



Preparing for Change...New Datums



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National Spatial Reference System (NSRS)

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

Consistent National Coordinate System

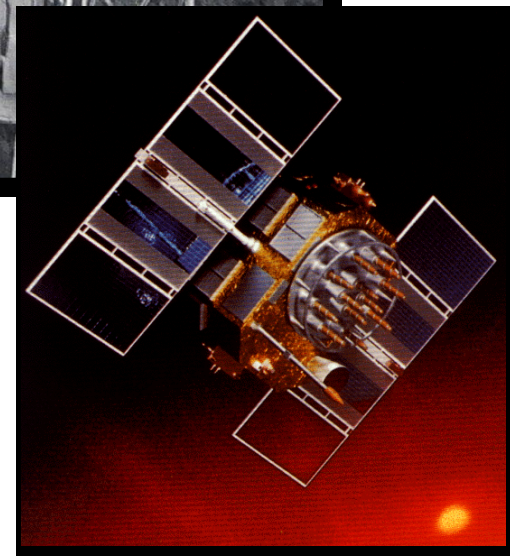
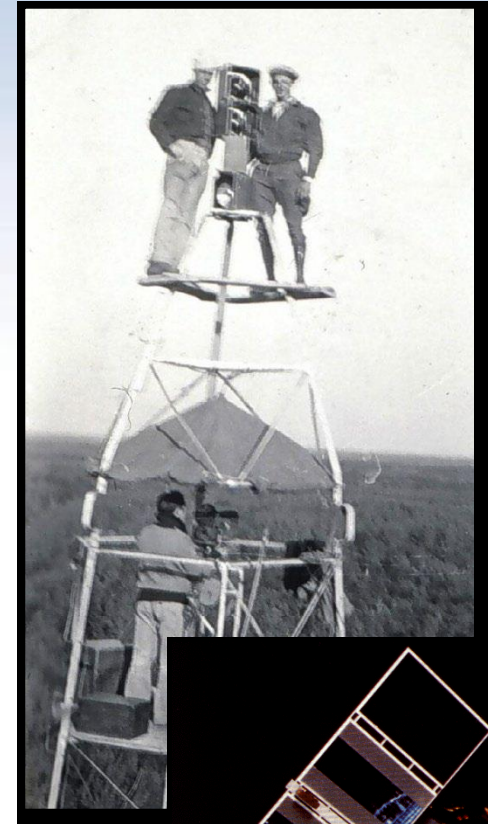
- Latitude/Northing
- Longitude/Easting
- Height
- Scale
- Gravity
- Orientation

& how these values change with time



A (very) brief history of NAD 83

- Original realization completed in 1986
 - Consisted (almost) entirely of classical (optical) observations
- “High Precision Geodetic Network” (HPGN) and “High Accuracy Reference Network” (HARN) realizations
 - Most done in 1990s, essentially state-by-state
 - Based on GNSS but classical stations included in adjustments
- National Re-Adjustment of 2007
 - NAD 83(CORS96) and (NSRS2007)
 - Simultaneous nationwide adjustment (GNSS only)
- ***New realization: NAD 83(2011) epoch 2010.00***



Why change datums/Realizations

- NAD27 based on old observations and old system
- NAD83(86) based on old observations and new system
- NAD83(96) based on new and old observations and same system (HARN)
- NAD83(NSRS2007) based on new observations and same system. Removed regional distortions and made consistent with CORS
- NAD83(2011) based on new observations and same system. Kept consistent with CORS

Horizontal Datums/Coordinates... What do we (you) use in your state?

- NAD 27
- NAD 83 (Lat-Lon) SPC
 - Which one???
 - NAD 83 (1986)
 - NAD 83 (19xx) - HARN
 - NAD 83 (1996) - FBN
 - NAD 83 CORS96(2002)
 - NAD 83 (NSRS2007)
 - NAD 83 (2011) epoch 2010.00
- WGS 84
 - Which one???
 - WGS 84 (1987)
 - WGS 84 (G730)
 - WGS 84 (G873)
 - WGS 84 (G1150)
 - WGS 84 (G1674)
 - WGS 84 (G1762)
 - ITRFxx (epoch xxxx)
 - IGSxx (epoch xxxx)

What is a Vertical Datum?

- Strictly speaking, a vertical datum is a *surface* representing zero elevation
- Traditionally, a vertical datum is a *system* for the determination of heights above a zero elevation surface
- Vertical datum comprised of:
 - Its *definition*: Parameters and other descriptors
 - Its *realization*: Its physical method of accessibility



"topographic map." Online Art.
Britannica Student Encyclopædia.
17 Dec. 2008
<<http://student.britannica.com/ebi/art-53199>>

History of vertical datums in the USA

- **NGVD 29**
 - National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929
 - Original name: “Sea Level Datum of 1929”
 - “Zero height” held fixed at 26 tide gauges
 - Not all on the same tidal datum epoch (~ 19 yrs)
 - Did not account for Local Mean Sea Level variations from the geoid
 - Thus, not truly a “geoid based” datum

NGVD29

The National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 is referenced to 26 tide gauges in the US and Canada



Current Vertical Datum in the USA



Father Point
Lighthouse, Quebec

- **NAVD 88:** North American Vertical Datum of 1988
- **Definition:** The surface of equal gravity potential to which orthometric heights shall refer in North America*, and which is 6.271 meters (along the plumb line) below the geodetic mark at “Father Point/Rimouski” (NGSIDB PID TY5255).
- **Realization:** Over 500,000 geodetic marks across North America with published Helmert orthometric heights, most of which were originally computed from a minimally constrained adjustment of leveling and gravity data, holding the geopotential value at “Father Point/Rimouski” fixed.

**Not adopted in Canada*

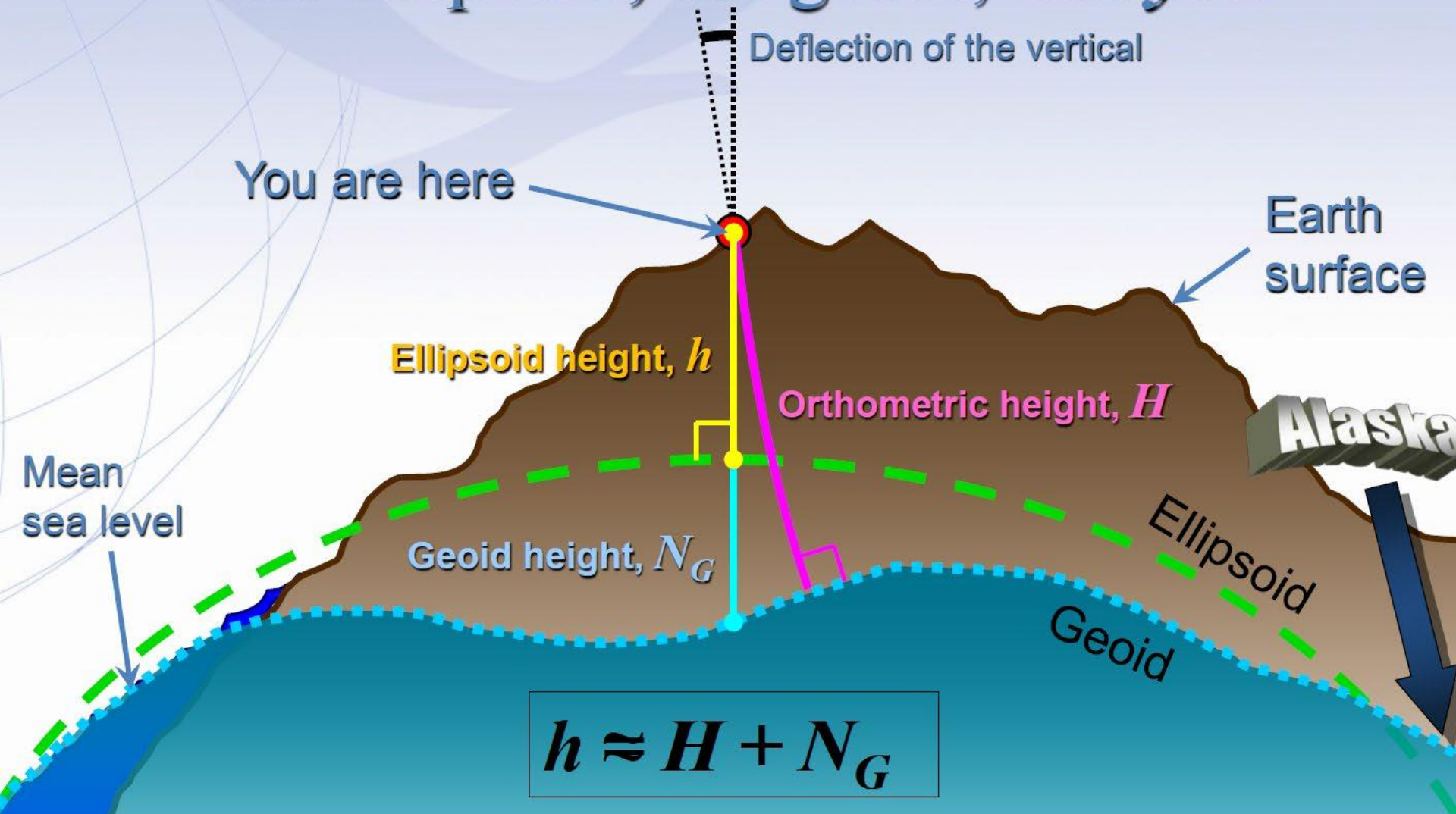
History of vertical datums in the USA

- **NAVD 88**
 - North American Vertical Datum of 1988
 - One height held fixed at “Father Point” (Rimouski, Canada)
 - ...height chosen was to minimize 1929/1988 differences on USGS topo maps in the eastern U.S.
 - Thus, the “zero height surface” of NAVD 88 wasn't chosen for its closeness to the geoid (but it was close...few decimeters)

History of vertical datums in the USA

- **NAVD 88** (continued)
 - Use of one fixed height removed local sea level variation problem of NGVD 29
 - Use of one fixed height did open the possibility of unconstrained cross-continent error build up
 - $H=0$ surface of NAVD 88 was supposed to be parallel to the geoid...(close again)

The ellipsoid, the geoid, and *you*



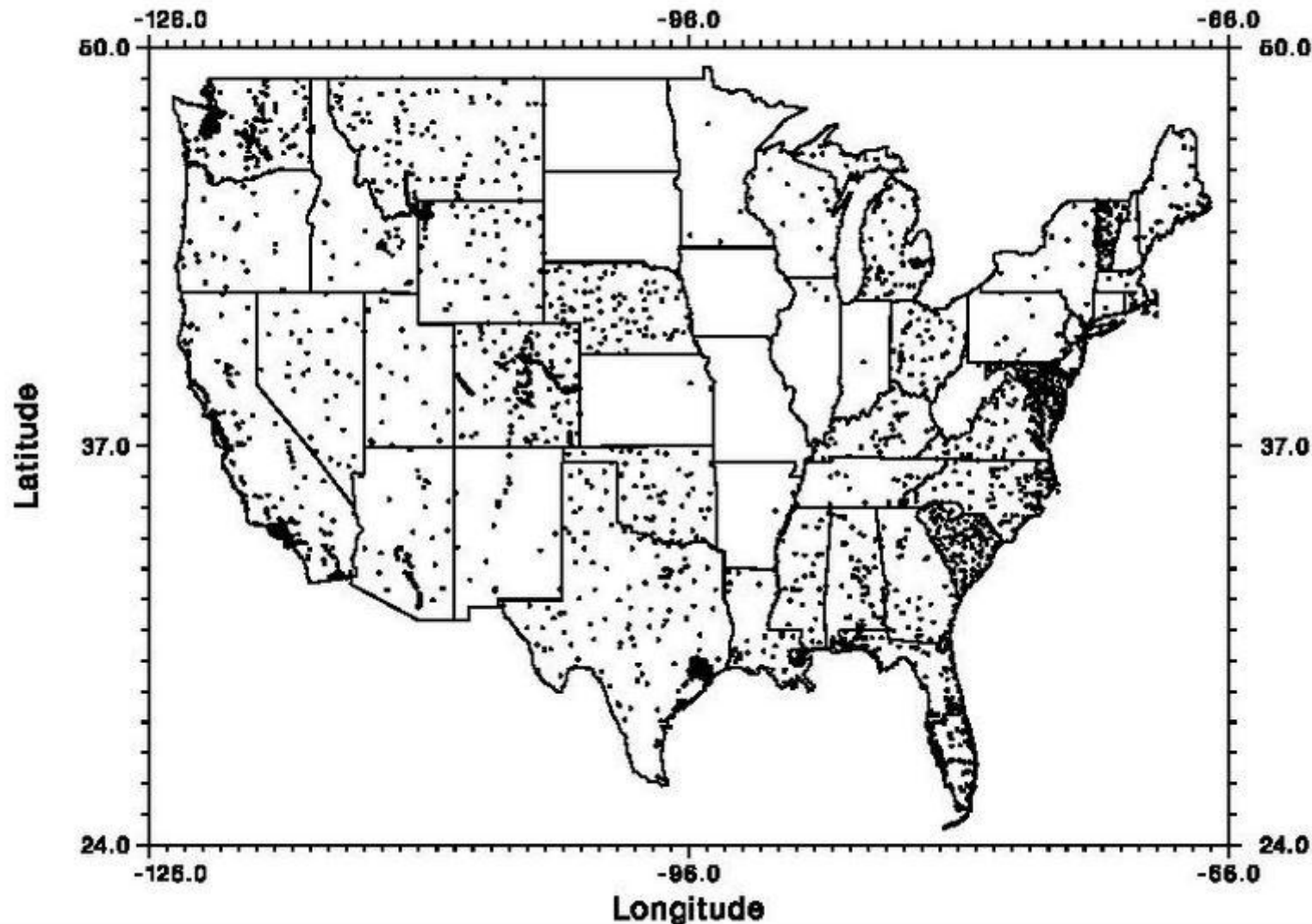
$$h \approx H + N_G$$

Note: Geoid height is **negative** everywhere in the coterminous US (but it is **positive** in most of Alaska)

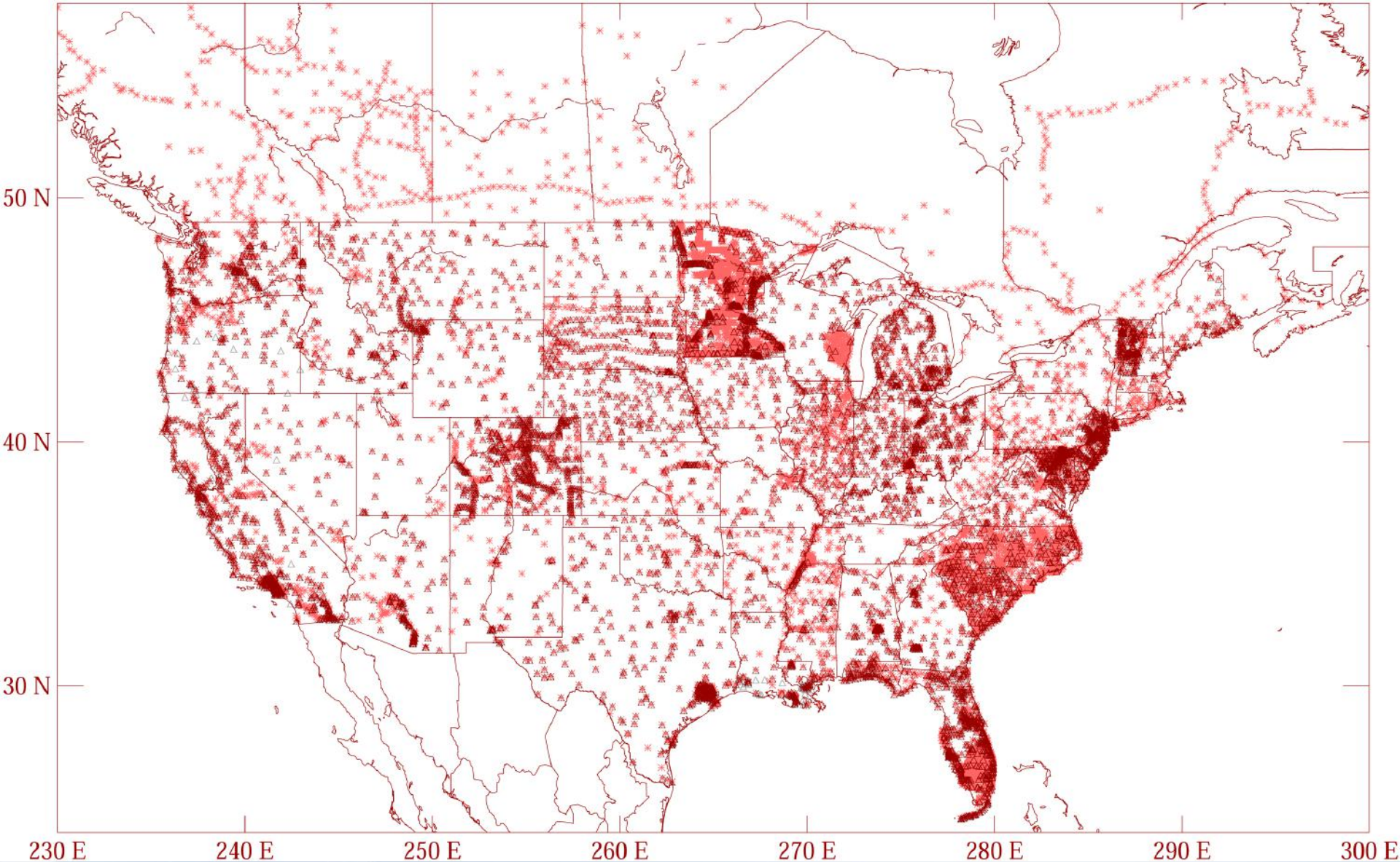
Types Uses and History of Geoid Height Models

- Gravimetric (or Gravity) Geoid Height Models
 - Defined by gravity data crossing the geoid
 - Refined by terrain models (DEM's)
 - Scientific and engineering applications
- Composite (or Hybrid) Geoid Height Models
 - Gravimetric geoid defines most regions
 - Warped to fit available GPSBM control data
 - Defined by legislated ellipsoid (NAD 83) and local vertical datum (NAVD 88, PRVD02, etc.)
 - May be statutory for some surveying & mapping applications

GPS NAVD88 Benchmarks (16-Sep-96)



GPSBM1996: 2,951total 0 Canada STDEV \approx 5 cm (2σ)



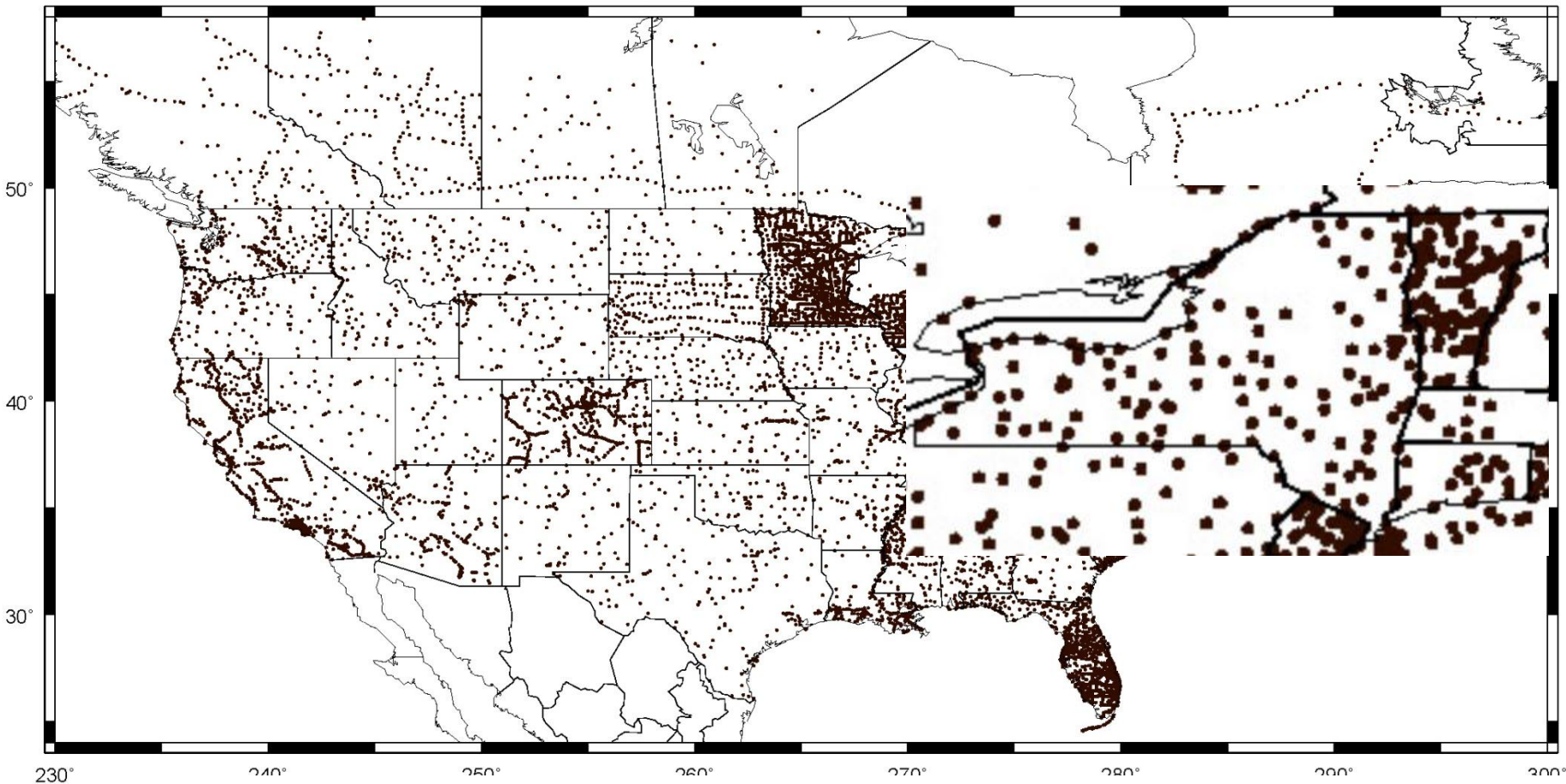
GPSBM1999: 6,169 total 0 Canada STDEV 9.2 cm (2σ)

GPSBM2003: 14,185 total 579 Canada STDEV 4.8 cm (2σ)

