

**DRAFT**

**Geographic Information Framework Data  
Content Standard Part 4 : Geodetic  
Control**

National Geodetic Survey

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# Geodetic Control



Geodetic control provides a common reference system for establishing the coordinate positions of all geographic data.



# History

2008	first released
2009	
2010	[no known use of the standard]
2011	
2012	identified as one of the documents we would update as evidence for the GAO
2013	
2014	Julie asked NGS on February 28, 2014, to reaffirm, revise, or withdraw the standard.
2015	

# Design Principles

Keep it simple

Use single data types.

Expect data providers to convert data to those data types

Require accuracy values to make data more meaningful



# Example

designation – permanentIdentifier	= DU0546
designation – namespace	= NGS
designation – URI	= <a href="http://www.ngs.noaa.gov/cgi-bin/ds_mark.pri?PidBox=DU0546">http://www.ngs.noaa.gov/cgi-bin/ds_mark.pri?PidBox=DU0546</a>
coordinates – horizontal – latitude	= 33.0551990305
coordinates – horizontal – longitude	= -111.4089207500
coordinates – horizontal – accuracy – network	= 0.33 cm
coordinates – horizontal – accuracy – local	= 0.56 cm
coordinates – horizontal – geodeticDatum – datum	= NAD 83
coordinates – horizontal – geodeticDatum – datumTag	= 2011
coordinates – horizontal – geodeticDatum – epochDate	= 2010.00
coordinates – vertical – ellipsoidHeight	= 503.783 m
coordinates – vertical – ellipsoidHeight – accuracy – network	= 0.0082
coordinates – vertical – ellipsoidHeight – accuracy – local	= 0.0133
coordinates – vertical – ellipsoidHeight – geodeticDatum – baseDatum	= NAD 83
coordinates – vertical – ellipsoidHeight – geodeticDatum – datumTag	= 2011
coordinates – vertical – ellipsoidHeight – geodeticDatum – epochDate	= 2010.00

# Future Work

if practical for users, add:

coordinates - horizontal - velocity (mm/year)

coordinates - vertical - velocity (mm/year)

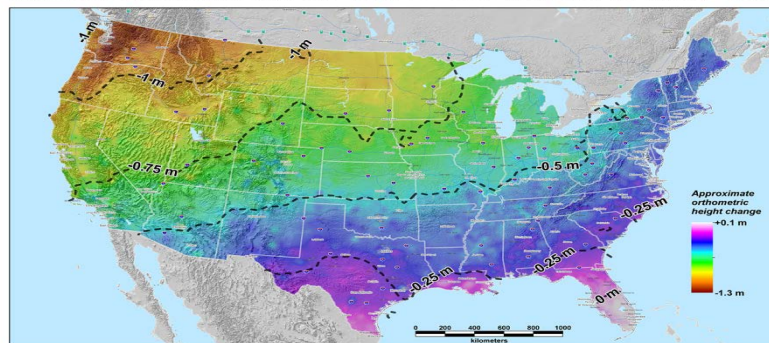
# New Datums Are Coming in 2022!

- **NOAA's National Geodetic Survey** will release new **geometric** (horizontal) and **geopotential** (vertical) datums in **2022**
- The realization of the new datums will be through **GPS/GNSS receivers** and will replace the **current datums**:

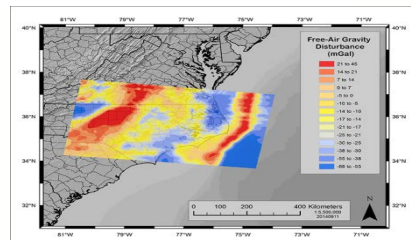
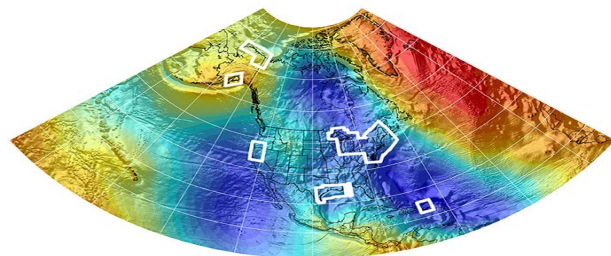
NAD 83(geometric) and NAVD 88 (geopotential)

- **Target:** 2-centimeter accuracy relative to sea level (orthometric heights) using GPS/GNSS and a geoid (gravity) model from NGS' GRAV-D project.
- **NGS will provide the tools** to easily transform between the new and old datums.

Approximate predicted change from NAVD88 to new vertical (geopotential) datum



Predicted change estimated as NAVD88 "zero" (datum) surface minus NGS gravimetric geoid



## MORE INFO:

### April 13-14 DC Area Geospatial Summit:

<http://www.geodesy.noaa.gov/2015GeospatialSummit/>

### New Datums Webpage and Videos:

<http://www.geodesy.noaa.gov/datums/newdatums/NewDatums.shtml>

