

For: All CONUS State Offices

Identifying National Agriculture Imagery Program (NAIP) Data Rights Requirements

Approved by: Acting Administrator



1 Overview

A Background

Since the start of NAIP in 2003, all acquired imagery has been placed in public domain allowing unrestricted use and sharing of the data. However, the exponential growth of GIS and the demand for high resolution imagery in both public and private sectors have created new commercial imagery sources. Changing NAIP acquisition strategy to using commercial-off-the-shelf (COTS) imagery could potentially save FSA funding and resources. The Agency mission can only be achieved if the proper data rights are included in the End User License Agreement (EULA).

B Purpose

This notice requests that all CONUS State Offices answer a few survey questions about how they use and share NAIP imagery. The results will allow FSA to determine the minimum data rights required under a licensed data model. For ease of use, the survey will be posted using a web survey engine and will take approximately 10 minutes to complete.

C Contact

For questions or technical support, State Offices shall contact John Mootz by either of the following:

- e-mail to john.mootz@slc.usda.gov
- telephone at 801-844-2916.

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2 NAIP Data Rights Requirements Survey

A NAIP Survey

The survey will:

- ensure that all applications that requires NAIP imagery are properly identified
- document how often producers/customers ask for soft copies of NAIP imagery
- document if NAIP imagery is shared with other agencies at the State/county level.

B State Office Action

APFO will provide the survey link and survey instructions to each State's GIS specialist. Issuing instructions in this manner allows APFO to protect the confidentiality of the survey site. The survey opens November 29, 2017. **The final deadline for completing the survey is December 15, 2017.**

State GIS specialists and GIS coordinators shall:

- work with others in the State Office as well as CED's and PT's to generate responses that represent your whole State (a soft copy of the survey will be provided in advance to help GIS specialists coordinate with others)
- complete the survey
- contact John Mootz with questions about the survey.