

A modern open webservice-based GIS infrastructure

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Why a specialized geospatial data repository?

GIS data is weird.

It's
huge.



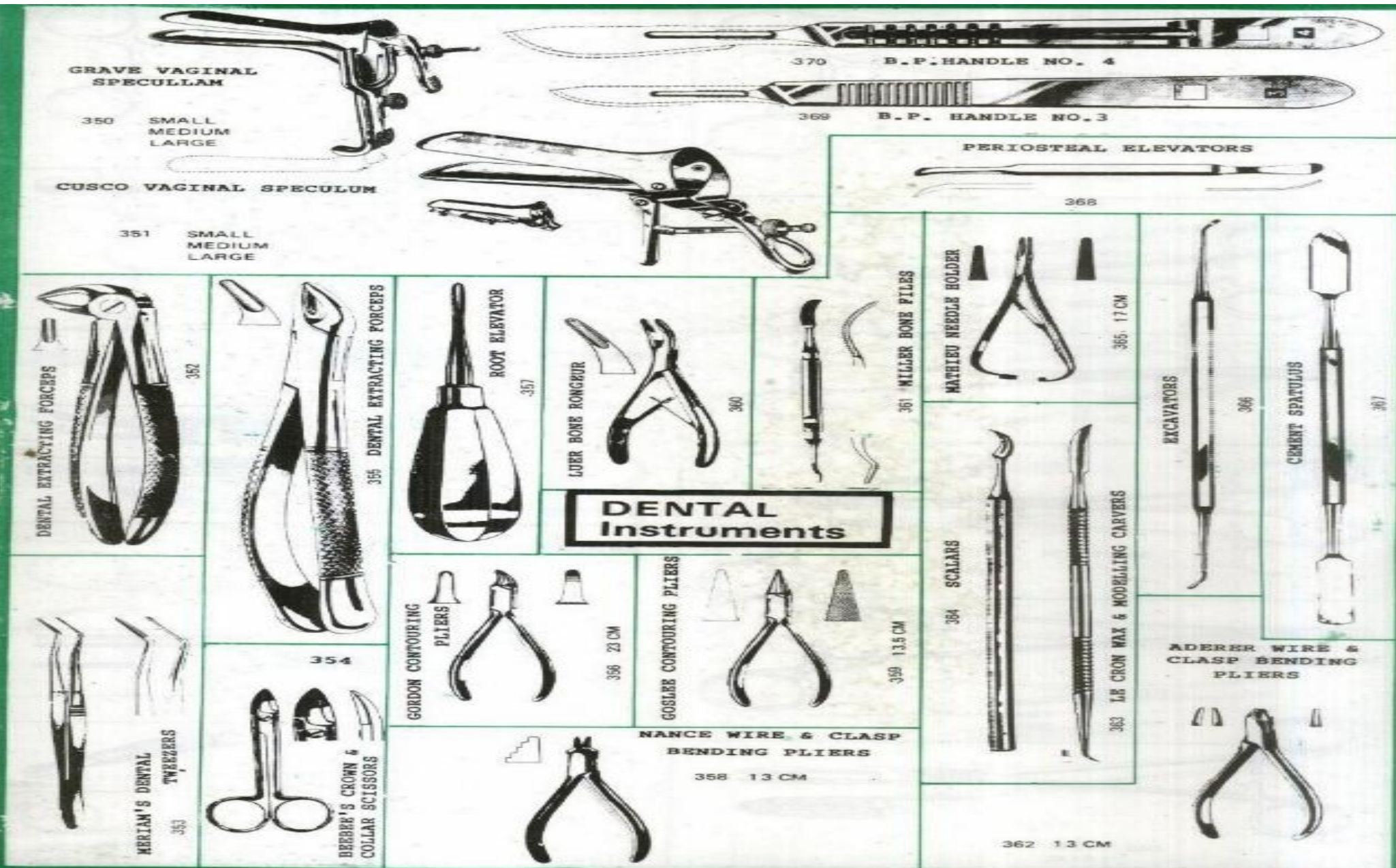


It's shaped
all funny-
like.

It lives in odd formats.

- ESRI grid
- IMG
- DXF
- National Transfer Format
- GeoMedia
- Vector Product Format
- Personal Geodatabase
- File Geodatabase
- MapInfo TAB format
- Shapefiles
- TIGER
- MrSID
- ECW
- ADRG
- CIB
- many, many, many more...

It requires special tools for use.



It deserves specialized description.

