

WestNet: Rural/Tribal focus

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“Every Square Meter”

The US covers 9,629,091 square kilometers

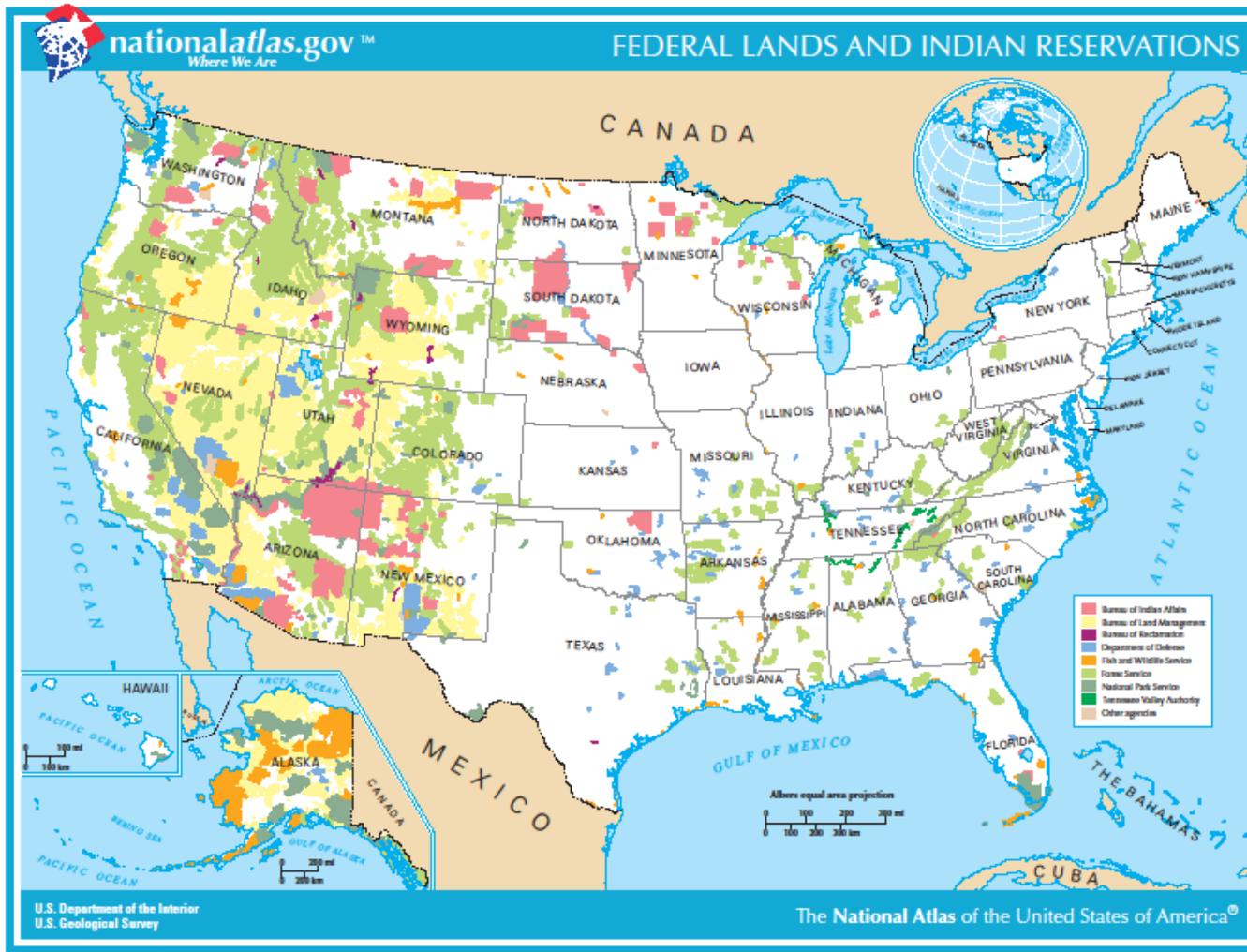
- 9,629,091 square kilometers
- 1,000,000 square meters in a square kilometer
- 9,629,091,000,000 square meters

