







## How to download NAIP (2003-Present) Compressed County Mosaics (CCMs) from the USDA Data Gateway.

- 1. Go to <a href="http://datagateway.nrcs.usda.gov/">http://datagateway.nrcs.usda.gov/</a>. Note the System Status to determine whether the NAIP imagery is presently online or offline.
- 2. On the home page, click the green Get Data button
- 3. Input your state and county of interest and click **Submit Selected Counties**.
- 4. In the next window, scroll down until you reach the heading of **Ortho Imagery**
- 5. Place a check next to the year you want, and then press Continue.
- 6. Read the information, **FTP Download** is selected for you. Press **Continue**.
- 7. Enter contact information and then press Continue.
- 8. Review your order and press the **Place Order** button.
- 9. Within a few hours, you will receive an email with your ftp download link.

Notes: CCMs over 8 Gigabytes in size **cannot** be downloaded from the Data Gateway site. They may be ordered by emailing your name, address, phone number, year and county of interest to: <a href="mailto:apfo.sales@slc.usda.gov">apfo.sales@slc.usda.gov</a>. There is a charge for this service. One- meter resolution four-band quarter-quads are also available.

Most CCMs are in MrSid format. A free viewer for this format type is available at: http://www.lizardtech.com/downloads/category/#viewers

The MrSID format is not compatible with Macintosh computers; however, there is a viewer for Apple iOS now available.

The shapefile within County Compressed Mosaic zip file contains attributes such as the imagery acquisition date. The polygons in the shapefile will vary in area and shape depending on the source of the original imagery.

USDA Imagery from the 1980-2002 NHAP and NAPP projects are available from the USGS Earth Explorer website:

http://earthexplorer.usgs.gov/