



# “Geoprocessing in the Cloud”

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# Who We Are

- Open Solutions Group, Inc.
- Small Business, founded in March 2008
- Locations in Northern Virginia & Southern California
- IT Solution Provider with extensive background and expertise in Enterprise Geospatial Information Systems



INNOVATION. COLLABORATION. PERFORMANCE.

# We embrace Open Source to... ...break low productivity habits



"Not Invented Here" Syndrome



"Not Sold Here" Syndrome

# Support The Intel Community

- Defense Intelligence Agency
  - DIA JWS-3 Battlespace Visualization
  - National Ground Intelligence Center
  - Anti Armor Analysis Program
  - Warfighter Imagery Server
  - JSPACE, DODIIS Portal, OPTIC

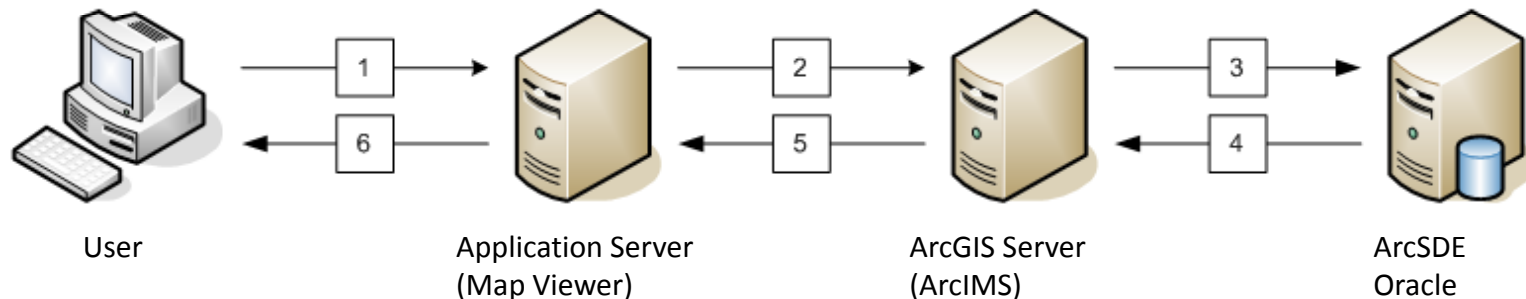


# “Cache the World” Challenge

- On-going initiative with Defense Intelligence Agency to improve reliability and performance for optimal data visualization on the web...

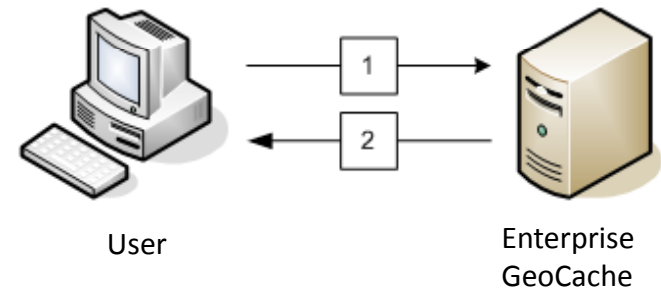
“My Maps Must Refresh in Less than 1 Second!”

- Fighting traditional map generating bottlenecks
- Refresh rate is typically between 4 – 12 seconds
- Slow Map Services are Not Very Interesting!