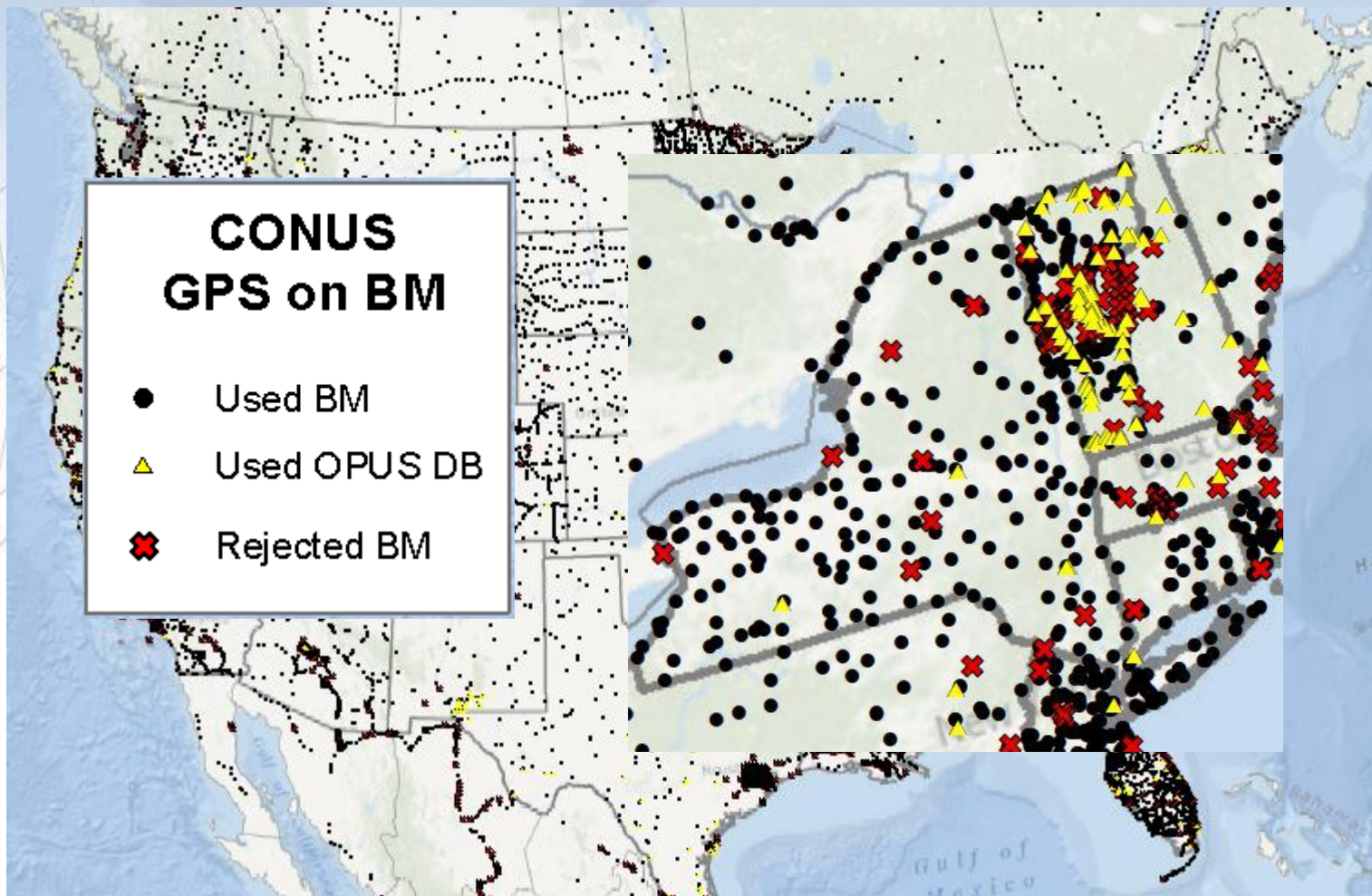


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GPS BMs for GEOID09

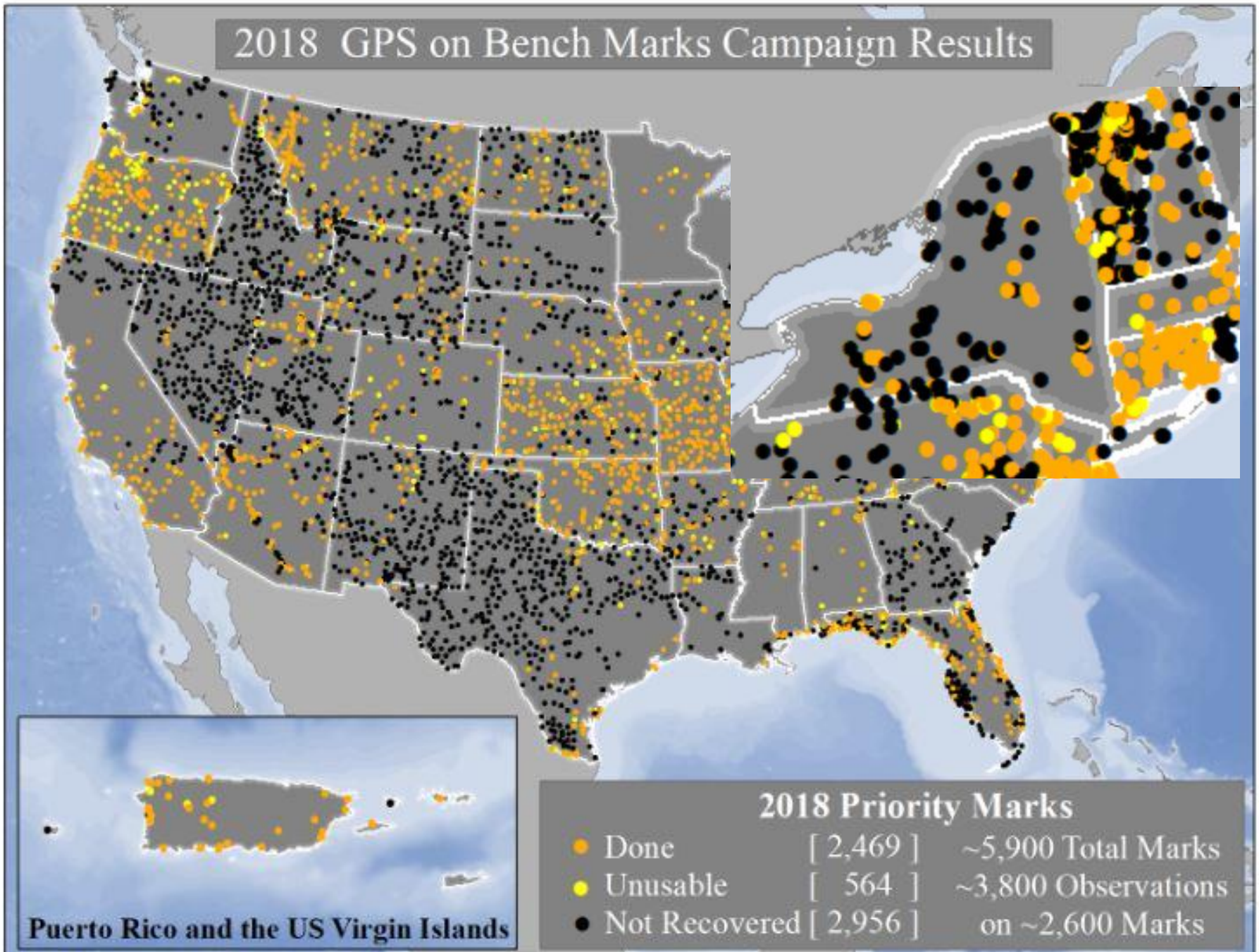


GPSBM2009: 18,398 STDEV 2.8 cm (2σ)



GPSBM2012B: 23,961 (CONUS)
499 (OPUS on BM)
574 (Canada)
177 (Mexico)

2018 GPS on Bench Marks Campaign Results



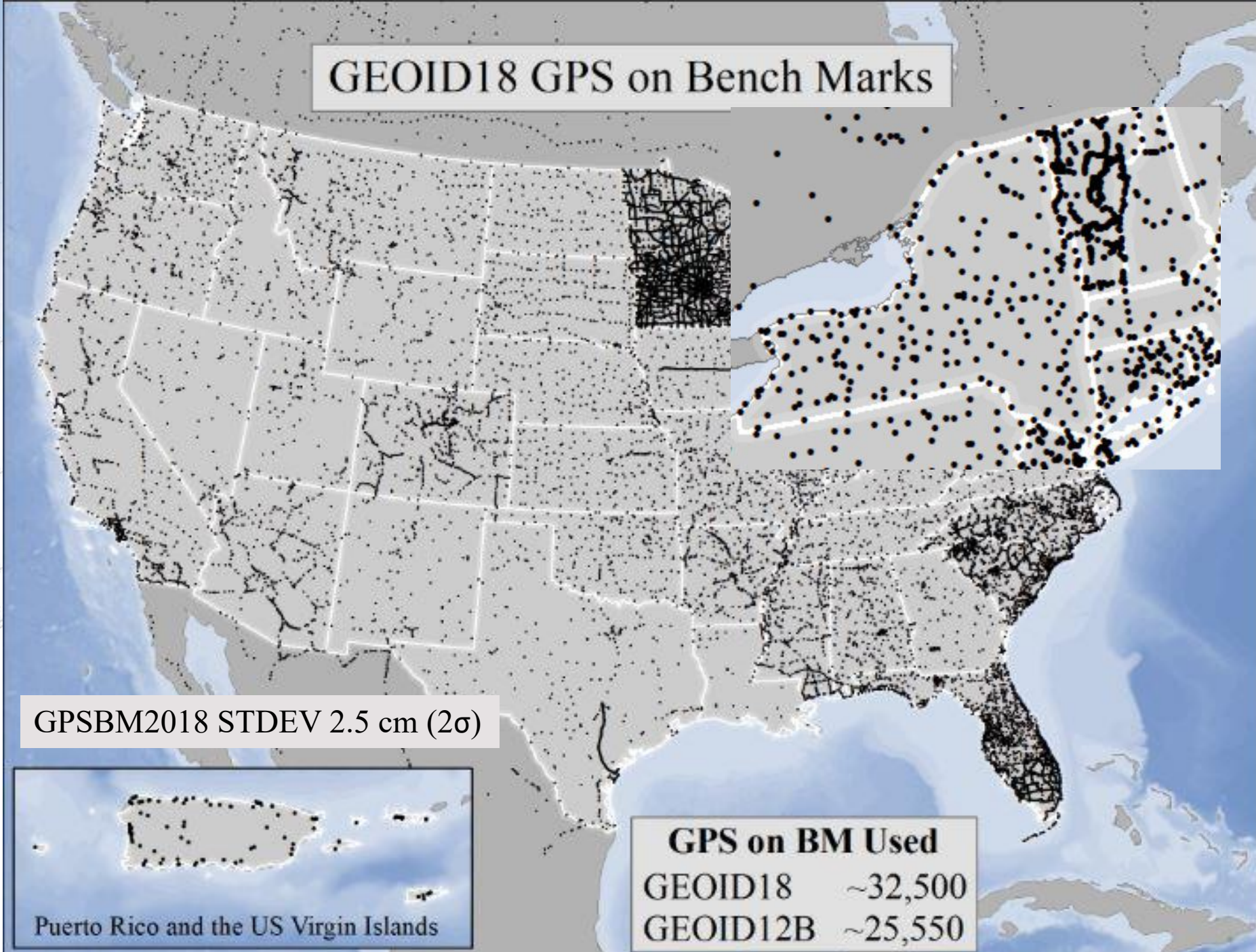
Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands

GEOID18 GPS on Bench Marks

GPSBM2018 STDEV 2.5 cm (2σ)

Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands

GPS on BM Used	
GEOID18	~32,500
GEOID12B	~25,550

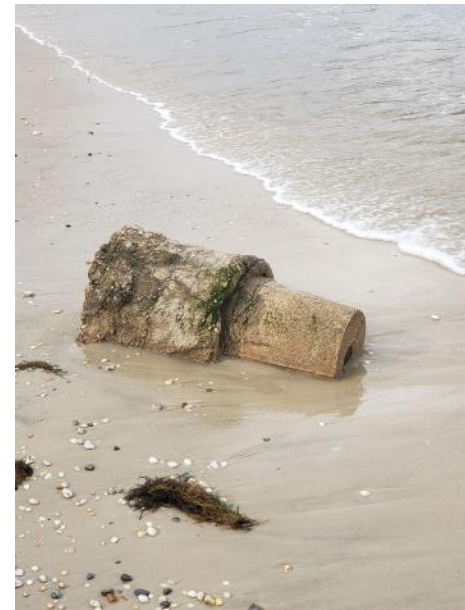


Which Geoid for Which NAD 83?

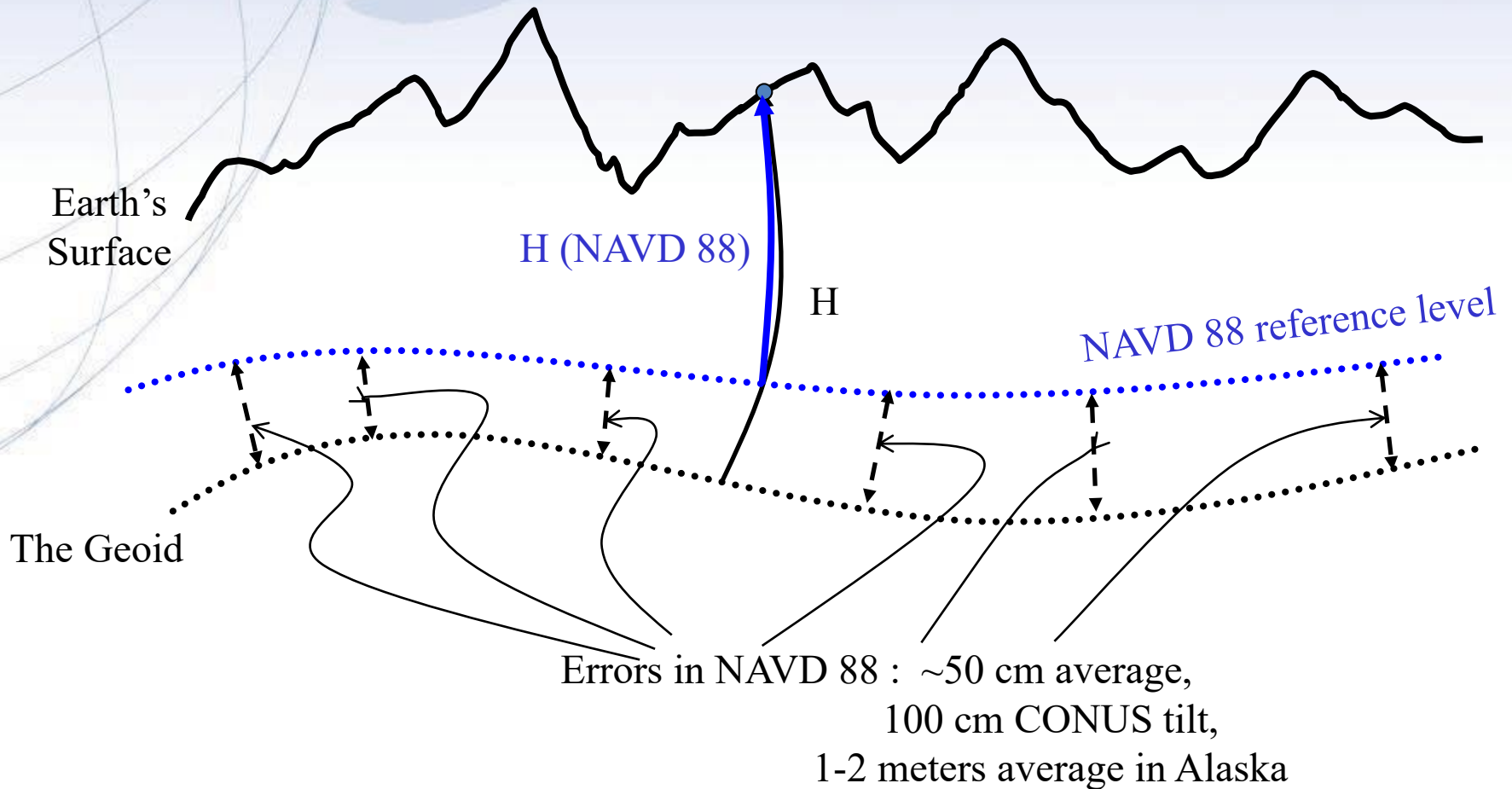
- NAD 83(2011)
 - Geoid18
 - Geoid12A/12B
- NAD 83(2007)
 - Geoid09
 - Geoid06 (AK only)
- NAD 83(1996) & CORS96
 - Geoid03
 - Geoid99
 - Geoid96

Problems with NAD 83 and NAVD 88

- **NAD 83** is not as geocentric as it could be (approx. 2 m)
 - Positioning Professionals don't see this - Yet
- **NAD 83** is not well defined with positional velocities
- **NAVD 88** is realized by passive control (bench marks) most of which have not been re-leveled in at least 40 years.
- **NAVD 88** does not account for local vertical velocities (subsidence and uplift)
 - Post glacial isostatic readjustment (uplift)
 - Subsurface fluid withdrawal (subsidence)
 - Sediment loading (subsidence)
 - Sea level rise (Up to 1.34 ft per 100 years)
 - **Montauk, NY 3.32 mm/yr (0.010 ft/yr) 1947-2018**
 - **Sandy Hook, NJ 4.09 mm/yr (0.013 ft/yr) 1932-2018**



Why isn't NAVD 88 good enough anymore?



Why replace NAVD 88 and NAD 83?

- **ACCESS!**
 - easier to find the sky than a 60-year-old bench mark
 - GNSS equipment is cheap and fast
- **ACCURACY!**
 - easier to trust the sky than a 60-year old bench mark
 - immune to passive mark instability
- **GLOBAL STANDARDS!**
 - systematic errors of many meters across the US
 - aligns with GPS, international efforts
 - aligns with Canada, Mexico

The National Geodetic Survey 10 year plan Mission, Vision and Strategy 2008 – 2018, 2013-2023

<http://www.ngs.noaa.gov/INFO/NGS10yearplan.pdf>

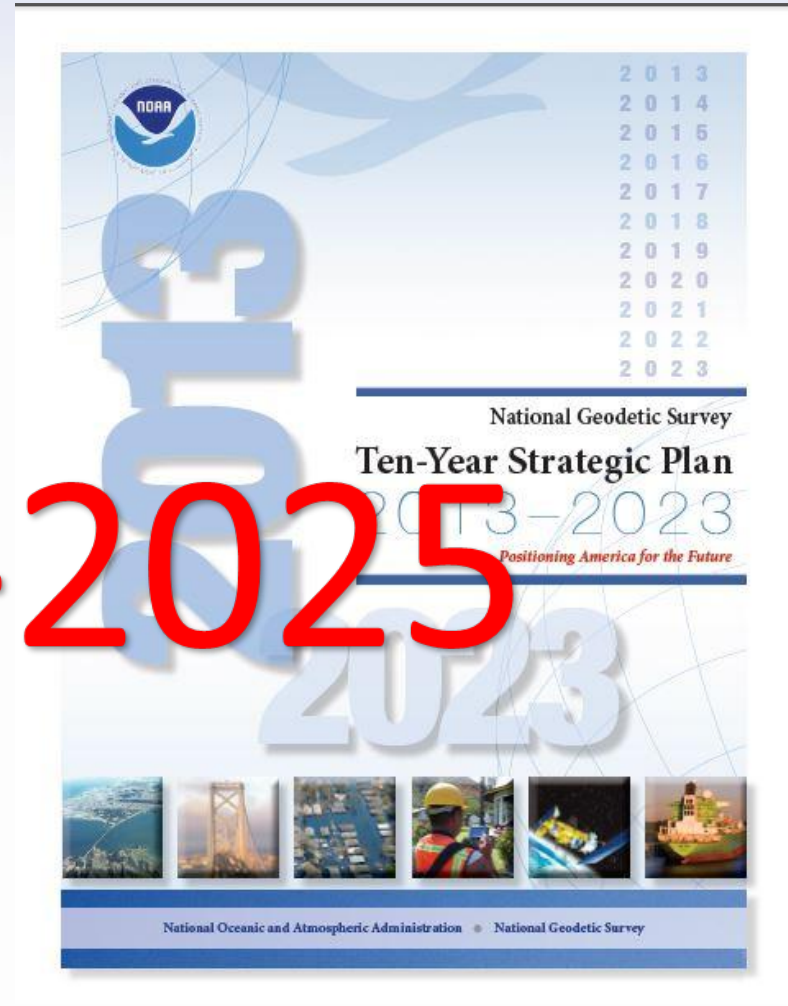
- Official NGS policy as of Jan 9, 2008
 - Modernized agency
 - Attention to accuracy

to time-changes
products and services
in with other fed missions

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2024-2025

NAVDS 93 re-defined
acy access to all
es
-focused agency
entific leadership

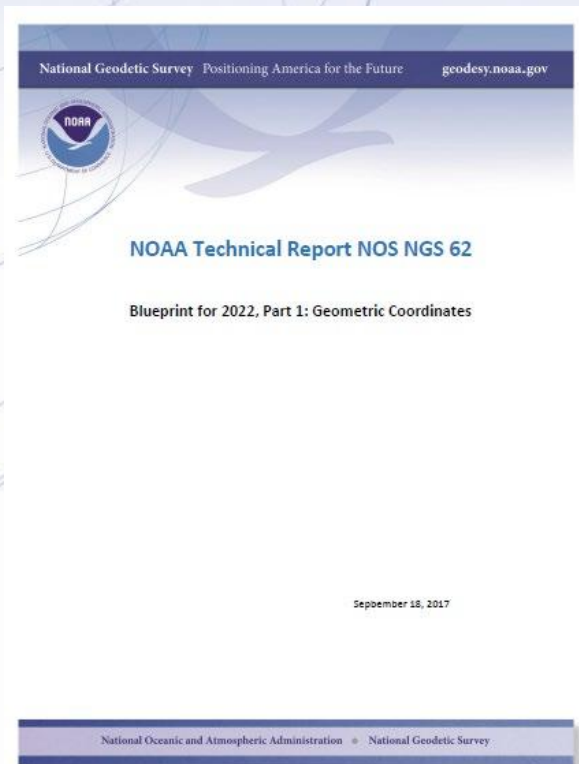


Why not 2022??

