

Determining Positions After 2022

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Mission: To define, maintain & provide access to the
National Spatial Reference System (NSRS)
to meet our Nation's economic, social & environmental needs

National Spatial Reference System

- * Latitude
- * Longitude
- * Height
- * Scale
- * Gravity
- * Orientation

& their variations in time

New U.S. Geometric Datums in 2022

National Spatial Reference System(NSRS) Improvements in the Horizontal Datums

NETWORK	TIME SPAN	NETWORK ACCURACY	METHOD OF REFERENCE
NAD 27	1927-1986	10 meter	TERRESTRIAL BASED REFERENCE SYSTEM FOR NSRS
NAD83(86)	1986-1990		
NAD83(199x)* HARN	1990-2007	0.1 meter	TERRESTRIAL BASED REFERENCED SYSTEM FOR NSRS
NAD83(2007) (CORS)	2007 - 2011	0.01 meter	SPACE BASED REFERENCE SYSTEM FOR NSRS
NAD83(2011) (CORS)	2011 - 2022	0.01 meter	

NSRS Reference Basis

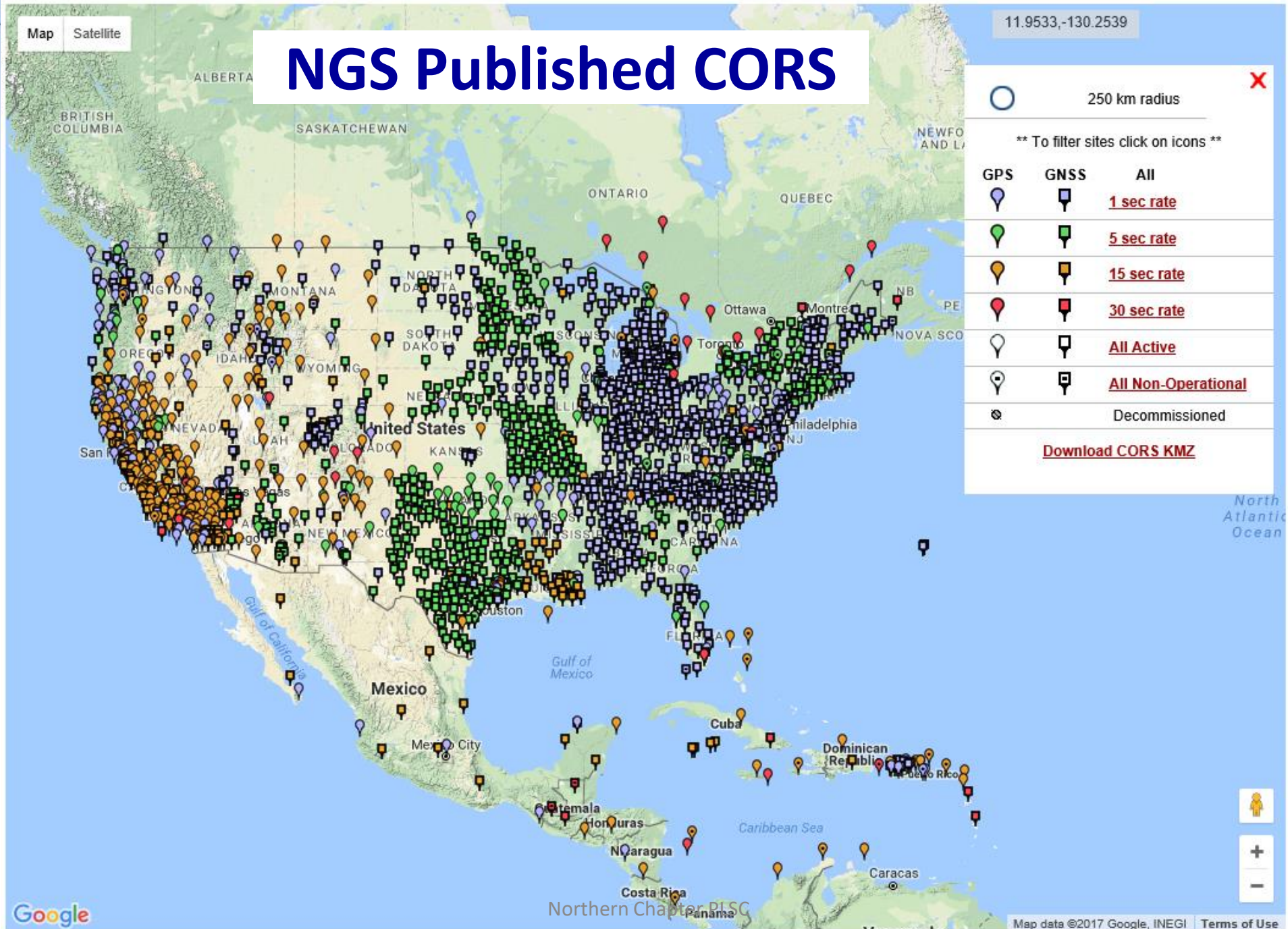
**Old Method - Ground
Marks (Terrestrial)**



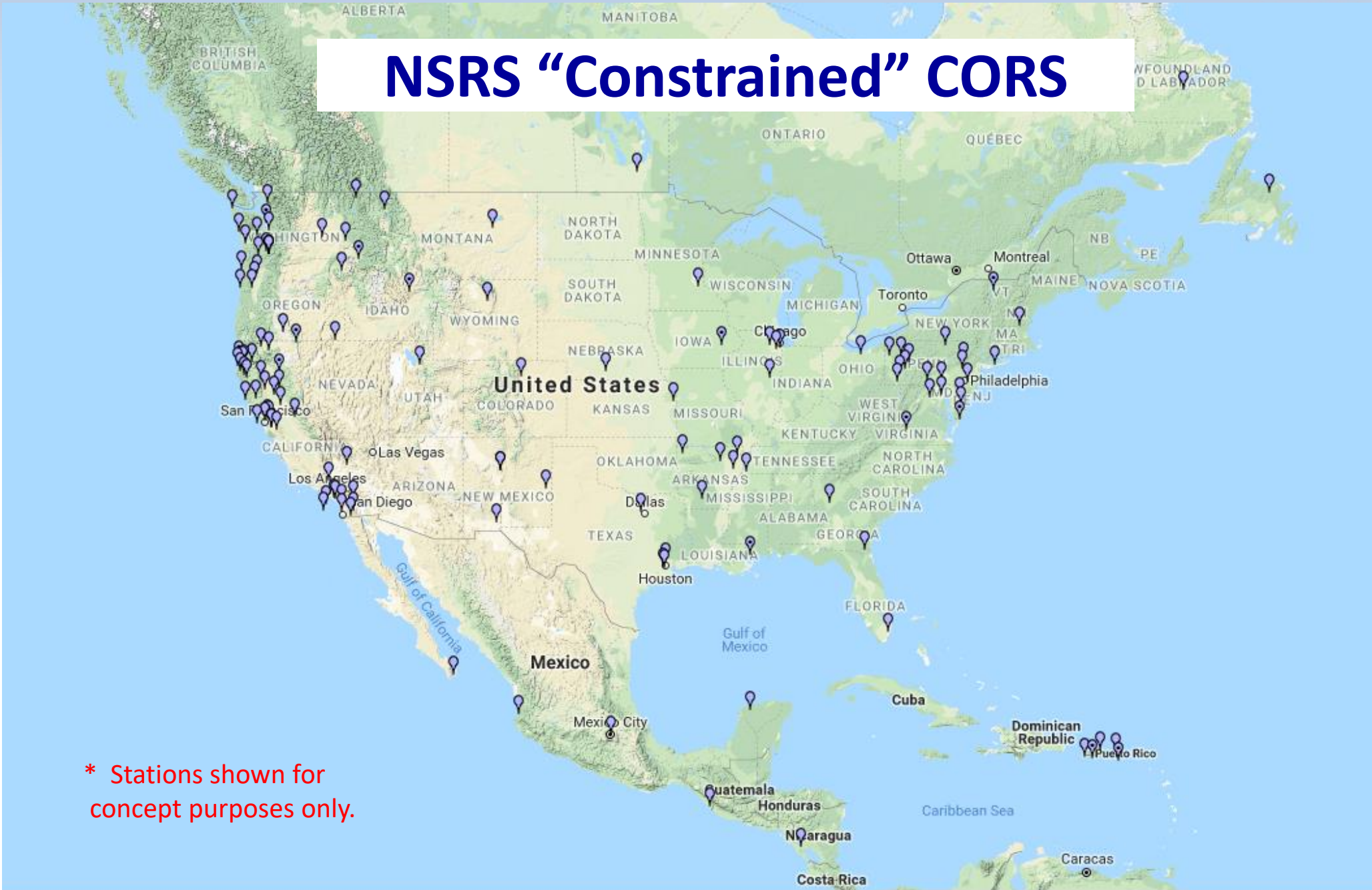
**New Method - GNSS Stations
(CORS)**



NGS Published CORS



NSRS "Constrained" CORS



* Stations shown for concept purposes only.

Why Replace NAD83?

- Datum based on best known information about the earth's size and shape from the early 1980's (≈34 years old), and the terrestrial survey data of the time.
- NAD83 is NON-geocentric & hence inconsistent w/GNSS (ITRF).
- Necessary for agreement with future ubiquitous positioning of GNSS capability.