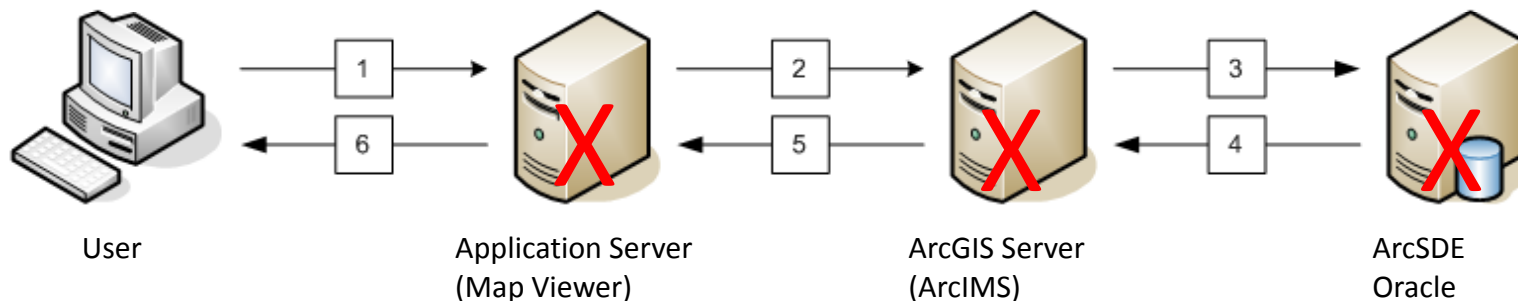


# DIA Enterprise GeoCache

- Provide High Performance Access to NGA Products (Global)
  - CIB, DTED, SRTM, VMAP, NVUE, CADRG
- “Cache The World!”



- Attempted Cache Generation Against Existing GIS Infrastructure = **FAILURE**
- Middleware bottlenecks persisted due to constant image requests for multiple image tiles



# Scanned Map Products

Map Product Name	Zoom Levels	Scales
GNC	0-6	1:221M – 1:3.5M
JNC	6-8	1:3.5M – 1:865K
ONC	7-10	1:1.7M – 1:216K
TPC	8-11	1:865K – 1:108K
JOGA	9-11	1:432K – 1:108K
TLM100	10-12	1:216K – 1:54K
City Graphics	11-16	1:108K – 1:3.5K

# Imagery Products

## Natural View & Controlled Image Base (CIB)

Imagery Product Name	Zoom Levels	Scales
NaturalVue	4-11	1:13.8M – 1:108K
CIB1 Meter Imagery	6-16	1:3.4M – 1:3.5K
CIB5 Meter Imagery	9-13	1:432K – 1:27K
CIB10 Meter Imagery	6-9	1:3.4M – 1:432K



# Vector Products

- Collection of data from VMap0, VMap1 and Shapefiles
- Features from different layers are visible at various scales
- The new standard for Basemap

got cloud ?



# Our Geoprocessing Toolbox



Geospatial Data  
Abstraction Library  
“goo-doll”