- It's yet another kind of object for which MARC is not appropriate.
- Good (international) standards exist for cataloging geospatial data, but your ILS doesn't know that.

Standards

Sources of standards

- Open Geospatial Consortium
- ISO TC 211
- Eruptions of GIS into other technical communities (e.g. GeoRSS, GeoJSON)

OGC

- The “W3C” of GIS, in that it
- produces standards, not tools,
- has members from industry, academia, and government,
- and concerns itself mostly with interoperability.

ISO TC 211

Geographic information/Geomatics

- Produces sophisticated and enterprise-y standards for GIS based on UML models, and
- usually blesses OGC standards after extensive review.
- If you love entity diagrams as much as I do...

So whose standards are standard?

OGC and
ISO TC211
are friends.



Specific standards

- Simple Feature Access / SQL
- GML
- ISO 19115 / ISO 19139
- WMS
- WFS

Specific Standards: Simple Feature Access / SQL

- “a well-defined and common way for applications to store and access feature data in relational or object-relational databases”
- SQL API for constructing and manipulating geographical objects
- Standard document exists for SQL
- Many other languages and environments have community-supported versions.

Specific Standards: Simple Feature Access / SQL

SQL Example:

```
SELECT ST_Intersection(r.the_geom,  
    m.the_geom) AS intersection_geom,  
ST_Length(r.the_geom) AS rd_orig_length, r.*  
FROM bc_roads AS r, bc_municipality AS m  
WHERE ST_Intersects(r.the_geom, m.the_geom  
    AND m.name = 'PRINCE GEORGE';
```


Specific Standards: Simple Feature Interface / SQL

WKT Example:

```
MULTIPOLYGON(((0 0,4 0,4 4,0 4,0 0),(1 1,2 1,2  
2,1 2,1 1)), ((-1 -1,-1 -2,-2 -2,-2 -1,-1 -1)))
```

Specific Standards: Geography Markup Language

- An XML language for defining geographical objects which is
- enormously sophisticated and expressive
- and therefore verbose,
- but provides a solid baseline for interchange.

Specific Standards: Geography Markup Language

```
<abc:Building xmlns:abc="http://abc" xmlns:app="http://app" xmlns:gml="http://www.opengis.net/gml"
  gml:id="SearsTower">
  <gml:name>Sears Tower</gml:name>
  <abc:height>52</abc:height>
  <abc:position>
    <gml:Point>
      <gml:coordinates>100,200</gml:coordinates>
    </gml:Point>
  </abc:position>
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        </gml:LinearRing>
      </gml:exterior>
    </gml:Polygon>
  </app:extent>
  <gml:timeStamp>
    <gml:TimeInstant gml:id="GML_TT_8539493">
      <gml:timePosition>2005-08-11T10:43:00</gml:timePosition>
    </gml:TimeInstant>
  </gml:timeStamp>
</abc:Building>
```

Specific Standards: ISO 19115 / ISO 19139

- 19115 is the abstract model for metadata about geospatial... things.
- 19139 is the standard for serializing 19115 in XML.
- A rich, expressive, specialized language for describing anything that has place.

Specific Standards: ISO 19115 / ISO 19139

See example...

Specific Standards: Web Map Service

- A service that accepts queries and produces imagery.
- Defined in ISO 19128.
- Used to publish both raster and vector data in rendered form.
- Can be consumed by anything that can load an URL and display an image.

Specific Standards: Web Map Service

Example:

Query:

<http://blah/geoserver/wms?request=GetMap&layers=benford:1850&bbox=334996.21452146204,255850.78955473876,365695.43672146206,284695.4647547388&styles=&Format=image/png&version=1.1.1&width=800&height=705&srs=EPSG:3438>

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Specific Standards: Web Map Service

Example:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<kml>
  <Folder>
    <name>layer_0</name>
    <description>benford:1850</description>
    <GroundOverlay>
      <name>benford:1850</name>
      <drawOrder>0</drawOrder>
      <Icon>
```

Response:

