in coastal areas
  - Initial tests by EAARL-B in Delaware River were promising
  - Commercial sensors becoming available
  - Begin assessments of commercial capabilities in FY17



Frenchtown Subregion of the Delaware River,  
integrated EAARL-B and topographic lidar



# Handout with links

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> <http://www.dewberry.com/services/geospatial/national-hydrography-requirements-and-benefits-study>

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Michigan Drain Commissioners (MACDC) plan for NHD >

[http://www.michigan.gov/documents/cqi/MACDC\\_Business\\_Plan\\_Final\\_Draft\\_v4r\\_470878\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/cqi/MACDC_Business_Plan_Final_Draft_v4r_470878_7.pdf)

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<https://www.usgs.gov/news/introducing-nhdplus-high-resolution-a-new-framework-water-related-information>

> <https://www.usgs.gov/news/technical-announcements>

National Hydrography Dataset / Watershed Boundary Dataset Map Service Improvement >

<https://www.usgs.gov/news/national-hydrography-dataset-watershed-boundary-dataset-map-service-improvement>

National Map Corps – Volunteered Geographic Information (VGI)

> <https://nationalmap.gov/TheNationalMapCorps>

3D Elevation Program: Summary for Michigan - USGS Fact Sheet 2014-3107

> <http://pubs.usgs.gov/fs/2014/3107/pdf/fs2014-3107.pdf>

Other state 3DEP fact sheets > [https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep\\_statefactsheets.html](https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep_statefactsheets.html)

2016 Michigan QL2 status from DTMB >

[https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/MIDEPTTMB/2016/08/24/file\\_attachments/608001/MI\\_LiDAR\\_QL2\\_Status\\_2\\_0160815.pdf](https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/MIDEPTTMB/2016/08/24/file_attachments/608001/MI_LiDAR_QL2_Status_2_0160815.pdf)

2017 lidar partnership awards

> <https://www.usgs.gov/news/2017-lidar-partnership-awards-announced>

Wayne County Michigan Lidar – 3DEP 2017

> [https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep\\_fy17projectlist.html#Michigan](https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep_fy17projectlist.html#Michigan)

USDA NRCS Michigan 2016 3DEP lidar for 30 counties

> [https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep\\_fy16projectlist.html#Michigan](https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep_fy16projectlist.html#Michigan)

3DEP fact sheets and publications > [https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep\\_pubs.html](https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep_pubs.html)

3DEP and America's Infrastructure > <https://pubs.usgs.gov/fs/2016/3093/fs20163093.pdf>

3DEP - Precision Agriculture and Other Farm Practices

> <https://pubs.usgs.gov/fs/2016/3088/fs20163088.pdf>

3DEP – Landslide Recognition, Hazard Assessment, and Mitigation Support

> <https://pubs.usgs.gov/fs/2016/3094/fs20163094.pdf>

Lidar Base Specifications: Techniques and Methods 11–B4

> <https://pubs.usgs.gov/tm/11b4/> > <https://pubs.usgs.gov/tm/11b4/pdf/tm11-B4.pdf>

Lidar Topography and Hydrographic Integration: Fundamentals and Application Issues

> [https://nhd.usgs.gov/documents/Hydrography\\_Seminar\\_8\\_Heidemann.pdf](https://nhd.usgs.gov/documents/Hydrography_Seminar_8_Heidemann.pdf)

Seasketch – lidar wish list areas of interest > <http://seasketch.ch/hwpR3E-MxO>

> <http://www.seasketch.org/#projecthomepage/5272840f6ec5f42d210016e4/layers>

Six-minute video "Using SeaSketch to View 3DEP Lidar Areas of Interest (Lesson 11d)"

> <https://www.usgs.gov/media/videos/using-seasketch-view-3dep-lidar-areas-interest-lesson-11d>

> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H-Q-YyZuZvo>

From NM video set > <https://training.usgs.gov/TEL/TheNationalMap/TNM-TEL-Index.html>

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**National Enhanced Elevation Assessment (NEEA)** pages 386-388 for Michigan section

> [https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep\\_neea.html](https://nationalmap.gov/3DEP/3dep_neea.html)

> <http://www.dewberry.com/services/geospatial/national-enhanced-elevation-assessment>

Draft 3D Nation Study Questionnaire

3D Nation Requirements and Benefits Elevation Data Study Questionnaire (NEEA II) >

<https://iocm.noaa.gov/iwg/docs/3D-Nation-Questionnaire-DRAFT-clean-FRN-02-23-17.pdf>

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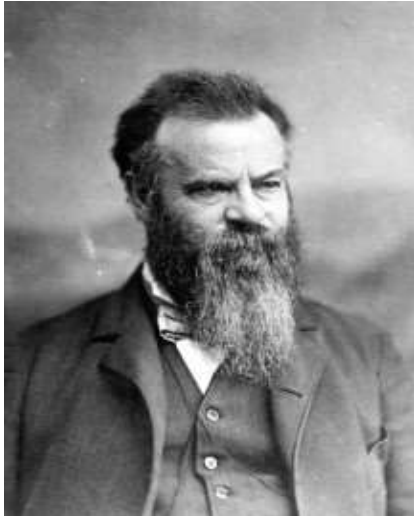


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# + US Topo Program

## USGS Topographic mapping background



John Wesley Powell (1834-1902), 2<sup>nd</sup> USGS Director, establishes the topographic mapping program in 1884

“A Government cannot do any scientific work of more value to the people at large than by causing the construction of proper topographic maps of the country.”

Henry Gannett (1846-1914)

Appointed by Powell to be the USGS Chief Geographer in 1882

Considered father of topographic mapping in the US





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