Raster/Vector Translation  
Library

mrGeo  
Map Reduce Geospatial

MapNik  
TileCache  
MapServer



Image Processing  
Library

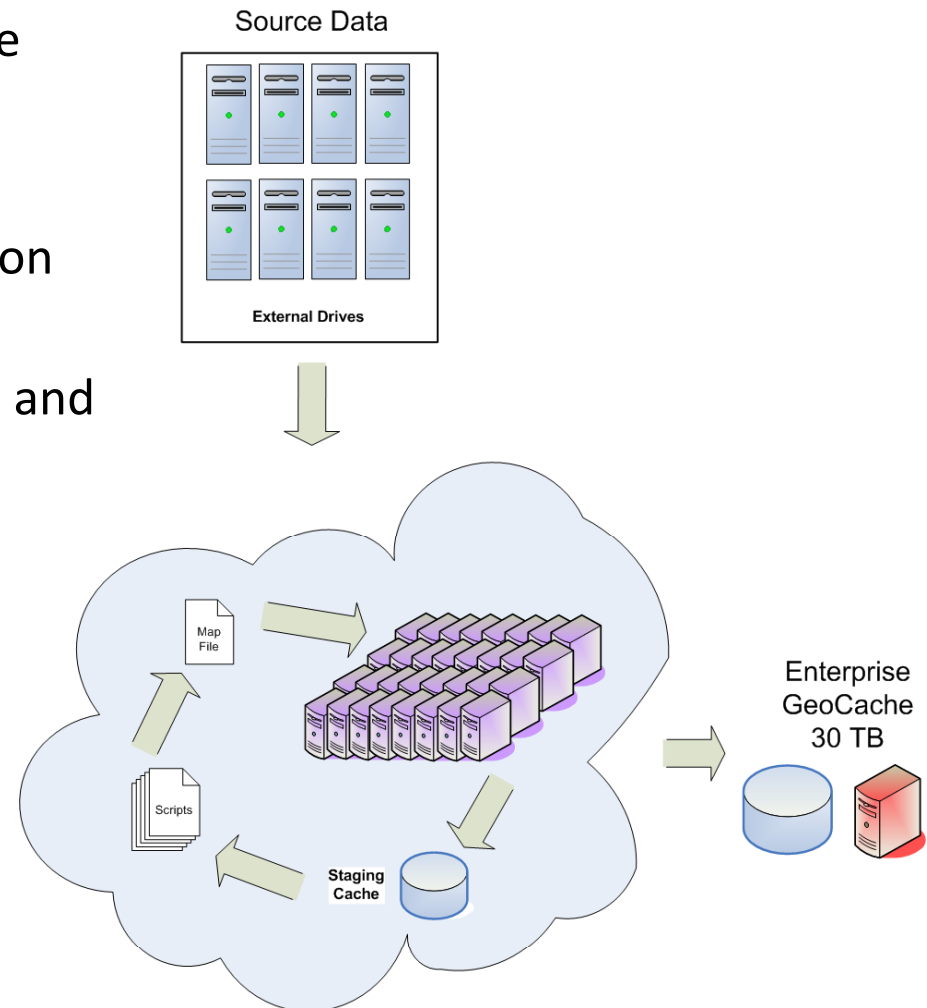
Format Conversion  
Resize, Rotate, Crop  
Composites  
Transparency

# Our Geoprocessing Warehouse

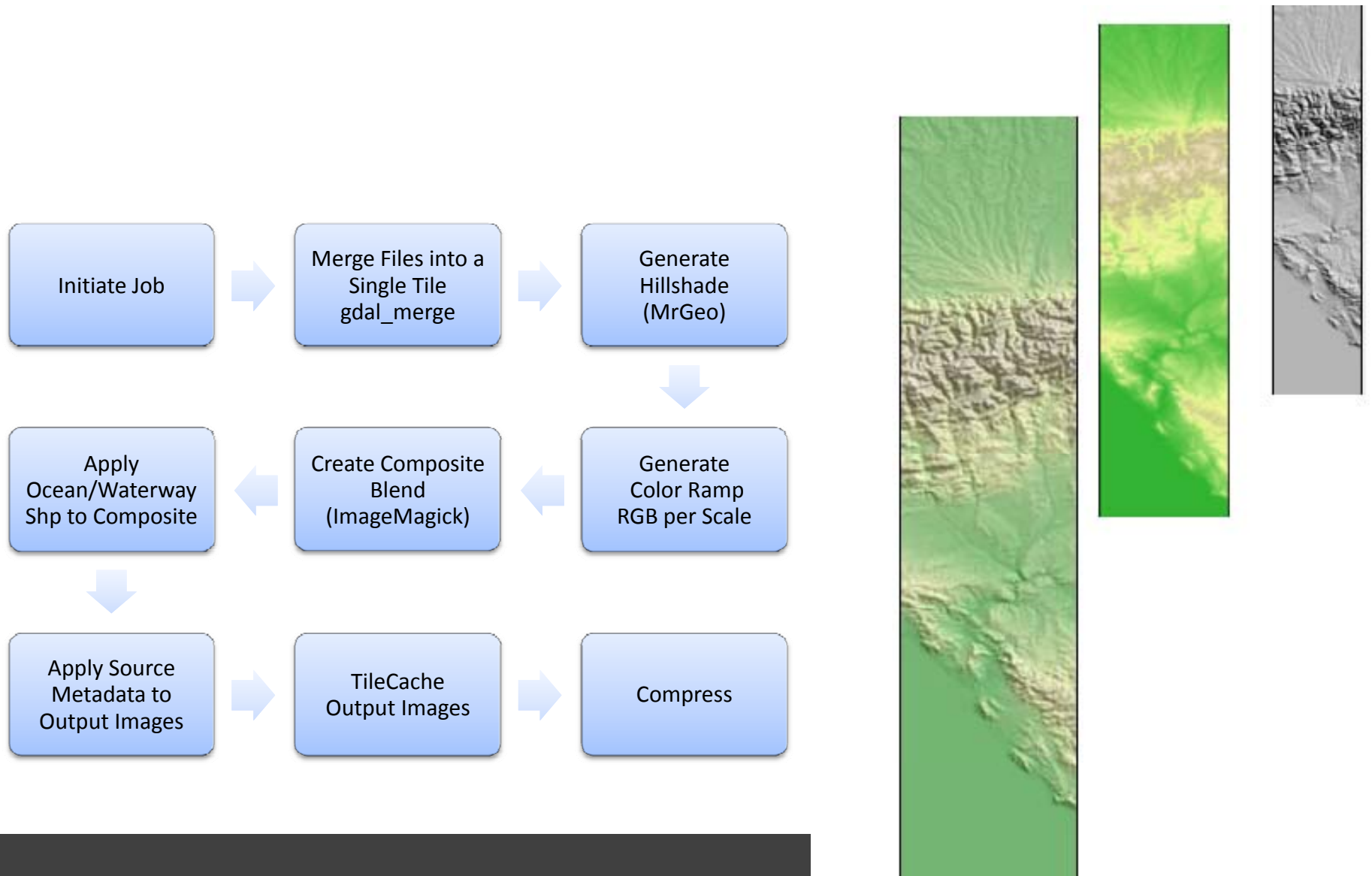
- Developed Cloud Geoprocessing Infrastructure for Server Management, Job Queue Management, Workers, and Error Reporting
- Provide Status, Tracking, and Metrics for Process Management.
- Manage 100s of thousands of geoprocessing jobs
- All available NGA Products Managed and Processed