```
<href>http://localhost:8080/geoserver/wms?height=705&bbox=334996.214521462
04%2C255850.78955473876%2C365695.43672146206%2C284695.4647547388&
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  <viewRefreshMode>never</viewRefreshMode>
  <viewBoundScale>0.75</viewBoundScale>
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  <east>-71.36190468629343</east>
  <west>-71.47463768373167</west>
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</Folder>
</kml>
```

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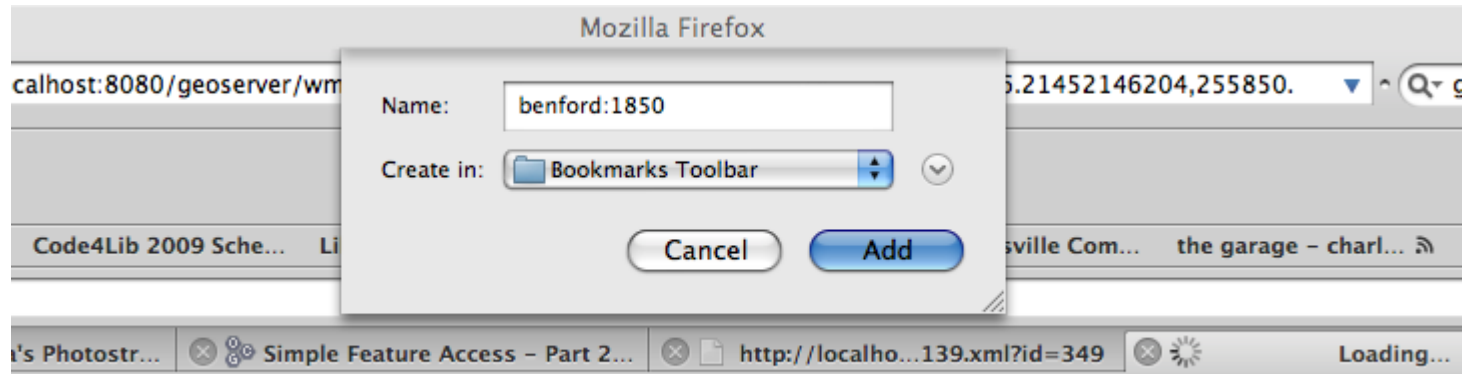
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Specific Standards: Web Map Service

Example:

Response:



Specific Standards: Web Feature Service

- A service that accepts queries and produces feature data.
- Defined in ISO 19142.
- Used to publish vector data in non-rendered form.
- Can be consumed by clients that understand geographic information.

Specific Standards: Web Feature Service

Example:

Query:

[http://blah/geoserver/wfs?request=GetFeature&ty
peName=lovecraft:places](http://blah/geoserver/wfs?request=GetFeature&typeName=lovecraft:places)

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Example:

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Query:

[http://blah/geoserver/wfs?request=GetFeature&ty
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Response: See example...

Specific Standards: Web Feature Service

Example:

Query:

```
http://blah/geoserver/wfs?request=GetFeature&type  
typeName=lovecraft:places&filter=<Filter  
xmlns%3Alovecraft%3D'http%3A//localhost'><Pro  
pertyIsEqualTo><Function  
name%3D'strMatches'><PropertyName>lovecraft  
%3Amentionedin</PropertyName><Literal>.*CD  
W.*</Literal></Function><Literal>>true</Literal></P  
ropertyIsEqualTo></Filter>
```

Specific Standards: Web Feature Service

Example:

Response: See example...

Specific Standards: Web Feature Service

