Web Services, Mashups & KML

Exploring and Using the GeoWeb & Web 2.0 Technologies



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Overview –

- Introduction to Web 2.0
- Web services & web service clients
- KML -> 3D client publishing
- KML Clients & Tools
- Mashups explained -> web services applied
- Mashup Tools
- Mashup Frameworks
- Local & other examples

The Context

- Globalization
- Shrinking resources
- Information society
- Moving from Maps as art and output ...
- to geospatial as an organizing principle in support of efficiency, economy, knowledge communication and measuring well-being





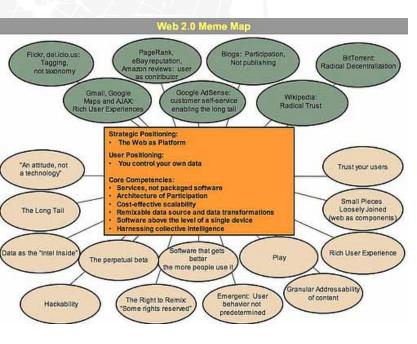
The Geospatial Web or **Geoweb** is a relatively new term that implies the **merging** of geographical (location-based) information with the abstract information that currently dominates the Internet. This would create an environment where one could search for things based on location instead of by keyword only – i.e. **"What is Here?".**

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The interest in a Geoweb has been advanced by new technologies, concepts and products. Virtual globes such as Google Earth and NASA World Wind as well as mapping websites such as Google Maps, Windows Live Local and Yahoo Maps have been major factors in raising awareness towards the importance of geography and location as a means to index information. The increase in advanced web development methods such as Ajax are providing inspiration to move GIS (Geographical Information Systems) into the web.

The concept of a Geospatial Web may have first been introduced by Dr. Charles Herring in his US DoD paper, An Architecture of Cyberspace: Spatialization of the Internet. 1994, U.S. Army Construction Engineering Research Laboratory ([show location on an interactive map] 40°8′58.9″N 88°16′22.7″W / 40.149694, -88.272972 (U.S. Army Construction Engineering Research Laboratory)). Dr. Herring proposed that the problem of defining the physical domain in a computer or cyber-infrastructure, providing real time and appropriate fidelity, required a cyber-spatial reference or index combining both Internet Addressing and Hierarchical Spatial Addressing. As such, the Geoweb would be characterized by the self synchronization of network addressing, time and location. The Geoweb would allow location to be used to self organize all geospatially referenced data available through the Internet

What is Web 2.0



Author: Tim O'Reilly

URL:

http://www.oreillynet.com/oreilly/tim/news

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What is Web 2.0



Author: Markus Angermeier

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Author: Luca Cremonini Source: http://www.railsonwave.it/railsonwave/2007/1/2/web-2-0-map

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Web 2.0



According to Tim O'Reilly:

"Web 2.0 is the business revolution in the computer industry caused by the move to the Internet as platform, and an attempt to understand the rules for success on that new platform."

An IBM social-networking analyst, Dario de Judicibus, has proposed a different definition which focuses more on social interactions and on architectural implementation:

"Web 2.0 is a knowledge-oriented environment where human interactions generate content that is published, managed and used through network applications in a service-oriented architecture."

Web 2.0 can be defined as "the philosophy of mutually maximizing collective intelligence and added value for each participant by formalized and dynamic information sharing and creation."

Web 2.0

... and whether the technologies came first or the words to describe them, they often adhere to said principles like *reusability*, *interactivity*, *user-generated content*

Which fits very well in the world of GIS and web publishing of Geographic Information – as if it's where we were headed all along.

Web 2.0 – in other words

- Internet = platform -> connected devices
- Government and corporate data combined with user-created data (UGC, VGI, crowdsourced)
- 2-way interaction encouraging interactive participation and collaboration
- Authoring of data as (re)usable web services
- Data as a service | s/w as a service (SAAS)

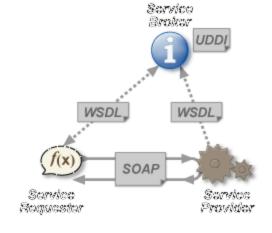
Web 2.0 Content Services

- Blog content
- Web surveys, polls, feedback
- Photo sharing, Video sharing
- Searching, shopping
- Social networking sites
- Location, maps and mappable things
- ... Enter Web services & Mashups

SOA and Web 2.0: The Top-Level Organizing Principles in Software Continue to Converge and Evolve



Web services



A Web service (also Web Service) is defined by the W3C as "a software system designed to support interoperable Machine to Machine interaction over a network." Web services are frequently just Web APIs that can be accessed over a network, such as the Internet, and executed on a remote system hosting the requested services.

{Note: API = Application Programming Interface }

"Open" Web services

- Differentiate ... (all location examples)
 - Proprietary services (e.g. ArcWeb Services)
 - Commercial APIs (e.g. Yahoo/Google Maps)
 - Standards-based web services (OGC)
 - Open Geospatial Consortium
 - + ISO, XML ...
 - KML, WMS, WFS, WCS
 - Defining Open ... not always 100% clear

OGC Web service standards

Of primary interest...

Web Map Service (WMS) Image

Web Feature Service (WFS)
 Feature

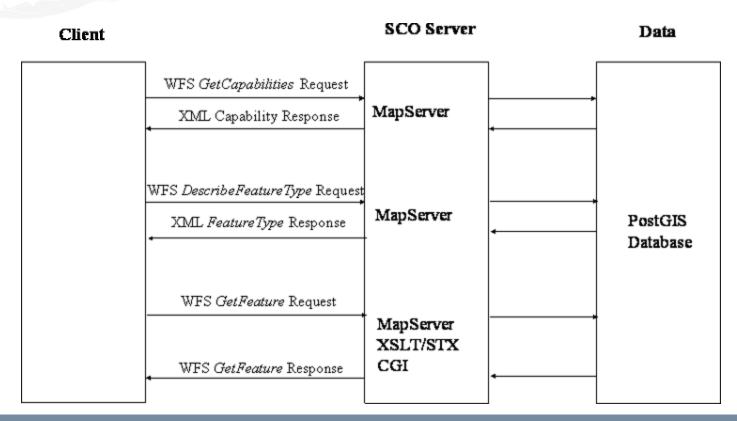
GeoRSS Event

• KML (not really a service, but we'll come back.)
Of secondary interest ...