# The Assembly Line

1. Data Arrives At Warehouse
2. Workers Begin Shift  
(Server Provisioning)
3. Jobs Assigned to Workers on  
Assembly Line (Queue)
4. Foreman oversees Quality and  
Errors (QA/QC)

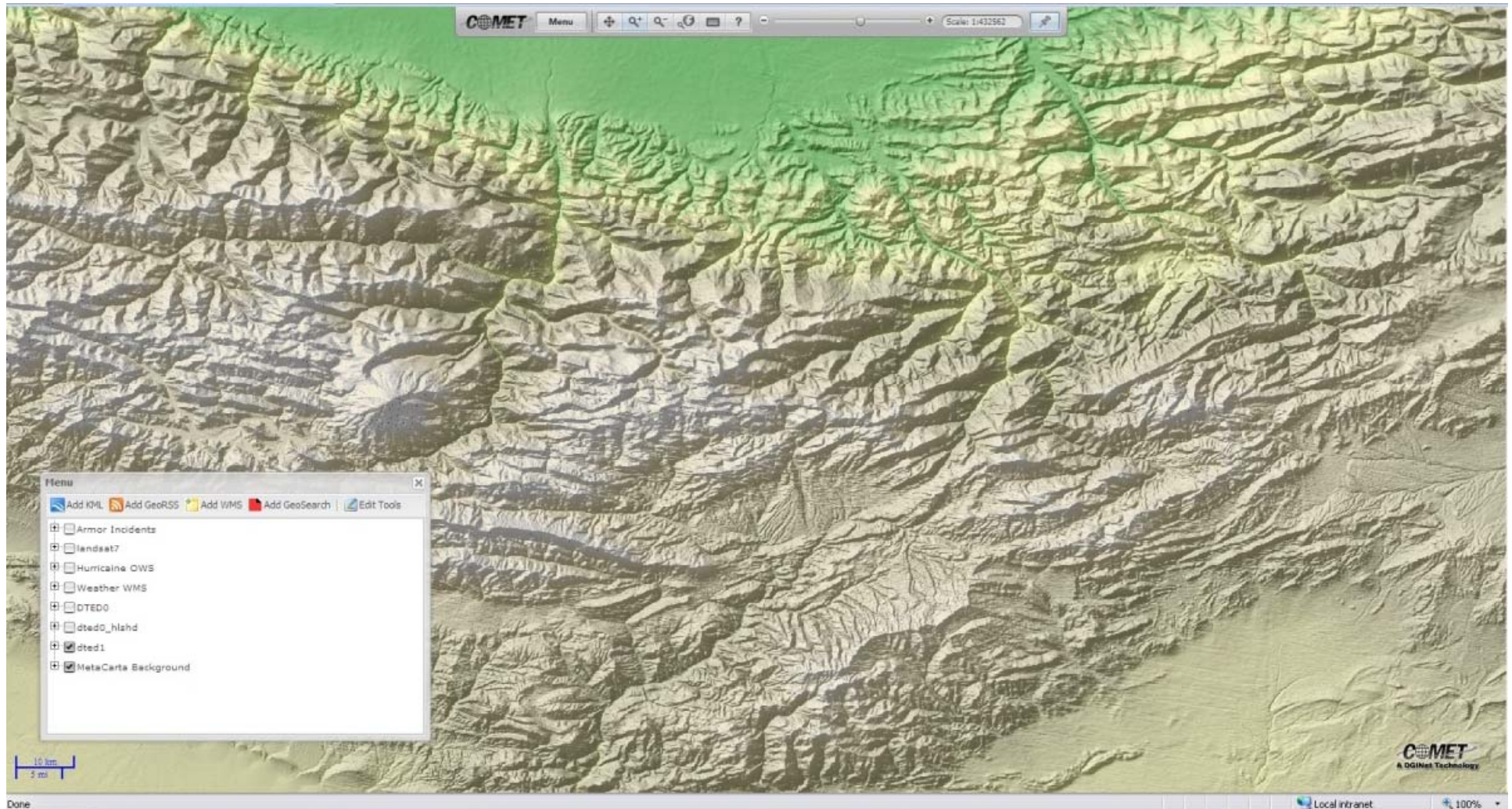


# Geoprocessing Workflow (DTED)





# Geoprocessing Output (DTED)



\*Hillshade and Color Ramp Composite

# Interoperability

- Leverage Geospatial Standards (OGC)
- Tighter Integration with MapReduce (Hadoop) to achieve parallel geoprocessing over vector datasets (vmap, osm)
- Provide multiple Output Formats to achieve interoperability and reuse
  - Completely Open Mapping Environment (COMET)
  - ArcGIS Desktop
  - Google Earth
  - WMS Clients, Tiling Clients (TMS, TileCache), Mashups
  - Adobe Flex, Microsoft Silverlight



# Maintain Cloud Control (QA / QC)

- Thousands of processes can (and will) generate thousands of errors during operation

1,000,000 Geoprocessing Jobs  
0.5 % Margin  
= 5,000 Processing Errors

- System and resource failures will occur during high volume operations
- Each geoprocessing job must hold accountability
- High volume output must be verified by algorithms and humans

# Global Catalog of Products

## Select product type to change

[Add product type](#) +

### Product type

SRTM-G

SRTM-C

TLM50-O

TLM24

TLM25

TLM50

TLM100

TPC

ONC

MIM

LFC

JOGA

JNC

GNC

CTFC

CITY

MISC

DTED2

DTED1

DTED0

CADRG

NATURALVUE

CIB10

CIB05

CIB01

25 product types

## Select drive to change

### Drive

2CAG1XAE

2CAG31GH

2CAG30EO

2CAG30ZW

2CAG2ZPK

2CAG31Q8

2CAG2ZHK

2CAG30NZ

2CAG2ZZJ

2CAG31CR

2CAG311L


2CAG2ZPS

12 drives

## Change drive

Serial num: 2CAG1XAE

Size in gb: 500.000

Date created: Date: 2009-06-22 [Today](#) 

Time: 10:18:17 [Now](#) 

Num folders: 1

 [Delete](#)

- NGA Product Catalog
- Disk/Storage Media Management

# Geoprocessing Dashboard

Select vmap product to change | Site admin - Mozilla Firefox

File Edit View History Bookmarks Tools Help

Select vmap product to change | Sit...