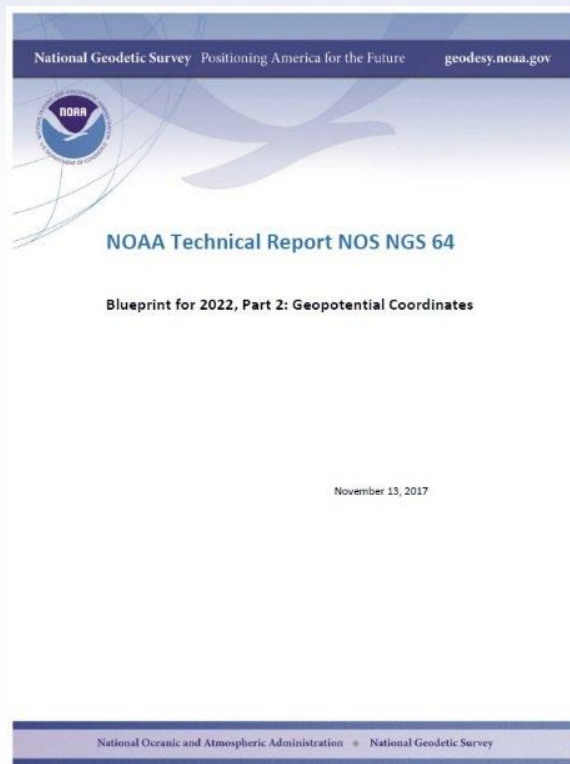
- 2018 – three government shutdown
 - Third shutdown coincided with GRAV-D deployment in Pacific (delay of 1 year)
 - Growing complexity
 - Personnel
 - 2020!!!!
 - See Dru Smith's Webinar for full details.
 - https://www.ngs.noaa.gov/web/science_edu/webinar_series/delayed-release-nrs.shtml

Modernizing the NSRS

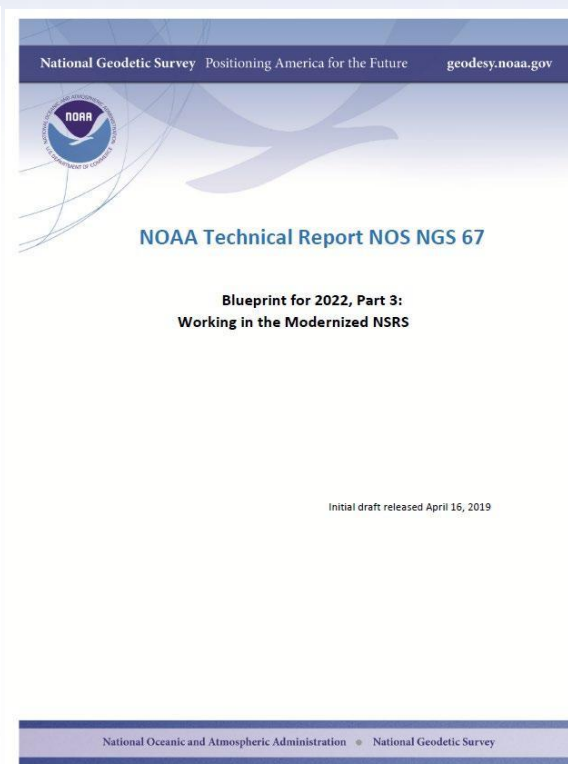
The “blueprint” documents: Your best source for information



Geometric:
Sep 2017



Geopotential:
Nov 2017



**Working in the
modernized NSRS:**
April 2019 (currently
being revised)

The wrong question, circa 2022:

“What’s the position of that point?”

The right question, circa 2022:

“What’s the position of that point, **on some specific date?**”

Drift...

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Blueprint for 2022, Part 1: Geometric Coordinates

North American Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022

NATRF2022

(pronounced: nat-ref)

Reference Frame \approx Datum

- Reference Frame is a more *scientifically appropriate* way of saying “datum”
- could be debated that “datum” was misused
- you will continue to see NGS use the phrase “New Datums” for 2022

Reference Frame Defined

A point of view or a 'frame of reference'.

If your reference frame is North America, you are standing somewhere within North America, **seeing how other places move** from your point of view.

Replacing NAD83

2. remove non-geocentricity of NAD83
3. align to ITRF2020 at epoch 2020.00
4. remove most of tectonic plate rotation from ITRF2020 via Euler Pole Parameters
(pronounced: “oiler”)

Shift and Drift...

Four “Plate-Fixed” Reference Frames



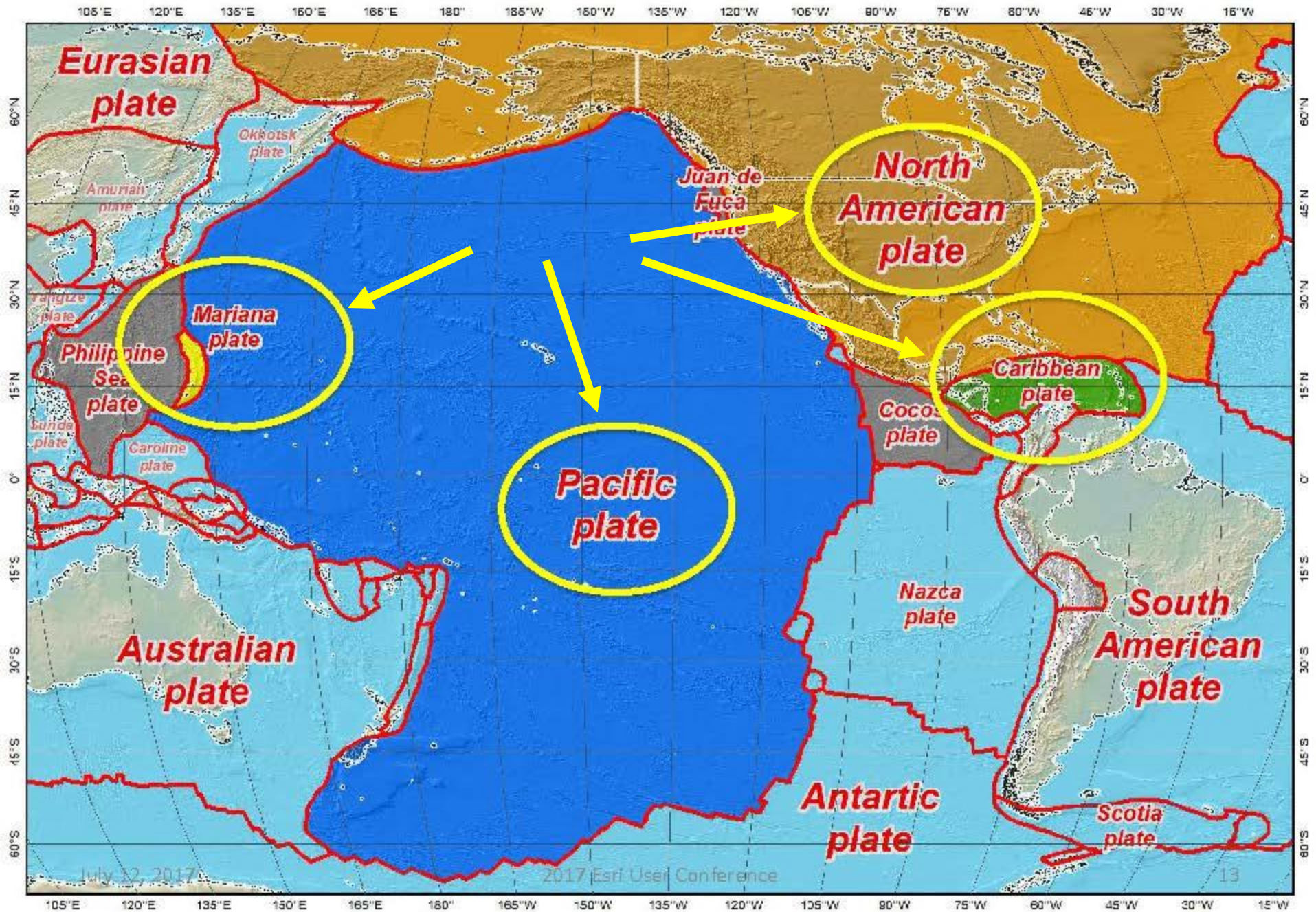
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Pacific Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022
(PATRF2022)

Caribbean Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022
(CATRF2022)

Mariana Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022
(MATRF2022)

The four tectonic plates “fixed” for the 2022 terrestrial reference frames



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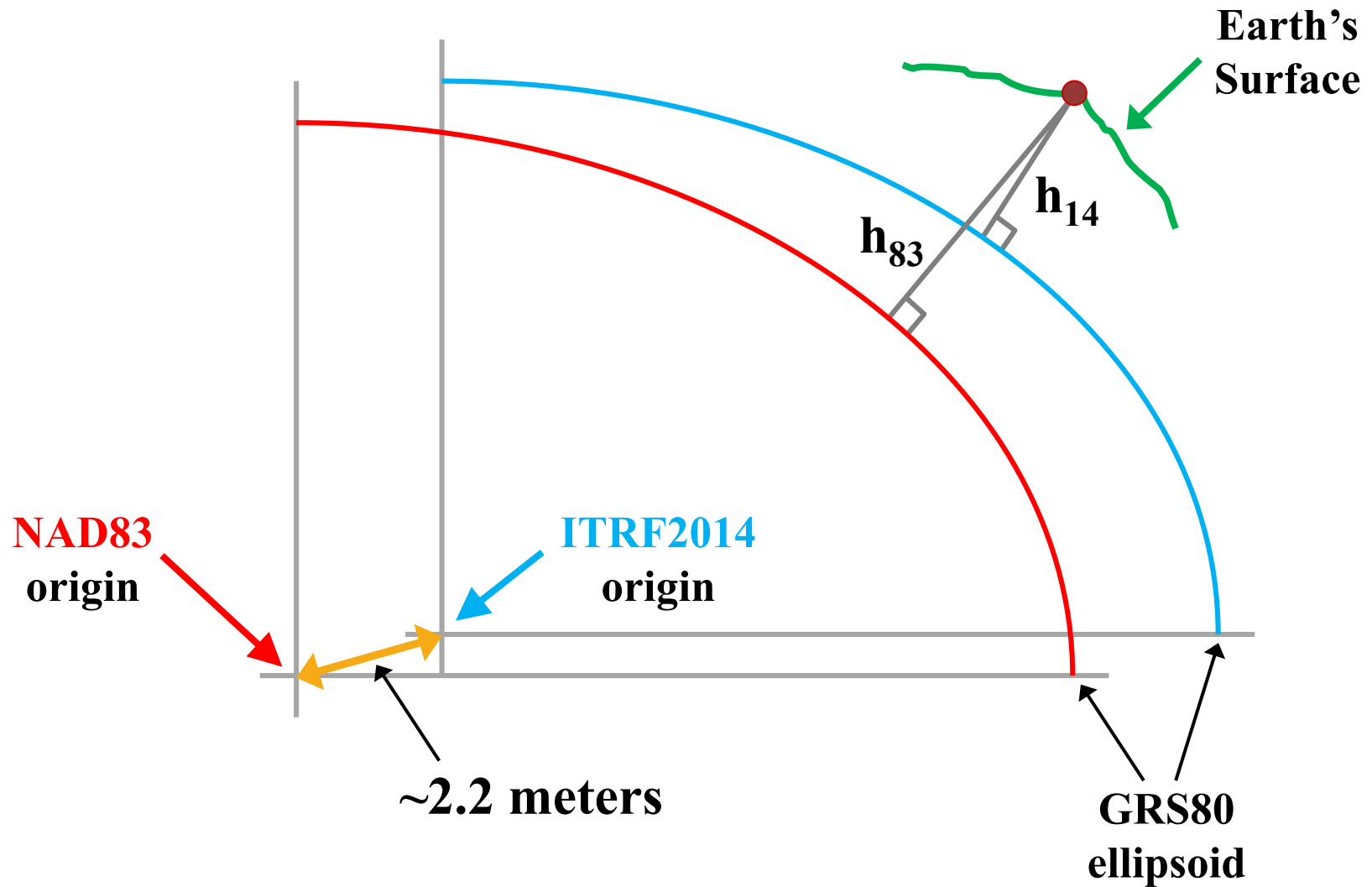
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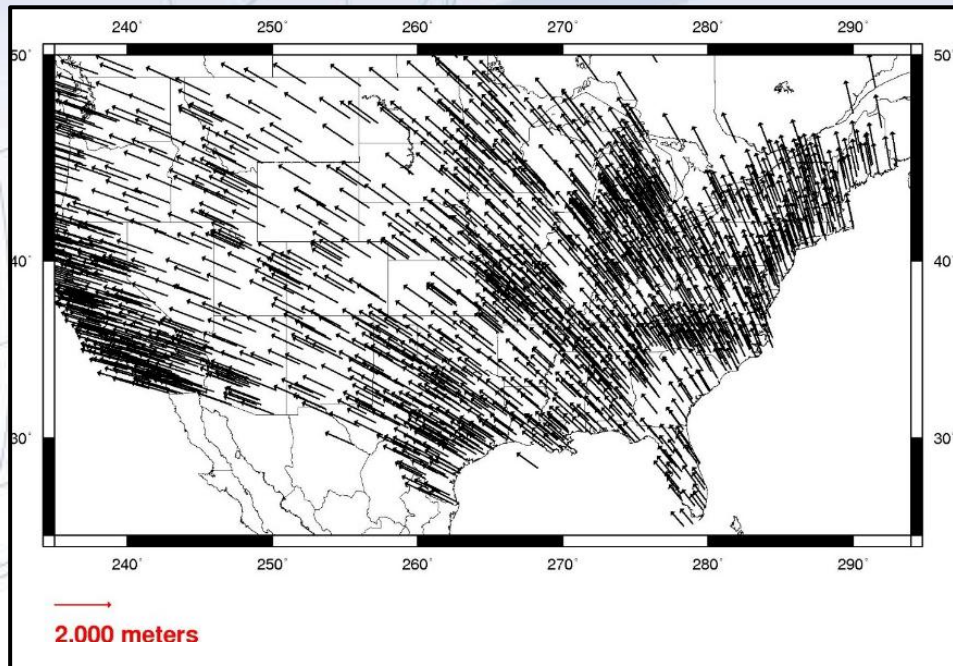
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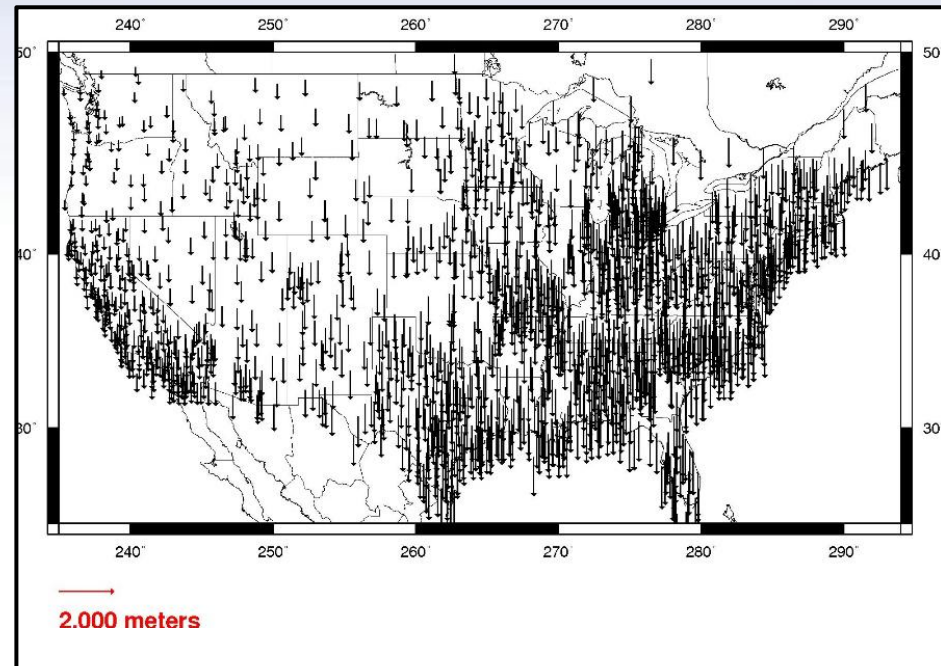
Non-geocentricity of NAD83



Geometric change due to ellipsoid non-geocentricity



Horizontal (Lat, Lon)



Ellipsoidal (h)

Shift...

What are we trying to say??



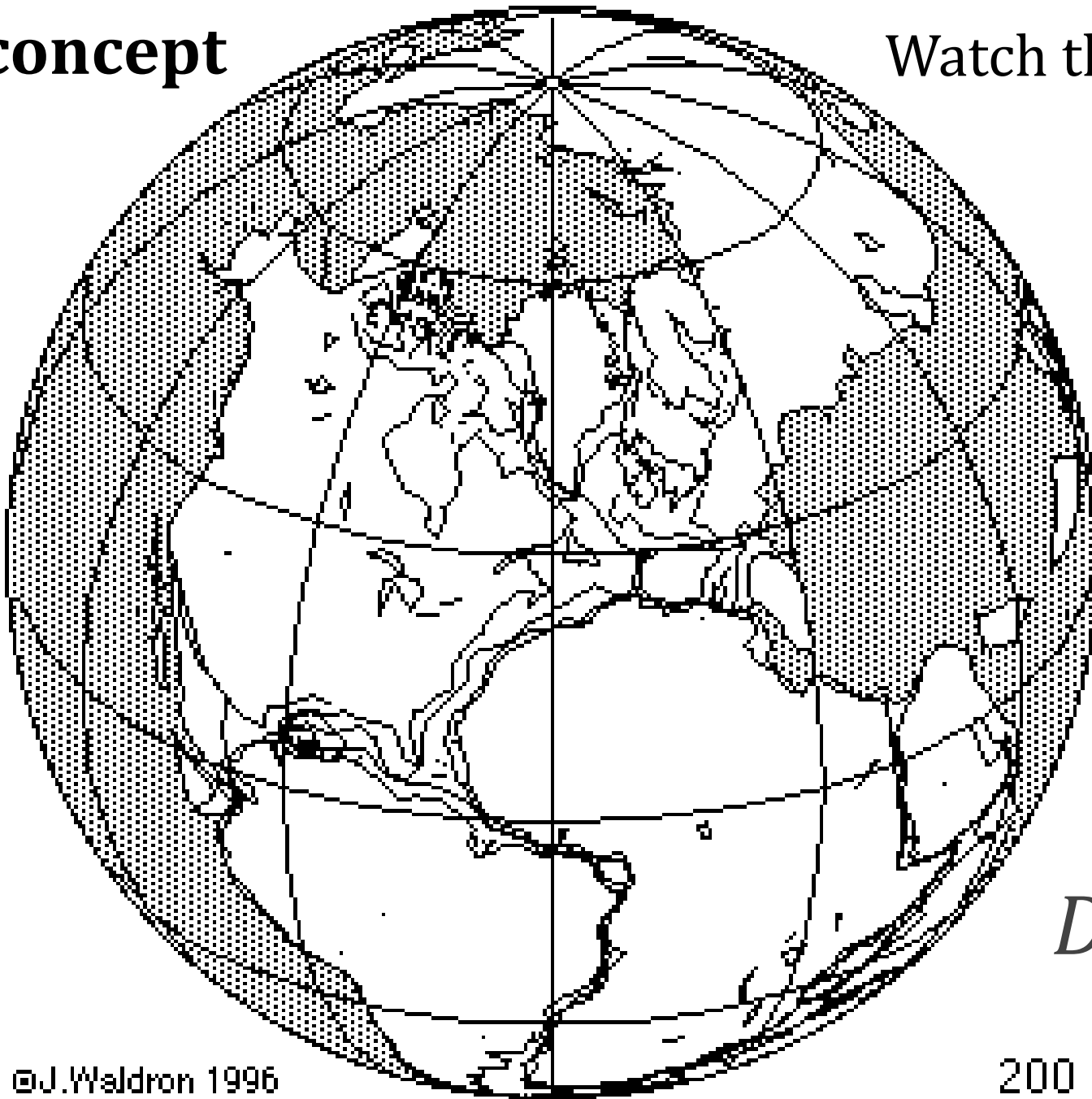
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Shift and Drift...

ITRF concept

Watch the grid!