→ 9 trillion 629 billion 91 million square meters

With \$7B to work with that gives \$0.00073 (73 thousands of a cent) per square meter

Federal/Tribal Lands

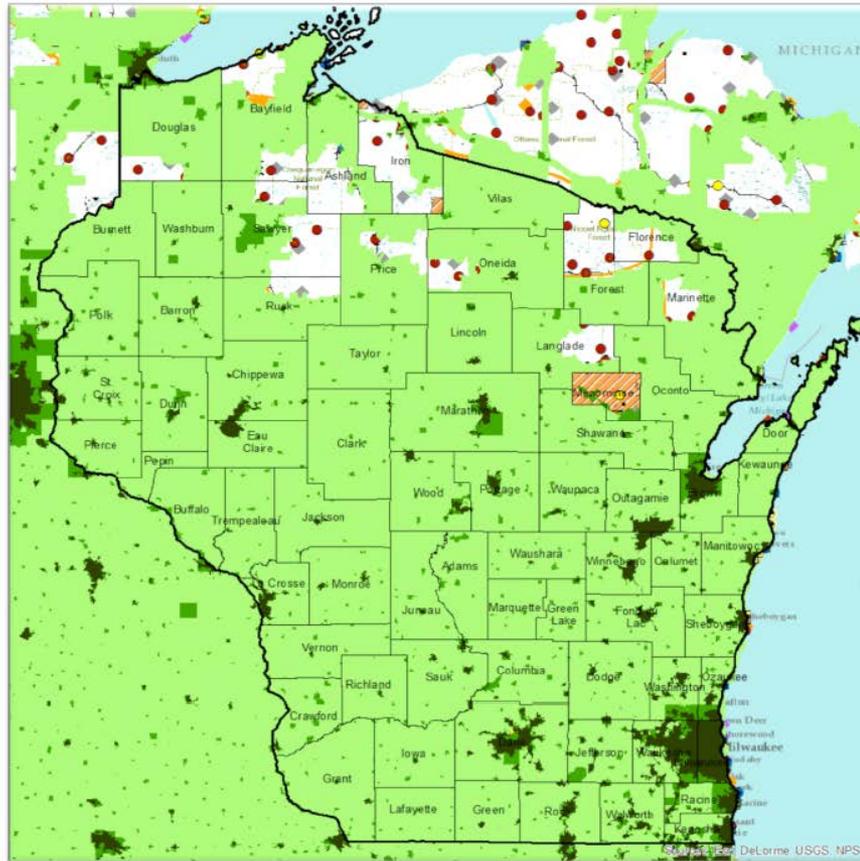
- <http://nationalatlas.gov/printable/fedlands.html#list>



Coverage - WI

All Coverage Levels

- In Building
- Handheld / Partial In-building
- Vehicular Modem / Partial handheld
- Deployable/Satellite