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Blueprint for 2022, Part 1: Geometric Coordinates

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Future Geometric (3-D) Reference Frame

Blueprint for 2022: Part 1 – Geometric Datum

- **CORS-based, accessed via GNSS observations.**
- **Coordinates & velocities in ITRF (IGS) & new US reference frame.**
- **Passive control tied to new reference frame (not a component).**
- **Transformation tools will relate NAD83 to new US reference frame (NCAT with 2022 transformation).**

Datum Names

The Old:

NAD 83(2011)

NAD 83(PA11)

NAD 83(MA11)

The New:

The North American Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022
(NATRF2022)

The Caribbean Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022
(CATRF2022)

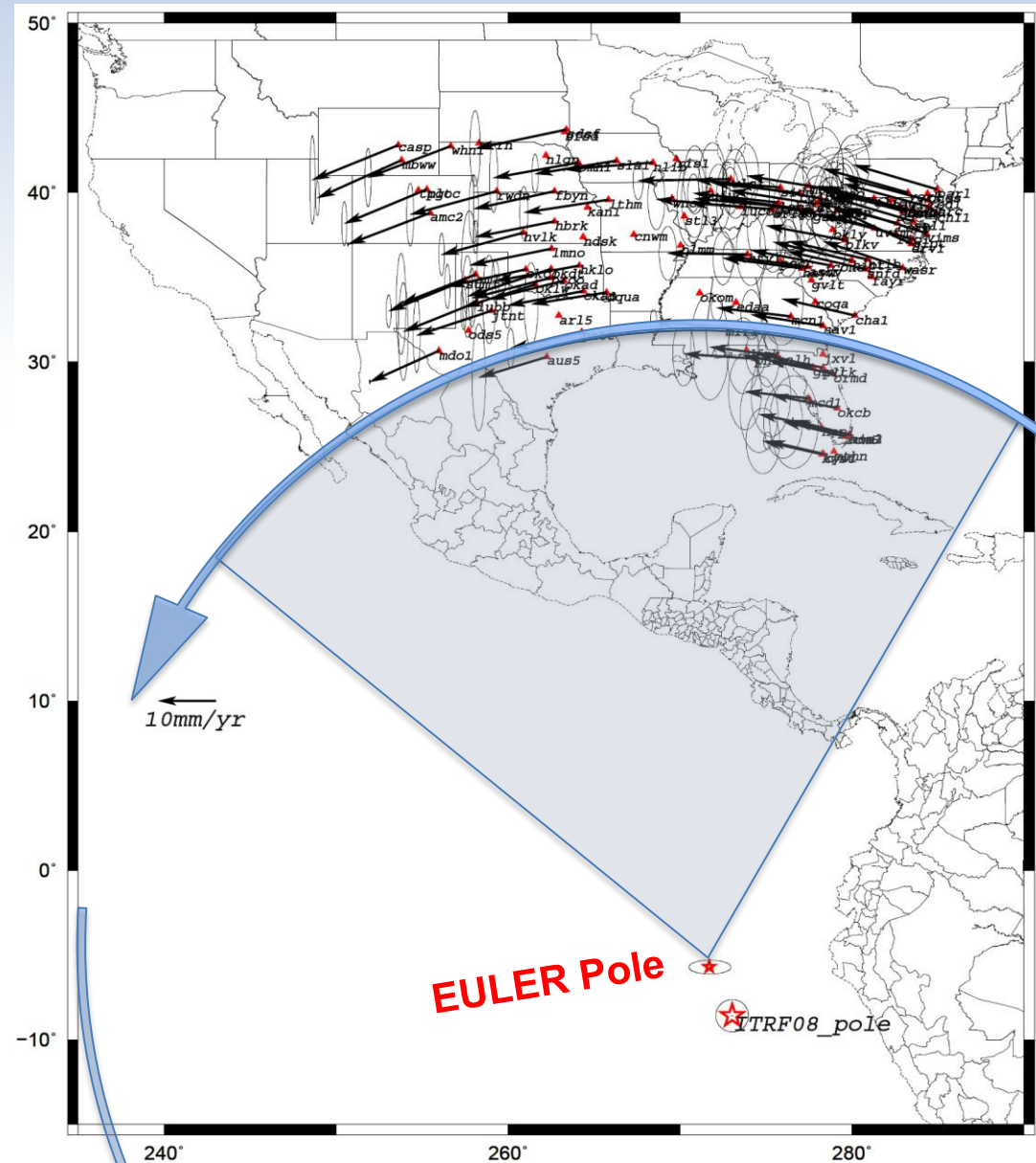
The Pacific Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022
(PATRF2022)

The Mariana Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022
(MATRF2022)

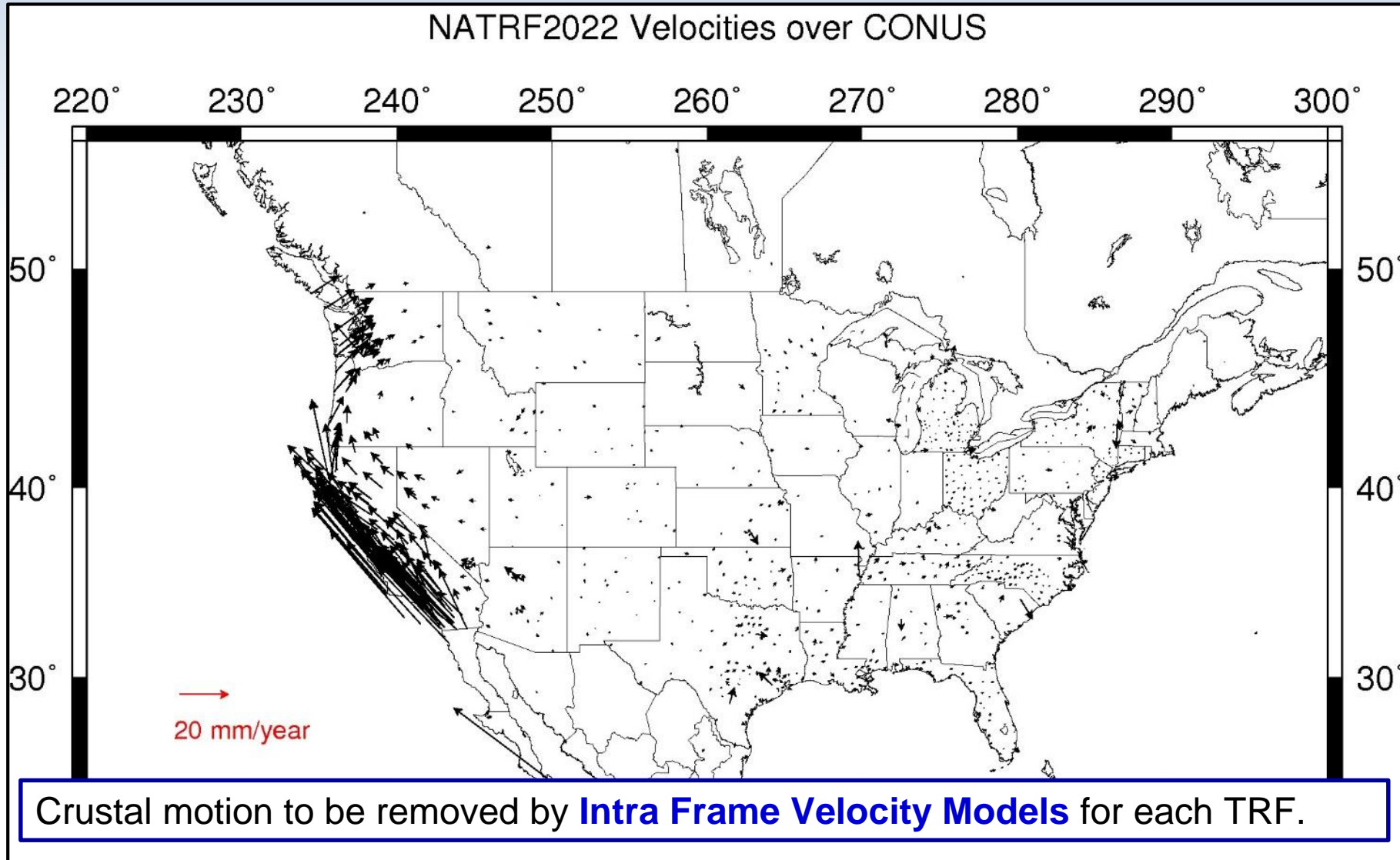
NSRS Plate Rotation Modeling

- Each frame will get 3 parameters
- Euler Pole Latitude
 - Euler Pole Longitude
 - Rotation rate (radians / year)

This will be used to compute time-dependent TRF2022 coordinates from time-dependent IGS coordinates.

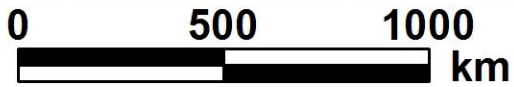
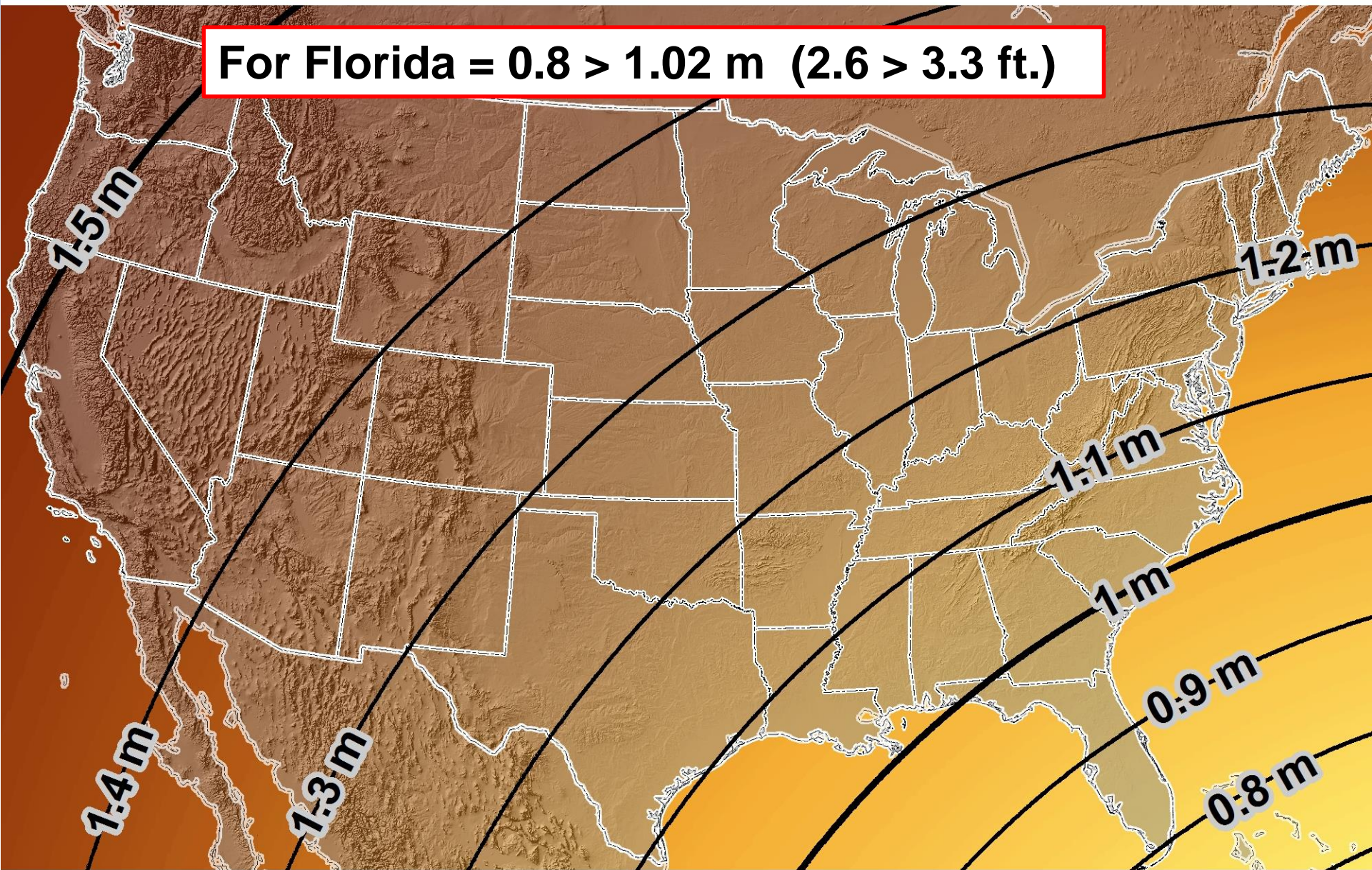