- Web Coverage Service (WCS) Grid
- Catalog Service for Web (CSW) Catalog

Open Web services

 Open Web Service (WFS) graphic with diagram of Capabilities -> Query

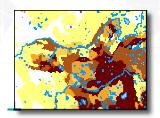


On-line Mapping Applications and Open Geospatial Web Services

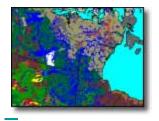
Interactive Applications

Web Browser Requirements for Interactive Maps:

Soil Landscapes of Canada



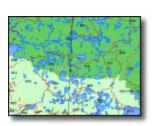
Version 3.0
Interactive Map



Version 2.2
Interactive Map

Soil Landscapes of Canada (SLCs) describe the major characteristics of soil and land for the whole country. SLCs were compiled at a scale of 1:1 million, and information is organized according to a uniform national set of soil and landscape criteria based on permanent natural attributes. More Info

Ecosystem Framework



Interactive Map

Open Web Services:

WMS GetCapabilities
WFS GetCapabilities
Ecozones Context
Document

The National Ecological Framework provides a consistent, national spatial context within which ecosystems at various levels of generalization can be described, monitored, and reported on. The use of such a framework of standard ecological units provides for common communication and reporting between different jurisdictions and disciplines, and provides a common ground to report on the state of the environment and the sustainability of ecos

http://sis.agr.gc.ca/cansis/systems/online_maps.html

Map Web Service Authoring Tools

- MapServer
- simpleWMS
- GeoServer
- Featureserver

Autodesk MapGuide & MapGuide Enterprise

ArcGIS Server (ArcIMS, ArcObjects)

Web Service Clients

- Web clients (Site, application, mashup)
 - E.g. Targeted ads, Coastal Circle Tour, weather)
 - Microsoft Virtual Earth = fuzzy line …
- Thin clients (software-lite, service-heavy)
 - E.g. 2D: QGIS, gvSIG, UDig, Gaia
 - E.g. 3D: Worldwind, Google Earth, ArcGIS Explorer
- Thick clients (often traditional software)
 - E.g. ArcGIS, AutoDesk Map, Intergraph

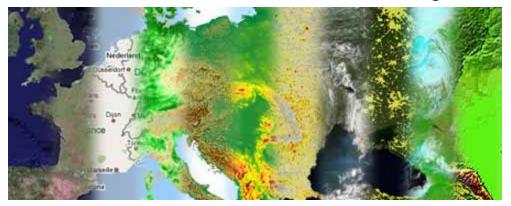
Explore Our Planet

ExploreOurPla.net has a OGC WMS database with +200 <u>public servers</u> and more than <u>30,000 layers</u>. Most of them are viewable as base map and overlay with Google Maps as framework. You may combine them with transparency to visualize more information.

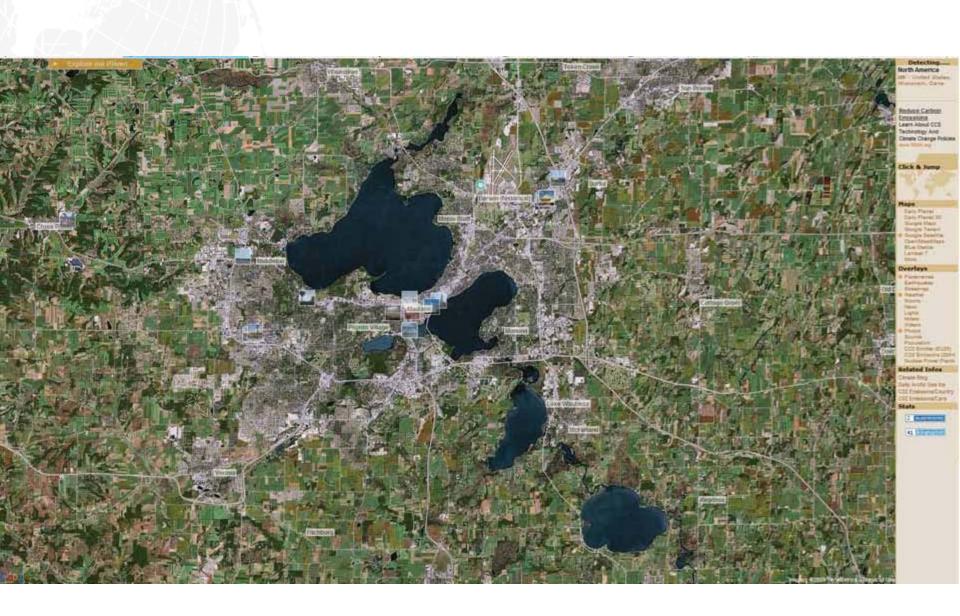
An OGC Web Map Service (WMS) produces maps of spatially referenced data dynamically from geographic information. Combining different layers and extensions gives you a unique control and you will reach faster want you to achieve.

In any case you can generate a handy geoLink or copy the URL as <u>permalink</u> to come back later or use the infomation about latitude, longitude, maps, overlays,

etc in mails.



The picture above is only a preview of common used layers:



Exchange

First there was XML ...

Then there was GML ...

Now there is KML ...

KML Tools

- MapExcel2KML
- KML2SHP, SHP2KML
- Gdal2tiles, GeoServer,
- ESRI-related:
 - Export to KML 2.4.4 http://arcscripts.esri.com/details.asp?dbid=14273
 - Arc2Earth
- KML Clients (Google Earth, ArcGIS Explorer, NASA Worldwind)

"How Google Earth Ate Our Town" - Nanaimo, BC http://earth.nanaimo.ca/



Welcome to earth.nanaimo.ca

The City of Nanaimo is pleased to provide some of its geographic information for use in Google Earth™ on an experimental basis.

Google EarthTM is a fully featured spatial discovery tool, available free for download at http://earth.google.com/ Using an XML format called KML (Keyhole Markup Language) users are able to create their own features for display in Google EarthTM.



Recent G.I.S. software developments have allowed us to begin offering our data in <u>Google Earth™</u>. This includes Safe Software's recently introduced support for the KML format in FME, and a custom KML generation routine running on the recently released MapGuide Open Source.

Warning: These are currently experimental data sets and subject to change without notice. They may be inaccurate or out of date.



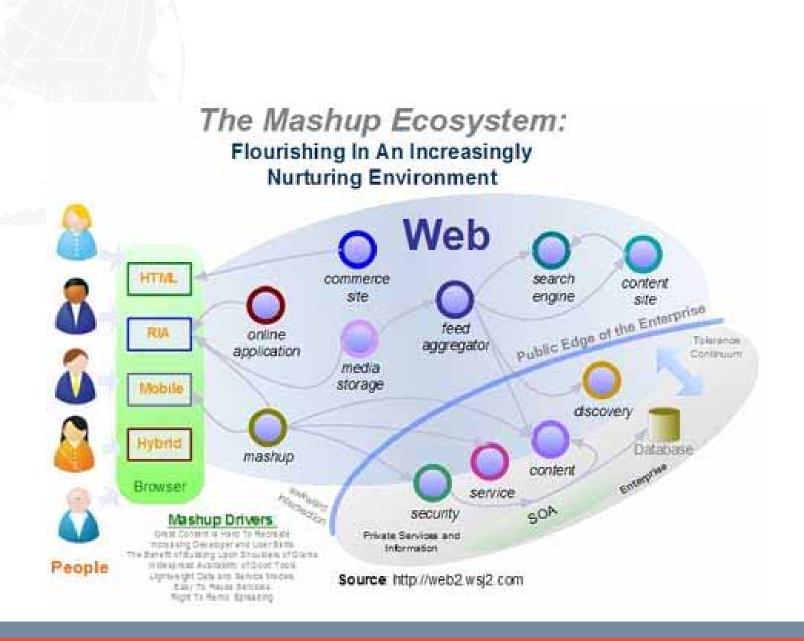
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Mashup Concepts

- Mashups The merging of services and content from multiple web sites in an integrated, coherent way is called a *mashup*.
- Most mashups do more than simply integrate services and content. Sites that do mashups typically add value. They benefit users in a way that's different and better than the individual services they leverage.