Two types of drift

Tectonic Plate Rotation

- horizontal *simple to model*

Everything Else

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Tectonic Plate Rotation

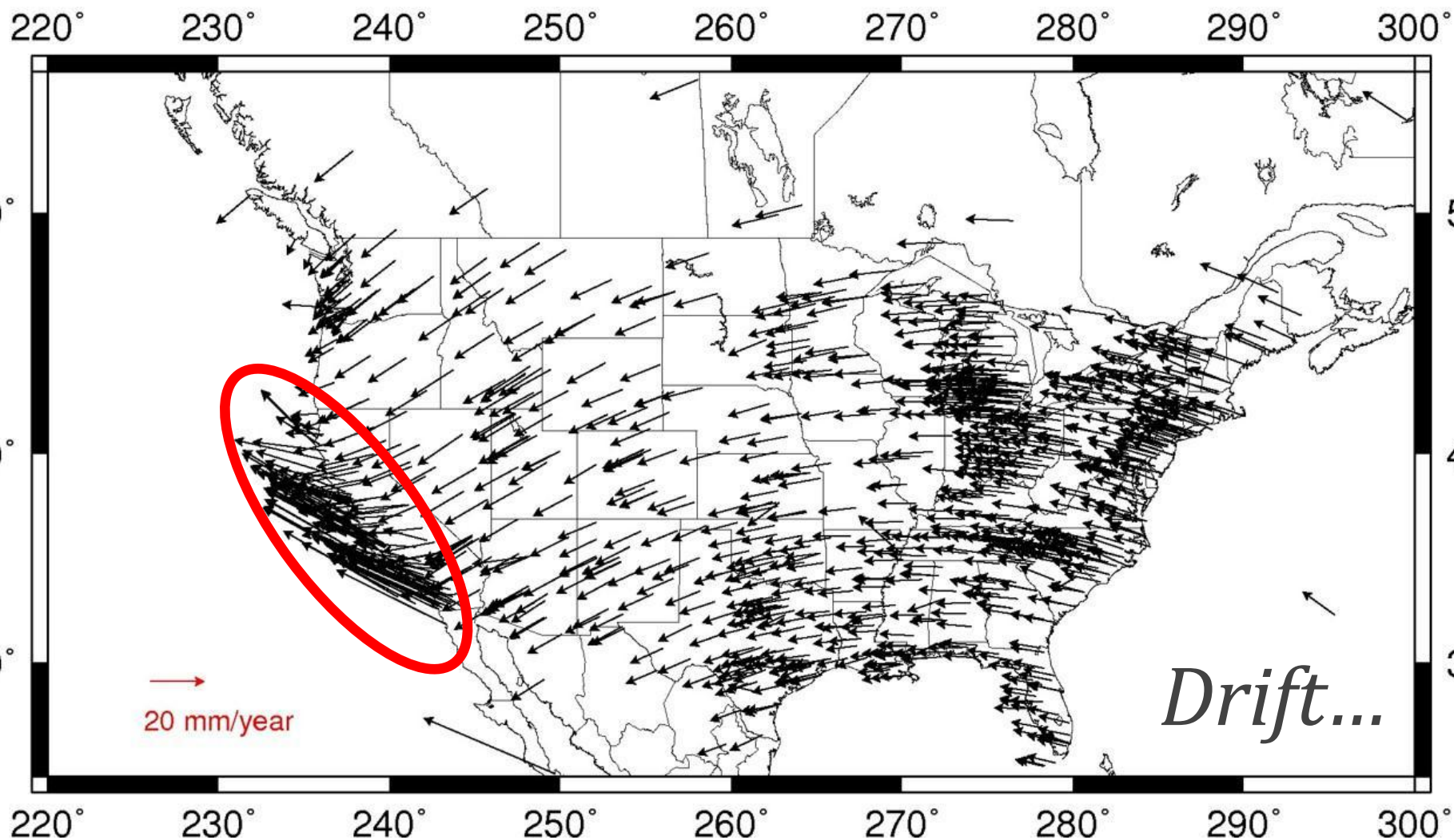
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**Euler Pole Parameters
of 2022**

EPP2022

Plate Rotation visualized

ITRF2014 Velocities over CONUS



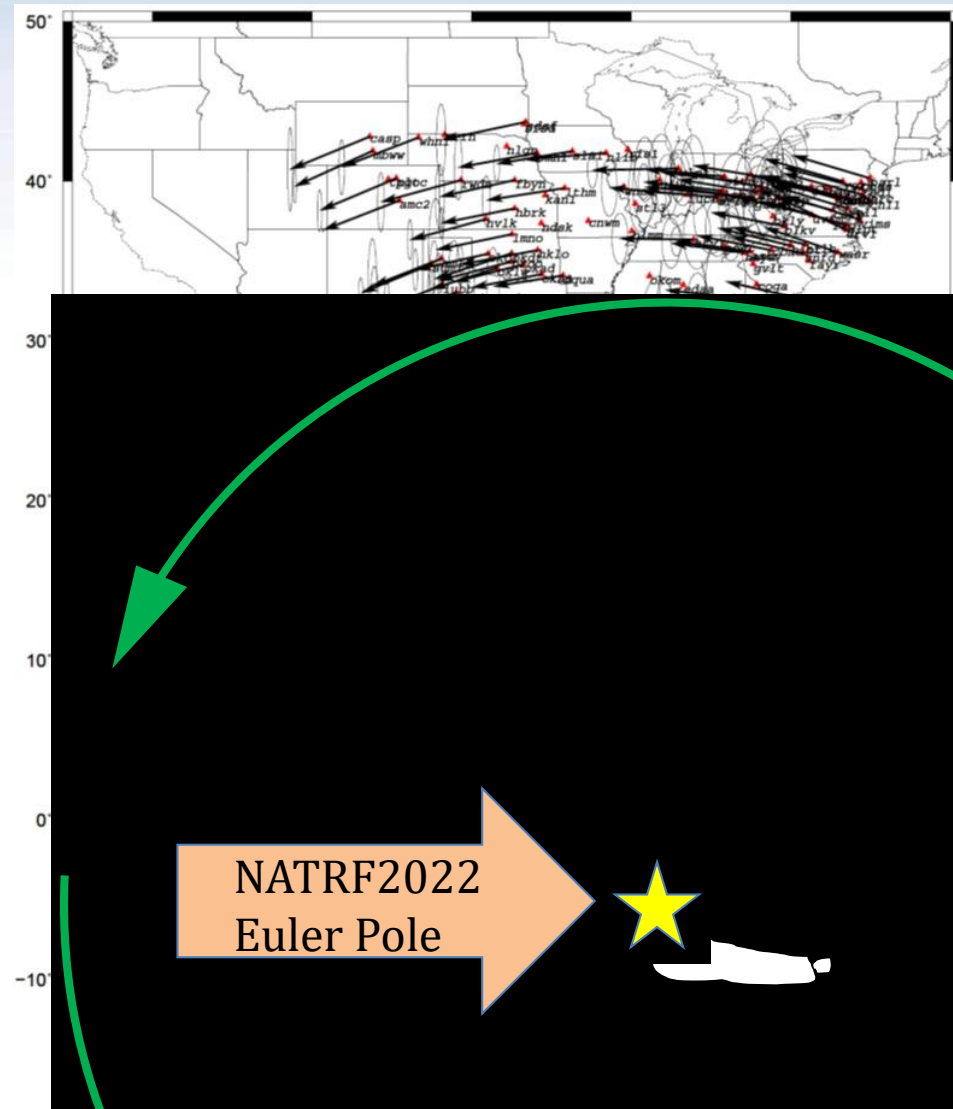
Euler Poles and “Plate-Fixed”

– In the ITRF, many tectonic plates have a *dominant* motion: **rotation**

– **Euler Pole** - point about which a plate rotates (yellow star)

– Euler Pole Parameters

- *Lat*
- *Lon*
- *Rotation Rate*



Euler Poles and “Plate-Fixed”

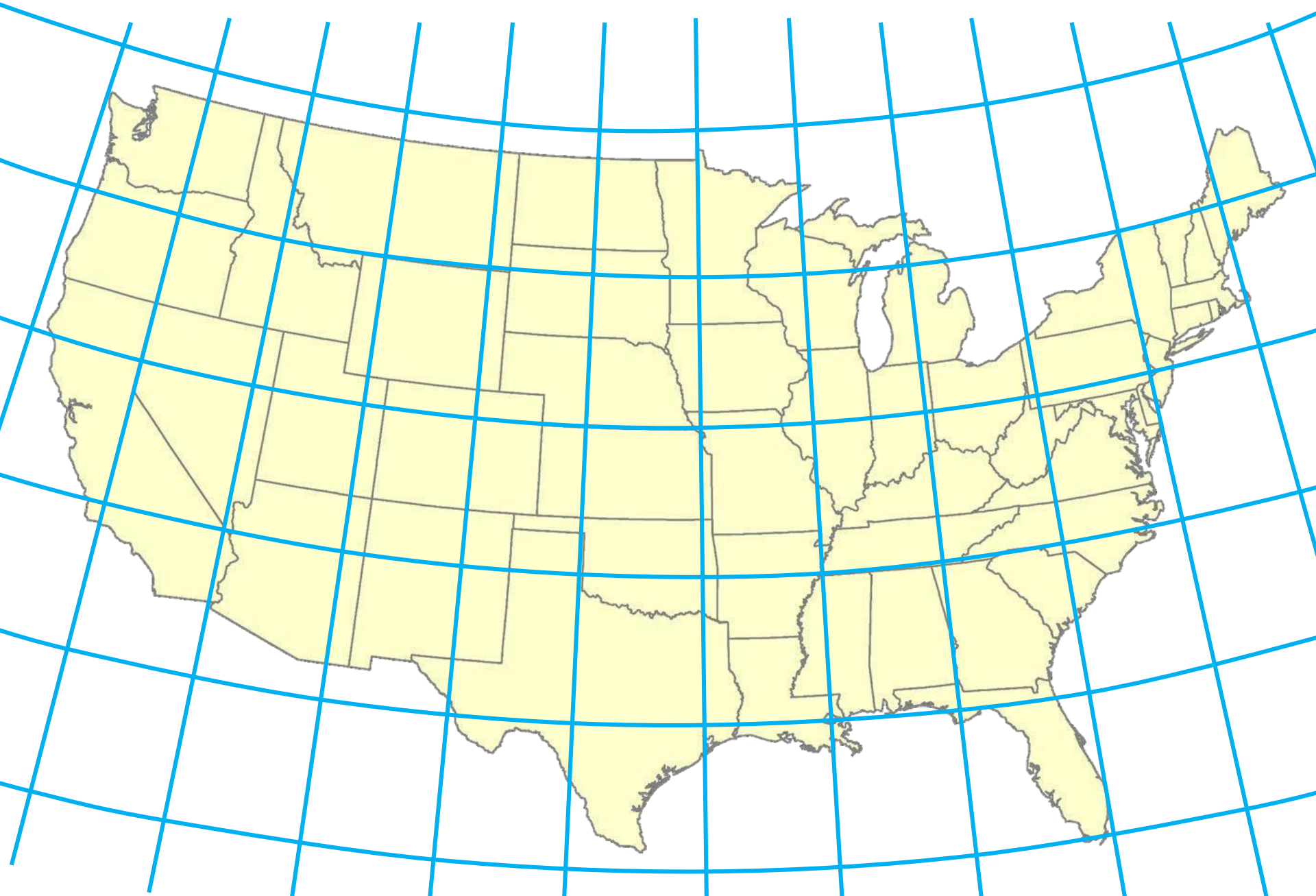
ITRF

Frame = constant
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NATRF

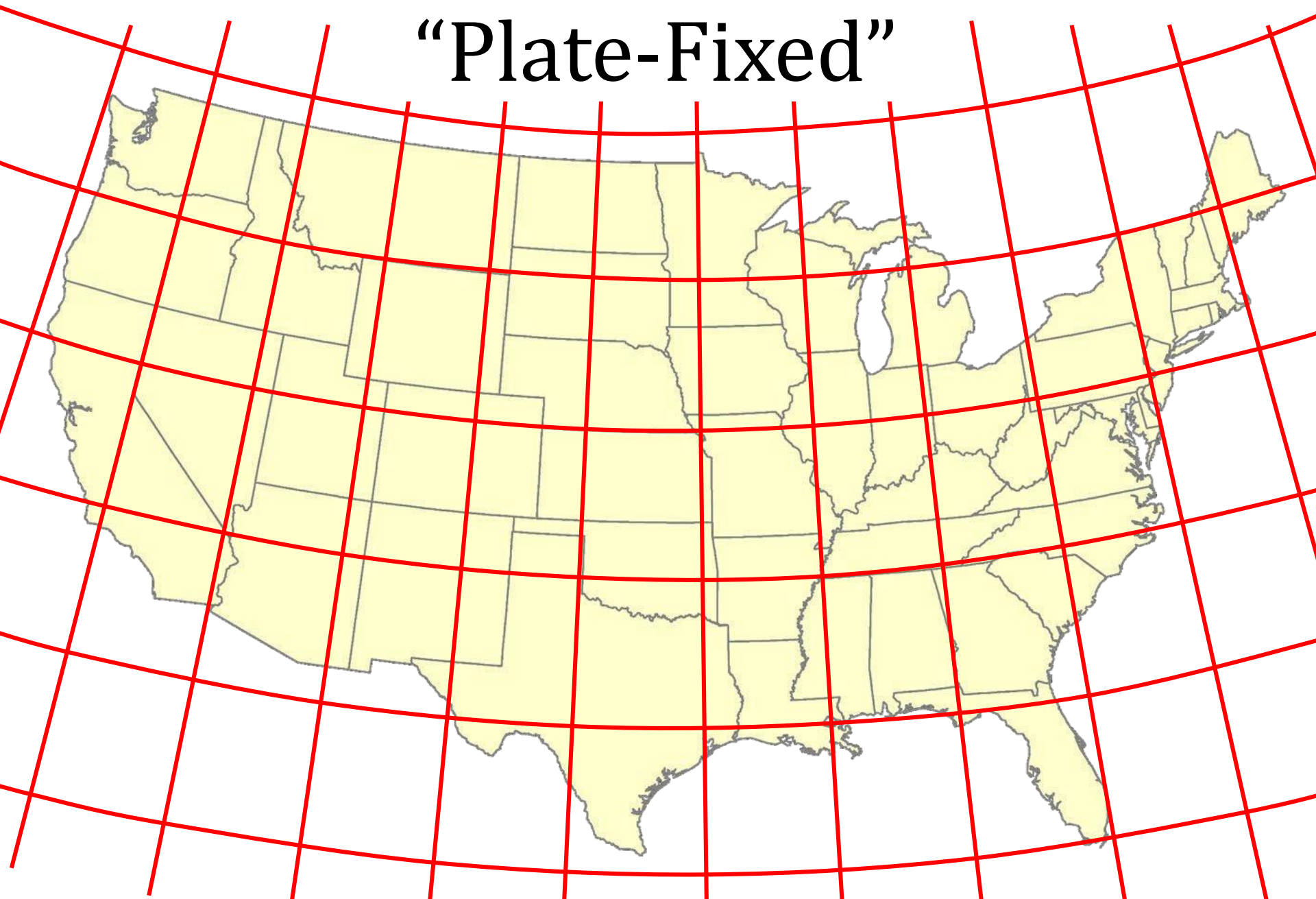
Frame = rotating
(*relative to ITRF*)
NA Plate = constant
(*relative to NATRF2022*)

ITRF – constant frame, rotating plate

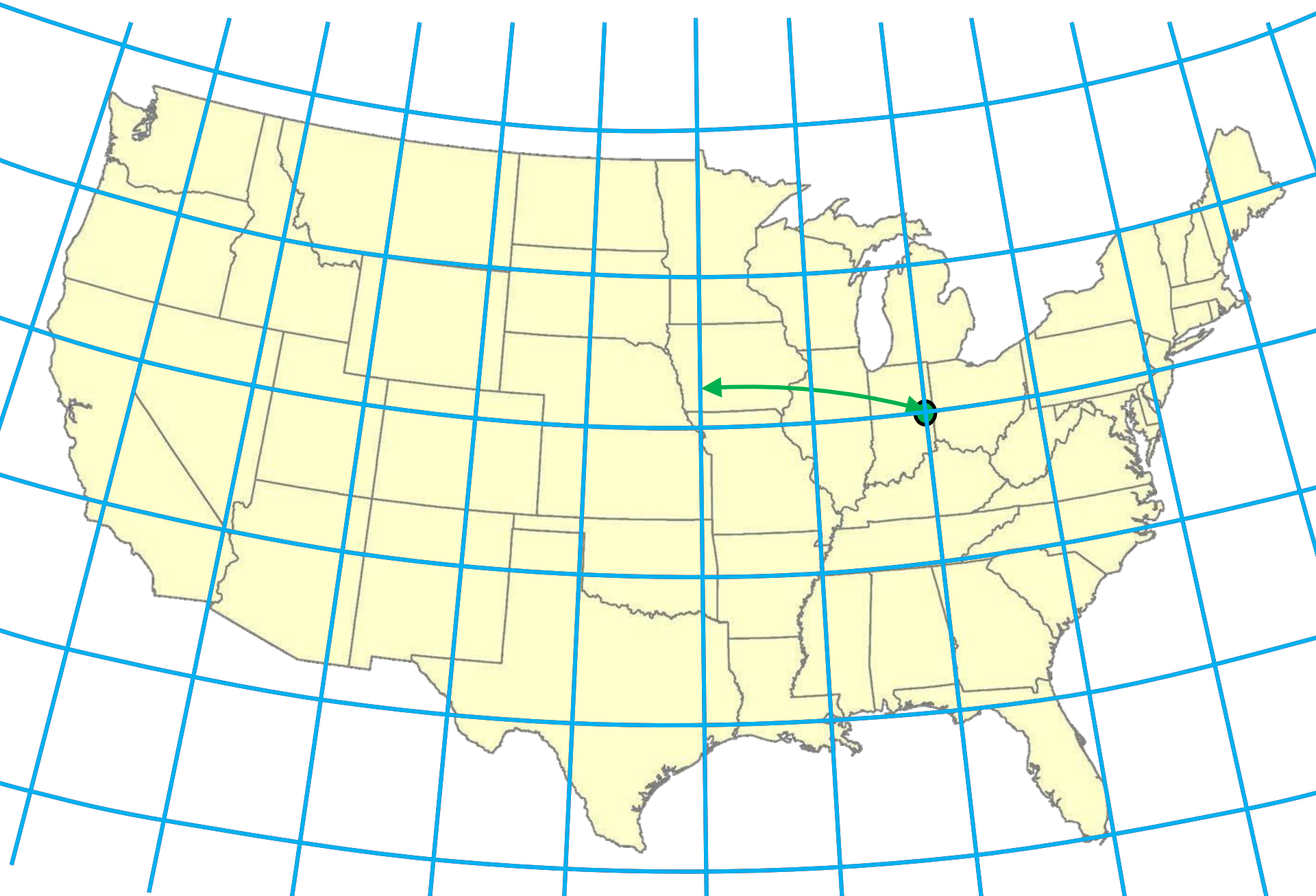


NATRF – rotating frame, constant with plate

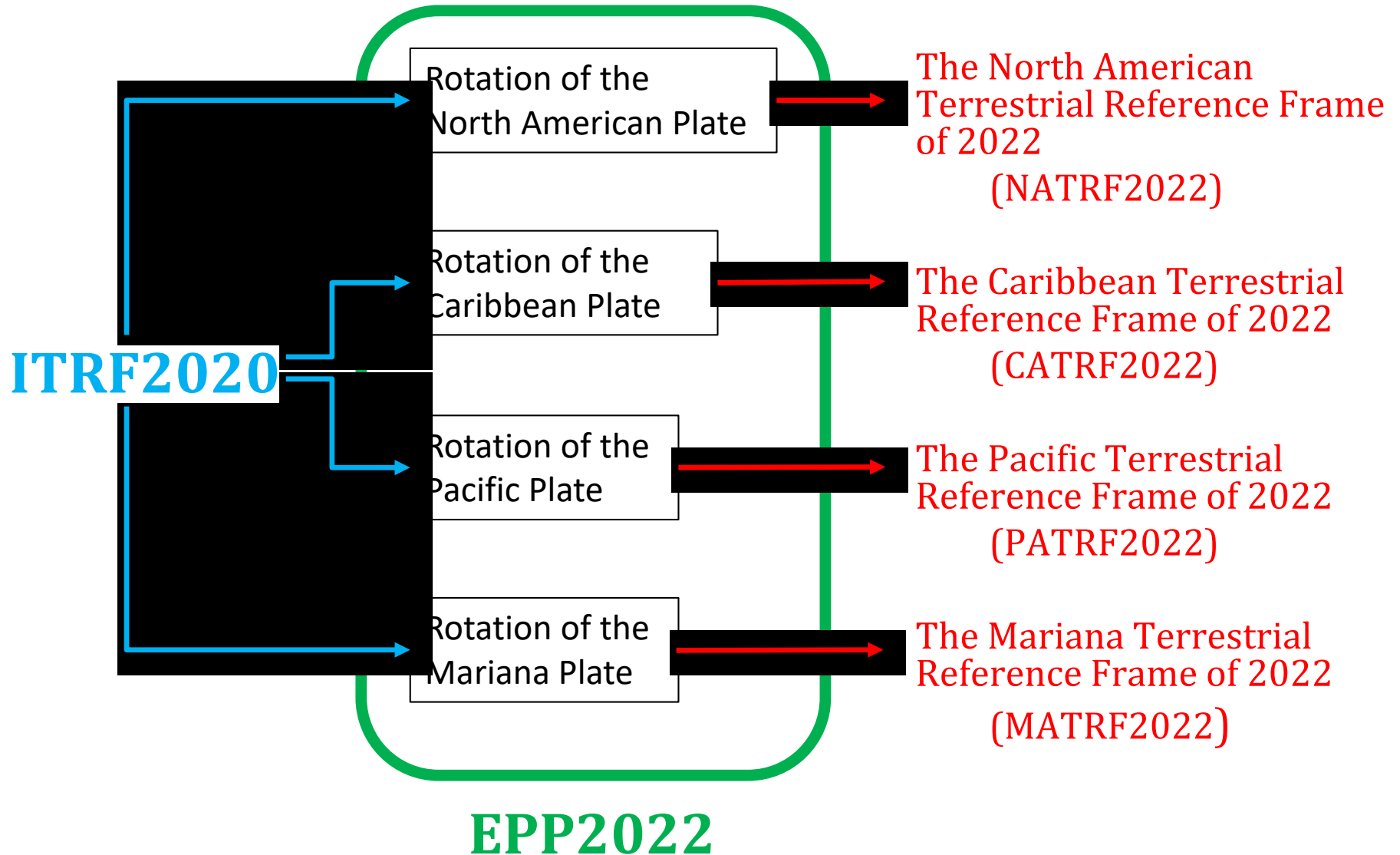
“Plate-Fixed”