Enterprise GeoCache Administration

Welcome, blevy. Change password / Log out

Home > Catalog > Vmap products

### Select vmap product to change

Search:  Go

**Add vmap product** +

Name	Start zoom	End zoom	Status	Total time	Total size	Total tiles	Job end time
N00-E030_ur	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	281	8324	1285	June 12, 2009, 12:26 a.m.
N00-W072_lr	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	335	7060	1368	June 12, 2009, 12:27 a.m.
N00-W066_ll	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	386	6316	1338	June 12, 2009, 12:31 a.m.
N05-E042_ll	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	431	7136	1365	June 12, 2009, 12:31 a.m.
N05-E012_lr	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	370	8088	1320	June 12, 2009, 12:32 a.m.
N00-E018_lr	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	443	8776	1368	June 12, 2009, 12:32 a.m.
N05-E006_ul	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	394	13748	1285	June 12, 2009, 12:34 a.m.
N05-E018_ur	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	352	7028	1314	June 12, 2009, 12:37 a.m.
N05-E042_ur	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	379	7928	1329	June 12, 2009, 12:38 a.m.
N05-E120_lr	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	736	10556	1320	June 12, 2009, 12:40 a.m.
N05-W072_ul	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	513	15648	1285	June 12, 2009, 12:40 a.m.
N10-E006_lr	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	591	11612	1338	June 12, 2009, 12:42 a.m.
N10-E018_ur	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	400	8476	1314	June 12, 2009, 12:42 a.m.
N10-E096_ur	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	434	17392	1285	June 12, 2009, 12:44 a.m.
N05-E024_lr	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	370	7568	1320	June 12, 2009, 12:45 a.m.
N05-E024_ul	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	356	7148	1285	June 12, 2009, 12:46 a.m.
N05-W084_ul	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	614	11212	1285	June 12, 2009, 12:50 a.m.
N00-W054_ur	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	616	5836	1285	June 12, 2009, 12:52 a.m.
N05-E120_ur	10	11	Processed Sucessfully	1237	12840	1285	June 12, 2009, 1:05 a.m.

**Filter**

**By start zoom**

All  
10  
12  
13  
14







**By end zoom**

All  
11  
12  
13  
14

**By status**

All  
Not Processed  
Processed Sucessfully  
Processed Failure  
Duplicate Product  
Marked For Verification  
Verified Sucessfully  
Verified Failure  
Wont Fix

# Geoprocessing Status

Job created time:	Date: 2009-06-03 Today   
	Time: 03:18:29 Now   
Job start time:	Date: 2009-06-03 Today   
	Time: 04:46:55 Now   
Job end time:	Date: 2009-06-03 Today   
	Time: 05:18:15 Now   
Tar file size:	96461147
Total size:	103752
Total tiles:	2871

- When did the Job Start?
- When did the Job Finish?
- How large is the output?
- How many tiles were generated from this single product?