CORS Velocities – IGS08



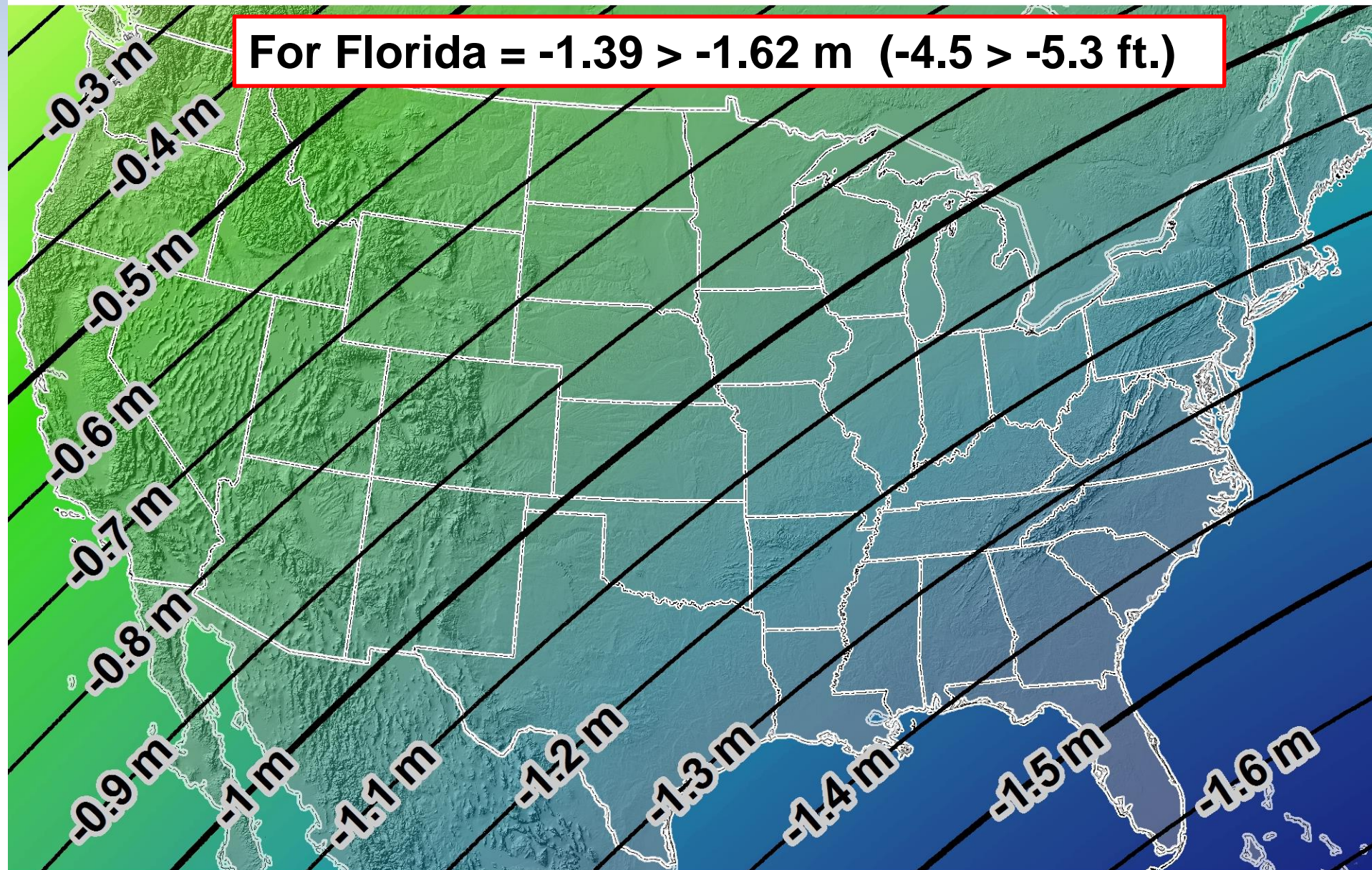
Estimated horizontal change from NAD 83 to NATRF2022

For Florida = 0.8 > 1.02 m (2.6 > 3.3 ft.)



Delta Horizontal = (ITRF 05) minus (NAD 83) at 2020.0

Estimated ellipsoid height change from NAD 83 to NATRF2022



Geometric Position Epochs

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PROGRAM = datasheet95, VERSION = 8.12.1
1      National Geodetic Survey, Retrieval Date = MAY 9, 2017
BV0854 *****
BV0854 DESIGNATION - 98 V 110
BV0854 PID - BV0854
BV0854 STATE/COUNTY- MS/MARION
BV0854 COUNTRY - US
BV0854 USGS QUAD - COLUMBIA SOUTH (1982)
BV0854
BV0854 *CURRENT SURVEY CONTROL
BV0854
BV0854* NAD 83(2011) POSITION- 31 14 16.29550(N) 089 49 13.85530(W) ADJUSTED
BV0854* NAD 83(2011) EPOCH - 2010.00 ADJUSTED
BV0854* NAVD 88 ORTHO HEIGHT - 44.754 (meters) 146.83 (feet) ADJUSTED
BV0854* NAVD 88 EPOCH - 2009.55
BV0854 **This station is located in a suspected subsidence area (see below).
BV0854
BV0854 GEOID HEIGHT - -26.860 (meters) GEOID12B
BV0854 NAD 83(2011) X - 17,098.873 (meters) COMP
BV0854 NAD 83(2011) Y - -5,458,350.266 (meters) COMP
BV0854 NAD 83(2011) Z - 3,288,479.650 (meters) COMP
BV0854 LAPLACE CORR - -0.44 (seconds) DEFLEC12B
BV0854 DYNAMIC HEIGHT - 44.698 (meters) 146.65 (feet) COMP
BV0854 MODELED GRAVITY - 979,394.9 (mgal) NAVD 88
BV0854
BV0854 VERT ORDER - FIRST CLASS II
BV0854
BV0854 Network accuracy estimates per FGDC Geospatial Positioning Accuracy
BV0854 Standards:
BV0854 FGDC (95% conf, cm) Standard deviation (cm) CorrNE
BV0854 Horiz Ellip SD_N SD_E SD_h (unitless)
BV0854 -----
BV0854 NETWORK 1.28 1.59 0.58 0.44 0.81 0.15784404
BV0854
BV0854 Click here for local accuracies and other accuracy information.
BV0854
BV0854
BV0854.The horizontal coordinates were established by GPS observations
BV0854.and adjusted by the National Geodetic Survey in June 2012.
BV0854
BV0854.NAD 83(2011) refers to NAD 83 coordinates where the reference frame has
BV0854.been affixed to the stable North American tectonic plate. See
BV0854.NA2011 for more information.
BV0854
BV0854.The horizontal coordinates are valid at the epoch date displayed above
BV0854.which is a decimal equivalence of Year/Month/Day.
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Geometric Position Epochs

NGS OPUS SOLUTION REPORT

All computed coordinate accuracies are listed as peak-to-peak values.
For additional information: <https://www.ngs.noaa.gov/OPUS/about.jsp#accuracy>

USER: denis.riordan@noaa.gov
RINEX FILE: 98v1273m.16o

DATE: October 16, 2018
TIME: 20:58:47 UTC

SOFTWARE: page5 1603.24 master72.pl 160321 START: 2016/09/29 12:58:00
EPHEMERIS: igsl19164.eph [precise] STOP: 2016/09/29 17:02:00
NAV FILE: brdc2730.16n OBS USED: 7726 / 8239 : 94%
ANT NAME: TRM41249.00 NONE # FIXED AMB: 37 / 41 : 90%
ARP HEIGHT: 2.001 OVERALL RMS: 0.020 (m)

REF FRAME: NAD_83(2011) (EPOCH:2010.0000)

IGS08 (EPOCH:2016.7449)

X: 17098.873 (m) 0.013 (m)
Y: -5458350.283 (m) 0.003 (m)
Z: 3288479.671 (m) 0.011 (m)

17098.067 (m) 0.013 (m)
-5458348.799 (m) 0.003 (m)
3288479.501 (m) 0.011 (m)

LAT: 31 14 16.29578 0.008 (m)
E LON: 270 10 46.14470 0.013 (m)
W LON: 89 49 13.85530 0.013 (m)
EL HGT: 17.914 (m) 0.008 (m)

31 14 16.31612 0.008 (m)
270 10 46.11443 0.013 (m)
89 49 13.88557 0.013 (m)
16.555 (m) 0.008 (m)

ORIG HGT: 44.774 (m) 0.033 (m) [NAVD88 (Computed using GEOID12B)]

	UTM COORDINATES	STATE PLANE COORDINATES
	UTM (Zone 16)	SPC (2302 MS W)
Northing (Y) [meters]	3459394.081	192760.683
Easting (X) [meters]	231356.668	748852.175
Convergence [degrees]	-1.46357500	0.26595000
Point Scale	1.00049027	0.99997943
Combined Factor	1.00048746	0.99997662

US NATIONAL GRID DESIGNATOR: 16RBV3135659394 (NAD 83)

BASE STATIONS USED

PID	DESIGNATION	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	DISTANCE (m)
AJ7833	HAMM HAMMOND CORS ARP	N303047.051	W0902803.428	101420.0
DN7498	MSEV ELLISVILLE CORS ARP	N313542.081	W0891213.274	70769.2
DN8737	MSIN INFINITY CENTER CORS ARP	N301842.205	W0893615.507	104740.6

NEAREST NGS PUBLISHED CONTROL POINT

BV0854	98 V 110	N311416.295	W0894913.855	0.0
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New U.S. Vertical Datum in 2022

Why isn't NAVD 88 good enough anymore?