ITRF or **NATRF** – your choice, just use **EPP**

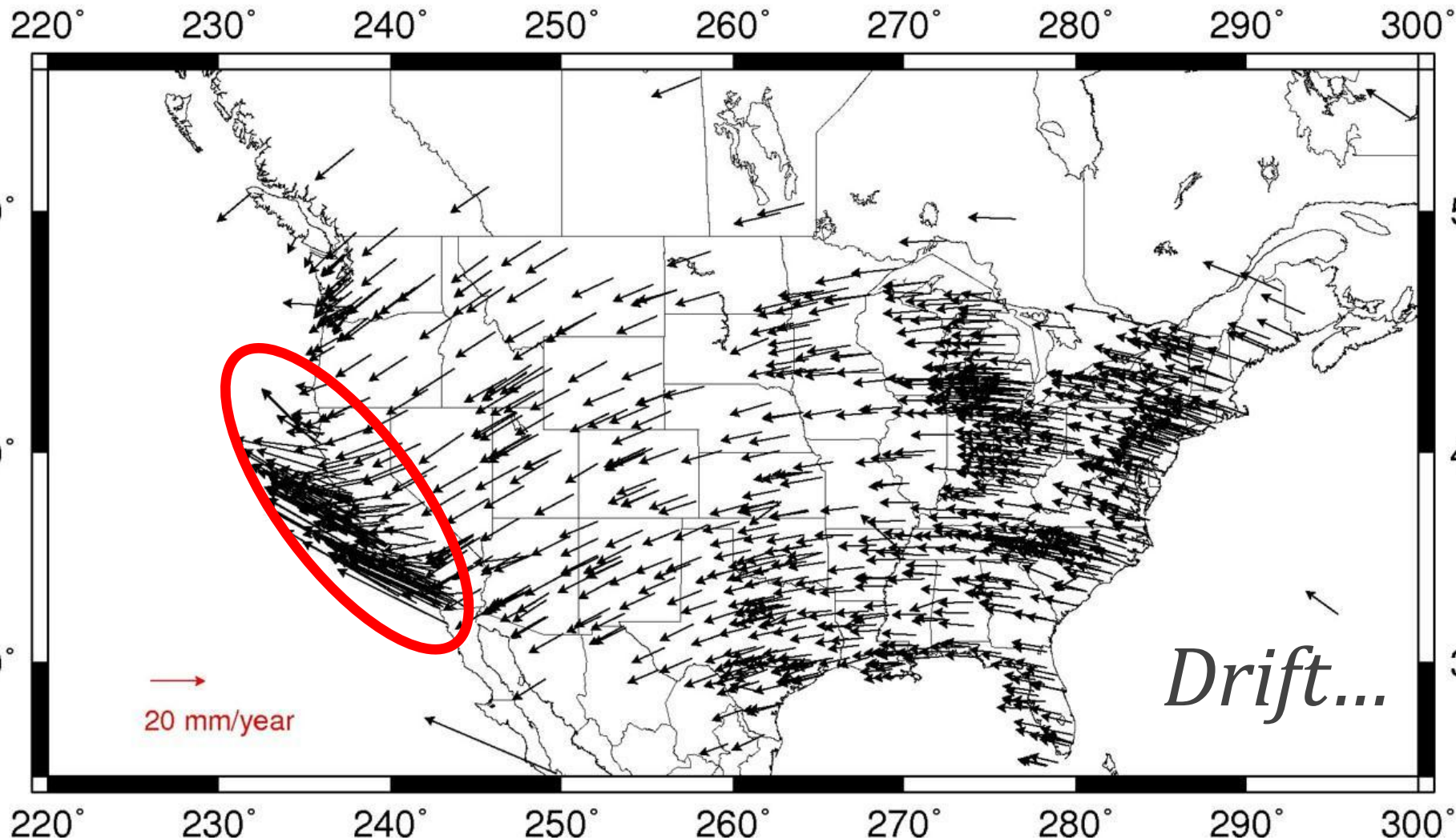


$$\text{ITRF2020} + \text{EPP2022} = \text{--TRF2022}$$



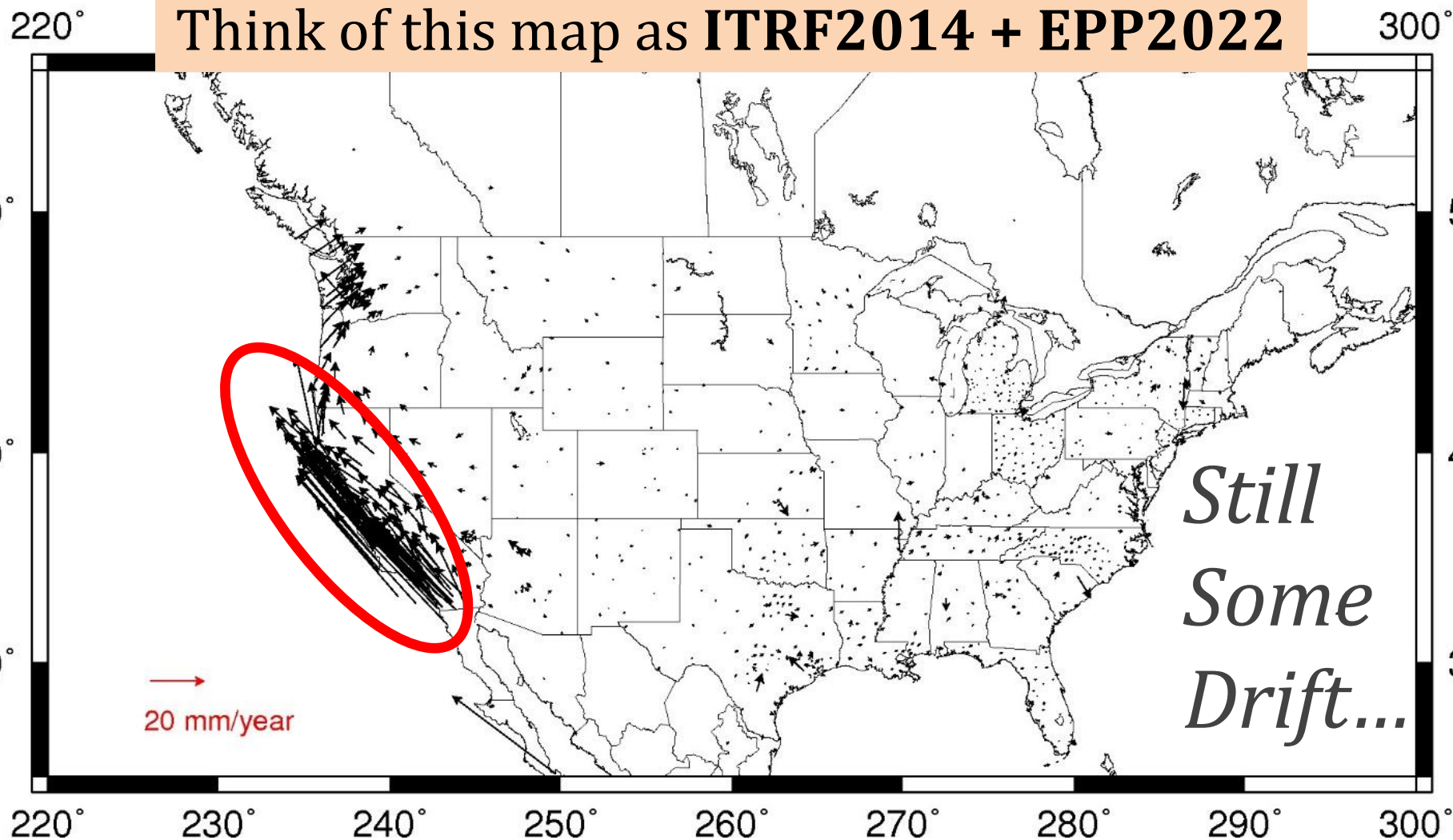
CORS Velocities in ITRF2014

ITRF2014 Velocities over CONUS



CORS Velocities in NATRF2022

NATRF2022 Velocities over CONUS



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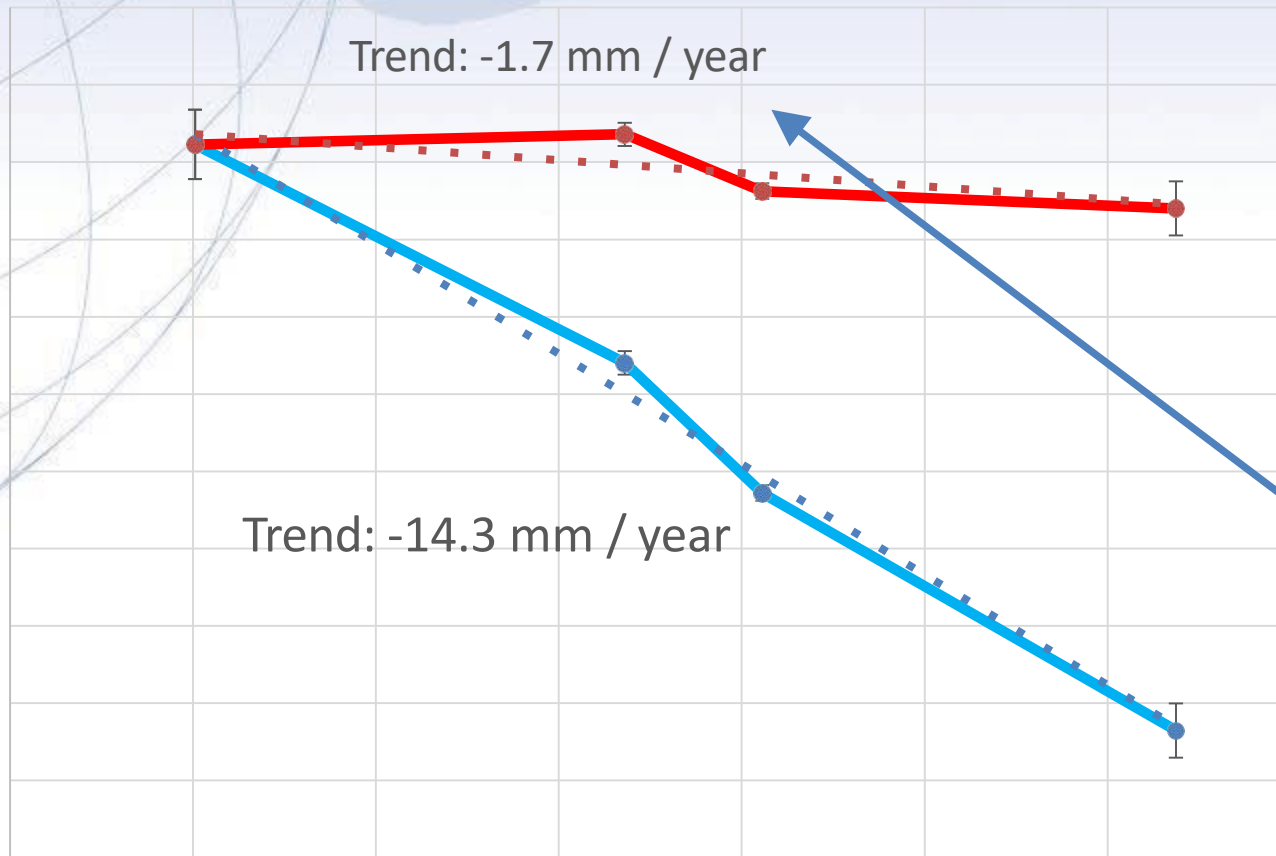
complex

Intra-Frame Velocity Model of 2022

IFVM2022

Concept of goal of IFVM

Longitude (Easting) History of DI4044



**RED IS
NATRF2022
COORDINATE**

*Still
Some
Drift...*

**BLUE IS ITRF
COORDINATE**

2004 2006 2008 2010 2012 2014 2016 2018

Still Some Drift...

- **Everything** in the world moves
- Coordinates will be associated with the actual date when the data was collected!
- Velocities at all marks can be *estimated* using this Intra-Frame Velocity Model
- IFVM goal is to move collected data thru time to Reference Epochs for coordinate comparisons/analysis

Intra-Frame Velocity Model

- A model of all residual velocities, *after removal of tectonic rotation via EPP*:
 - Horizontal residual motion
 - Total vertical motion (ellipsoid heights)
 - Replaces / Improves upon HTDP
- Given t_1 and t_2 , compute D_f , D_l , D_h at any point, accounting for all motions (drifts, earthquakes, GIA, etc.)
- Likely be built upon CORS data, geodynamic models and InSAR

EPP2022 – Euler Pole Parameters – Simple Rotation

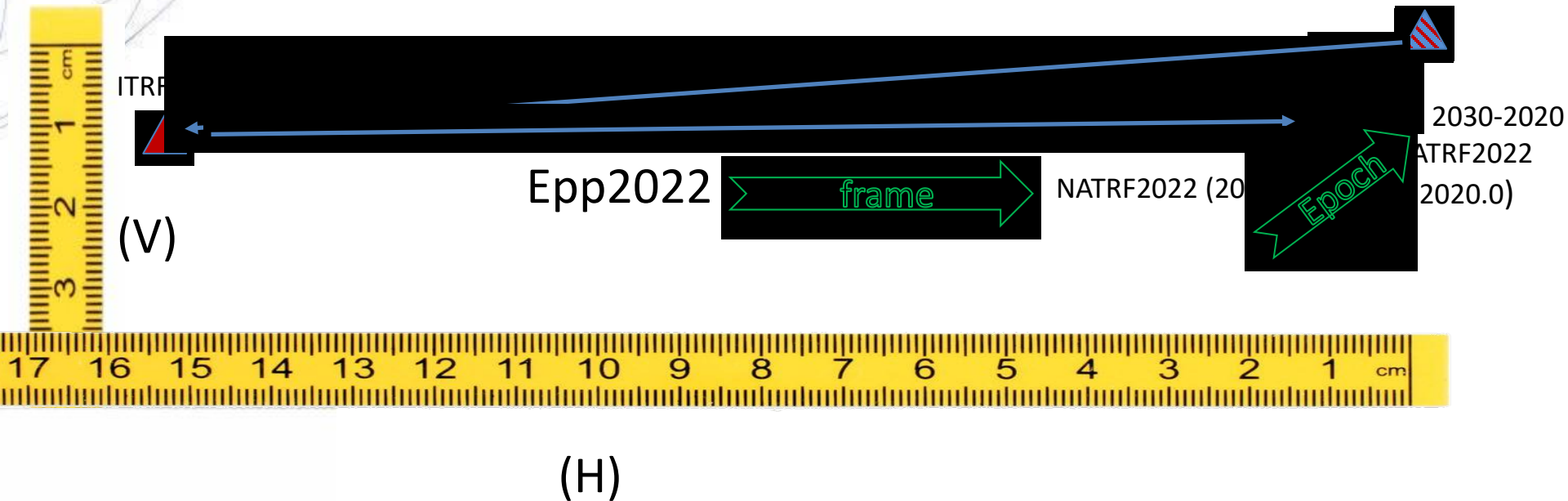
- Three parameters: lat, lon, rotation speed
- Horizontal *only*: just latitude and longitude
- Changes the *frame*: ITRF2020 + EPP2022 = NATRF2022
- Does **not** change the *epoch*

IFVM2022 – Intra-Frame Velocity Model - Complex

- Complex set of parameters
- Residual horizontal motion: all the motion leftover after Euler Pole rotation
- All vertical motion: localized subsidence or uplift
- Changes the *epoch*
- Does **not** change the *frame*: “intra” = on the inside; within

1. A survey done Jan 1, 2020
2. New Survey (same point) done Jan 1, 2030
3. Position of point in NATRF2022(2030)
4. Position of point in NATRF2022(2020)
5. If IFVM = 0, then $\text{NATRF2022}(2030) = \text{NATRF2022}(2020)$

Position from
2020 survey
NATRF2022 (2020)
ITRF2020 (2020)

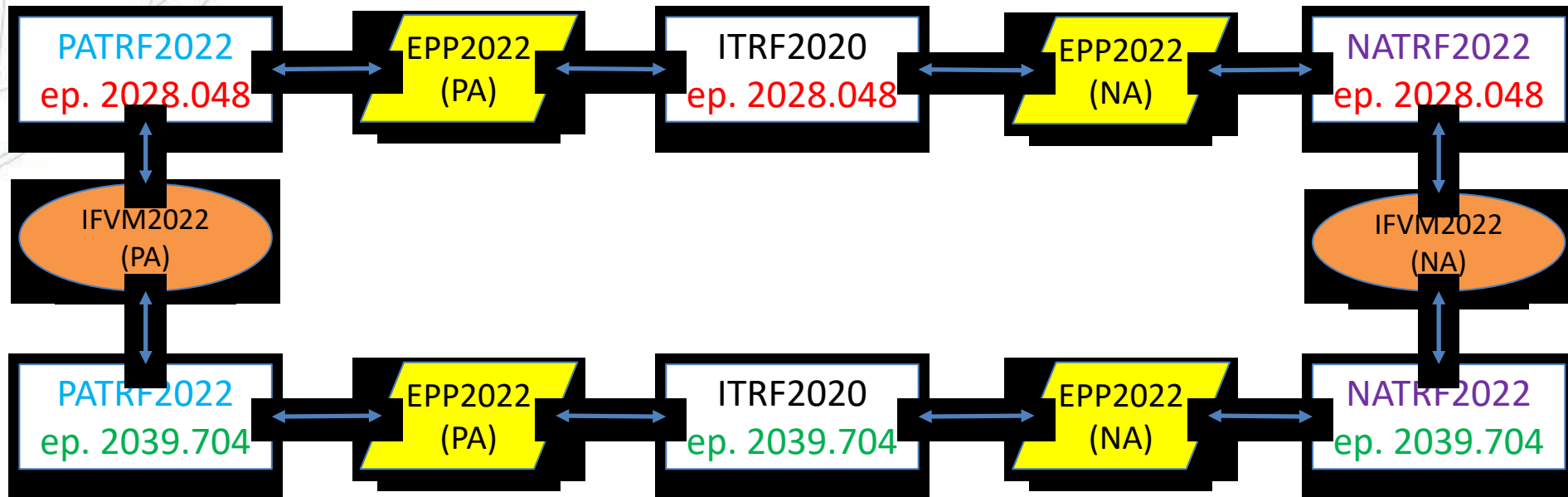


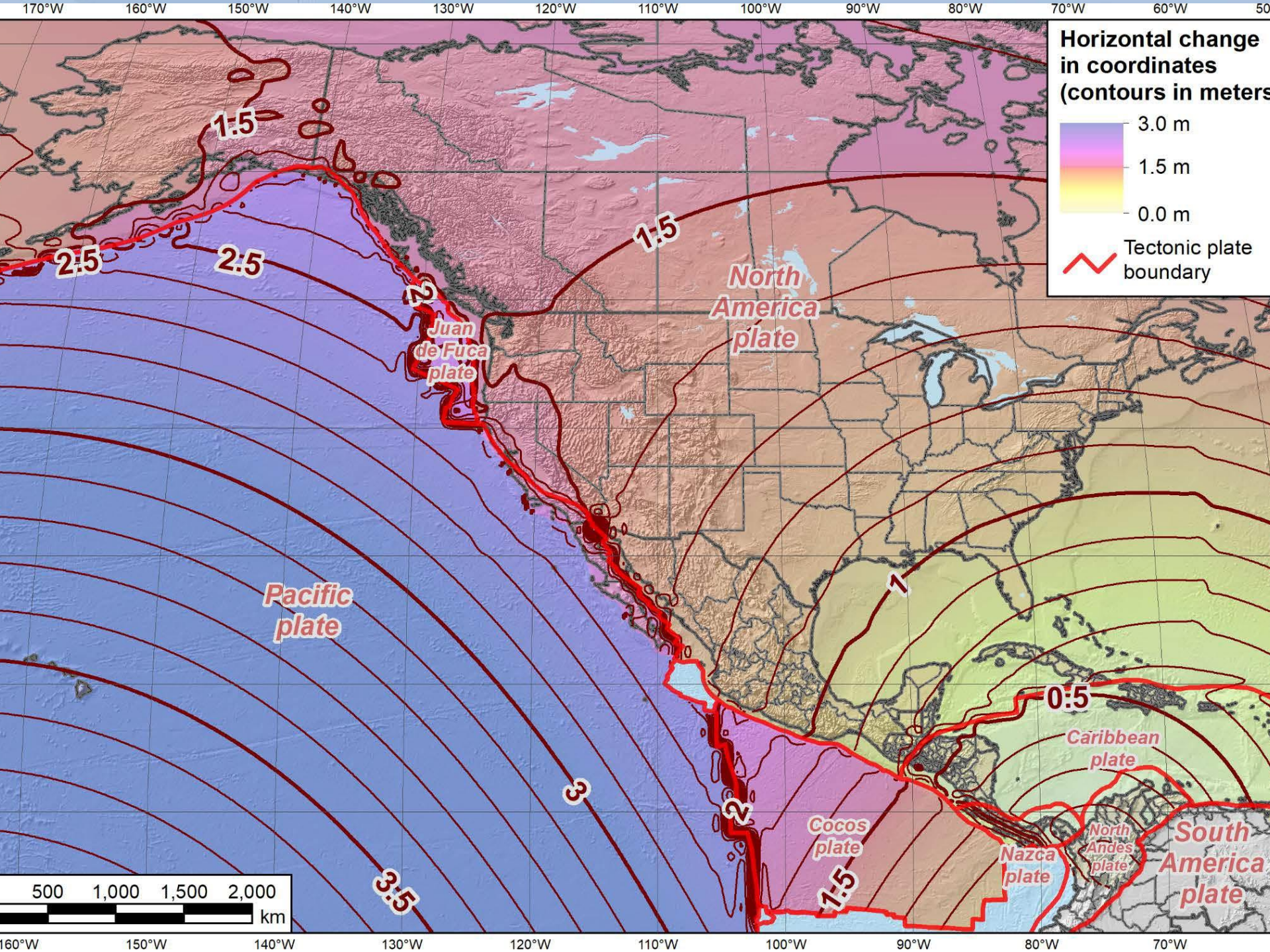
Example of application of EPP and IFVM

- It's 2039 and you are working in San Diego using NATRF2022
- And you need to compare your work to another survey from 2028

Important: This slide only covers *geometric coordinates.*

...the catch is, that survey was done in PATRF2022





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Blueprint for 2022, Part 2: Geopotential Coordinates

North American-Pacific Geopotential Datum of 2022

NAPGD2022

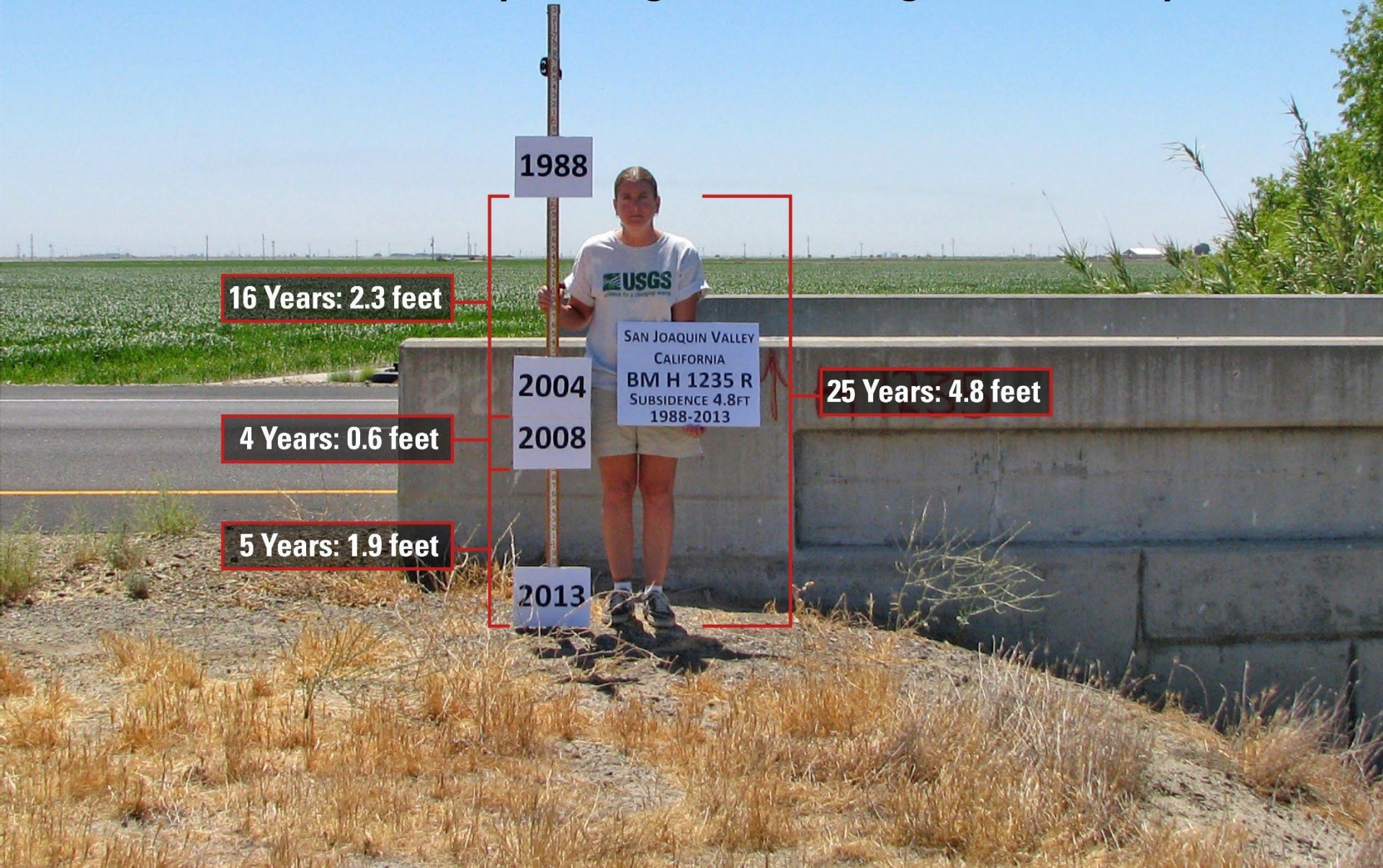
(pronounced: nap-jee-dee)