Source:

http://java.sun.com/developer/technicalArticles/J2EE/mashup_1/



(Location) Map Mashups

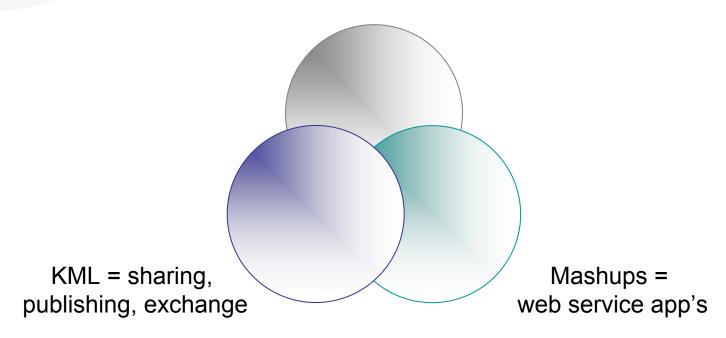
Mashups are appearing on the web at an extremely fast rate. Three new mashups typically appear on the web each day. You can see some of the newest ones on the ProgrammableWeb site. The bulk of the mashups on the web involve the use of maps. Many of these sites use mapping services such as those provided by Yahoo Maps and Google Maps.

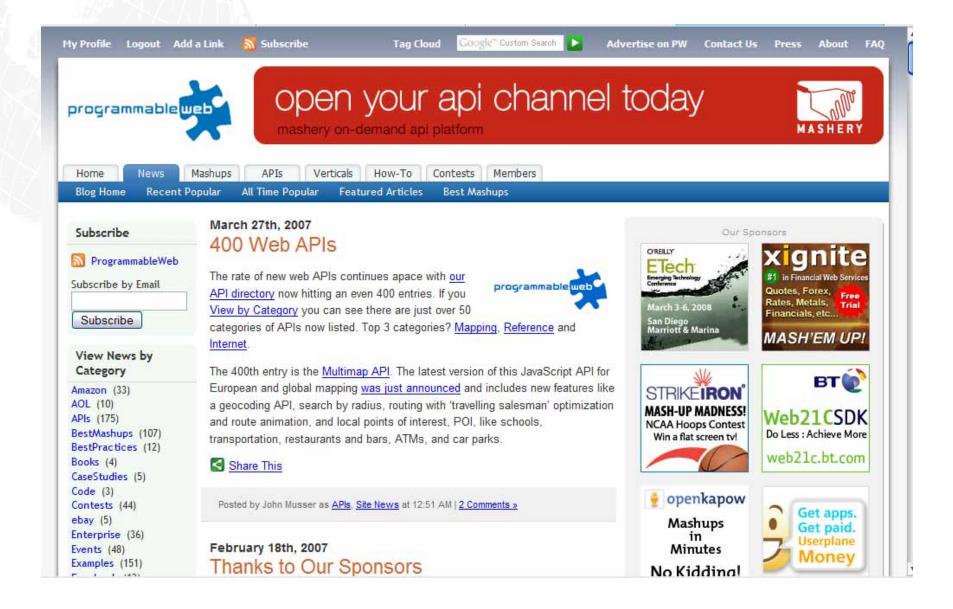
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GeoWeb Relationships

(Geo)Web services = content/process

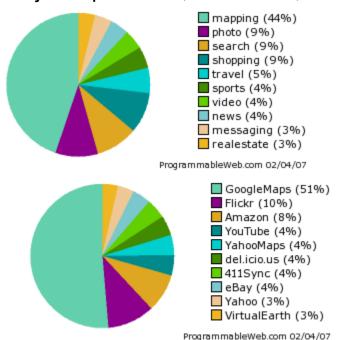




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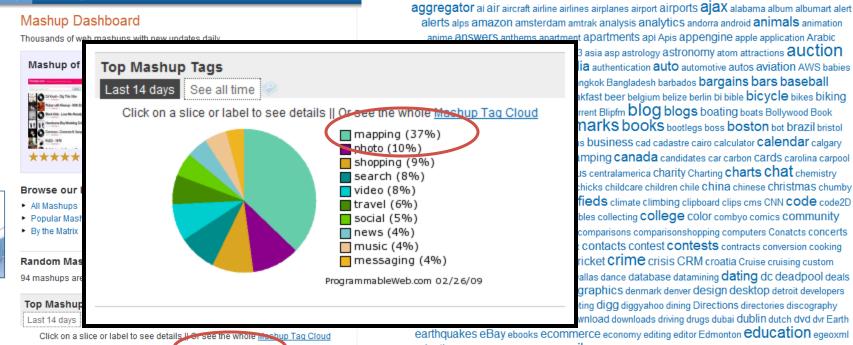
1,500 Mashups

Last week the ProgrammableWeb database of mashups crossed the 1,500 mashups threshold. That's an average of just over 100 a month with a fairly steady climb (and as always, this is a sample of all the thousands of mashups out there). Beyond the base numbers it's generally more interesting to look at any trends or differences over time. If you compare the distribution by tag to back at the 1001 mashup level you can see that, with one exception, not a lot has changed. Mapping then was at 46% versus now at 44%, essentially the same. As are most of the other common mashup subjects: photo 9%, search 9%, and shopping 9%.



Probably the biggest change of note is that you can see video is now in the top 10, with 90 video mashups listed.

On the API side there are now 374 APIs listed. 11 more added in the past 7 days. Google Maps is still king here, with Flickr, Amazon and YouTube next. Again, due to the rise of video mashups, YouTube's gained a bigger slice of the mashup pie.