```
<Filter>  
  <PropertyIsEqualTo>  
    <Function name="strMatches">  
<PropertyName>lovecraft:mentionedin</PropertyName>  
    <Literal>.*CDW.*</Literal>  
  </Function>  
  <Literal>>true</Literal>  
</PropertyIsEqualTo>  
</Filter>
```

Tools

PostgreSQL / PostGIS

- A well-supported open-source RDBMS with extension code for spatial data types and functionality.

PostGIS

An extension library for PostgreSQL supplying spatial data types and functionality by leveraging

- GEOS, a C++ library implementing OGC Simple Features, and
- PROJ.4, a library implementing support for geographical projections.

Other datastores can be used under our web-tier

- Oracle
- ESRI ArcSDE
- Microsoft products
- MySQL

GeoServer

- A Spring-based server that supplies WMS / WFS and more, by leveraging a powerful Java library called GeoTools.
- Connects to data stores and raster imagery and publishes services from them.

GeoNetwork

A UN-sponsored metadata repository backed by an RDBMS and Lucene.

GeoNetwork

- GN is made of a servlet-based webapp over
- a Lucene index over
- an RDBMS that actually stores the metadata.

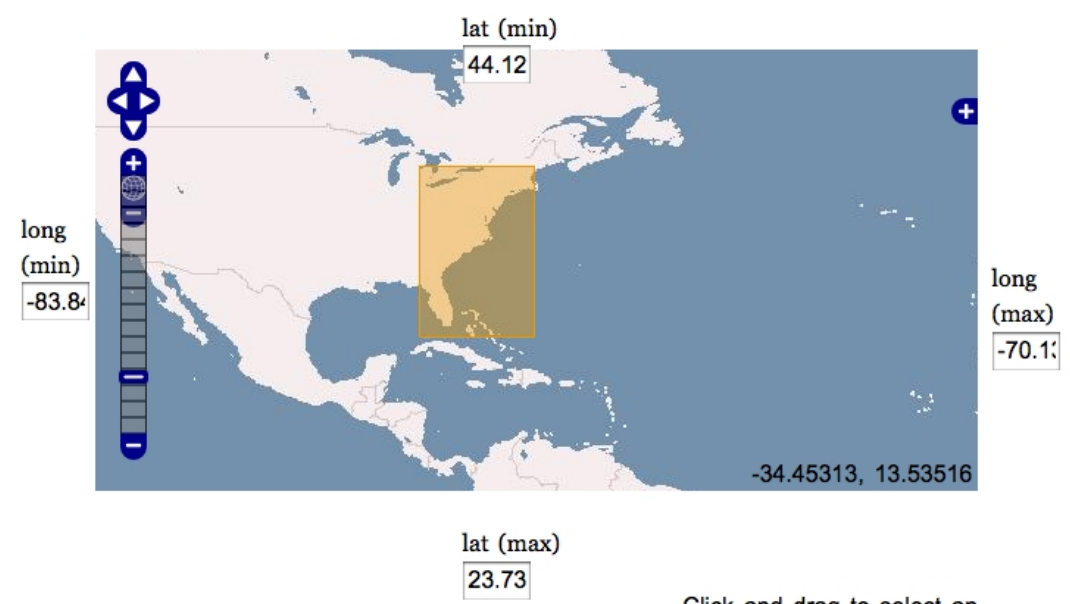
GeoNetwork

- Features:
- metadata editors
- user-group management with various roles
- query by various means, including by extent
- a wide variety of connectivity (Z39.50, OAI-PMH, CSW)
- easy extensibility
- strong internationalization

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[Virginia Statewide datasets \(datastack\)](#)

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Layers

- OpenLayers Base

Add New Remove

Map Available Layers

Select a layer to add to the map

Layer Name	Layer Title	Namespace
Namespace: Charlottesville (40 Items)		
Charlottesville:Centerline	Centerline_Type	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:CityLimits	Charlottesville_CityLimits	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:Cont_IndxPln	Charlottesville_Cont_IndxPln	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:Contour_Indx	Charlottesville_Contour_Indx	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:Contour_Intr	Charlottesville_Contour_Intr	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:Creeks_Rivers	Charlottesville_Creeks_Rivers	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:Driveways	Charlottesville_Driveways	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:Fences_Walls	Charlottesville_Fences_Walls	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:Floodway	Charlottesville_Floodway	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:GuardRail	Charlottesville_GuardRail	Charlottesville

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Charlottesville:Creeks_Rivers	Charlottesville_Creeks_Rivers	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:Driveways	Charlottesville_Driveways	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:Fences_Walls	Charlottesville_Fences_Walls	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:Floodway	Charlottesville_Floodway	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:GuardRail	Charlottesville_GuardRail	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:Hydrants	Charlottesville_Hydrants	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:Manholes	Charlottesville_Manholes	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:Neighborhoods	Neighborhoods_Type	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:ParcelPoints	Charlottesville_ParcelPoints	Charlottesville