- * NAVD 88 is a terrestrial based vertical datum that changes as the land changes.



- NAVD 88 suffers from use of bench marks that:
 - Are almost never re-checked for movement
 - Disappear by the thousands every year
 - Are not funded for replacement
 - Are not necessarily in convenient places
 - Don't exist in most of Alaska
 - Were determined by leveling from a single point, allowing cross-country error build up



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Blueprint for 2022, Part 2: Geopotential Coordinates

November 13, 2017

NEW VERTICAL DATUM (Rationale)

- A move away from differentially leveled passive control as the defining mechanism of the reference surface
- To be consistent with the shift in the geometric reference frame/ellipsoid (2022)
- Improvement in our technical abilities in reference surface realization (geopotential gravimetric reference surface - 1cm accuracy of the geoid (*GNSS/GRAV-D*))
- Goal - ability to establish 2cm orthometric height anywhere in U.S. using a minimum of 15 min. of GNSS data.
- The new geopotential reference surface will be aligned with the geometric reference frame/ellipsoid (i.e., no hybrid geoid)

Names

The Old:

Orthometric
Heights

NAVD 88

Normal
Orthometric
Heights

PRVD 02

VIVD09

ASVD02

NMVD03

GUVD04

Dynamic
Heights

IGLD 85

Gravity

IGSN71

Geoid
Undulations

GEOID12B

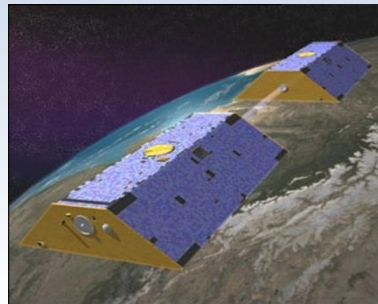
Deflections of
the Vertical

DEFLEC12B

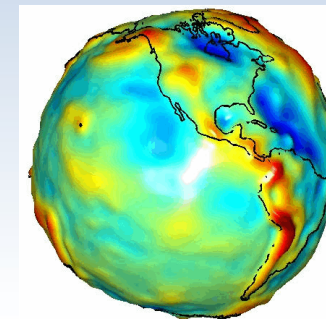
The New:

The North American-Pacific Geopotential
Datum of 2022 (NAPGD2022)

Building a Gravity Field



Long Wavelengths
(≥ 250 km)

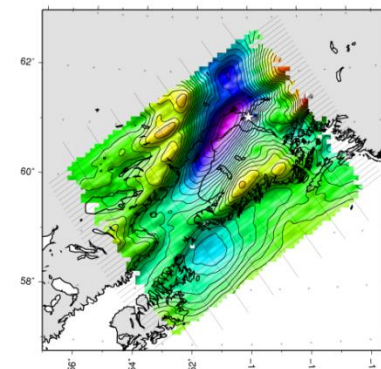


GRACE/GOCE/Satellite Altimetry +



Airborne Measurement

Intermediate Wavelengths
(500 km to 20 km)

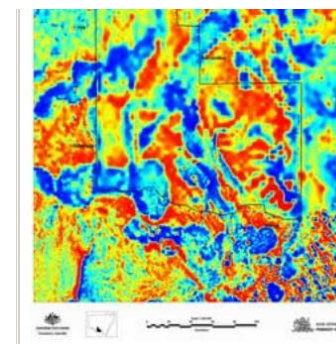


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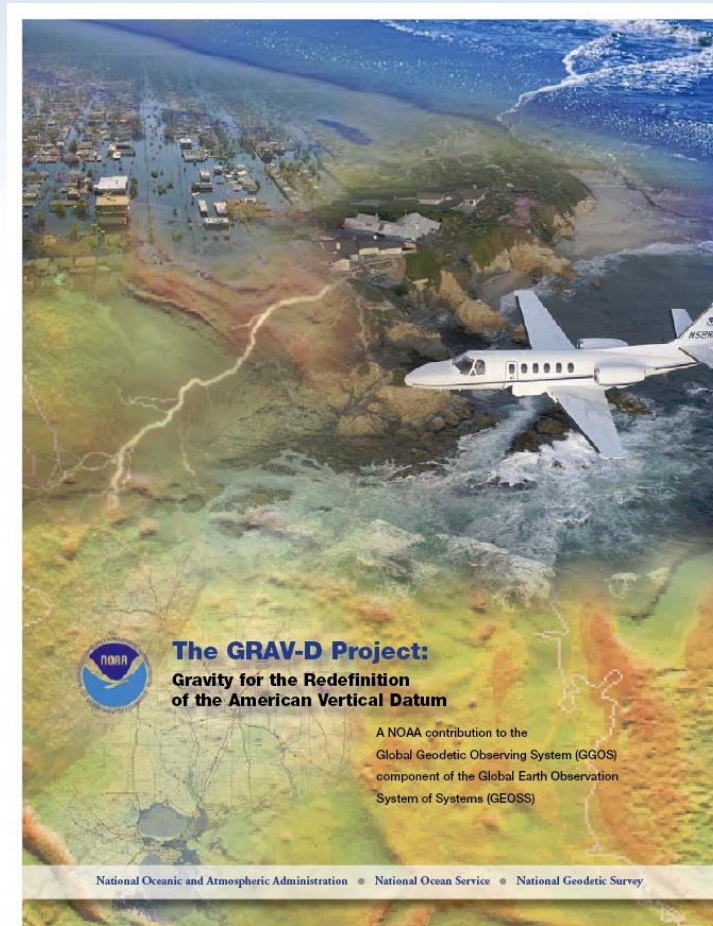
Short Wavelengths
(< 100 km)



Surface Measurement and
Predicted Gravity from Topography



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



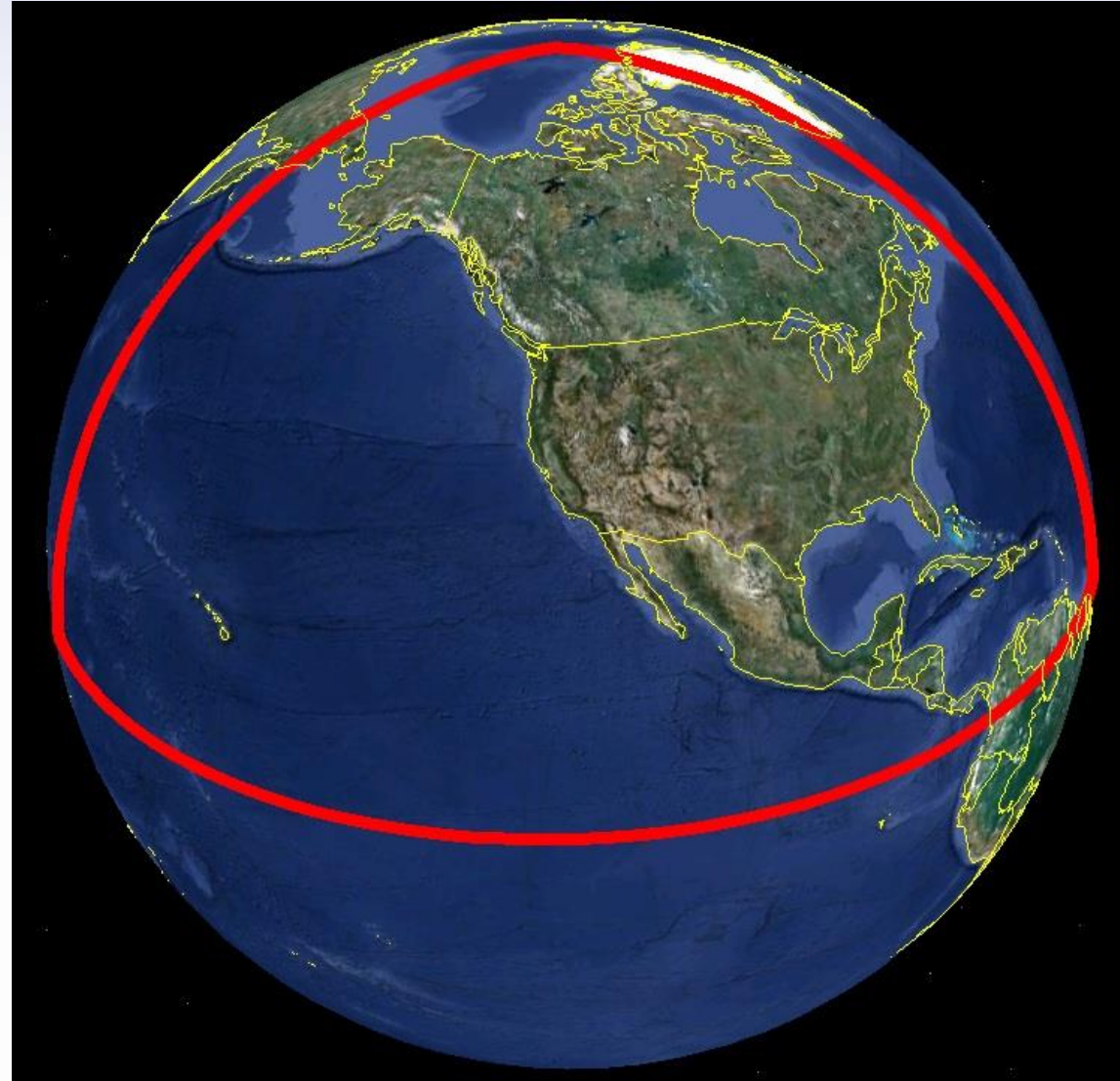
Gravity and Heights are inseparably connected