Overview NAPGD2022

- primary access via GNSS and geoid (think OPUS)
- accurate continental **gravimetric** geoid
- aligned with:
 - 1) --TRF2022
 - 2) **global** mean sea level (GMSL)
- monitor time-varying nature of gravity
 - via the Geoid Monitoring Service (GeMS)

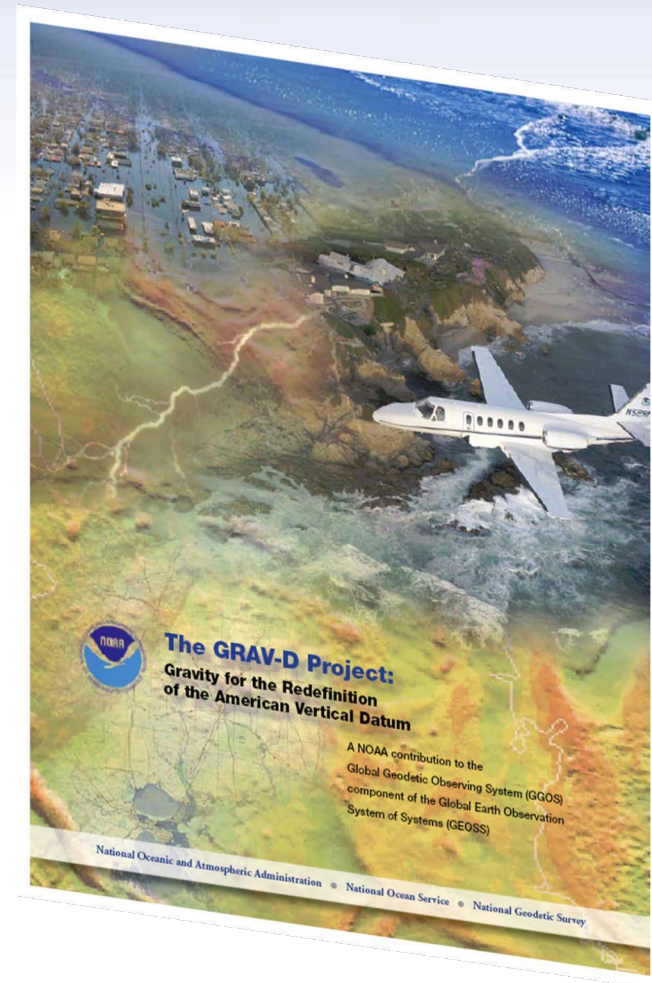
Passive marks may lie still... but they still may lie!

small instability x long time = large inaccuracy



Gravity for the Redefinition of the American Vertical Datum

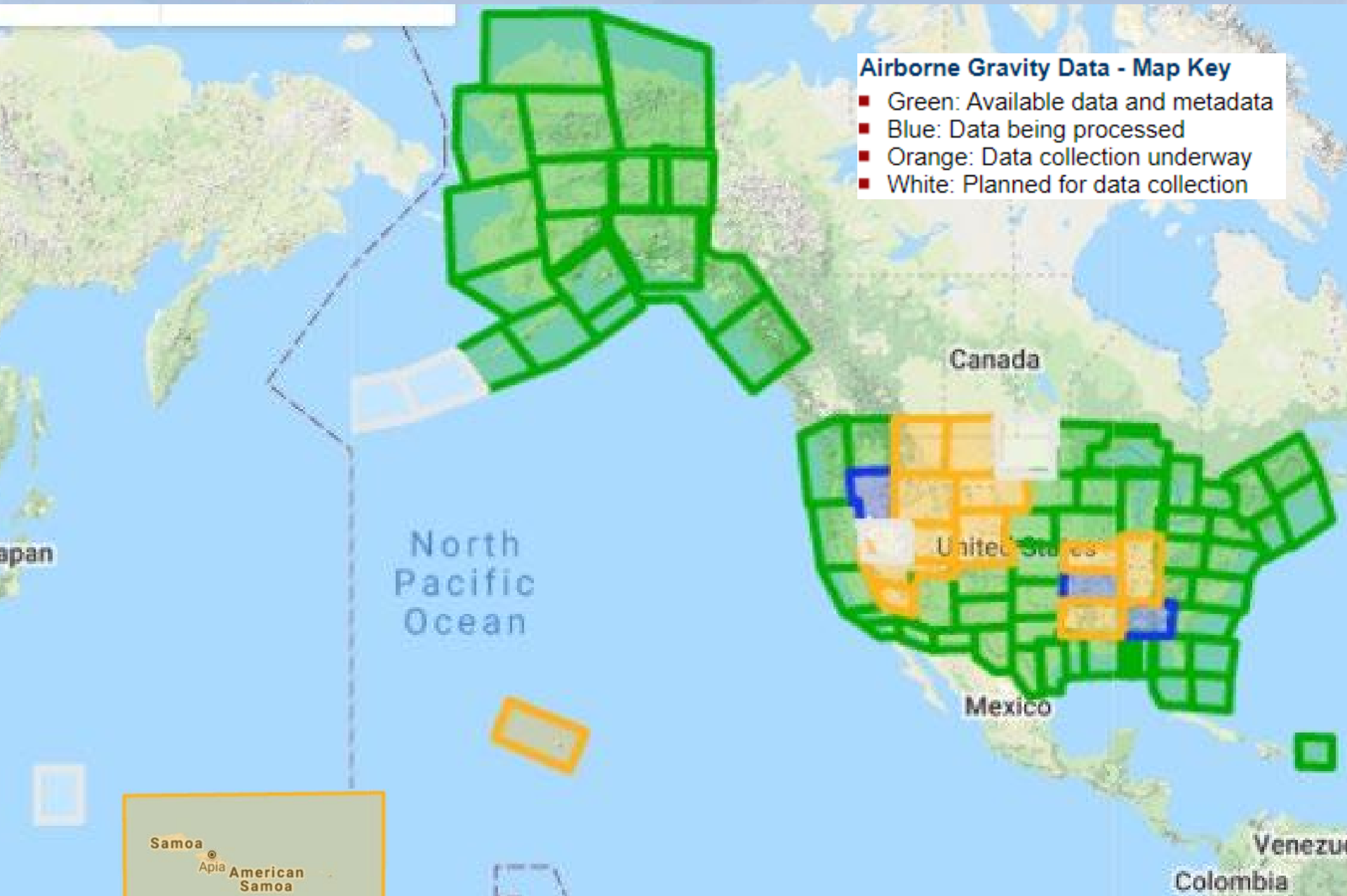
- **2022 Goal:** 2 cm accurate ortho heights (H)
 - GNSS plus geoid model
- **GRAV-D Goal:** Gravimetric geoid (N_g) accurate to 1 cm where possible using airborne gravity data
- Leverage partnerships to improve and validate gravity data
 - State-based gravity programs?



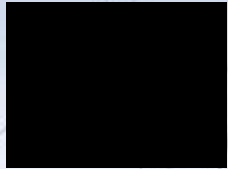
Gravity for the Redefinition of the American Vertical Datum

There are two major campaigns within GRAV-D

1. High-resolution snapshot of gravity
 - primarily airborne observations, all **relative gravity**, covering the US and Territories at an estimated cost of ~\$39 million
2. Low-resolution “movie” of gravity changes
 - primarily terrestrial, episodic observations of **absolute gravity** sites to monitor long-term change

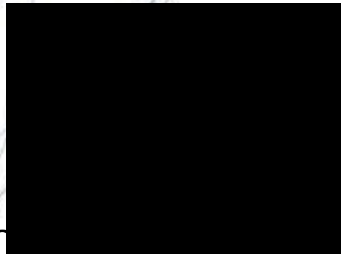


Building a Geopotential Field Model



GRACE/GOCE/Satellite
Altimetry

Long Wavelengths
(> 250 km)



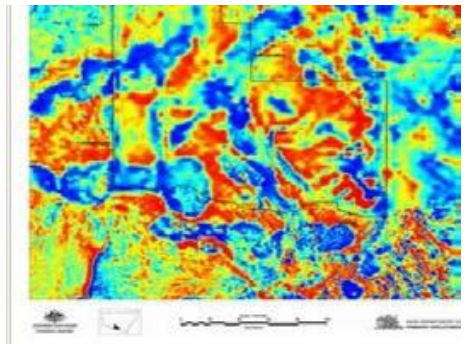
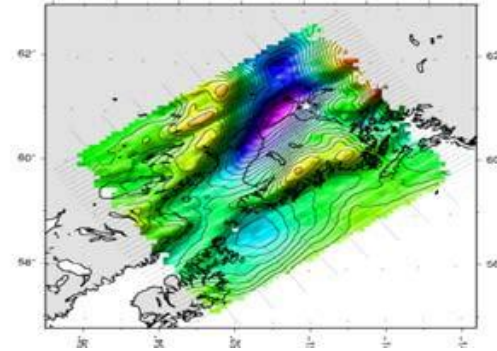
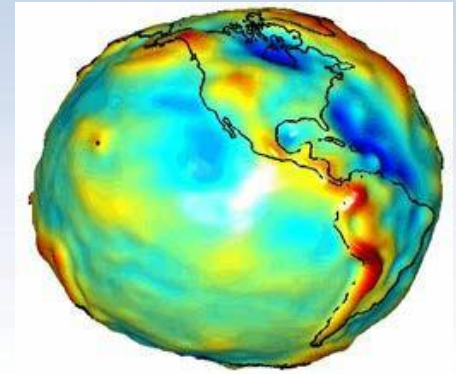
Airborne Observations

Intermediate Wavelengths
(20km to 300 km)



Terrestrial/Surface Observations and
Predicted Gravity from Topography

Short Wavelengths
(< 100 km)

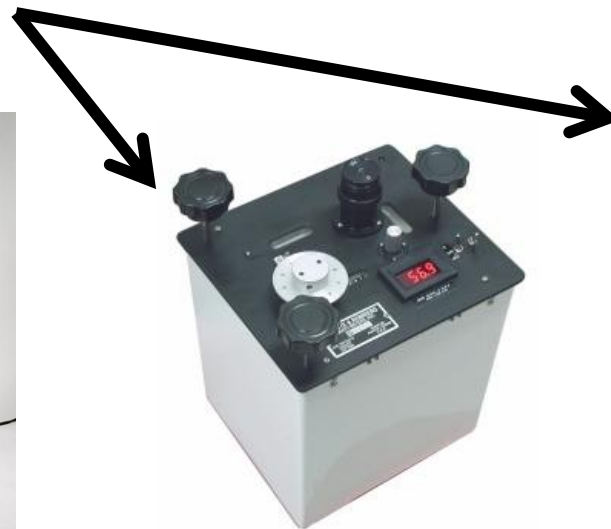
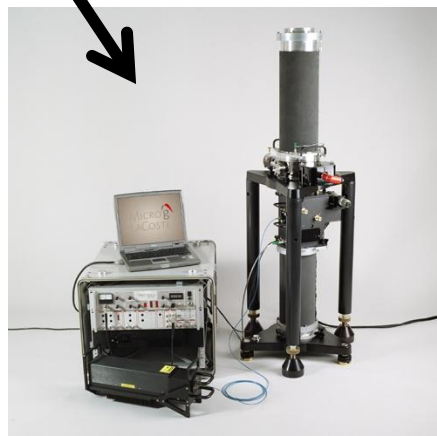


GRACE – satellite observations

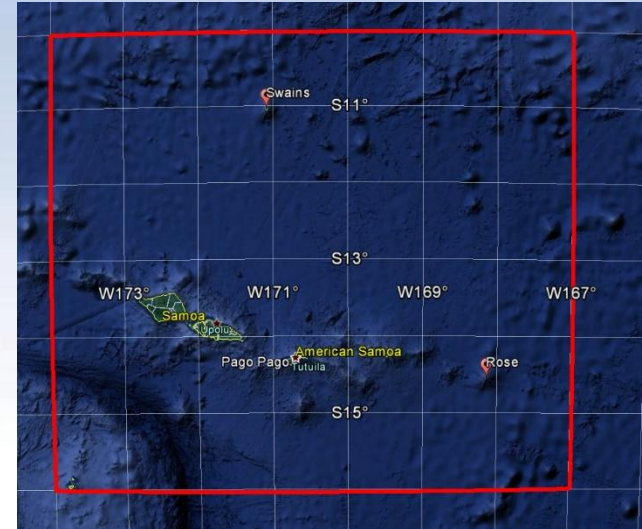
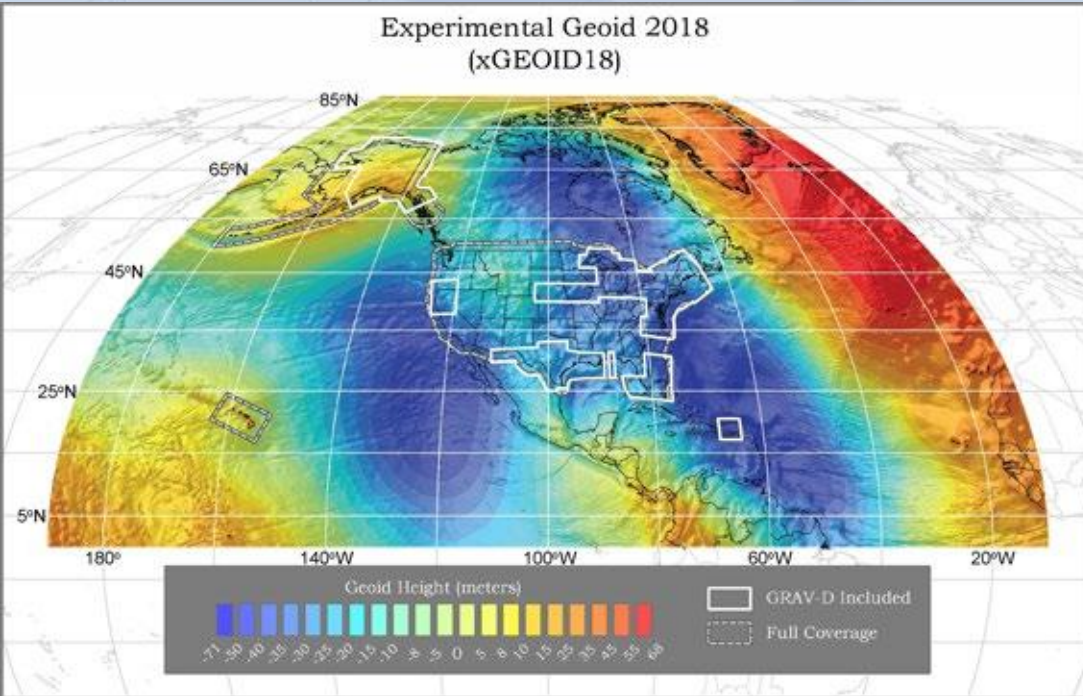


Gravity Survey Plan

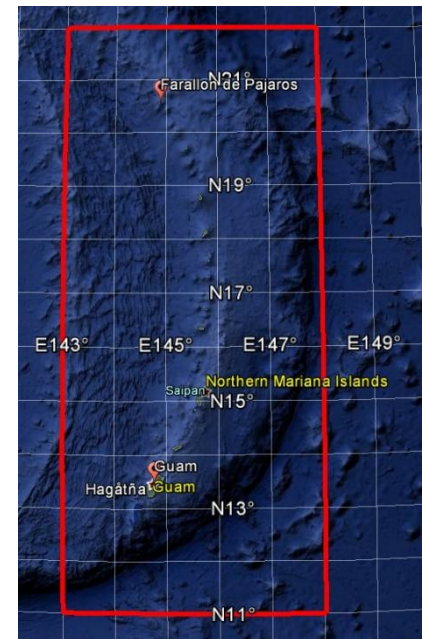
- National Scale Part 1
 - Predominantly through airborne gravity
 - With Absolute Gravity for ties and checks
 - Relative Gravity for expanding local regions where airborne shows significant mismatch with existing terrestrial



GEOID2022 (et al) over American Samoa: -16 to -10, 186-193



GEOID2022 (et al) over Guam/CNMI: 11-22, 143-148



GEOID2022 (et al) over the North America/Pacific/Caribbean/Central America/Greenland region will range from 0 to 90 latitude and from 170 to 350 longitude.

Names

The Old:

NAVD 88

PRVD 02

VIVD09

ASVD02

NMVD03

GUVD04

IGLD 85

IGSN71

GEOID12B

DEFLEC12B

The New:

The North American Pacific Geopotential Datum of 2022 (NAPGD2022)

- Will include GEOID2022

one vertical datum pole-to-equator

Orthometric Heights

Normal Orthometric Heights

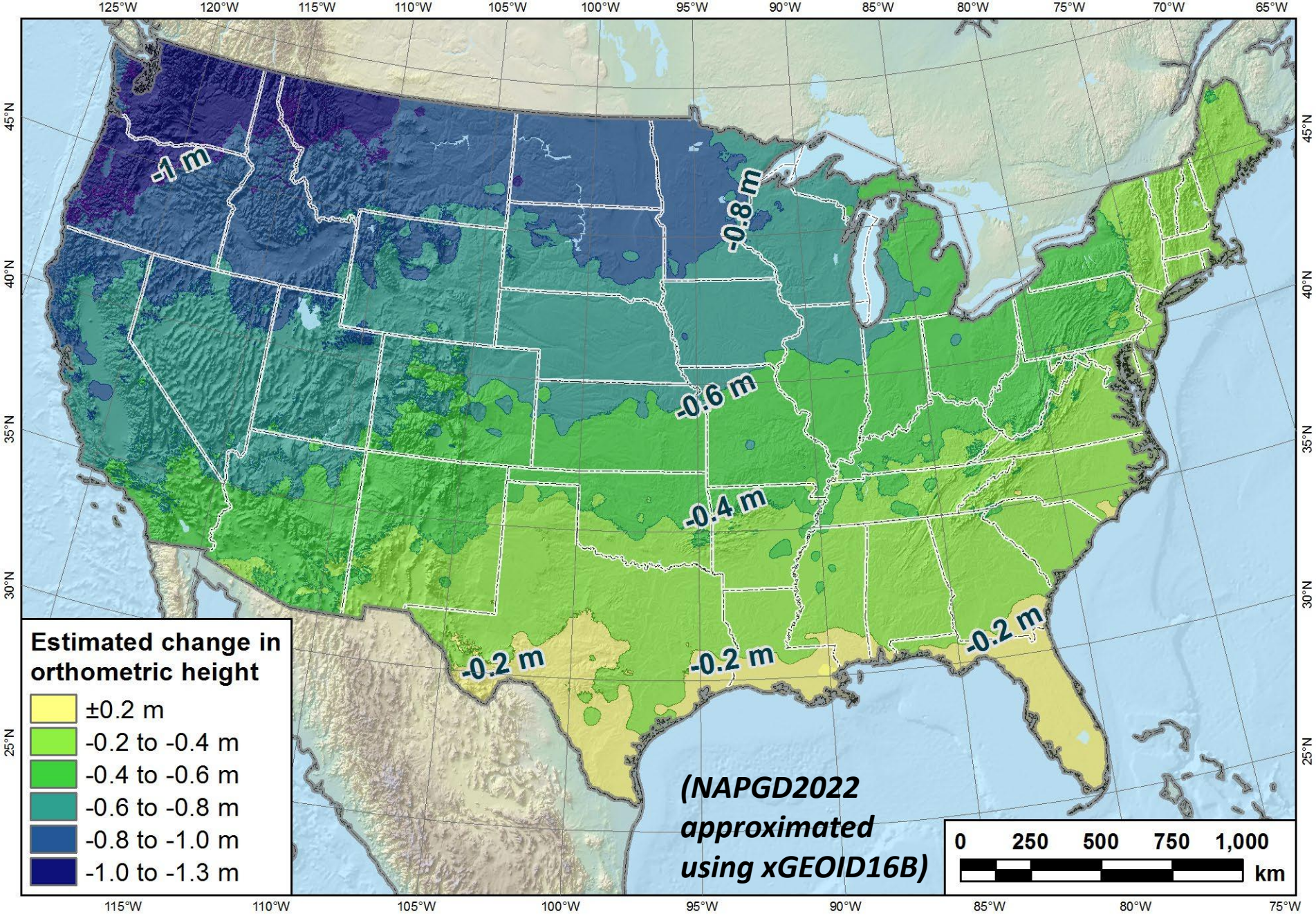
Dynamic Heights

Gravity

Geoid Undulations

Deflections of the Vertical

Estimated change in orthometric heights from NAVD88 to NAPGD2022



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Blueprint for 2022, Part 3: Working in the Modernized NSRS

Initial draft released April 16, 2019

What is BP3?

- BP3 is a companion to BP1 (geometric) and BP2 (geopotential), both released in 2017
 - It is about “re-inventing bluebooking”
 - It’s about how NGS will provide the frames/datum in the future
 - It’s about how YOU will use the frames/datum in BP1 and BP2

Deadlines for SPCS2022 input

NGS.Feedback@noaa.gov

by **August 31, 2018**

Anyone can comment!

