



The National Map and National Atlas to Merge

During this year, National Atlas of the United States and The National Map will transition into a combined single source for geospatial and cartographic information. This transformation is projected to streamline access to maps, data and information from the USGS National Geospatial Program (NGP). This action will prioritise the USGS's civilian mapping role and consolidate core investments while maintaining top-quality customer service.

The USGS will continue its long history of providing topographic maps, geospatial data and other geographic information by offering a range of scales and layers of geospatial information on *The <u>National Map Viewer</u>* and through <u>US Topo</u> maps. As a result of the conversion to an integrated single source for geospatial and cartographic information, nationalatlas.gov will be removed from service on 30 September 2014.

NGP director Mark DeMulder said his organisation recognises how important it is for citizens to have access to the cartographic and geographic information of the US. They are committed to providing that access through <u>nationalmap.gov</u>.

Jay Donnelly, the National Atlas program manager, explained they value the National Atlas customers and stakeholders and want to make this transition as easy as possible. They will post updates to *The National Map* and National Atlas websites as this transition unfolds, including information on the future availability of the products and services currently delivered by nationalatlas.gov.

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