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Video Mashups mapping (19%) Popular New Mashups picroblogging (11%) All Popular Mashups messaging (11%) social (11%) Maps Mashups music (9%) Photo Mashups lending (7%) Shopping Mashups news (7%) video (7%) Sports Mashups iPhone (5%) Government Mashups finance (5%) Dating Mashups ProgrammableWeb.com 02/26/09 Games Mashups Crime Mashups Animals Mashups Newest Mashups more » Popular New Mashups more » News Mashups CoolFlick Favtape Enterprise Mashups APIs by Date

- Flickr Map
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All New Mashups

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Past 7 Days: 17

Past 30 Days: 54

7 Days Avg.: 2.4

30 Days Avg.: 1.9

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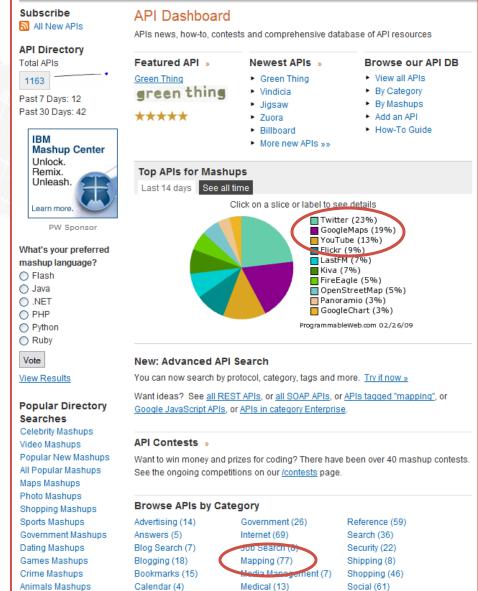
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Map-based Web Services

- Map image
- 3D image, photo image
- Geocoding, reverse geo-coding
- Gazetteer, place name search
- Analytical processing services
- Geo-tagged content services
- Geosocial networks



Messaging (42)

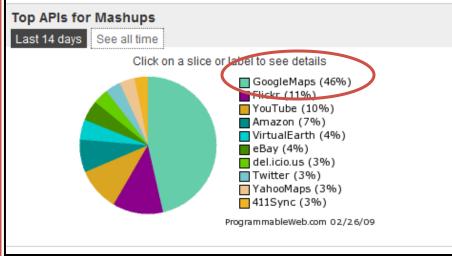
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Storage (15)

Tagging (8)



Chat (12)

Email (29)

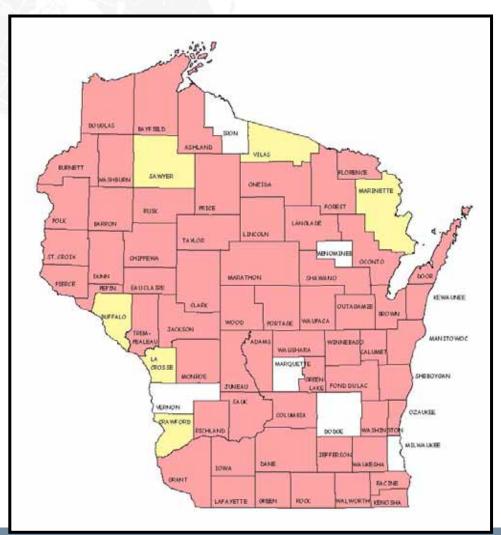
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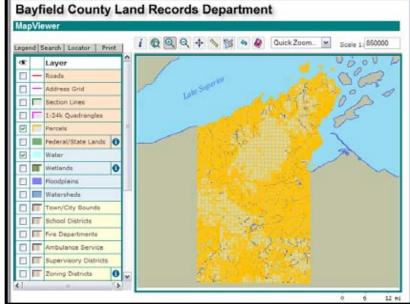
News Mashups

APIs by Date

Enterprise Mashups

Wisconsin County Web Mapping Sites



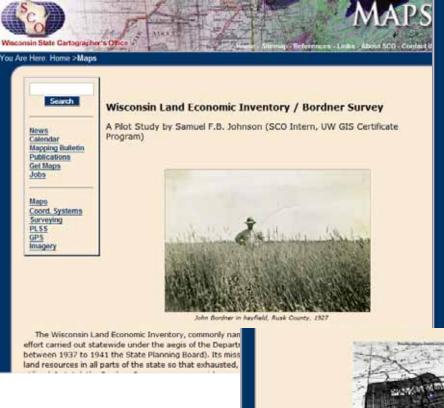




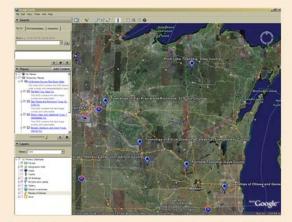
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Putting it all together- Case Study

- GIS Cert. Student Project S. Johnson
- WI Land Economic Inventory Maps
 - ~ Bordner Survey
 - Scan historical raster maps & process
 - Gdal2tiles w/ mashup and/or kml output
 - Develop associated metadata (and in this case web presence.)
 - http://sco.wisc.edu/maps/bordner_main.php



use. Small areas of the Inventory data have been vectorized and automated for use in specific GIS project analyses. However, the Bordner Survey maps have only been available in static form and only at the above-named centralized repositories until their relatively recent addition to the UW Digital Collections. They nonetheless remain flat files in archived analog or digital form, having never been georeferenced and systematically manipulated and made available and distributable via a modern web interface.



With the advent of popular, free Web 2.0 web mapping and visualization offerings like Google Earth, NASA World Wind, and ESRI's ArcExplorer, and the example of renowned map collectors such as David Rumsey,

e Bordner Survey maps the potential for giving them a new life vious. This effort, through the State Cartographer's Office, in Center and with the cooperation of the Wisconsin Historical georeferenced, seamless display of these historical maps in Google



ownloads

With Google Earth (any version) installed on your computer, click the links to download and view KMZ layers for the sites in the following counties:

<u>Sauk</u> <u>Trempealeau</u> Vilas St. Croix Vernon Waukesha

Great Lakes Circle Tour





The Circle Tour signage system was established in the late 1980s as a cooperative, regional effort between the Great Lakes

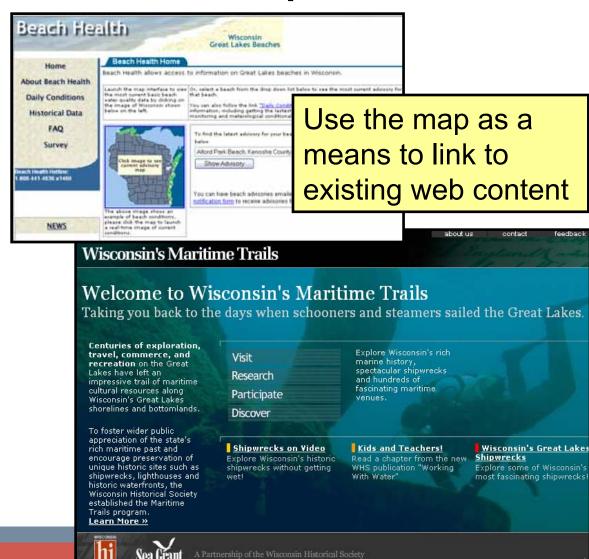
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Commission and the eight U.S. states and two Canadian provinces that comprise the Great Lakes-St.Lawrence system.

