Overview

A Background

FSA, NRCS, and Rural Development entered into a dataset licensing purchase agreement with Dynamap/2000 Tele Atlas. This agreement included restrictions and disclaimers that must be adhered to when using these datasets.

The following is an excerpt from the USDA Service Center Agencies Geospatial Data Management Team Data Management Plan for Dynamap/2000 Tele Atlas North America Dataset that informs of the restrictions and disclaimers.

“The Dynamap/2000 map database contains several attributed geospatial datasets for supporting USDA program business needs. In addition to the improved transportation networks, Dynamap/2000 provides water features, postal and census related layers, land use, administrative areas and places, and points of general interest. The Service Center Agencies have a licensing agreement with Tele Atlas to use their digital map database for any purpose including address geocoding. Data can be used freely by the licensed agencies, but digital Dynamap/2000 data cannot be distributed to external organizations or the general public. Hard copy maps created using Dynamap/2000 data can be distributed freely, but must indicate that Dynamap/2000 data were used in the map.”


Dynamap/2000 Tele Atlas datasets refer to files found in the f:/geodata folders of census, government units, hydrography, landmarks, transportation, or as described in Tables 1 and 2 of the Manual for Managing Geospatial Datasets in Service Centers.

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1  Overview (Continued)

B  Purpose

This notice reminds State Office Geographical Information System (GIS) Specialists and County Office GIS users to ensure that they follow the restrictions and disclaimers set forth in the Data Management Plan for Dynamap/2000 Tele Atlas North America Dataset when using this data.

2  Adhering to the Restrictions and Disclaimer

A  Restrictions

Because of the licensing agreement with Dynamap/2000 Tele Atlas, Service Center Agencies (SCA’s) can use these datasets provided in the f:/geodata folder structure, as needed. However, these datasets, in a digital format, cannot be shared or provided to anyone outside of SCA’s.

B  Disclaimer

Hard copy paper maps that contain Dynamap/2000 Tele Atlas data may be provided and shared with the general public as long as the paper map contains a disclaimer stating that the data was provided by Dynamap/2000 Tele Atlas.

The following are examples of disclaimers stated on the hard copy paper map:

- Roads Layer Provided by Dynamap/2000 Tele Atlas
- Dynamap/2000 Tele Atlas County Boundary Dataset.

Note: An automated disclaimer process is anticipated to be included in the template of a future version of the FSA ArcGIS CLU Maintenance Tool.

3  Action

A  State Office Action

State Office GIS Specialists/Coordinators shall:

- manage the steps on how a disclaimer is to be placed on hard copy maps, as needed.
3 Action (Continued)

B County Office Action

County Office GIS users shall follow direction from their State Office GIS Specialist/Coordinator on using the Dynamap/2000 Tele Atlas North America Dataset and the disclaimer of any resulting hard copy paper maps.

C Contact Information

Any County Office questions about this notice shall be directed to their State Office GIS Specialists.

Any State Office questions about this notice shall be directed to Todd Anderson, PECD, at todd.anderson@wdc.usda.gov.