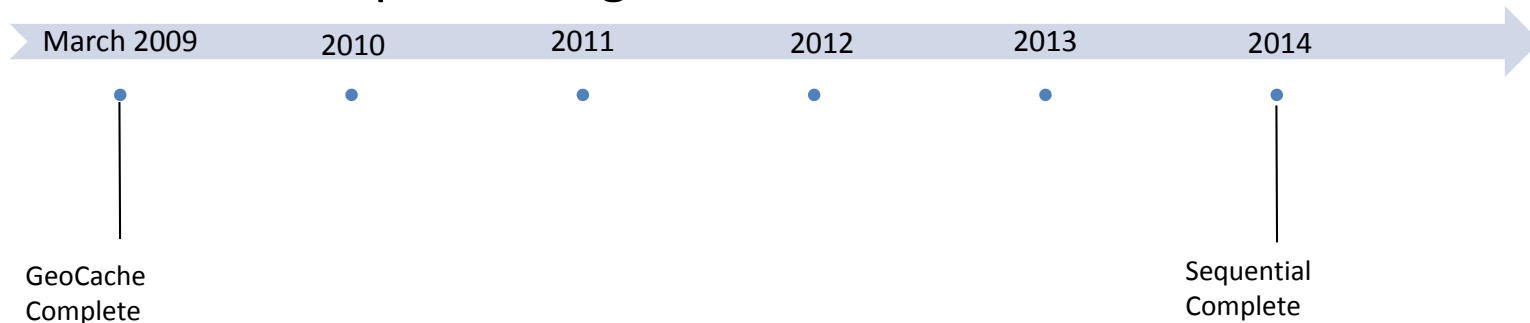
# The Hard Numbers (CIB1)

- INPUT
  - 6963 Original Products @ 2.3 Terabytes
- PROCESSING
  - 9000 Processor Hours (over 1 human year)
  - Completed in 4.5 Hours
  - 2,000 Servers
- OUTPUT
  - 14 Terabytes of Processed CIB1 Imagery
  - 338 Million Image Tiles (256\*256 pixels)

# The Really Hard Numbers

Computing Time of 40,000 hours

- A Sequential Process Would Take 5 Years to Complete!
- We sliced processing duration to 24 Hours



- 3.5 TB of NGA Products Processed
- 30 TB of Cached Products Generated
- 1 Billion Image Tiles (256\*256 pixels)

# Geoprocessing On Demand

OSGI & SPADAC together are enabling  
“Geoprocessing On-Demand” with shared  
models and derivatives

- Leverage Community TradeCraft
- mrGeo Library for supporting parallel image processing (Map Reduce)
- Input Digital Elevation Models to produce GeoTIFF outputs
- Plug-n-Play with Geoprocessing Infrastructure