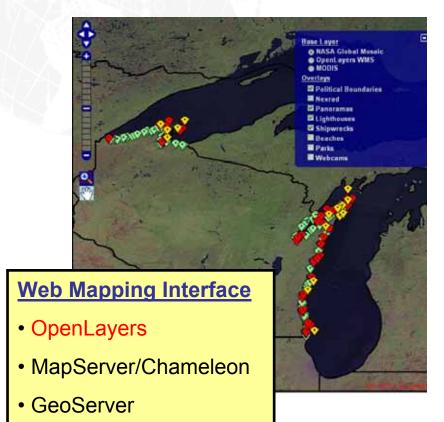


Wisconsin Coastal Guide – Map Features

- Land
 - Circle Tour route
 - Parks
- Shore
 - Beaches
 - Lighthouses
- Water
 - Shipwrecks
- Viewing
 - Panorama photos
 - Webcams



Map Viewer Interfaces





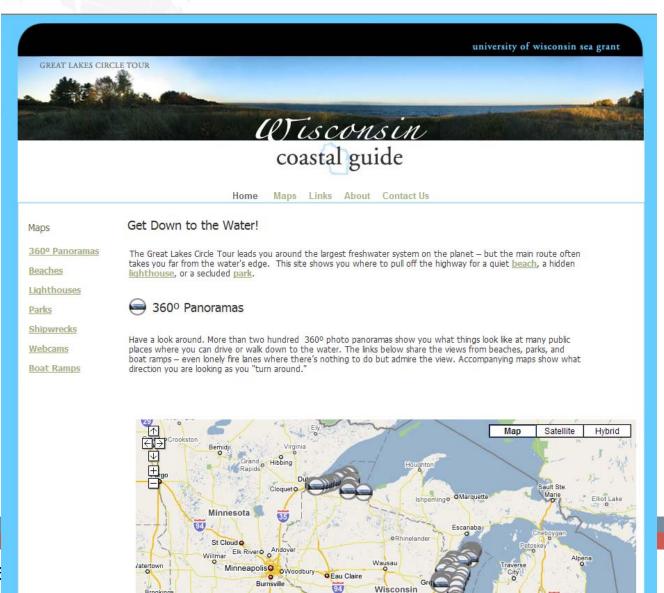


Virtual Globe

- Google Earth
- NASA World Wind

ESRI ArcIMS

Wisconsin Coastal Guide



Wisconsin Coastal Guide



Other Map Tools

Google Earth

Google Earth is a free program from Google that puts a planet's worth of imagery and other geographic information right on your desktop. View exotic locales as well as points of interest such as local restaurants, hospitals, schools, and more.

Download Google Earth (for both Mac and PC)

Download the Google Earth Version of the Maps on this Website

After you've downloaded and installed Google Earth, you can take advantage of some of its advanced features to view the maps on this site.

 360° Panoramas
 Beaches
 Lighthouses

 Parks (State)
 Parks (County)
 Parks (Local)

<u>Shipwrecks</u> <u>Webcams</u> <u>Circle Tour Route</u>

Oblique Photos

All maps in one file

(These links will launch Google Earth. If Google Earth does not launch automatically, try downloading the file to your computer then double-click on it to launch Google Earth. The files contain the links and information for the 360° panoramas, beaches, lighthouses, shipwrecks and parks displayed on this site.)

OpenLayers

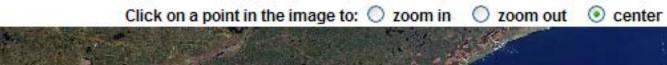
OpenLayers is an open-source web mapping software. It is a project that includes the participation of software developers from around the world.

OpenLayers web mapping application including panoramas, parks, lighthouses, shipwrecks, beaches, parks, webcams, and NEXRAD radar (works in Mozilla Firefox).



Home This Month Gallery LakeSat SLOI About

Wisconsin Aqua scene: October 09, 2005 at 2:05 pm CDT

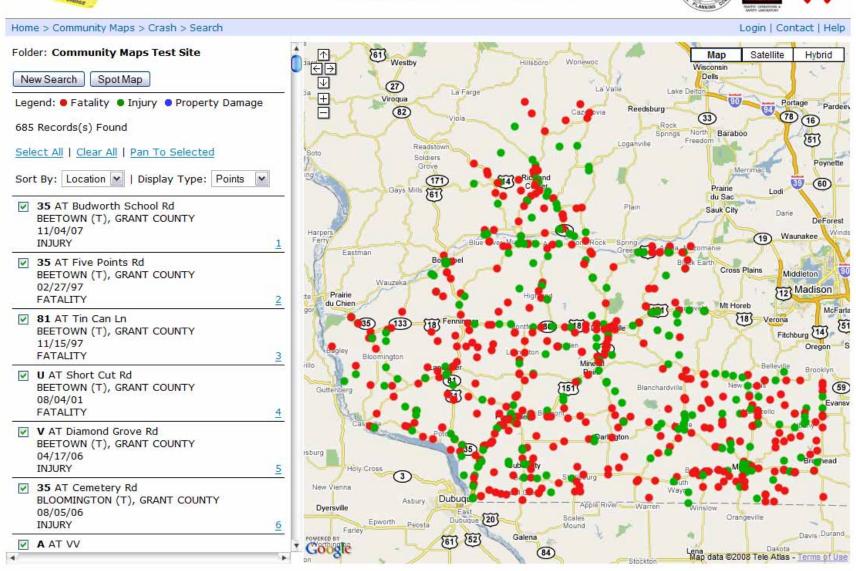












Maps MASTIE

Mashups in Planning

- Project communication
- Relevant regulations
- Participatory mapping
- Combining multiple map services for visual interpretation

City of Burbank Planning Projects Map

Click on a project icon to display information about the project and link to its current status. All project locations are approximate.

