

## **Considerations of Data Quality Assurance Framework**

Sue Gordon | Acting Chief Executive

Hangzhou Forum on UN GGIM, 24-25 May 2012

#### Content



- NZ general background
- Who is LINZ?
- NZ strategic context & data quality assurance framework
- Cadastral survey data example
- Learnings from the Canterbury Earthquake
- Regional and global considerations
- Conclusions

#### **Background on New Zealand**



- 4.2 million people
- 270,000 sq kms land area
- 1/3 of NZ protected conservation areas
- 68% European, 15% Maori, 9% Asian, 7% Pacific Islanders, 1% other
- Constitutional democracy
- Parliamentary elections every 3 years
- 3 official languages English, Maori, NZ Sign Language

## **Land Information New Zealand**



#### **Core responsibilities:**

- Managing transactions
- Managing information
- Managing land

#### Also:

- Home to New Zealand Geospatial Office
- Responsible for New Zealand Geospatial Strategy

#### **New Zealand's neighbours**



- NZ does not have many close neighbours
- China is our 2<sup>nd</sup> largest destination for exports by value
- NZ has free trade agreements with both China & Australia
- Australia is our nearest partner for business and trade - largest destination for our exports by value



#### **Geospatial direction for NZ**



- ICT directions and priorities for Government umbrella strategy
- New Zealand Geospatial Strategy (2007)
- Cabinet paper for establishing NZ SDI (2010)
- Declaration on Open and Transparent Government (2011)
- Four main goals set out in Geospatial strategy:



#### **Fundamental datasets**



- 13 key data themes
- Aligned with best international practice
- Data priorities



#### NZ fundamental datasets quality assurance framework



NZ Geospatial Office leads work to determine responsibilities of data Stewards & Custodians:

#### **Data Stewards:**

- collaborate with user community to define quality requirements of dataset
- Regularly audit the quality of datasets in their care

#### **Data Custodians:**

- collect and maintain the datasets under their custodianship to agreed quality standards
- standards determined by the steward in conjunction with the user community

#### **Components of an SDI**





#### **Cadastral survey data**





#### **NZ Cadastral survey system**



NZ cadastral system managed by LINZ, underpinned by detailed processes to ensure integrity and accuracy:

- Regulatory system through Surveyor General
- Technical process and reporting
- Validation and approval process risk based acceptance framework
- Education and training industry and other agencies

## NZ Cadastral survey system



Future focus

- Continual monitoring and feedback drives improvements
- User centric view alert to new uses
- Improvements needed 3D cities, spatial planning
- Explore potential for cooperative positioning
- Appropriate spatial definition of legal land rights
- Development of cadastral strategy

#### **Canterbury Earthquake example**



- Canterbury Earthquake website official 'checked' data, Christchurch Recovery Map – unofficial crowdsourced 'unchecked' data
- People initially confused about which to use, unofficial site eventually linked to from official one



#### **Canterbury Earthquake example**



- Opportunity to improve key data quality for rebuild
- Property Management Framework
- Earthquake rebuild needs can test data models
- Immediate (local) & long term (national) benefits



#### **Regional & global considerations**





- Single, consistent platform
- Internet-based hub of location-based data products, services and processes
- Drive efficiencies, productivity and innovation
- Easier to publish, discover and use information



### 4TH DIGITAL EARTH SUMMIT 2012

# Wellington: 2 – 4 September 2012 Registrations & Call for Papers open now <u>http://www.digitalearth12.org.nz</u>

#### Conclusions



- the purpose ('the why') of the dataset should determine the appropriate level of data quality assurance
- Data quality assurance is central to SDI work, and other government open data programmes
- use crisis or reform as an opportunity to advance data quality in both short and long term



LINZ website: www.linz.govt.nz

NZ geospatial direction: www.geospatial.govt.nz

#### **NZ Open Government Data:**

www.ict.govt.nz/programme/opening-government-data-and-information