Charlottesville:Parcels	Charlottesville_Parcels	Charlottesville

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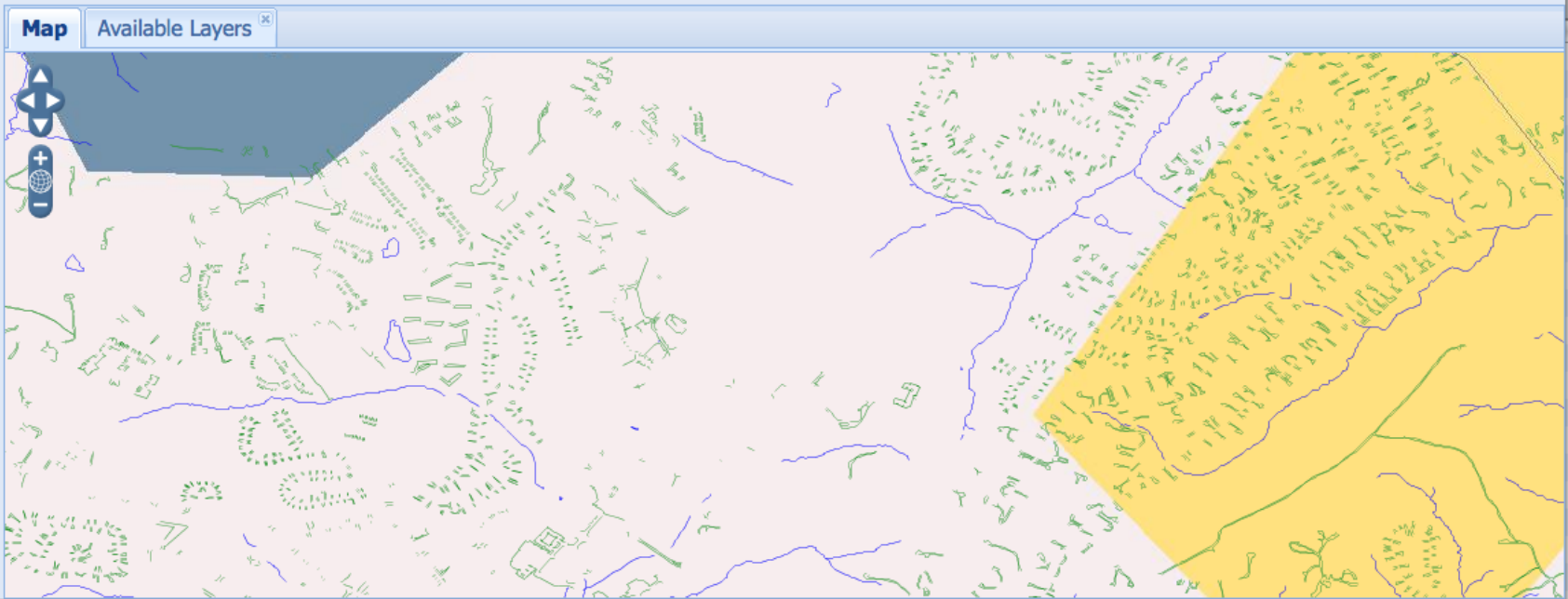
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- Charlottesville_CityLimits
- Charlottesville_Creeks_Rivers
- OpenLayers Base Layer

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Scholars' Lab Geospatial Data Portal

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Administration

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- [New metadata](#) Adds a new metadata into geonetwork copying it from a template
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Personal info

- [Change password](#) Allow current user to change password
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Administration

- [User management](#) Add/modify/delete and show users
- [Group management](#) Add/modify/delete and show groups
- [Category management](#) Add/modify/delete and show categories
- [Harvesting management](#) Add/modify/delete/start/stop harvesting tasks
- [System configuration](#) Allows to change some system's parameters
- [Localization](#) Allows to change localized entities, like groups, categories etc...

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Administration

Métadonnées

- Nouvelle métadonnée Ajouter une fiche de métadonnées
- Import de fichiers XML Importer des fichiers ISO19115
- Import en série Importer des fichiers XML à partir d'un répertoire local
- Métadonnées inutilisées Rechercher des métadonnées vides ou non utilisées
- Transfert de privilèges Transfert des privilèges de métadonnées pour un autre utilisateur
- Gestion des thesaurus Ajouter/modifier/supprimer et consulter les thesaurus

Personal info

- Modifier le mot de passe Autoriser l'utilisateur en cours de changer le mot de passe
- Modifier les informations utilisateurs Permet de mettre à jour les informations sur l'utilisateur

Administration

- Gestion des utilisateurs Ajouter/Modifier/Supprimer et visualiser les utilisateurs
- Gestion des groupes Ajouter/Modifier/Supprimer et visualiser les groupes
- Gestion des catégories Ajouter/Modifier/Supprimer et visualiser les catégories
- Gestion du moissonnage Ajouter/modifier/supprimer/lancer/arrêter les moissons (récupération de métadonnées depuis un noeud distant)
- Configuration du système Permet de modifier quelques paramètres systèmes
- Internationalisation Permet la modification des traductions des groupes, catégories, etc.

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User defined maintenance frequency +

Update scope +

Update scope description +

Maintenance note +

Metadata author * +

Resource format +

Descriptive keywords x

Keywords

Keyword x municipal

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