General Information about this DVD

This DVD is one of a provisional, national set manufactured by the US Army Corp of Engineers, Army Geospatial Center (AGC) using U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) digital map data. The intent is to facilitate access to USGS digital maps for emergency response to natural disasters and public safety missions thru an intuitive, state-based index or indices, on easily transported and freely distributable media. The DVD contains all USGS GeoPDF® map products over a State (or in some cases a State has been divided into a set of multiple segments on 2 or more DVDs) at the time of DVD manufacture. These may include Digital Raster Graphics (DRGs) at a variety of scales; and Digital Map-Beta or US Topo products at 1:24,000-scale. At this time there are no plans to maintain this provisional product or to develop derivative replacements.

The DVD set serves as a snapshot of the most accurate and up-to-date maps available at the time of manufacture (March 2011). Additionally, all of the GeoPDF maps contained on this DVD (or subsequent updates of those maps) are available through the USGS Store (*http://store.usgs.gov/*).

USGS GeoPDF map products reside on the DVD in separate directories. A graphical index of the State (or segment of the State) in GeoPDF is present on the DVD's root directory. If the user has Adobe® Reader® installed, simply double-click on the file "statename USGS dataset.pdf" to display the index. The various GeoPDF map product classes can be turned on or off for display by using the list on the left side of the index. Map product grids are then displayed over the reference background.   Individual map files may be accessed by left-clicking on the specific map name displayed.

Copies of the required Adobe Reader and optional TerraGo Toolbar™ software are provided in the DVD directory "z-software". Each of these is provided free to the user. Adobe Acrobat® may be used in lieu of Adobe Reader, allowing users to take advantage of commenting and mark-up tools to generate and share map annotations.

A user guide for display and exploitation of USGS GeoPDF's may be examined at:
http://nationalmap.gov/digital_map/quickstart.pdf

Installing the optional TerraGo Toolbar software provides access to a number of geospatial functions associated with the GeoPDF files including measurement tools, display of real-time GPS location tracking, and coordinate readout options. See more details on functionality and free access to later versions at: *http://www.terragotech.com/products/terrago-toolbar*

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Links to National Geospatial Program coordination activities, products and services are listed below: **nationalmap.gov** base data, map products and geospatial web services
geodata.gov   geospatial information discovery and access, communities, and partnership marketplace
nationalatlas.gov maps of America for everyone's use
geonames.usgs.gov/domestic   geographic names authority and gazetteer for the nation
cegis.usgs.gov   leadership for geospatial information research
ngtoc.usgs.gov/girt   geospatial information for effective emergency response

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