- Replace the Vertical Datum of the USA by 2022 (at today's funding)
- GRAV-D is:
 - An airborne gravity survey of the entire country and its holdings
 - A 2022 gravimetric geoid accurate to 1 cm
 - Long-term monitoring of geoid change over time
 - Partnership surveys
- Working to launch a collaborative effort with the USGS for simultaneous magnetic measurement
- Acting Manager: Monica Youngman
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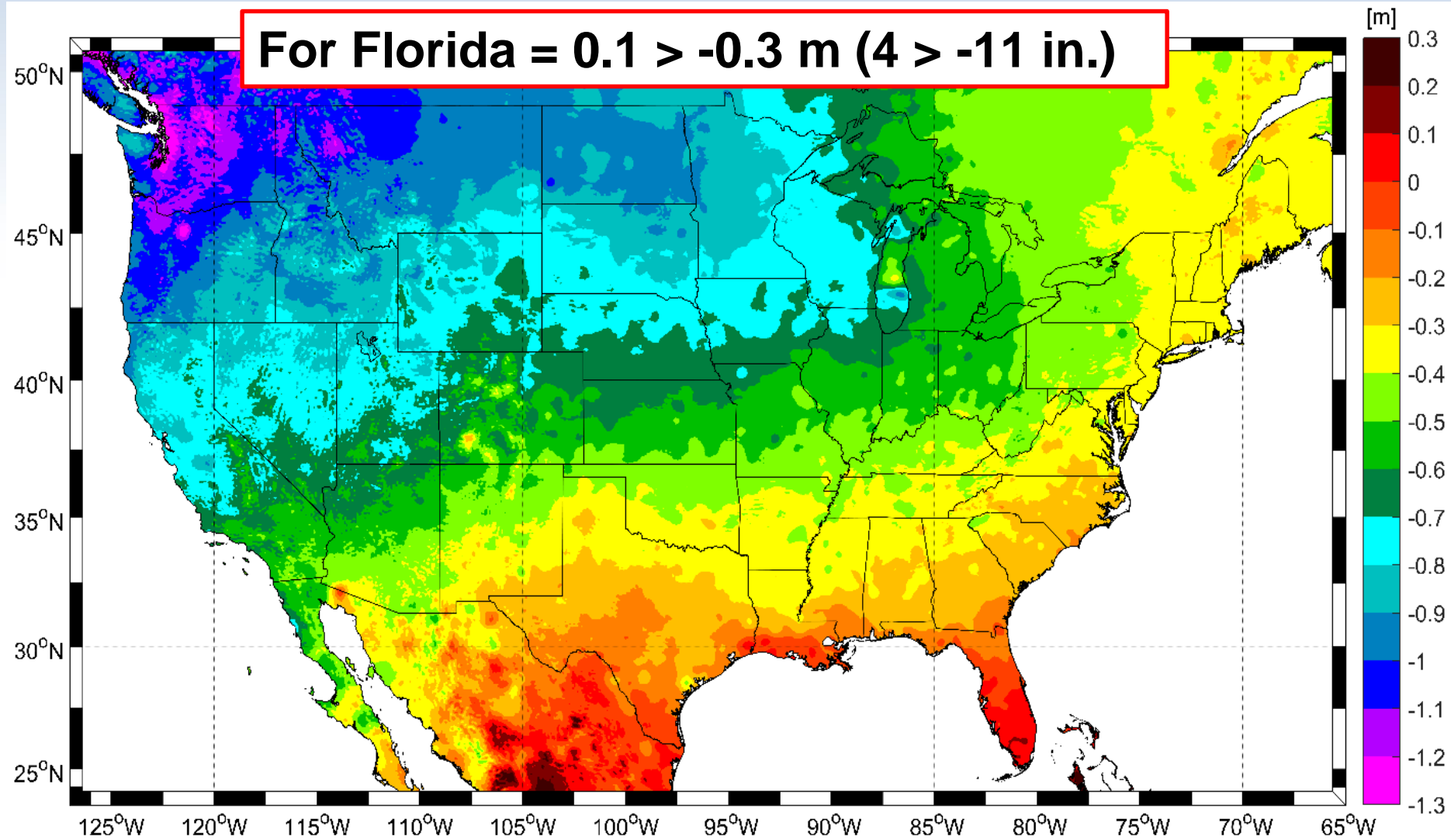
Geoid Monitoring Service (GeMS)

- Goal: Track all changes to the geoid which would prevent 1 cm accuracy
- Aspects included:
 - Shape, Secular: e.g. Hudson Bay
 - Shape, Episodic: e.g. Massive Earthquakes
 - W0, Secular: Global Sea Level Change (see next slides)
- Examples of things excluded:
 - Size, Secular: Mass quantity of Earth is effectively static
 - Shape, Periodic: Seasonal glacier cycle

Extent of 2022 gravimetric geoid model used for NAPGD2022




Expected changes to orthometric heights – NAVD88 to NAPGD2022



NGS Products Update

GEOID 18 – Last NGS “Hybrid” Geoid Model`



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Geoid Quick Links

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- Geoid Slope Validation Survey of 2014
- xGEOID Model

Geoid Models

The National Geodetic Survey has released updated models for transforming heights between ellipsoidal coordinates and physical height systems that relate to water flow. These models cover regions including the conterminous United States (CONUS), Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and American Samoa. GEOID12B transforms to NAVD 88 in CONUS and Alaska and to the respective datums for all the other regions (each having its own datum point). Models for the Deflection of the Vertical have also been released for these same regions mainly for aid in navigation systems.

Hybrid Geoids

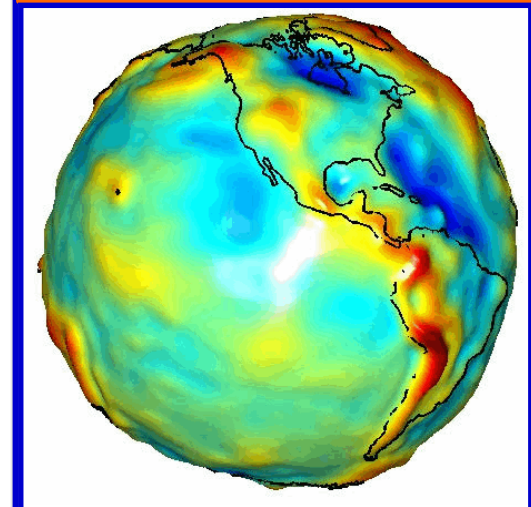
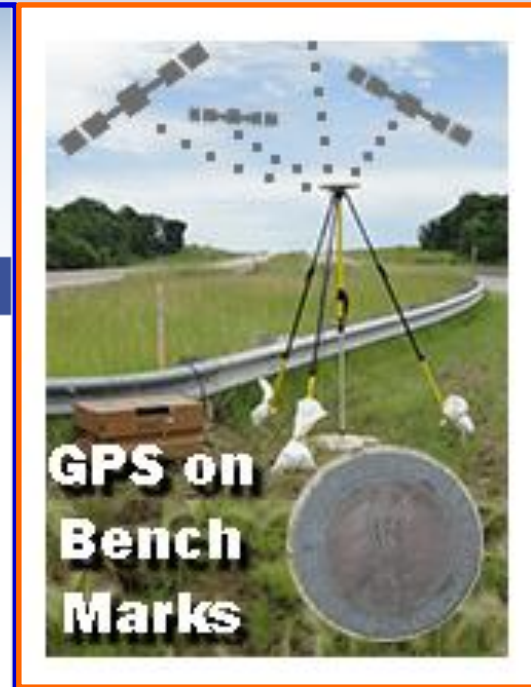
Converts heights from NAD 83 to regional Vertical datums (e.g., NAVD 88)

- **GEOID12B**
- **GEOID12A (replaced by GEOID12B)**
- **GEOID12 (replaced by GEOID12A)**
- **GEOID09**
- **GEOID03**
- **GEOID06**
- **GEOID99**
- **GEOID96**

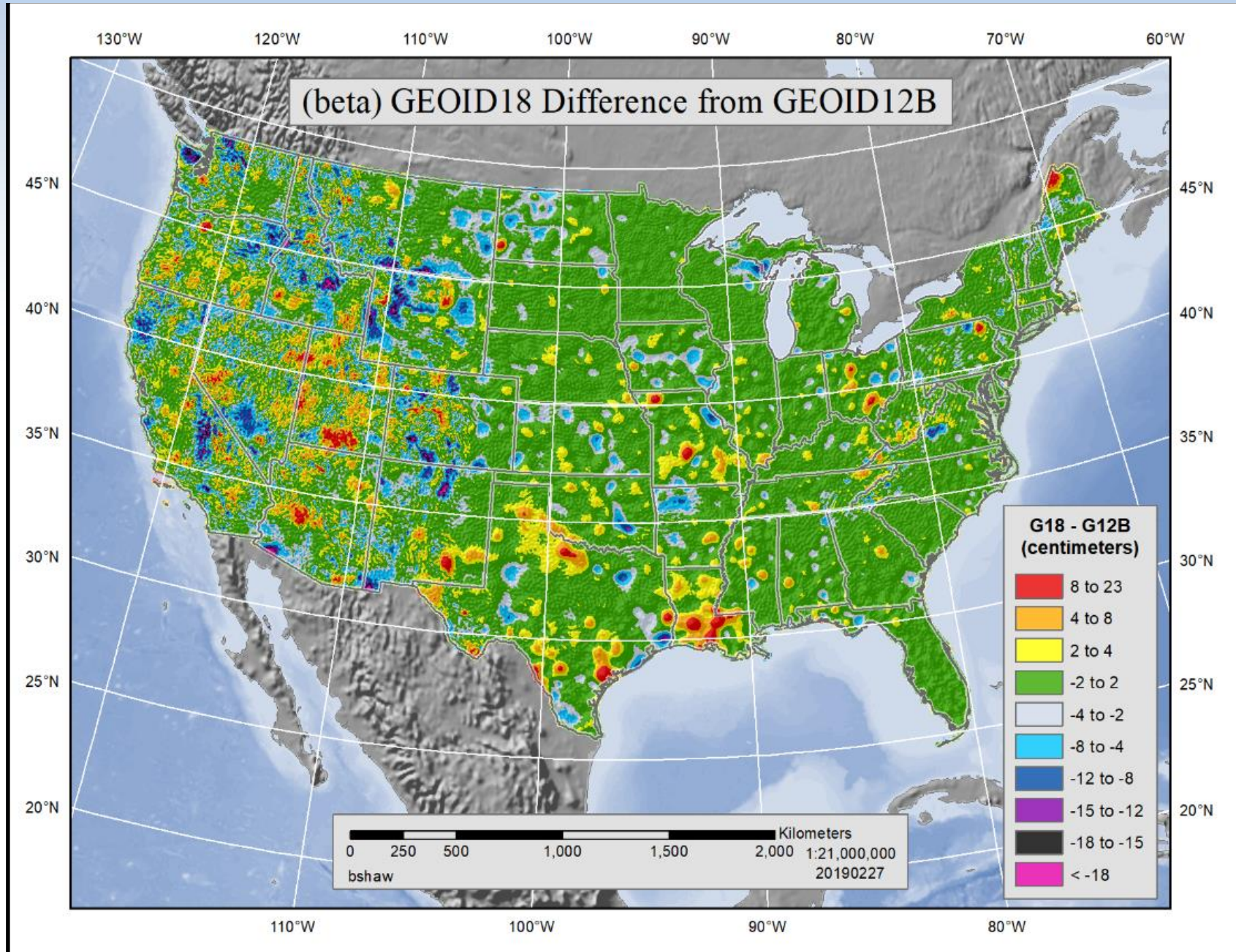
Have a geoid question?

