

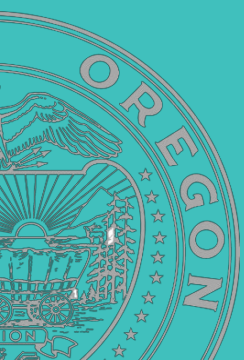
Addresses & Buildings Framework Implementation Team

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Oregon Framework

16 themes that form the foundation for an authoritative seamless statewide GIS



Tasks

- Deliverable – Address Point Framework Standard document
- Compare the four major national address standards (FGDC, NENA, NAD, USPS)
- Look at other state's standards
- Look at other Oregon city or county standards
- Look at other Framework Theme standards
- Pick the most useful attributes for Oregon addresses
- Design a flexible structure for storing and using the data



Goals for the Address Data Standard

- Make it for Oregon addresses, not national/international
- Make it complete so it works for most people
- Make it clear, simple and easy to follow the standard so it is accepted
- Make it flexible for multiple purposes and products
- Make it sustainable to keep it current and relevant
- Make it scalable from the local to national level
- Make it public



Goals for the Address Data Standard

Many Uses

Public Safety & Emergency Management
Elections & Voting
Census
Housing
Broadband
Marketing & Mailing
Public Health
Many others

Many Products

Basic
Enhanced
Other Formats
Specialized Subsets
Geocoder



Address Standard - Approach

- Compare Major Standards
- Identify the priorities for the address elements in each standard
 1. Core *Most important or mandatory minimum fields, must be supplied*
Street Number, Street Name, Unit Number, City, X, Y
 2. Important Recommended, cannot be derived from core
 3. Useful Optional or nice to have, can be derived from core or location
 4. Minor Optional only in limited cases
- Add any other necessary fields



Four Major National Address Standards

1. **FGDC** Federal Geographic Data Committee
2. **NENA** National Emergency Number Association
3. **NAD** National Address Database
4. **USPS** US Postal Service

FGDC, NENA, NAD
are related and have
a similar format

Links for each standard are on the [GEOHub](#) Addresses and Buildings Framework page.



FGDC Standard

- National
- Oldest (2011)
 - OGIC Endorsed in 2014
- Covers *Several* Address Classes
 - **Numbered Thoroughfare Class** (123 E Main St Unit 4)
 - Landmark, Point-of-Interest
 - Intersection
 - Address Ranges
 - Unnumbered Thoroughfare
 - Postal Delivery, PO Boxes, Rural Route Boxes
- Any spatial standard – Specify the Spatial Reference
 - Also latitude and longitude
- Formats the Street Number, Street Name, City into separate elements



FGDC Standard Parsed Elements

- Format the Street Number into separate elements
 - Address Number Prefix
 - Address Number
 - Address Number Suffix

- Format The Street Name into separate elements
 - Street Name Pre Modifier
 - Street Name Pre Direction
 - Street Name Pre Type
 - Street Name Pre Separator
 - Street Name
 - Street Name Post Type
 - Street Name Post Direction
 - Street Name Post Modifier

- City/Jurisdictions stored in separate elements
 - Incorporated Municipality
 - Unincorporated Community
 - Neighborhood Community
 - Postal Community
 - MSAG Community (e911 **M**aster **S**treet **A**ddress **G**uide)



FGDC Standard

■ Pros

- Oldest (2011) and well established
- Most comprehensive (multiple address classes)
- Already OGIC endorsed (2014)

■ Cons

- Most abstract, most complicated, most difficult to implement relationally
- Not many states use it



NENA Standard

- National and international (Canada)
- Based on FGDC
 - Formats the street numbers, street name and cities the same way as FGDC
- Covers Two Address Classes
 - **Site Structure Address Points**
 - Landmark
 - Section 4.2 specifically for addresses. Not the entire standard.
- WGS84 (4326) latitude and longitude spatial standard



NENA Standard

■ Pros

- Already used for most NG911 input address datasets for Oregon
- Used by at least 13 other states
- Less abstract, less complicated, much easier to implement than FGDC

■ Cons

- Specialized for 911 public safety answering points
- Some important elements (unit) are not required nor conditionally required so they may be omitted



NAD Standard

- National
- Based on **NENA**
 - Formats the street numbers, street names and cities the same way as FGDC, NENA
- Two Address Point Classes
 - **Numbered Thoroughfare**
 - Landmark
- WGS84 (4326) spatial standard



NAD Standard

■ Pros

- Format needed to contribute Oregon addresses to the NAD
- Broader applicability, less specialized than NENA
- Even less abstract, less complicated, easier to implement than FGDC/NENA

■ Cons

- Only used by one other state and the NAD



USPS Standard

- National
- *Not* Based on FGDC, NENA, or NAD
- Single Address Class
- Full Street Name (not parsed)
 - Full Street Number (not parsed)
 - Abbreviations for pre/post direction, street type
 - Separate Unit Type, Unit Number
 - Single City Field - Based on preferred city name assigned to the ZIP Code



USPS Standard

■ Pros

- Most Familiar, Simple to Implement
 - 123 E MAIN ST APT 45, YOURTOWN, OR 97001
- Well established, Most widespread use
- Only authoritative source for ZIP Code, ZIP+4 add-on
- Validate with known authoritative source data
 - Coding Accuracy Support System (CASS) tool

■ Cons

- Attributes only, not a spatial standard
- Single city field does not always correspond to jurisdiction boundaries
- Not every street address receives mail



Keep in Mind, Oregon Addresses Are...