Federal Register Notice (FRN)

- Announcement and public comments
 - On draft **SPCS2022 policy & procedures**
 - On “**special purpose**” zones

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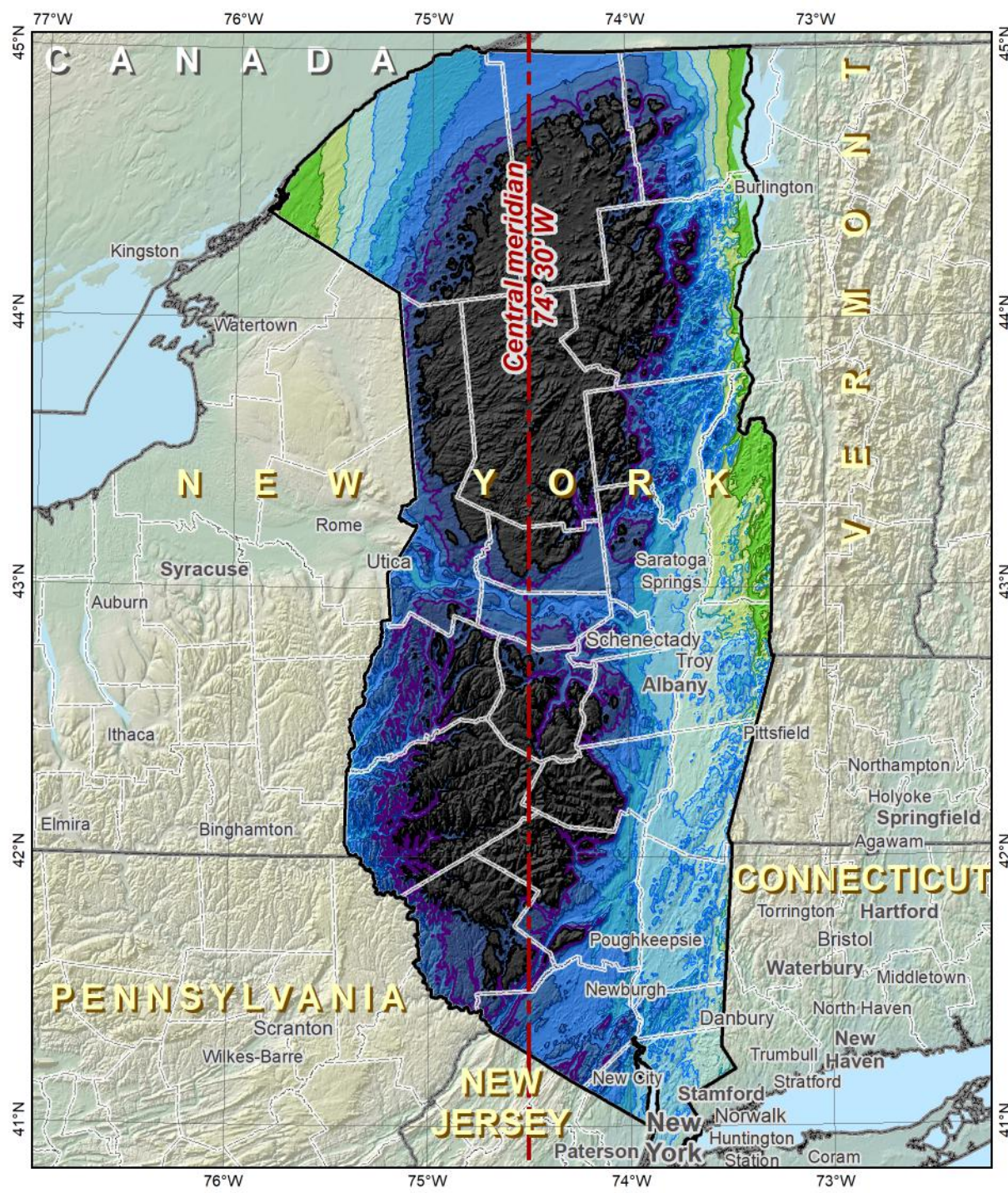
by **March 31, 2020** for
requests and *proposals*

by **March 31, 2021** for
submittal of approved
designs

State stakeholders only!

SPCS2022 Procedures (draft)

- **Consensus** input per SPCS2022 procedures
 - ***Requests*** for designs done by NGS
 - ***Proposals*** for designs by contributing partners
- Submittal of **approved** designs
 - Proposal must first be approved by NGS
 - Designs must be complete for NGS to review
- Later requests will be for ***changes*** to SPCS2022



Existing SPCS 83 design: New York East Zone



Transverse Mercator projection

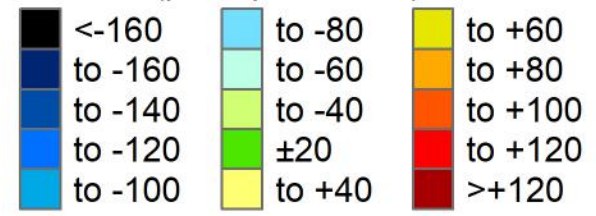
North American Datum of 1983

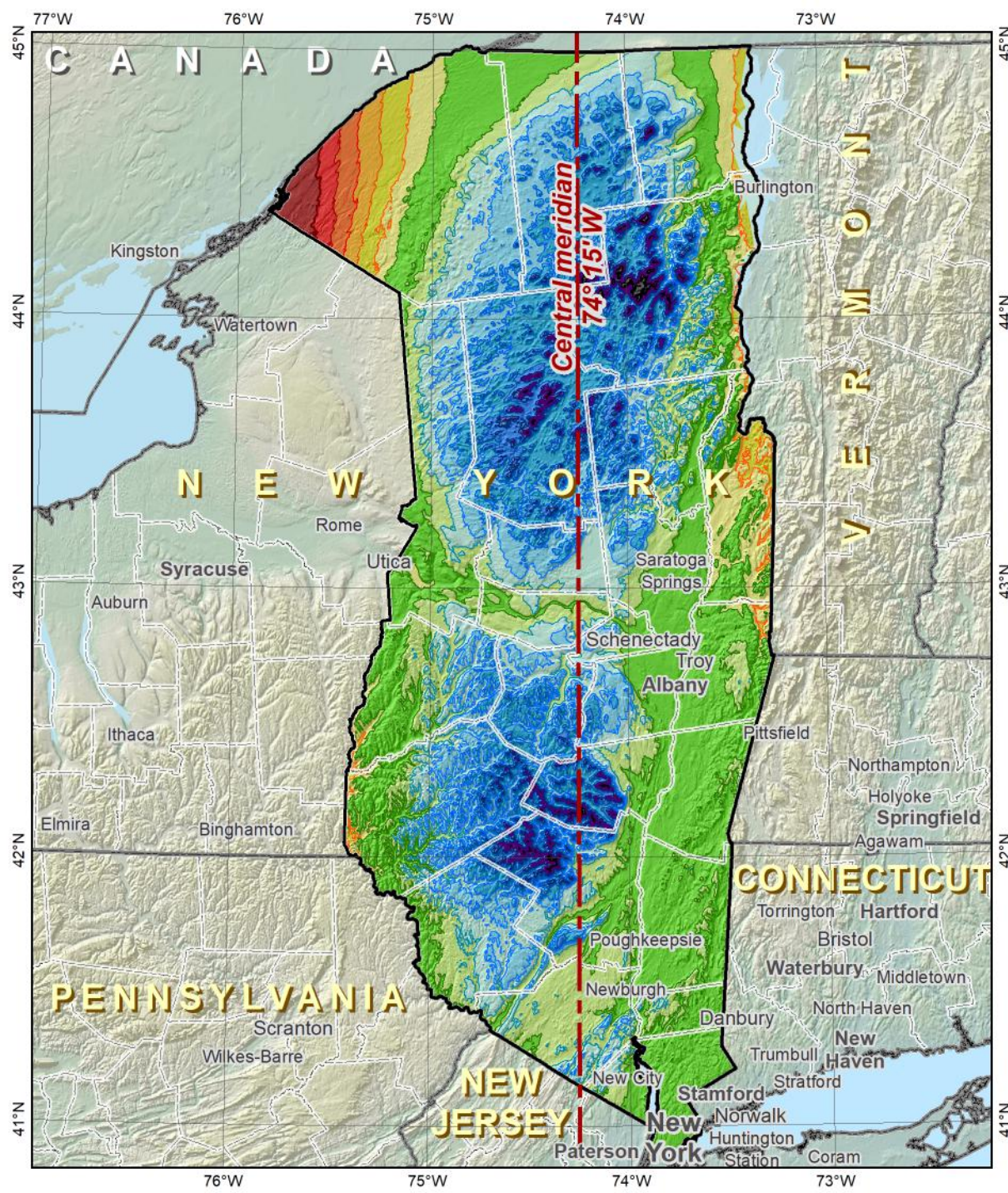
Central meridian: 74° 30' W
Central meridian scale: 0.999 9 (exact)

Areas within ±50 ppm distortion (1:20,000 = ±0.26 ft per mile):
 14% of population
 15% of all cities and towns
 10% of entire zone area

Distortion values (ppm)	
Entire zone:	Cities and towns:
Min = -313	Min, Max = -196, +9
Max = +33	Range = 206
Range = 346	Mean = -76
Mean = -123	(weighted by population)

Linear distortion at topographic surface (parts per million)





Preliminary SPCS2022 default design: New York East Zone (alternative 1)



Transverse Mercator projection

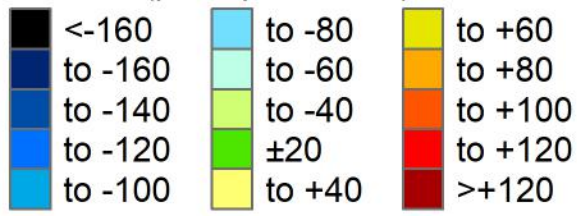
North American Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022

Central meridian: 74° 15' W
Central meridian scale: 0.999 99 (exact)

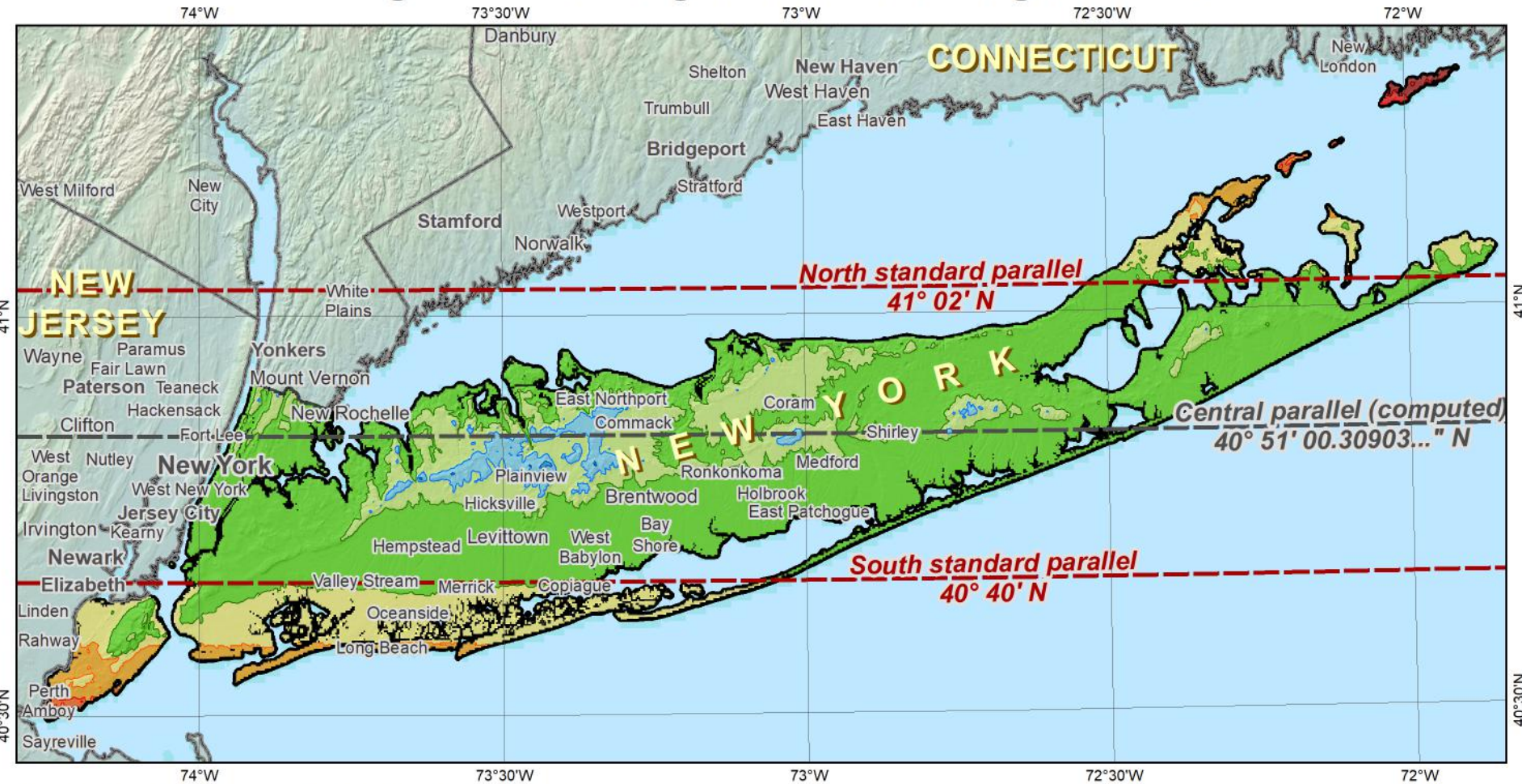
Areas within ±50 ppm distortion (1:20,000 = ±0.26 ft per mile):
97% of population
85% of all cities and towns
57% of entire zone area

Distortion values (ppm)	
Entire zone:	Cities and towns:
Min = -241	Min, Max = -97, +140
Max = +180	Range = 238
Range = 421	Mean = -3
Mean = -35	(weighted by population)

Linear distortion at topographic surface (parts per million)



Existing SPCS 83 design: New York Long Island Zone



Lambert Conformal Conic projection

North American Datum of 1983

Central parallel: $40^{\circ} 51' 00.31...''$ N

Central parallel scale: 0.999 994 900...

Areas within ± 5 ppm distortion
(1:200,000 = ± 0.03 ft per mile):

- 96% of population
- 69% of all cities and towns
- 65% of entire zone area



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Distortion values (ppm)

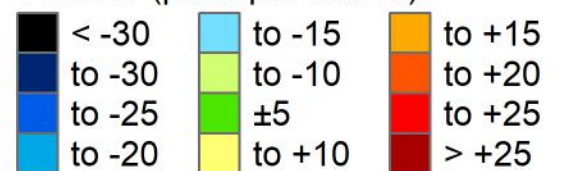
Entire zone:

Min = -17 Range = 46
Max = +29 Mean = -0.8

Cities and towns:

Min = -14 Mean = -1.2
Max = +24 (weighted by
Range = 38 population)

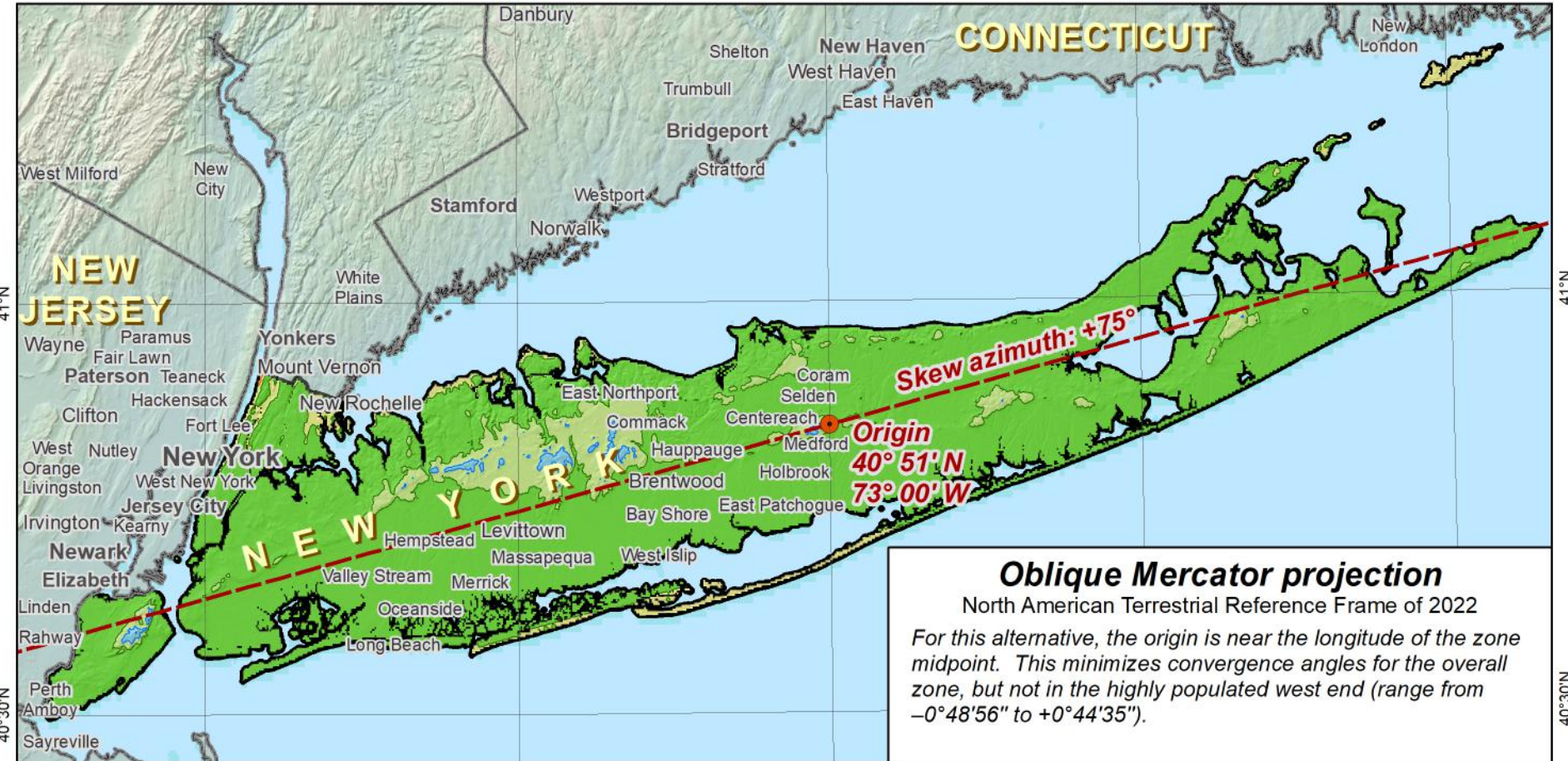
Linear distortion at topographic surface (parts per million)



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Preliminary SPCS2022 default design: New York Long Island Zone (alternative 1)

74°W 73°30'W 73°W 72°30'W 72°W

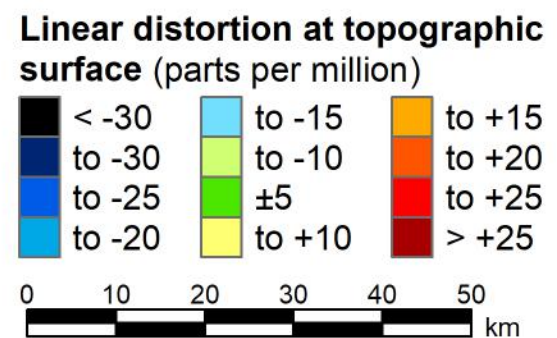


Oblique Mercator projection
 North American Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022
 For this alternative, the origin is near the longitude of the zone midpoint. This minimizes convergence angles for the overall zone, but not in the highly populated west end (range from $-0^{\circ}48'56''$ to $+0^{\circ}44'35''$).

Origin latitude: $40^{\circ} 51' N$
Origin longitude: $73^{\circ} 00' W$
Skew axis scale: 0.999 997 (exact)
Skew azimuth: $+75^{\circ}$

Areas within ± 5 ppm distortion
(1:200,000 = ± 0.03 ft per mile):
 96% of population
 87% of all cities and towns
 87% of entire zone area

Distortion values (ppm)
Entire zone:
 Min = -15 Range = 26
 Max = +11 Mean = -0.4
Cities and towns:
 Min = -11 Mean = +0.3
 Max = +7 (weighted by
 Range = 18 population)



Existing UTM Zone 19 North used as statewide zone: New York

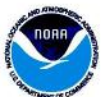
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Transverse Mercator projection

North American Datum of 1983

Central meridian: 75° 00' W

Cen meridian scale: 0.999 6 (exact)



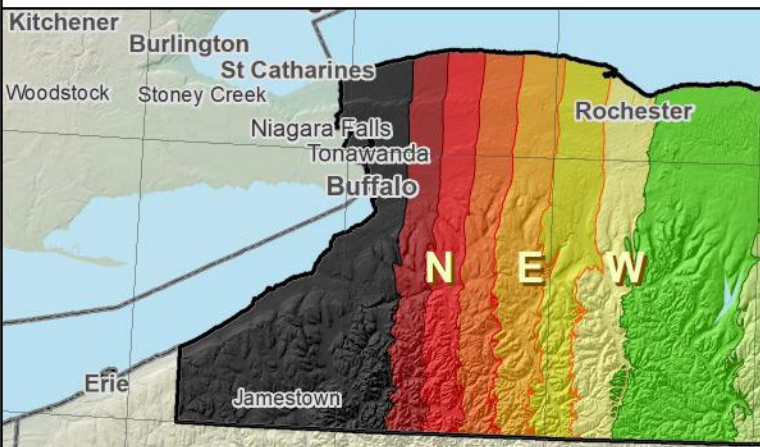
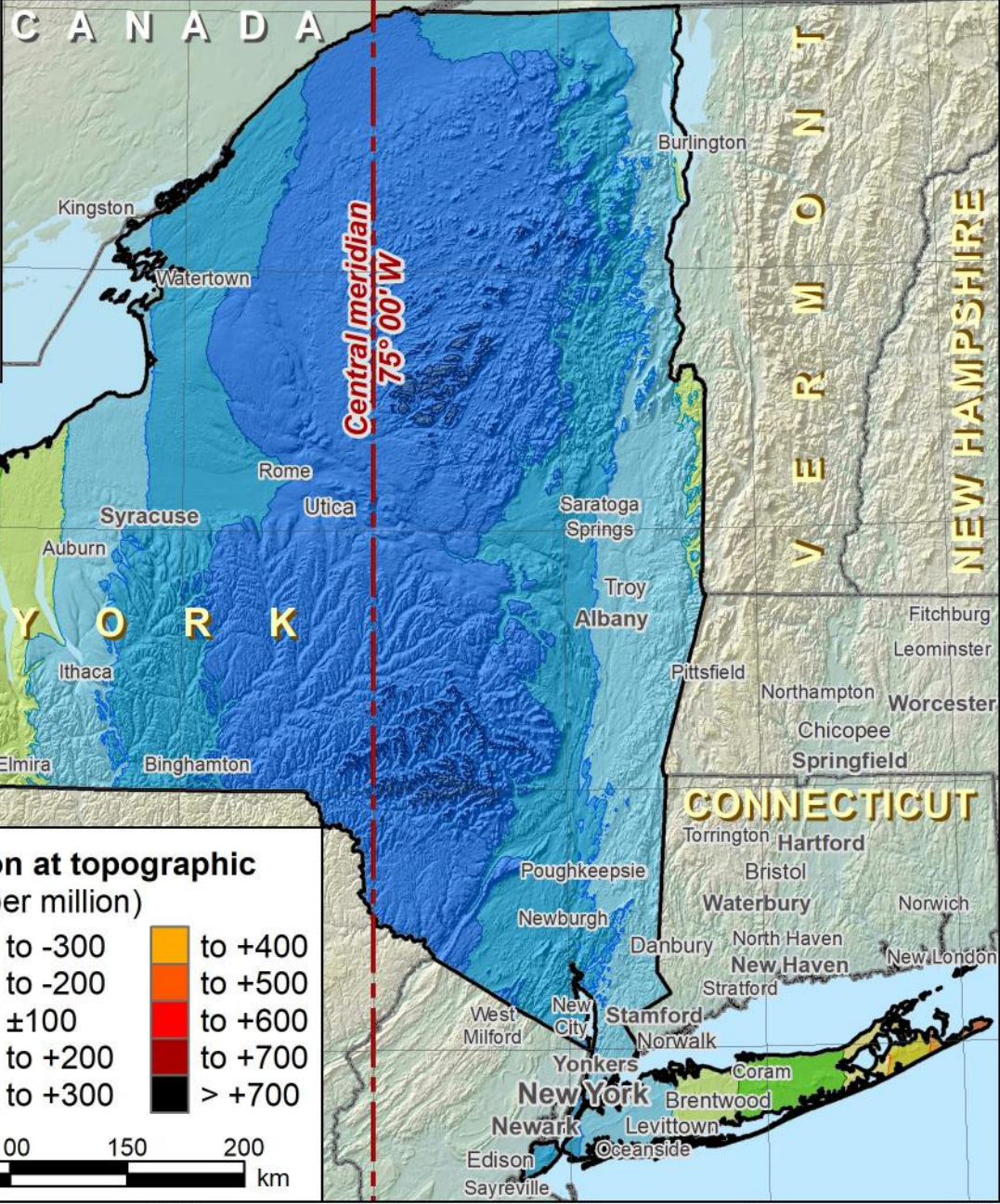
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**Areas within ±400 ppm distortion
(1:2500 = ±2.11 ft per mile):**