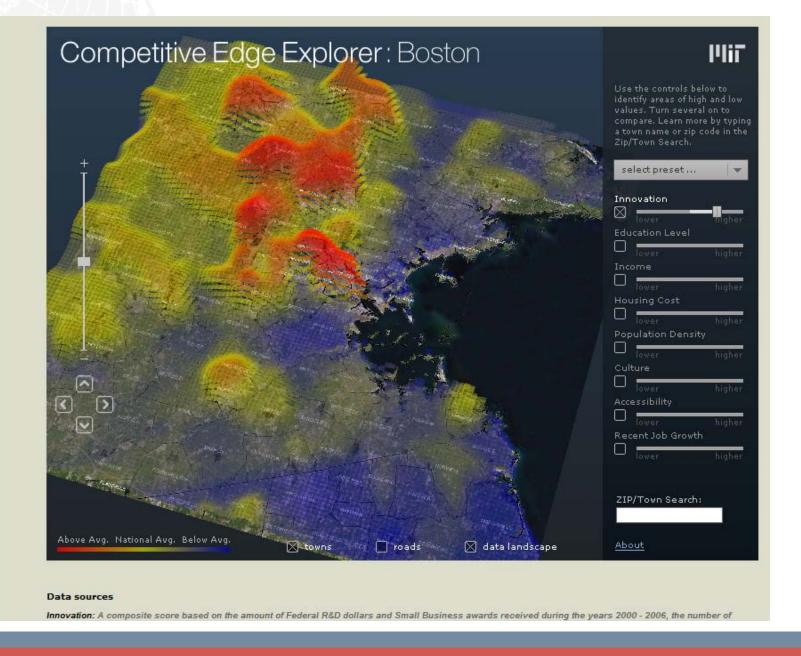
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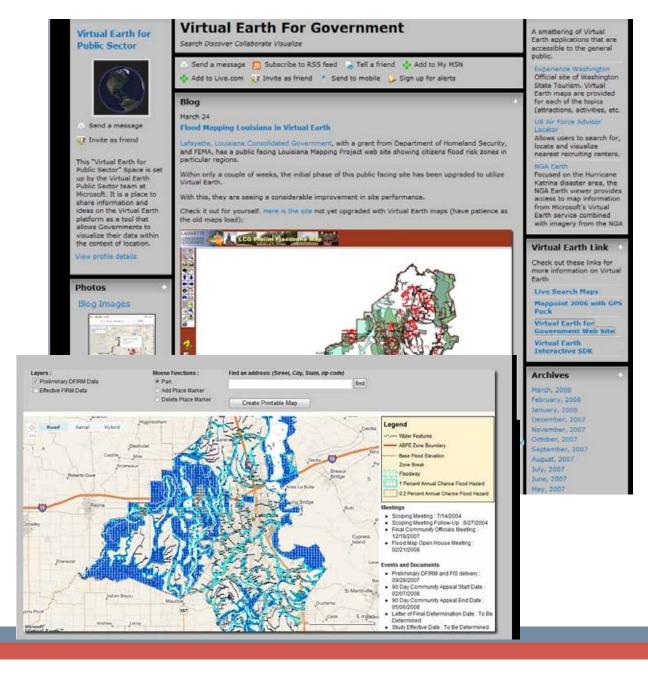
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Why Walking Matters | Walkable Neighborhoods | How It Works | How It Doesn't Work | Real Estate Tile | Blog





Enterprise
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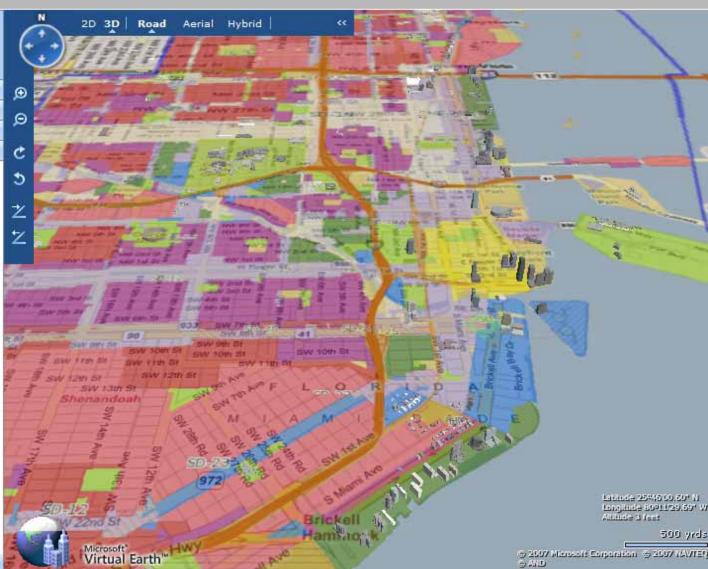


Property Details Zones & Districts

Select from the following options to display additional map details.

- ▼ Special Overlay and Neighborhood Conservation Districts
 - Commission Districts
 - Future Land Use
- Existing Land Use
- Flood Zones
- Primary Zoning

Clear Selection



What it all means ...

- Lower skills threshold and lower cost of ownership
- Faster development and rollout often soliciting iterative feedback
- Useful mid-project as well as for communication of results
- Map mashups are a good entry point

Mashup Tools

- Yahoo! Pipes, Yahoo! GeoPlanet
- Google Maps, StreetView, GE APIs
- Google & Yahoo! Geocoding services
- .NET/Microsoft Virtual Earth
- Custom coding
- Mashup code "framework" (e.g. OpenLayers, MapFish)
- Online mashup frameworks (ExploreOurPla.net, GeoCommons Maker/Finder)
 - ... and the list is growing.

Mashup Frameworks

- OpenLayers/ MapFish (Javascript)
- Modest Maps (Flash)
- SpatialKey (Flex)
- SpatialWiki (.NET/Virtual Earth)
- GeoCommons Finder! & Maker! (Online)
- MapChannels website (API Comparison)
 http://www.mapchannels.com/DualMaps.aspx
 - ... and the list is growing.

Virtual globe and open source GIS clients are a good staging/prototype environment for mashup development.

Beyond tools - considerations

Audience/ Use Case Scenario

Data access

Resources and skills to get it done.

Who's Your Audience?





Data Access

Geospatial One Stop <u>www.geodata.gov</u>

Regional and Local Clearinghouses

Agency-specific Outlets

Ad-hoc collections

Sources of Google Earth Files

- "How Google Earth Ate Our Town" Nanaimo, BC
 - http://earth.nanaimo.ca/

- Space Science and Engineering, UW-Madison
- Wisconsin Coastal Guide
- Great Lakes Environmental Research Lab
- Great Lakes GIS
- NOAA (NWS, NOHRSC), NASA, USGS
- Google gallery, ad-hoc compilations

Learning more:

- Blogs
- Books
- On-line Training
- Trial and error
- The Planning Report: 'Mash-Ups' Will Revolutionize How Planners and Citizens View City Planning

http://www.planningreport.com/tpr/?module=displaystory&story_id=1190&format=html

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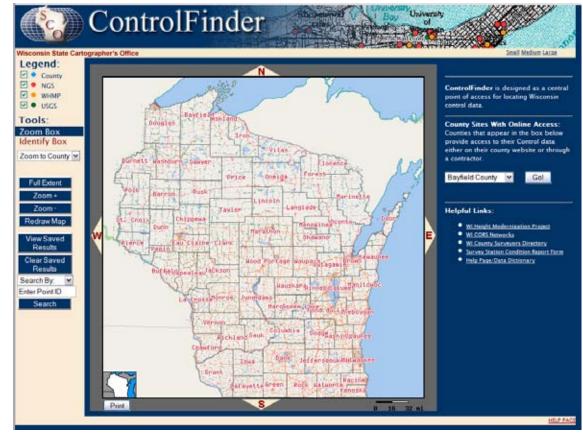
- Web services as pipe feeds ...
- Open web services and web service standards
- Plethora of web service clients
- KML as exchange and web service output
- Mashup concepts & examples
- Message/Audience, Data access & resources