- Vast majority are not complicated and are very typical
- Do not need a complicated standard
- Very few variant street naming exceptions
 - Very few foreign names – Only 54 have Spanish, Italian, French spellings
 - Very few use the parsed street name elements (FGDC, NENA, NAD)
 - Only 0.8% of all street names (0.4% are “Highway ##”)
- Do not need to accommodate every national regional variation



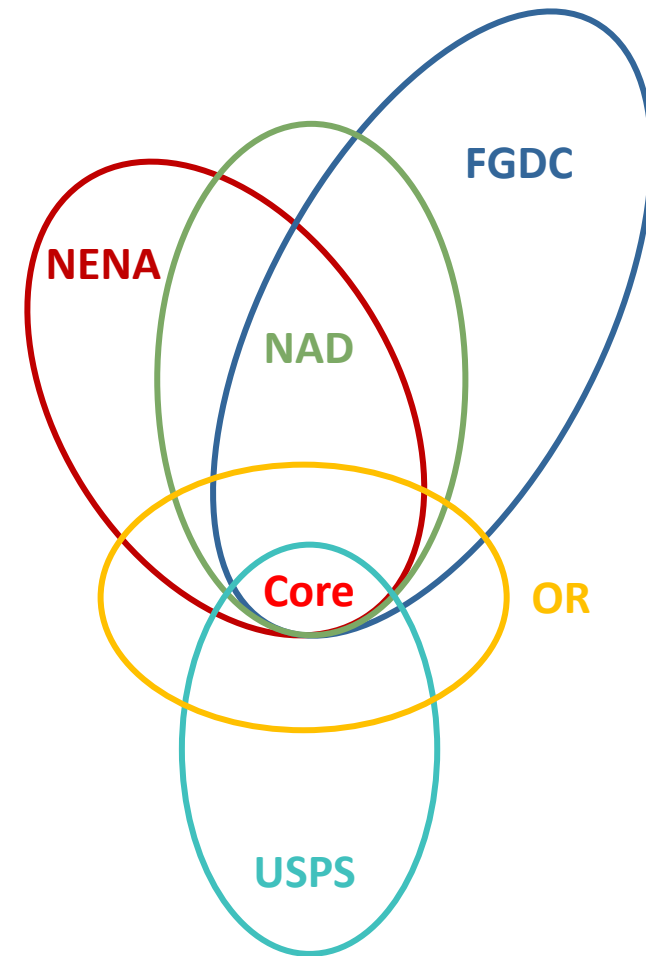
Address Standards – All Options

- Keep current OGIC-Endorsed FGDC standard
- Select another standard
 - Many states use NENA or custom, a few use others
 - Possibly with additional fields
- Select elements from multiple standards
- Combine elements from all standards
- Create a completely new and unique Oregon standard
- Other options??



Custom Oregon Standard

- Combination of all four major standards
 - 70% match
 - 10% match of all fields
 - 40% match on three fields
 - 20% match on two fields
- Most states still use custom formats
- Most flexible to accommodate many
 - Input formats
 - Output formats
- Large, complex schema



Start with Core

- Full street address including all elements with unit
- City
- State
- ZIP Code
- Longitude
- Latitude
- Source ID



Basic Street Address Point Elements

123 E MAIN ST UNIT 45, ANYTOWN, OR, 97001
-123.456789, 45.678901

- **Street Number** Always mandatory
- **Pre/Post Direction** Usually present
- **Street Name** Always mandatory
- **Street Type** Usually present
- **Unit Number** Mandatory if present
- **City, State, ZIP** Distinguishes between duplicate addresses
- **Location Coordinates** Always mandatory



ZIP Codes and Unique Street Addresses

Full Street Address *including* unit + ZIP Code = Unique address

Intrinsic/Inherent Primary Key when standardized

- Duplicate street addresses will not be in the *same* ZIP Code
- Duplicate street addresses may be in different ZIP Codes

123 E MAIN ST UNIT 45 + 97001

123 E MAIN ST UNIT 46 + 97001

123 E MAIN ST UNIT 47 + 97001

123 E MAIN ST UNIT 45 + 97234



Thank You!

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