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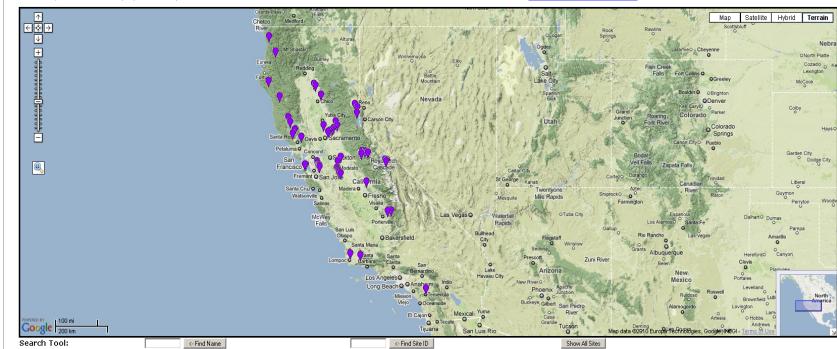
Real-time Water-quality Sites

Real-time water-quality sites - Data from automated equipment and represent the most current hydrologic conditions. Measurements are commonly recorded at 5-60 minute intervals and transmitted to the NWIS database every 1-4 hours. Real-time data are available online for 31 days. Values in pop-up bubbles are updated hourly from NWIS. Additional data for real-time sites.

Field water-quality measurements - Data from field and/or laboratory analyses of water samples, biological tissue, stream sediments, or other environmental samples. Data include approved, quality-assured data that may be published, and more recent provisional data, whose accuracy has not been verified. Additional data for water-quality sites.

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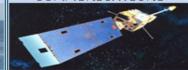


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Water Information Coordination Program

The WICP ensures collaborative efforts among Federal Agencies to improve water information for decisionmaking about natural resources management and environmental protection.

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The ACWI represents the interests of water-information users and professionals in advising the Federal Government on Federal water-information programs and their effectiveness in meeting the Nation's water-information needs.

Subgroups

The National Water Quality Monitoring Council (NWQMC) provides a national forum for coordination of consistent and scientifically defensible methods and strategies to improve water quality monitoring, assessment and reporting.

METHODS



The NWQMC Methods and Data Comparability Board provides a forum for exploring, evaluating, and promoting methods that facilitate collaboration and further comparability between water monitoring programs.

NAWQA LIAISON



🚜 The National Liaison Committee (NLC) for the National Water Quality Assessement Program (NAWQA) creates an ongoing national liaison process for external organizations to work 🖁 interactively with the NAWQA Program in joint problem solving on water quality issues.

GROUND WATER



The goal of the Subcommittee on Ground Water is to develop and encourage implementation of a nationwide, long term ground-water quantity and quality monitoring framework that would provide information necessary for the planning, management, and development of ground-water supplies to meet current and future water needs, and ecosystem requirements.

HYDROLOGY



💹 The <u>Subcommittee on Hydrology</u> desires to improve the availability and reliability of surface-water quantity information needed for hazard mitigation, water supply and demand management, and environmental protection.

SEDIMENTATION



The Subcommittee on Sedimentation promotes and supports the development and standardization of equipment, methodologies tools, and calibration, and performance criteria for the

SPATIAL WATER DATA



collection, analysis, interpretation, interchange, and dissemination of fluvial-sediment data and related technical information.

SUSTAINABLE WATER



The Sustainable Water Resources Roundtable serves as a forum to share information and perspectives that will promote better decisionmaking in the United States regarding the sustainable development of our nation's water resources.

FORMER SUBGROUPS

Cooperative Water Program (1999)

Streamgaging Task Force Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL) Science Issues Conference

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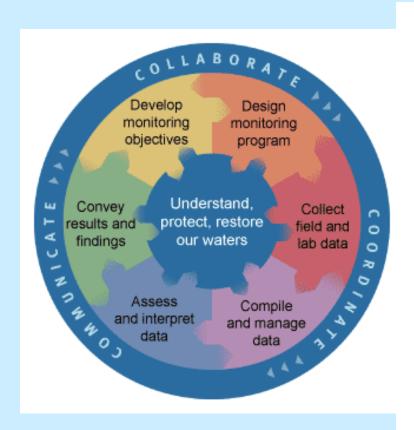
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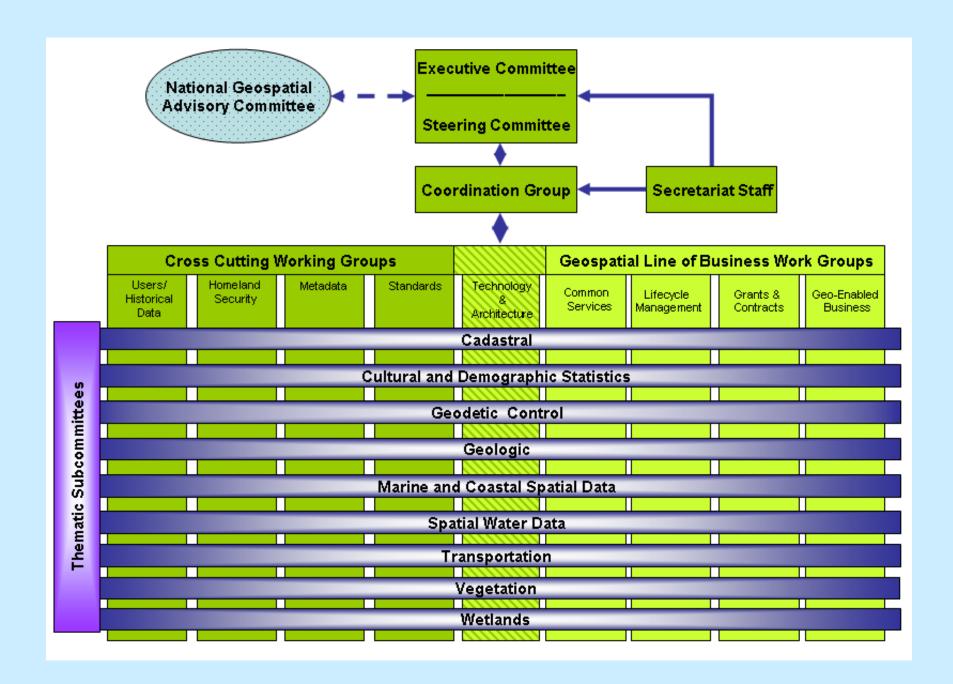
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Federal Geographic Data Committee

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In accordance with Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-16, the FGDC is chaired by the Secretary of the Interior, with the Deputy Director for Management of the OMB as Vice-Chair.



"Collaborating partnerships are open to public, private, and nonprofit organizations whose missions are complementary to the mission of the FGDC. Organizations interested in becoming partners are invited to send a written request to the FGDC Chair."