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- Focus on user and value-added content
- Networked for connectivity to other tools

Case Study example





ControlFinder Overview

- Audience Wisconsin+ surveying community
- Data access NGS, SCO/USGS, Counties
- Tools Mapserver, PostGIS, PHP, Javascript
- Resources Grants + office/student talent
- Mashup potential Favorable
- Potential benefits Reduced maintenance, focus on content, future enhancements
- Next step Functional application analysis

What is Web 2.0



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URL: http://www.railsonwave.com/assets/2006/12/25/Web 2.0 Map.svg

Goals of ControlFinder Mashup

- Usability
- Remixability
- Standardization
- Convergence
- Flexible output
- Participation/ feedback from users





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Brown County Coordinate System

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Brown County Property Listing

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Easting Coordinates

Suitable for GPS

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Dataset Metadata

Dataset Inventory Date

Additional Information

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WI-Height Modernization Point

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Geographic Longitude Coordinates

Geographic Latitude Coordinates

Point Name

Point ID

County

Legend:

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Tools:

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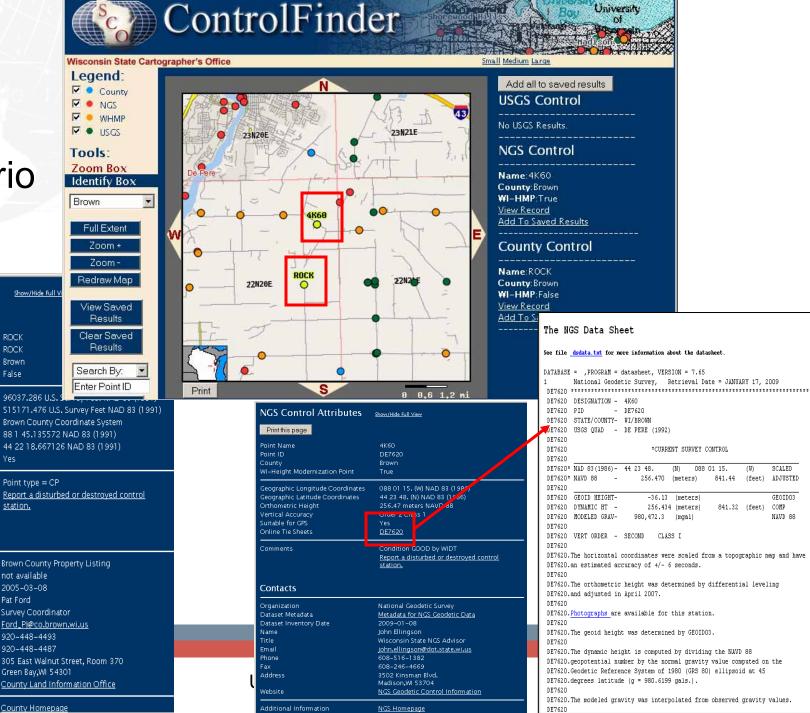
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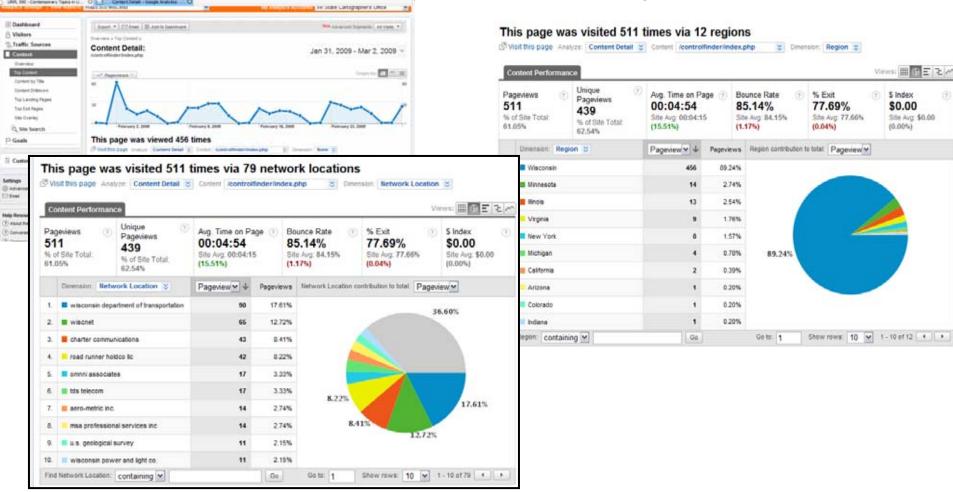
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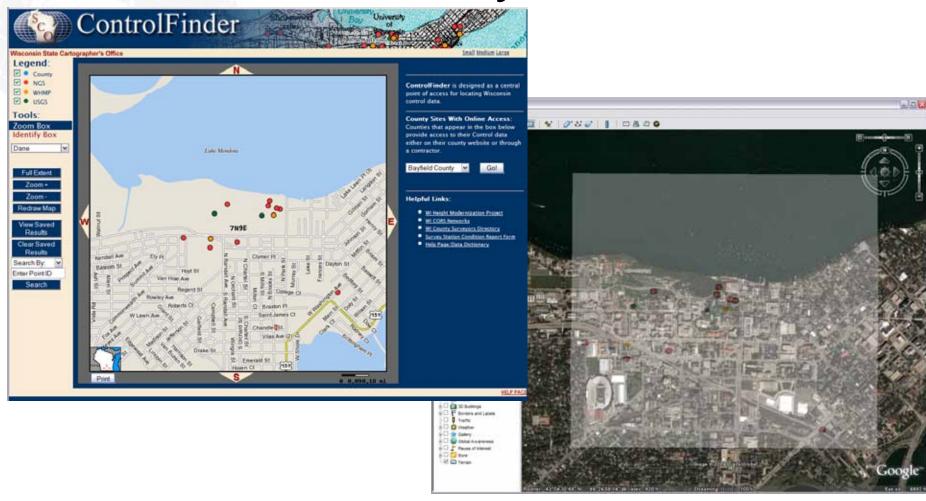


Data Access

NGS – Bulk download, granuar query... aiming for web services and change alert.