95% of population

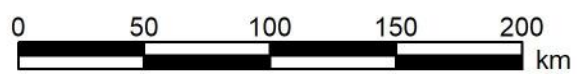
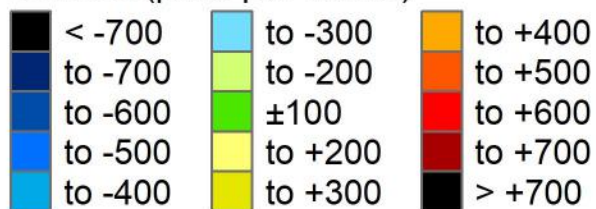
71% of all cities and towns

54% of entire zone area



Distortion values (ppm)
Entire zone:
 Min = -556 Range = 2032
 Max = +1475 Mean = -195
Cities and towns:
 Min = -498 Mean = -234
 Max = +1428 (weighted by
 Range = 1927 population)

Linear distortion at topographic surface (parts per million)



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Preliminary SPCS2022 statewide zone design: New York (alternative 2)

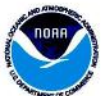
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Lambert Conformal Conic projection

North American Terrestrial Reference Frame of 2022

Central parallel: 42° 45' N

Central parallel scale: 0.999 7 (exact)



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**Areas within ±400 ppm distortion
(1:2500 = ±2.11 ft per mile):**

98% of population

99% of all cities and towns

99% of entire zone area

CANADA

VERMONT
NEW HAMPSHIRE



Distortion values (ppm)

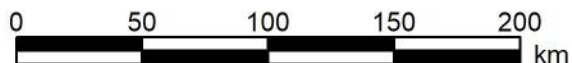
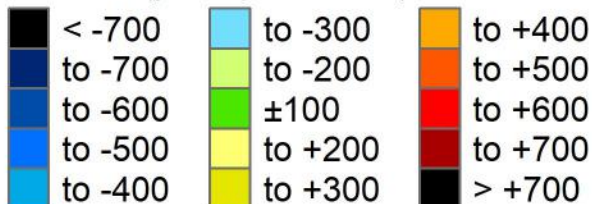
Entire zone:

Min = -439 Range = 925
Max = +486 Mean = -201

Cities and towns:

Min = -392 Mean = +214
Max = +473 (weighted by
Range = 866 population)

Linear distortion at topographic surface (parts per million)



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80°W 79°W 78°W 77°W 76°W 75°W 74°W 73°W 72°W

How to Prepare

- Does your work currently require referencing NAD 83?
- Do you collect the necessary metadata needed to move existing data into the new frames?
 - When was it surveyed?
 - How was it surveyed?
 - What was the source of control?
 - Full datum description? (datum, tag, epoch)

How to Prepare

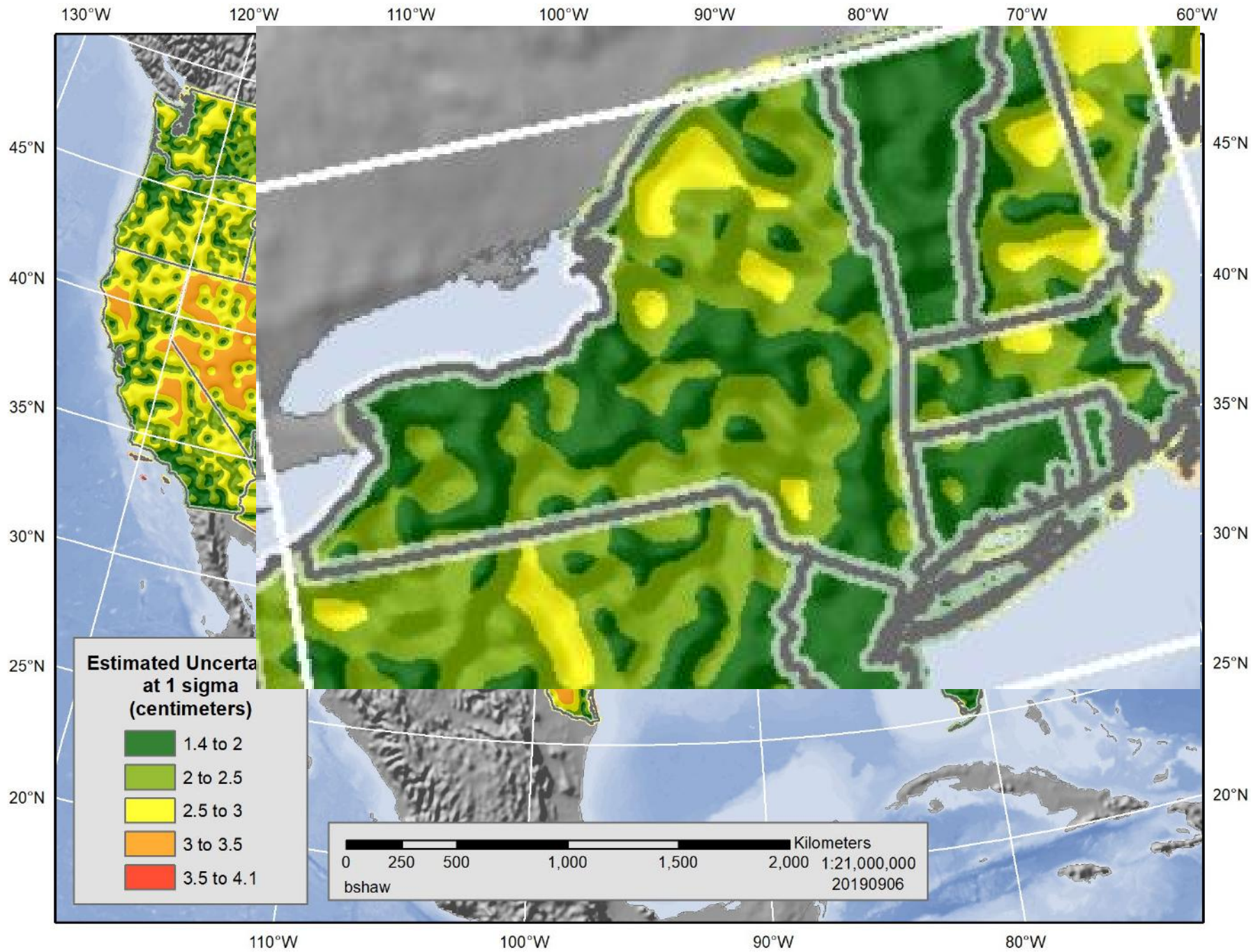
- Does your work currently require referencing NAVD 88?
- Do you collect the necessary metadata needed to move existing data into the new frames?
 - When was it surveyed?
 - How was it surveyed?
 - What was the source of control?
 - Is the geoid model adequate in your area to support transformation at the desired level? (more on that in a minute)

How to Prepare

- Do you currently have GNSS equipment?
 - Remember that the primary method of establishing NAPGD2022 heights will be through GNSS and Geoid2022.
- Store Data...not just coordinates!
 - If you have your original data, it can always be reprocessed later
 - Maintains the integrity of your survey
 - Better than a transformation

How to Prepare

- Research the areas you work in most
- How is the quality of the CORSs in those areas
- Do you have RTN available?
 - Take note of the reference frame for the RTN, and inquire of plans to update it to the new frames
- Take note of density of GPSONBM and likely accuracy of vertical transformation (based on Geoid18)
- Conduct some GPSONBM in sparse areas





GPS on Bench Marks for the Transformation Tool Progress Dashboard NOAA's National Geodetic Survey

- New Mexico
- New York**
- North Carolina
- North Dakota
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Oregon
- Pennsylvania
- Puerto Rico
- Rhode Island
- South Carolina
- South Dakota
- Tennessee
- Texas
- US Virgin Islands
- Utah
- Vermont
- Virginia



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[2km Mark Charts](#)

10km Completed by State



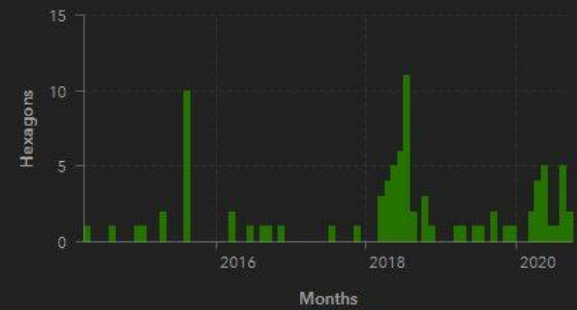
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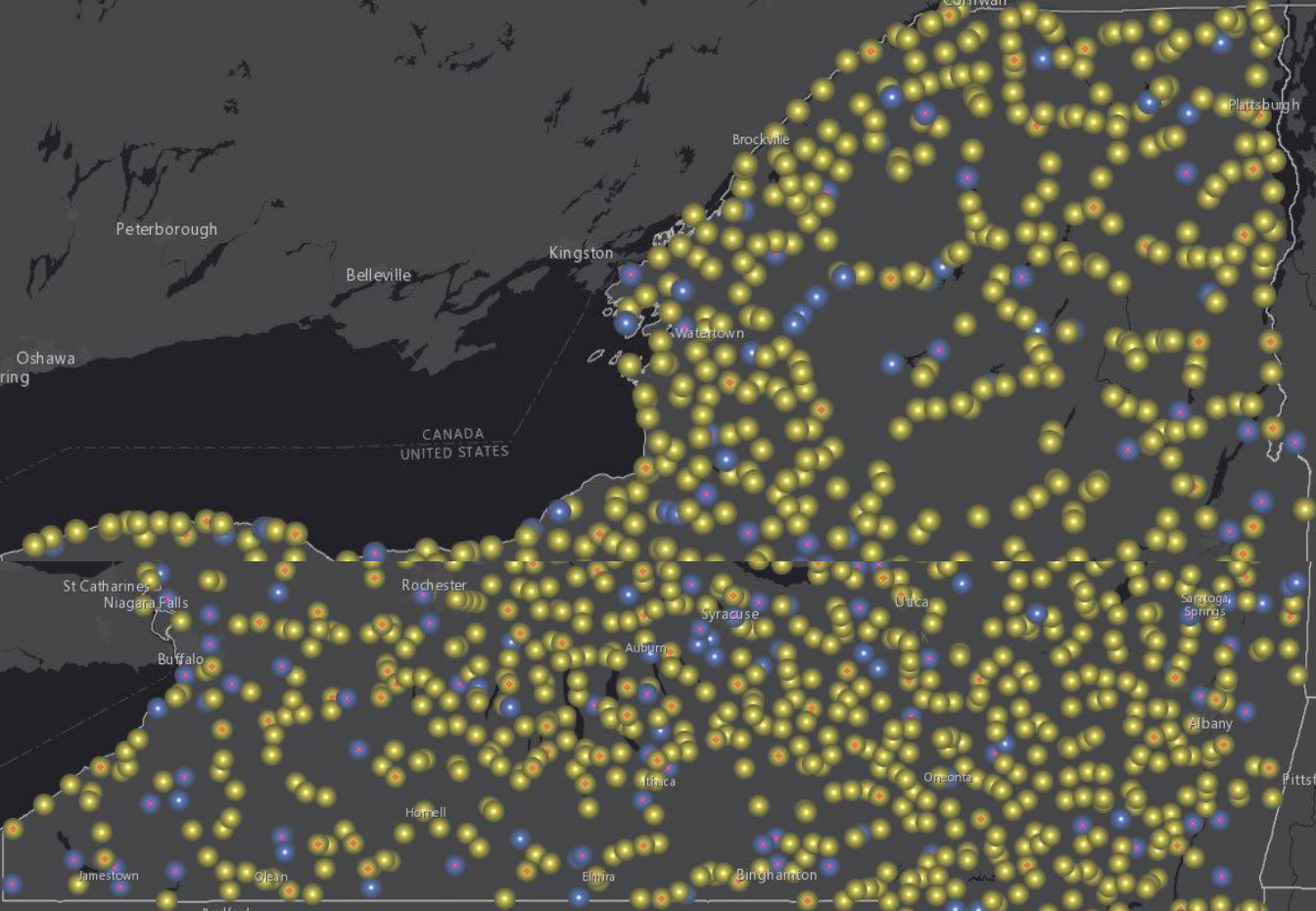
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10km Hexagons Completed







10km Priority List Completed

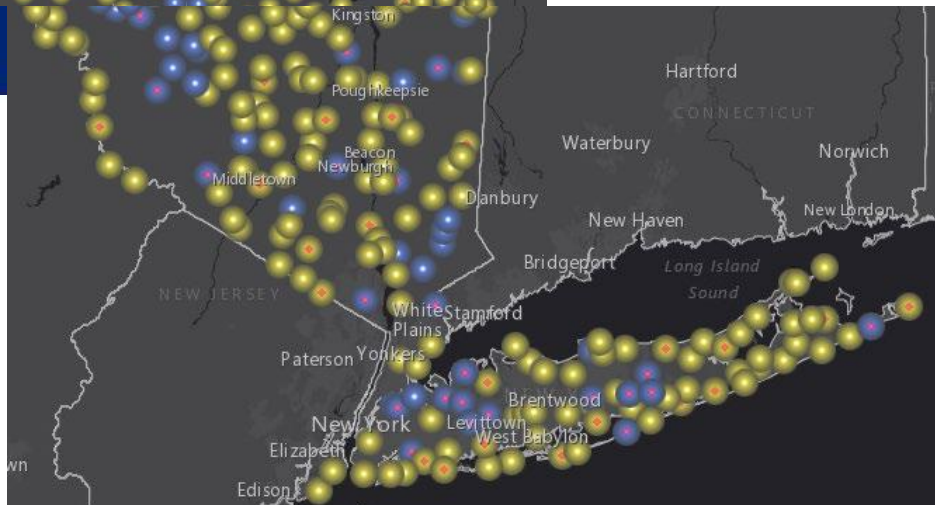




Legend

Priority List 10 km

-  A - 1 Obs. Requested
-  A - 2 Obs. Requested
-  B - 1 Obs. Requested
-  B - 2 Obs. Requested



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Convert/Transform from:

- Horizontal
- Horizontal+height
- XYZ

Select the type of horizontal coordinate:

- Geodetic lat-long
- SPC
- UTM
- USNG

Select a height

- Ellipsoidal
- Orthometric

Enter lat-lon in decimal degrees

Lat

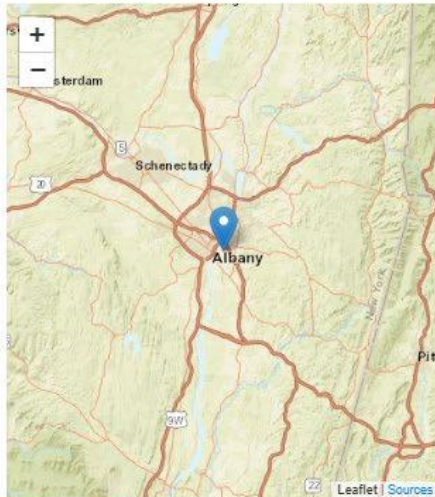
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or degrees-minutes-seconds

Lat

Lon

or drag map marker to a location of interest



Input reference frame (historically called 'horizontal datum')

Output reference frame (historically called 'horizontal datum')

Don't see a reference frame in the list? Click here to learn more.

Orthometric Height (m)

Input geopotential datum (historically called 'vertical datum')

Output geopotential datum (historically called 'vertical datum')

SPC zone

- NAD83(2011)
- NAD83(NSRS2007)
- NAD83(FBN)
- NAD83(HARN)
- NAD83(1986)
- NAD27
- USSD

Submit

Transformed Coordinate

Input Coordinate		Output Coordinate		Total Change + Uncertainty	
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Ellipsoid Height (m)	Not given	Ellipsoid Height (m)	Not given	Ellipsoid Height	Not given
Orthometric Height (m)	100.000	Orthometric Height (m)	99.770	Orthometric Height	-0.230 m ±0.011 m
Reference Frame	NAD83(2011)	Reference Frame	NAD83(NSRS2007)		
Geopotential Datum	NGVD29	Geopotential Datum	NAVD88		

*Approximate value to aid interpretation and not an actual distance. See [TM NOS NGS 82](#) for more details.

Converted Coordinate

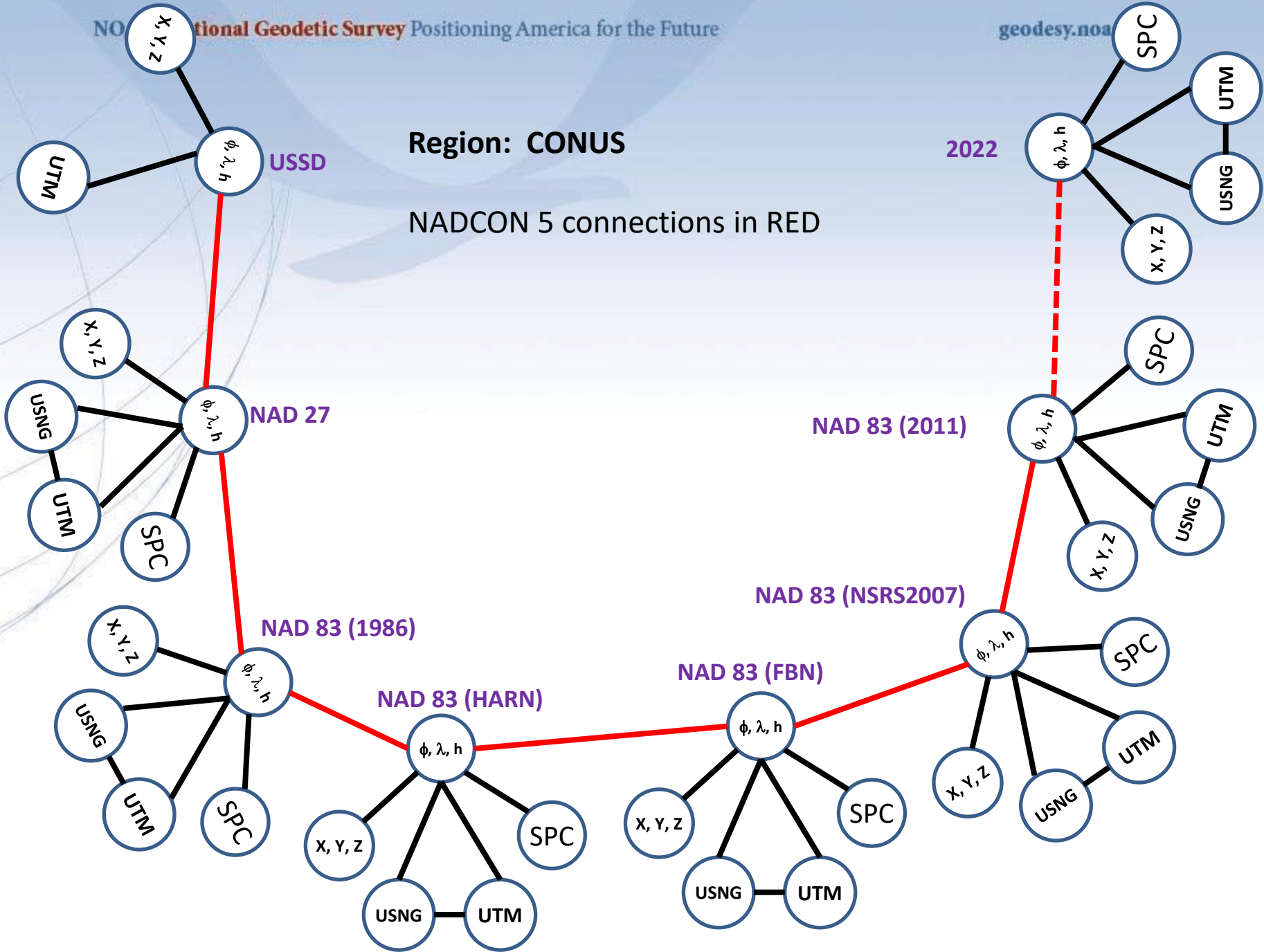
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Longitude	E286° 14' 55.60477" W0734504.39523 -73.7512208968	Northing	424,528.676 (m) 1,392,807.830 (usft) 1,392,810.616 (ift)	Northing (m)	4,723,167.088	Y	N/A
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You may change the default UTM zone. The change is processed interactively once a lat-long is converted; DO NOT click the Submit button.

Region: CONUS

NADCON 5 connections in RED



Questions?

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