Contact the Geoid Team

Geoid 18 is being co-released with updated IGS14 positions on NGS published CORS



GEOID 18 – Last NGS “Hybrid” Geoid Model



NGS Products Update

Coordinate Conversion and
Transformation Tool – **NCAT**

using **NADCON v5.0**

Other Updated NGS Products

NCAT - Updated coordinate transformation program.



NGS Coordinate Conversion and Transformation Tool (NCAT)

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Convert from: LLh SPC UTM XYZ USNG

Enter lat-lon in decimal degrees

Lat:
Lon:

or degrees-minutes-seconds

Lat:
Lon:

or drag map marker to a location of interest



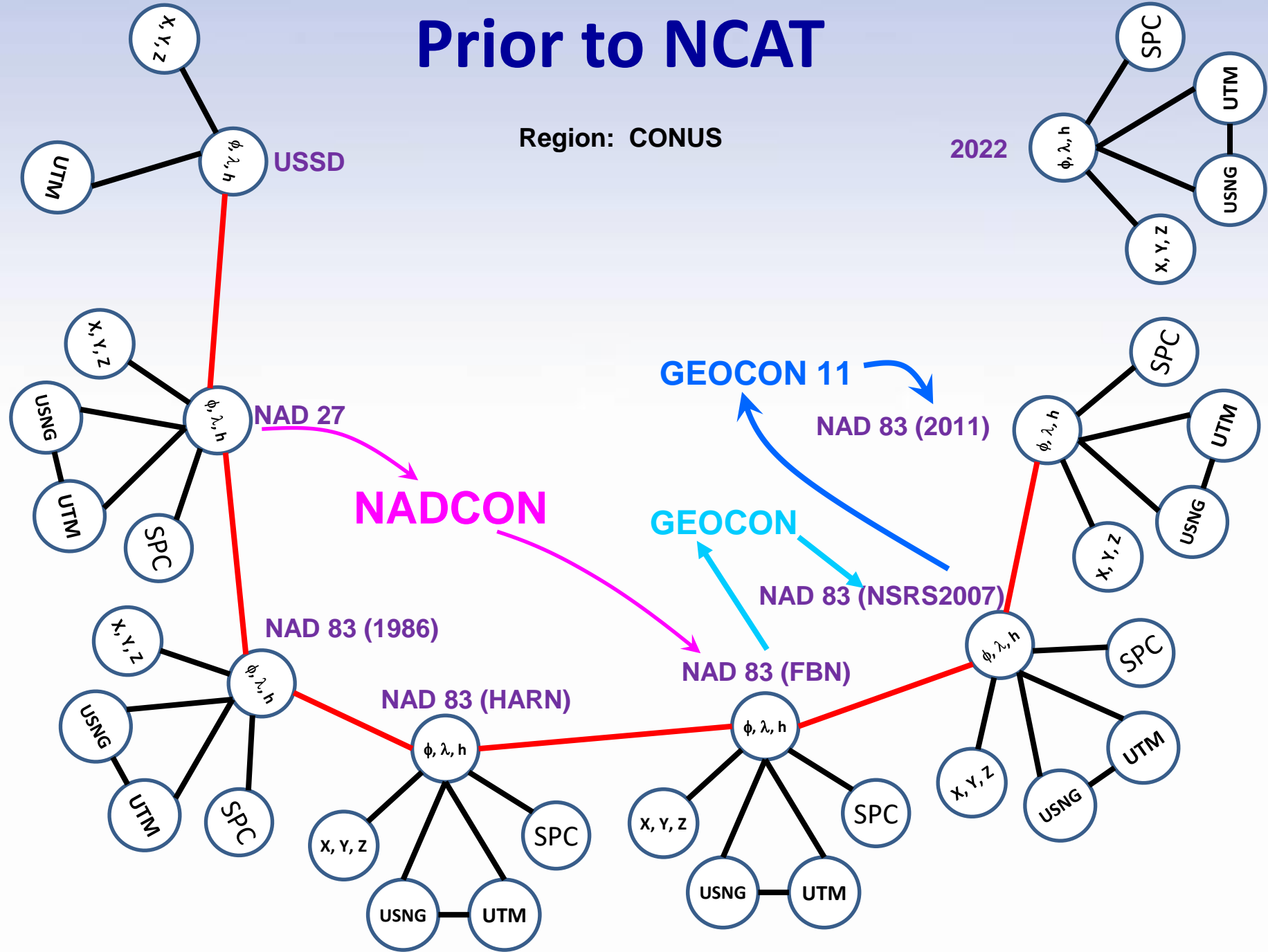
Ellipsoid Height (m)

Input datum: Output datum:

Don't see a datum in the list? Click [here](#) to learn more.

Prior to NCAT

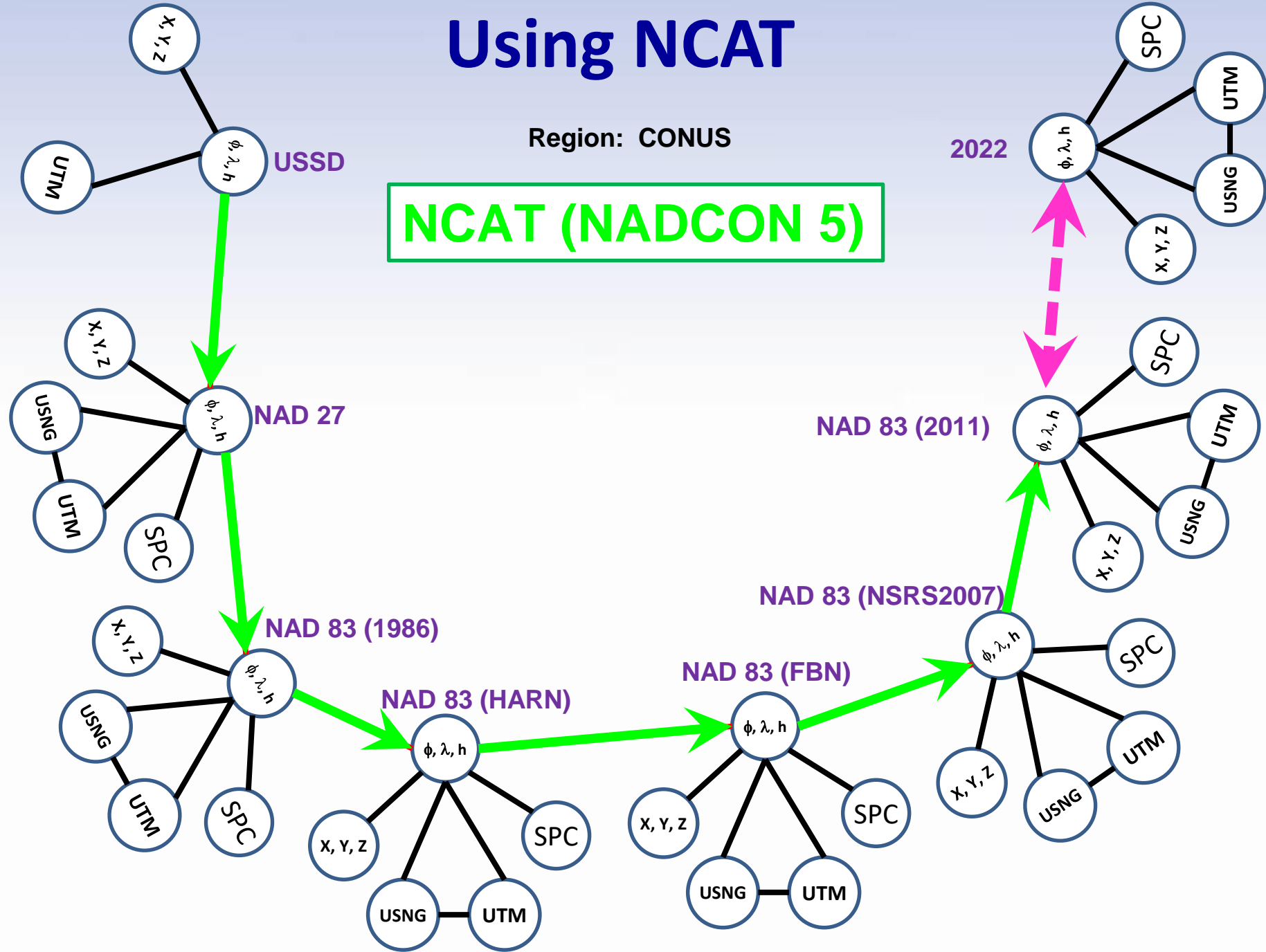
Region: CONUS



Using NCAT

Region: CONUS

NCAT (NADCON 5)



2022 Vertical Transformation Model – GPS on BM Project

The image displays two overlapping screenshots of the "GPS on Bench Marks for the Transformation Tool" web application. The top screenshot shows a map of the Florida Panhandle region, including cities like Tallahassee, Dothan, and Jacksonville. The bottom screenshot shows a zoomed-in view of the Florida peninsula, densely populated with colored markers representing GPS observations. A legend titled "Priority List 10 km" is visible in the bottom-left of the zoomed view, detailing the following categories:

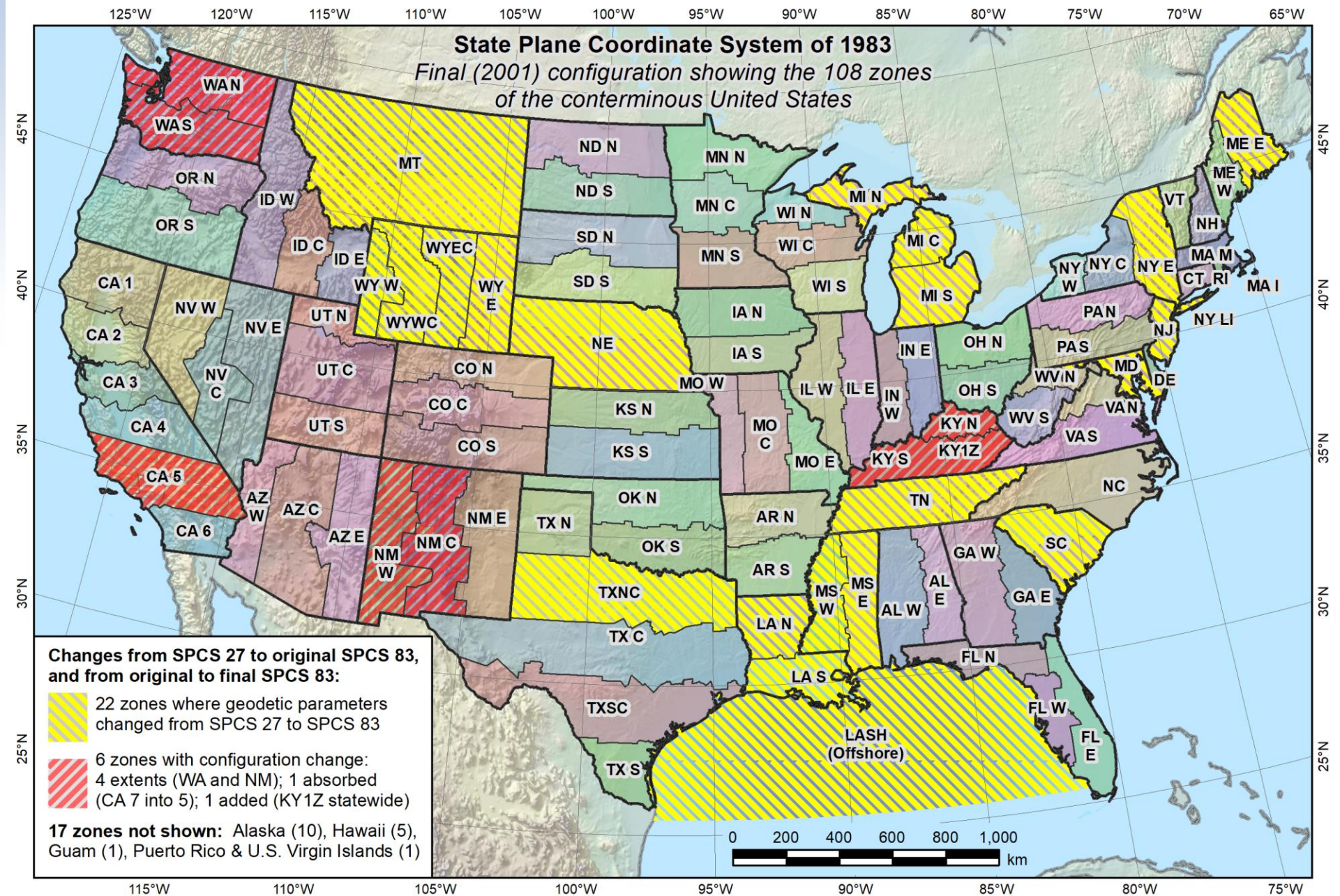
- A - 1 Obs. Requested (Yellow circle)
- A - 2 Obs. Requested (Light Green circle)
- B - 1 Obs. Requested (Blue circle)
- B - 2 Obs. Requested (Dark Blue circle)

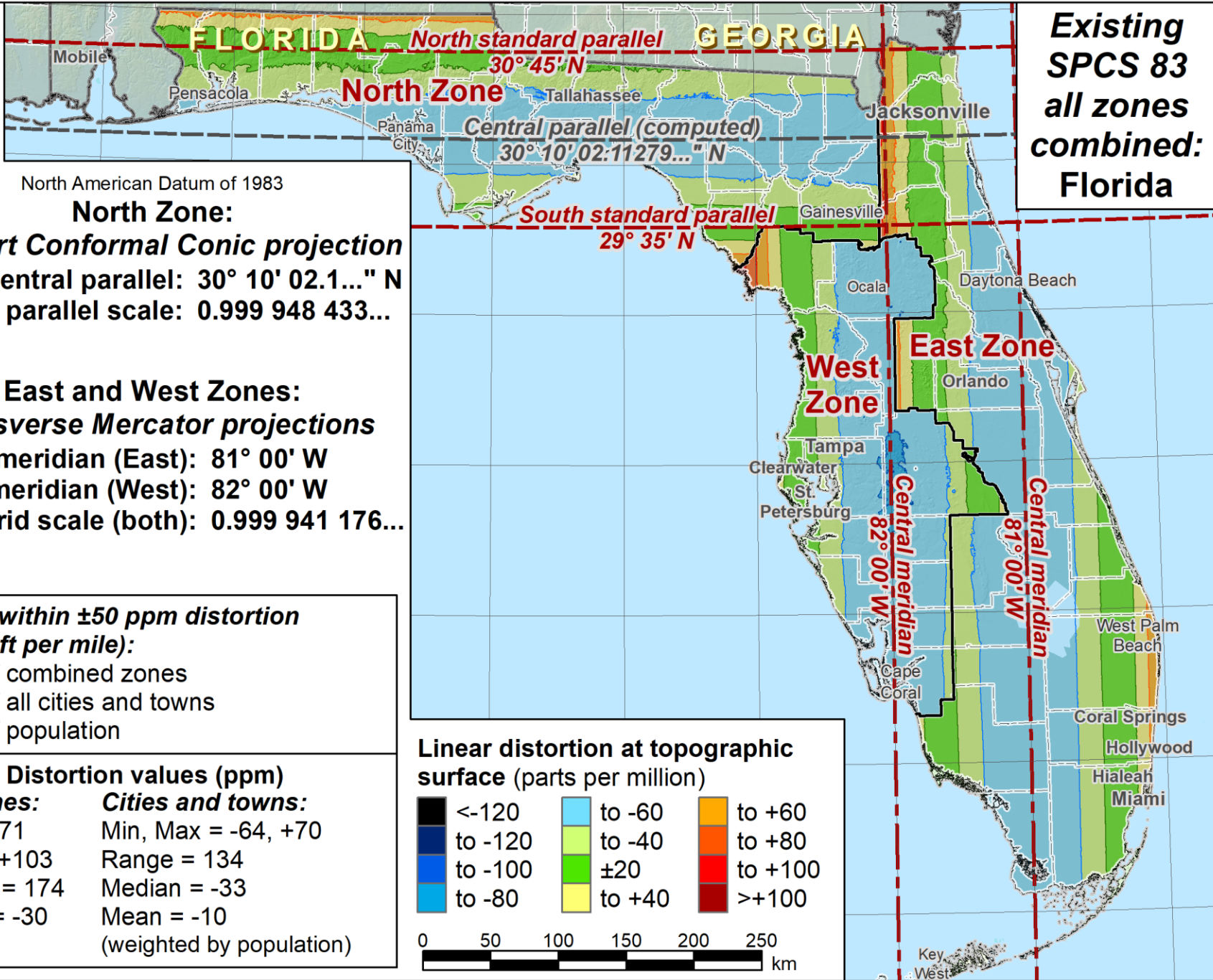
The application interface includes a search bar at the top with the text "Find address or place", navigation controls (zoom in/out, home, full screen, print), and a coordinate display at the bottom showing "-87.717 28.152 Degrees" for the top view and "-82.987 25.599 Degrees" for the zoomed view. A scale bar indicates 60 miles for the top view and 40 miles for the zoomed view. The bottom right corner features the Esri logo and text: "POWERED BY esri Esri, HERE, Garmin, FAO, USGS, EPA, NPS".

NGS Products Update

2022 State Plane Coordinate System Project

Final SPC 83 State Systems - 2001





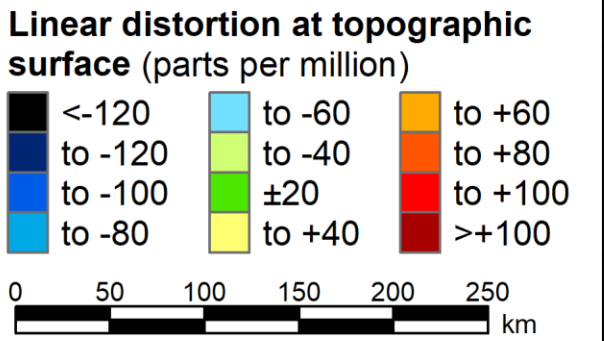
**Existing
SPCS 83
all zones
combined:
Florida**

North American Datum of 1983
North Zone:
Lambert Conformal Conic projection
 Central parallel: 30° 10' 02.1...'' N
 Central parallel scale: 0.999 948 433...

East and West Zones:
Transverse Mercator projections
 Cen meridian (East): 81° 00' W
 Cen meridian (West): 82° 00' W
 Cen merid scale (both): 0.999 941 176...