# SRTM2 (30m) Value Added Layers

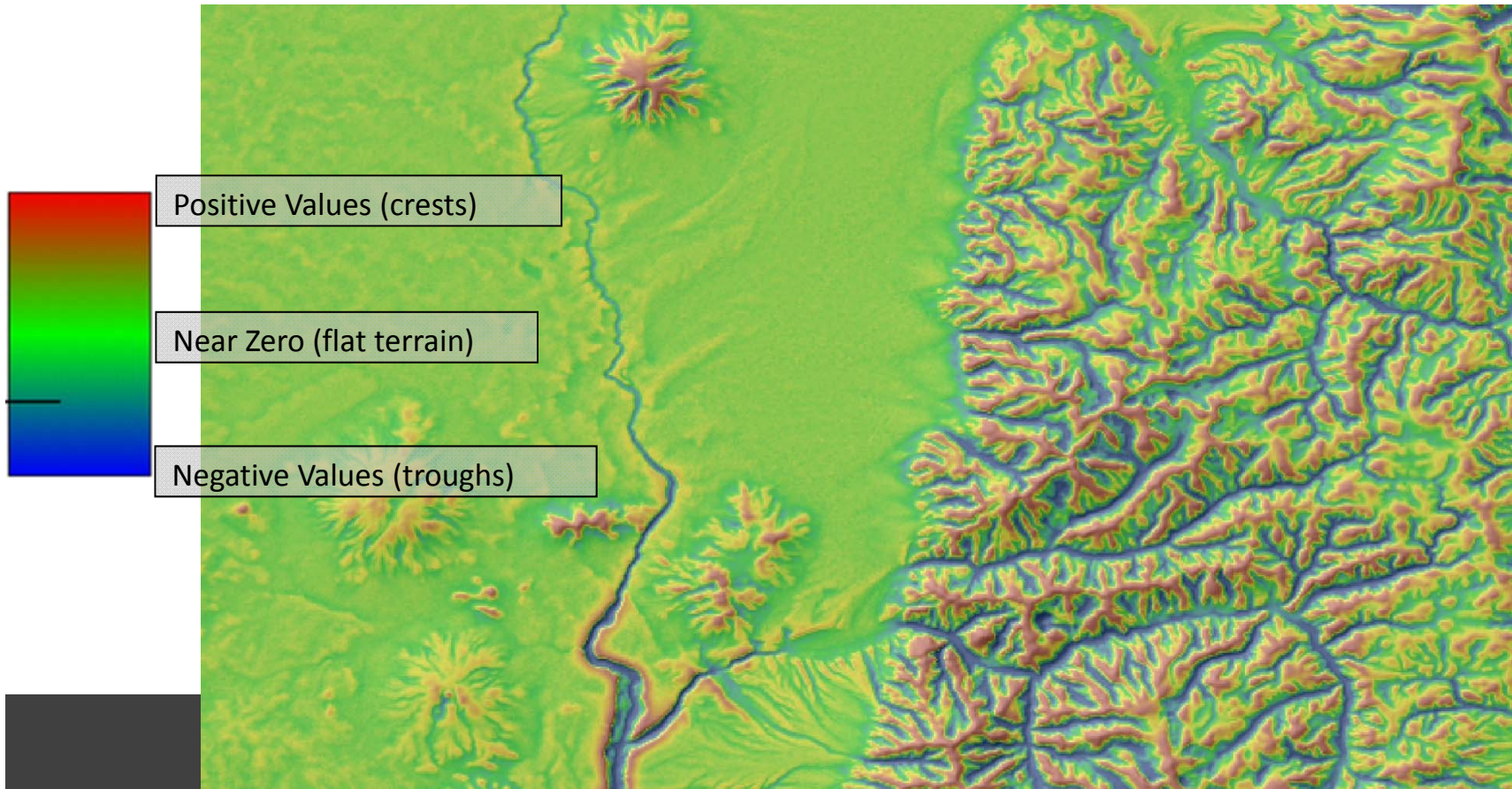
## Derived Surfaces will Include:

1. Hillshade
2. Slope
3. Aspect
4. Terrain Ruggedness Index (TRI):
  - A measure of terrain variability—crucial to understanding peoples interaction with terrain.
- Relevation (Relative Elevation):
  - A cells elevation relative to its surrounding environment.



# Relevation (Relative Elevation) Index Calculation

- Modification of Topographic Position Index (TPI), introduced by Weiss (2001).
- Difference in elevation between a cell and the average of its neighbors.
- Neighborhood measurements account for map distortions across all latitudes.





# Terrain Rouggedness Index

- Adapted from Riley et al. (1999) to measure the variability of a landscape.
- A key parameter in distinguishing suitable/unsuitable terrain for people and infrastructure.



# Geoprocessing On Demand

- Benchmarking for Iteration I
  - Input 13,000 SRTM products
  - Requires 20,000 processing hrs (Over 2 years)
  - ETA 0.5 days for completion
  - Generate 2.5 TB Output (GeoTIFF)
- Cost Estimates
  - Cheaper than a Dell PowerEdge
  - Costs less than an ArcInfo Single Use License
  - Equivalent to 5 days work of an analyst

# Large Data Lessons Learned

- GeoCache Deployment
  - Moving Tremendous Amounts of Data (30TB)  
Compress, Copy, Copy, Copy Again, Uncompress
  - Groundbreaking = Limited Support
  - QA Is Difficult (the Earth?)



# Future Direction

- GeoProcessing On-Demand for unique user/analyst requirements
- Identify and Leverage New Cloud Environments for Real Time Provisioning
  - JWICS
  - SIPRNET\*
- Mobile Units & Portable “Local” Export
- Enterprise GeoCache Appliance
- New approaches to improve process



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