The rest (via SCO)= Web Map Service (WMS)

Data Delivery - Clients



Potential Tools & choices

- PostGIS & flat files: data storage
- Mapserver > GeoServer : web service authoring
- OpenLayers/MapFish: mapping framework
- GoogleMaps API?: basemap
- Upgraded scripts : specific functions
 - E.g. Saved results
- New scripts: enhanced feedback reporting

KML Exchange

- KML is a transport format
- Can be discreetly published or...
- Can be output by a web service

KML Tools

- MapExcel2KML
- KML2SHP, SHP2KML
- Gdal2tiles, GeoServer,
- ESRI-related:
 - Export to KML 2.4.4 http://arcscripts.esri.com/details.asp?dbid=14273
 - Arc2Earth
- KML Clients (Google Earth, ArcGIS Explorer, NASA Worldwind)

KML Tool Compilations

Other posts in the Google Earth Data Tools series

- KML Editors
- 2. Diagramming In Google Maps And Google Earth With Smoot
- 3. Plotting Data In Google Earth Using GE-Graph
- 4. Drawing Grids, Paths And Polygons In Google Earth Using GE-Path
- 5. Online Google Earth Utilities For Buffering And Area Calculations
- 6. Easy Display Of Thematic Data In Google Maps And Google Earth
- 7. Using GIF/PNG Transparency In Displaying Raster Graphics In Google Earth
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- 12. EarthPlot Software Tools For Google Earth
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- 21. KML Random Placemark Generator
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- 28. Creating Google Earth Screen Overlays With EarthPaint
- 29. Text Editor With KML Validation
- 30. Online Spreadsheet To KML Converter
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 - 34. Creating "Transparent" Topo Map Overlays For Google Earth
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- . Shp2kml 2: Shapefile to Google Earth
- Epoint2CAD: Excel to AutoCAD
- . Ucons: Units Conversion Tool
- Color-it: Color your Map
- KMLTolbox: KML online tools



- Epanet Z: Epanet 2.00.12 & Online Maps New
- Shp2kml 2:Shapefiles to Google Earth
- Terrain: Sample lat,lon,elev and reconstruct a terrain
- KML-Toolbox: Online tools for KML
- . KML-Area & Length: Calculate area and length to GE objects
- KML-GRID: Generate custom grids for Google Earth
- . GE-Census Explorer: Explore US Census within Google Earth
- EpaSens: Epanet Sensitivity Analysis
- . MSX-GUI: MSX-Epanet Graphical User Interface



Online Tools

- . Cotrans 2: Single and Batch coordinate conversion
- . Net2Epa: Epanet and Google Maps
- Kml2x: Google Earth Export
- MapTool: Elevation, Distance, Area with Google Maps
- <u>DigiPoint 3</u> Points export from Google Maps New
- Kml2shp Online: Google Earth to Shapefile New
- . E-Query: Elevation extraction
- · GPXViewer: Visualize GPX files with Google Maps
- Gpx2epa: Epanet projects from a GPS
- Color-It:Color your maps
- EpaMove: Epanet coordinates shifting
- EpaRotate: Epanet network rotation
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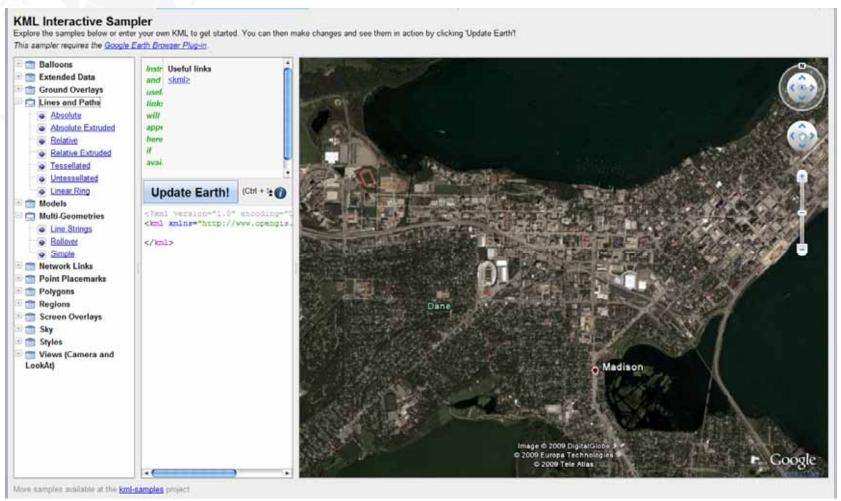




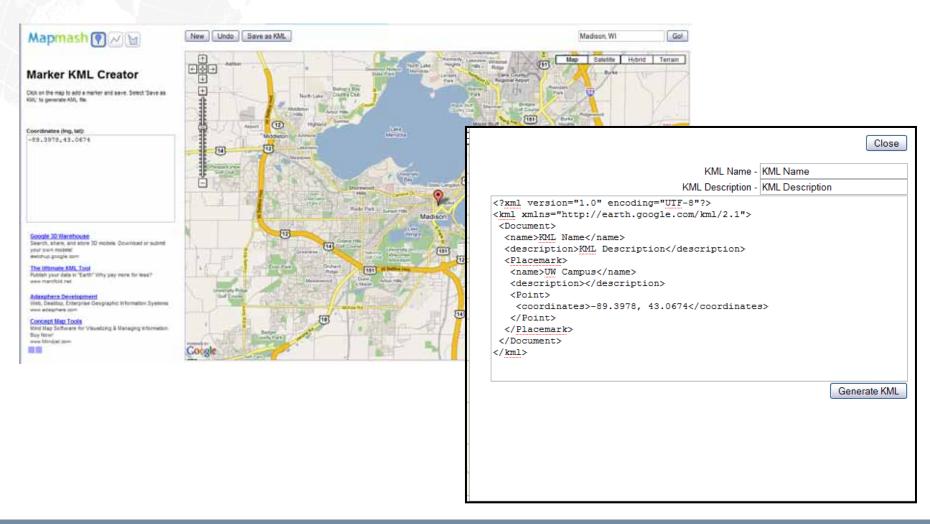




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KML Clients

- Google Earth
- ESRI ArcGIS Explorer
- Microsoft Virtual Earth
- NASA WorldWind
- ERDAS Titan Client
- KML-consuming websites

Mashup Tools

- Google Maps, StreetView, GE APIs
- Yahoo! Pipes, Yahoo! GeoPlanet
- Google & Yahoo! Geocoding services
- .NET/Microsoft Virtual Earth, GeoLife
- Custom coding
- Mashup code "framework" (e.g. OpenLayers, MapFish)
- Online mashup frameworks (ExploreOurPla.net, GeoCommons Maker/Finder)

Mashup Frameworks

- OpenLayers/ MapFish (Javascript)
- Modest Maps (Flash)
- SpatialKey (Flex)
- SpatialWiki (.NET/Virtual Earth)
- GeoCommons Finder! & Maker! (Online)
- MapChannels website (API Comparison)
 http://www.mapchannels.com/DualMaps.aspx
 - ... and the list is growing.
- Virtual globe and open source GIS clients are a good staging/prototype environment for mashup development.