

Mining U.S. Federal Agency Materials for GIS Nuggets: Seminar Description

The retrospective project mines government, business, learned, professional organization, and popular (media) literature for GIS ideas, concepts, proposals, designs, and applications that were not acted upon at the time of production, but which could be valuable today as means to advance GIS science, GIS technology, and their uses.

Mining U.S. Federal Agency Materials for GIS Nuggets builds on the [AutoCarto Six Retrospective](#) project in 2013, and the [GIS Retrospective Colloquium](#) at Esri in February 2015. Information about the project and the colloquium are available elsewhere on this page.

The focus of the seminar organized for the Esri 2016 FedGIS Conference is on retrospective GIS science and technology presentations by representatives from four leading-edge U.S. federal agencies:

- ◆ **Bureau of the Census** (Geography Division)
- ◆ **Department of Defense** (Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations and Environment)
- ◆ **Geological Survey** (Denver Library)
- ◆ **Smithsonian Institution** (Information Technology Office).

The presentations discuss why and how to mine federal agency materials for high-value GIS science and GIS technology findings, and provide guidelines for GIS retrospective mining initiatives by other federal agencies, as well as by state and municipal government agencies, non-government organizations, business, professional organizations, academic researchers, students, the media, and individuals.

Viewers are invited to forward the Seminar Description to interested parties.

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