**Areas within ±50 ppm distortion
(±0.26 ft per mile):**
 73% of combined zones
 78% of all cities and towns
 87% of population

Distortion values (ppm)	
All zones:	Cities and towns:
Min = -71	Min, Max = -64, +70
Max = +103	Range = 134
Range = 174	Median = -33
Mean = -30	Mean = -10 (weighted by population)





North American Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022

West Zone:

Lambert Conformal Conic projection

Central parallel: 30° 18' N

Central parallel scale: 0.999 98

East and Central Zones:

Oblique Mercator projections

Origin latitude (both): 28° 00' N

Origin longitude (East): 81° 06' W

Origin longitude (Central): 82° 00' W

Skew axis scale (East): 0.999 98

Skew axis scale (Central): 0.999 96

Skew azimuth (both): -16°

**Areas within ±50 ppm distortion
(±0.26 ft per mile):**

99.9% of combined zones

99.5% of all cities and towns

99.7% of population

Distortion values (ppm)

All zones:

Min = -52

Max = +60

Range = 112

Mean = -13

Cities and towns:

Min, Max = -45, +52

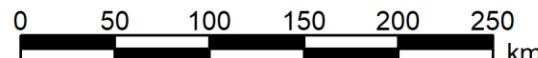
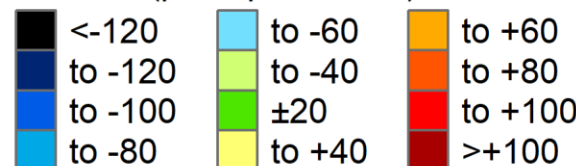
Range = 96

Median = -13

Mean = -6

(weighted by population)

Linear distortion at topographic surface (parts per million)

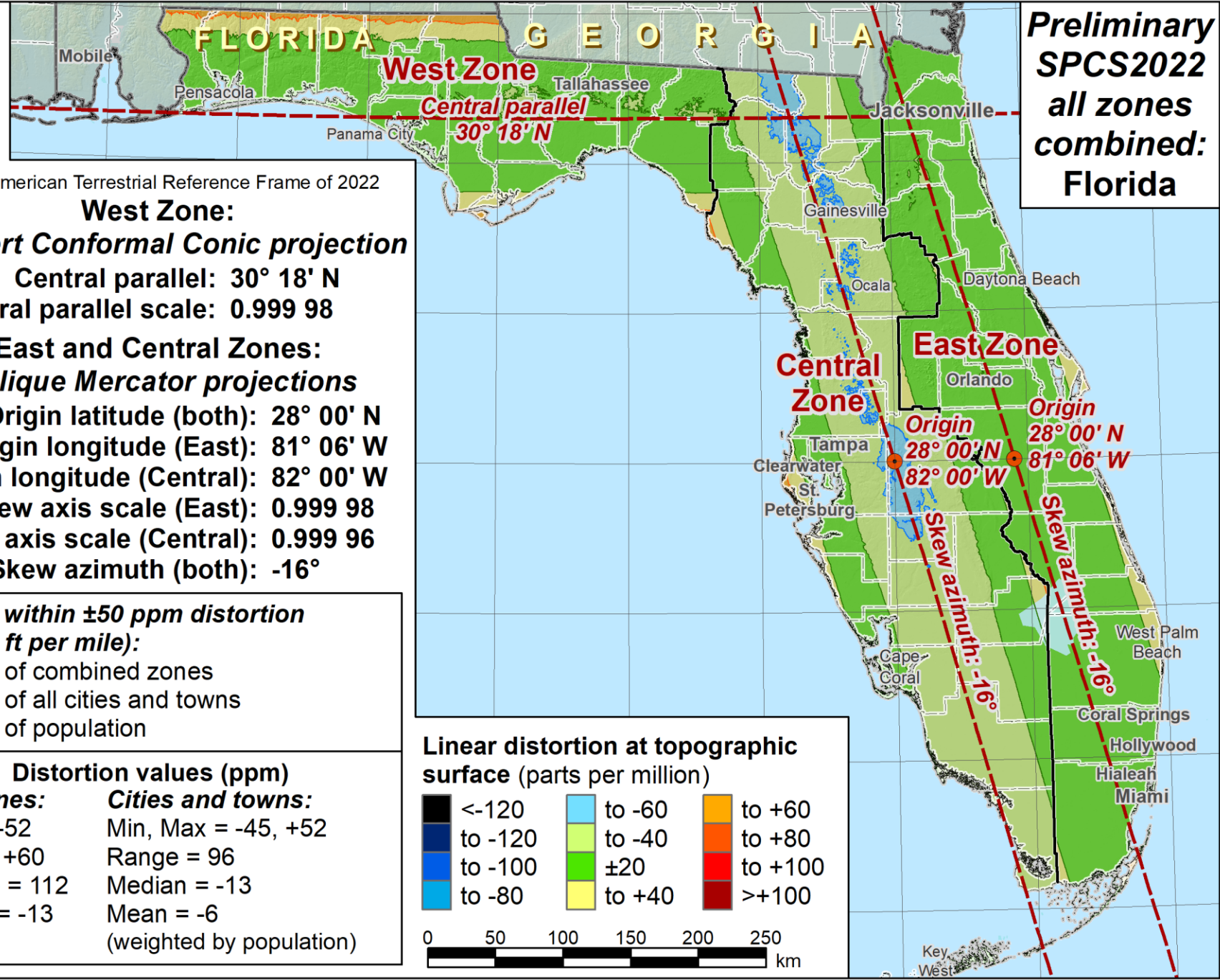


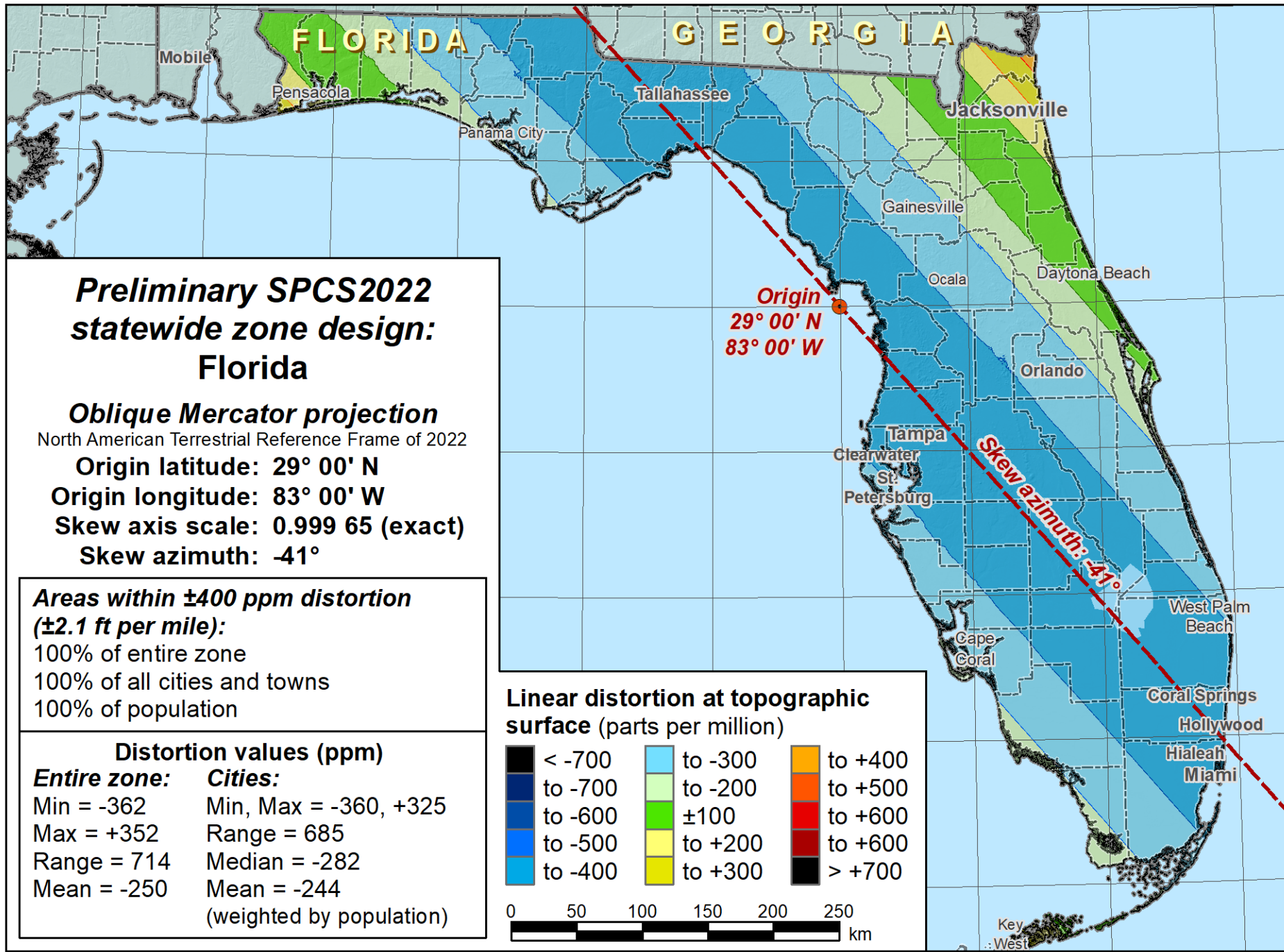
**Preliminary
SPCS2022
all zones
combined:
Florida**

30°N
29°N
28°N
27°N
26°N
25°N

30°N
29°N
28°N
27°N
26°N
25°N

89°W 88°W 87°W 86°W 85°W 84°W 83°W 82°W 81°W 80°W



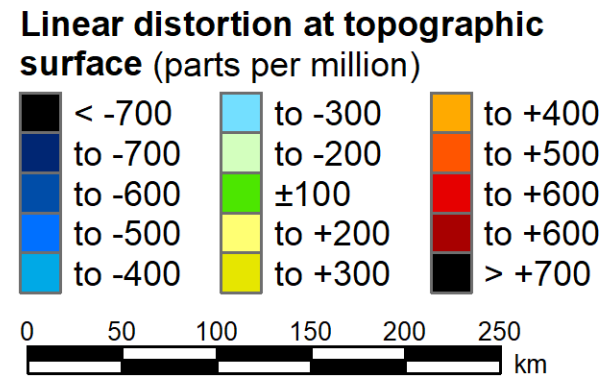


**Preliminary SPCS2022
statewide zone design:
Florida**

Oblique Mercator projection
 North American Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022
Origin latitude: 29° 00' N
Origin longitude: 83° 00' W
Skew axis scale: 0.999 65 (exact)
Skew azimuth: -41°

**Areas within ±400 ppm distortion
(±2.1 ft per mile):**
 100% of entire zone
 100% of all cities and towns
 100% of population

Distortion values (ppm)	
Entire zone:	Cities:
Min = -362	Min, Max = -360, +325
Max = +352	Range = 685
Range = 714	Median = -282
Mean = -250	Mean = -244 (weighted by population)



? ? QUESTIONS ? ?

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