

MNGAC Archiving Committee Meeting Agenda and Notes

Date	Time	Location
February 17, 2026	11am-12pm	Zoom

Preparation notes for Attendees

Attendees				
Notetaker: All	Jennifer Corcoran - out	Melinda Kernik - x	Nick Linell - x	Brent Lund - out
Karen Majewicz - x	Ryan Mattke - x	Mary Mortensen - x	Alysa Zimmerle - out	
Geoff Bitner - x	Adam Smith - out			

Action Items from previous meetings / Updates	Status/Notes

Topics for Discussion and Decisions	Notes / Decisions
Administrative Stuff	• Documents in Google Drive & Microsoft 365 • Governance ◦ Chair and vice chair • MN GAC Archiving Workgroups (Reports)

	 MN GAC - Archiving Committee - Work Plan (March 2025)
Archiving MN Geodata	Melinda, Mary, Karen, MnGeo (Brent will join and suggest someone to carry it forward), Nick Met on January 6th • GAC Archiving Document Review - sign up for a report (1st tab) and take notes (2nd tab) For context, Karen and Melinda brief presentation on BTAA Geodata Collection plan, curation plan, links to data in the Geoportal If you could save 3 data layers that are currently in the Minnesota Geospatial Commons for the future what would you nominate? Do any other state level archives exist? • https://opensourcegisdata.com/state/index.html
Questions for the Archiving Committee	Do we want to recommend another funding request/discussion? Figure out priority data sets if we were going to pilot an archiving program Report/recommendation to use the BTAA program as a place to archive public data in Minnesota (for now) Propose a GAC resolution asking/instructing data producers in the state to cooperate with archiving requests from the BTAA program What does that mean long term for the committee? If we're going to archive with BTAA, how does prior work apply? Ideas/Thoughts: • MnGeo could sign an agreement along the lines of "If the BTAA GIN project comes to an

	end in the future, MnGeo would at least take on storage of the archived data” – this could make data producers feel better in the short term. ○ Question: Does MnGeo guarantee the data in the Geospatial Commons? ● Data producers have a hard time getting rid of data – unless they are going to trash it; MnGeo has reached a level of confidence that they will be there in perpetuity, so if they can agree to fund storage if needed;
Image Services Sustainability Subcommittee	Geoff Bitner has agreed to chair the Image Service Sustainability Committee as a subcommittee of the Archiving Committee
Communicating about our work	Communication plan Take a look – are these the right groups? Share more broadly: NGAC Data Sharing document Also: Library of Congress recommended formats ● Re-administer the poll on priority data sets for archiving ● Develop education outreach
Presenting about our work	Plan to do a presentation/poster at GIS/LIS in 2026 Who would like to volunteer to submit a proposal next spring? ● Maybe a joint proposal/panel with MnGeo & BTAA
Future meetings	3rd Tuesdays at 11am Next meeting is March 17 Check in on geodata subcommittee and ISS subcommittee; form an education/outreach subcommittee