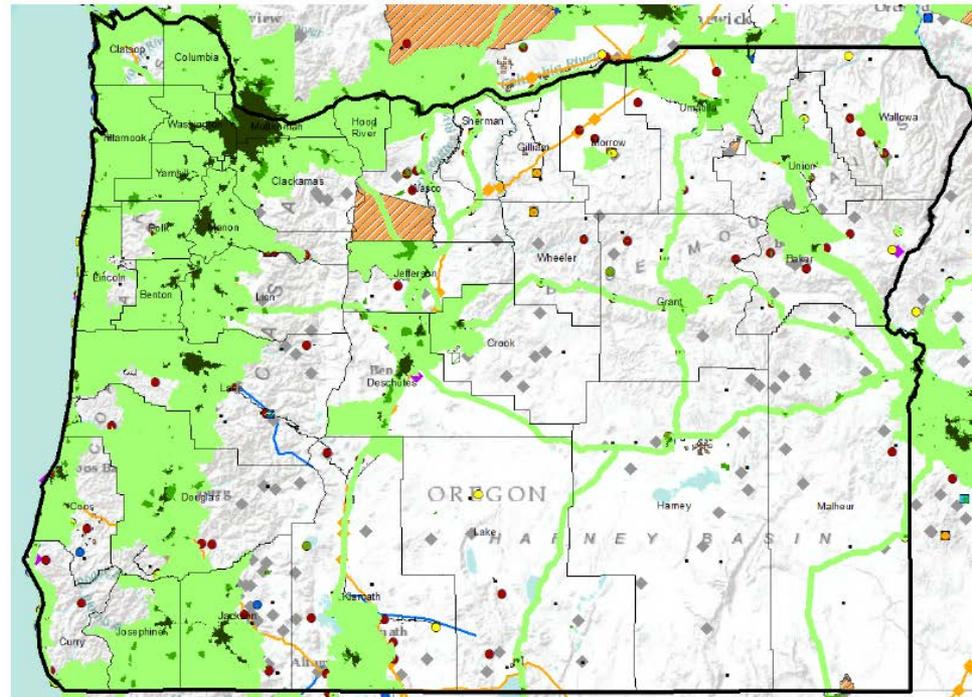


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Coverage - OR

All OEC Coverage Levels

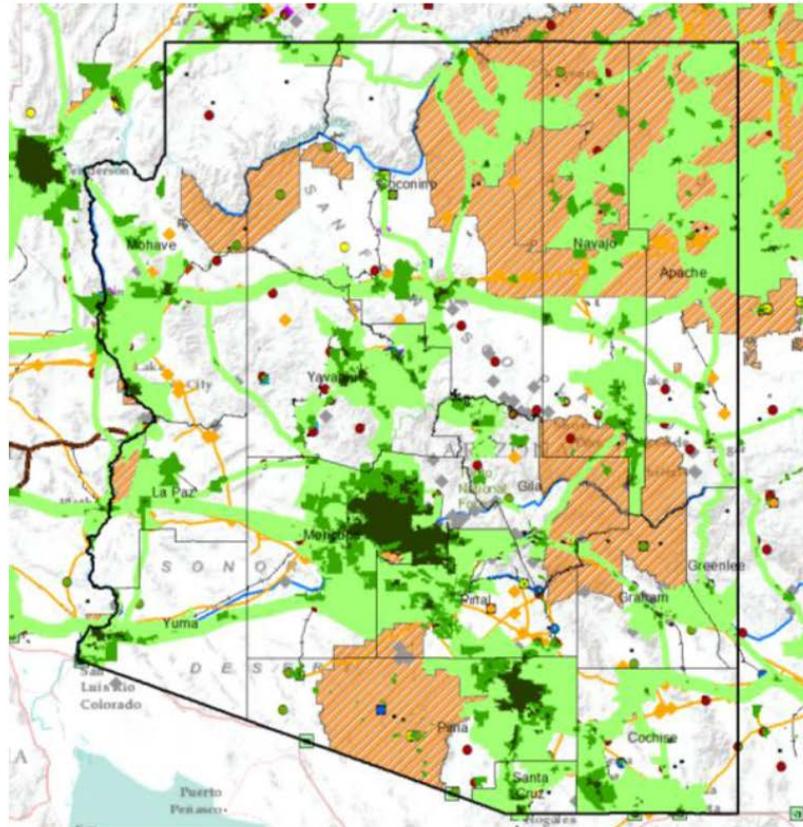
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Coverage - AZ

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Ground Rules

- Started by Nevada: ID, MT, NV, SD, UT and WY
- Ramped up to address Rural and Tribal and expanded: AK, AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, MT, ND, NE, NV, NM, OR, SD, UT, WA and WY
- Goal: State POCs and their designees with a primary focus on rural and tribal issues but will cooperate on other issues like education & outreach and data collection & coverage.

Cooperation

- Tribes which share States or is it States which share Tribes? (AZ: 6 of 22 plus 3 from CA/NM)
- Tribal Consultation policy – in progress
- Sep 2013: started monthly meetings with SLIGP FPO and FirstNet – Outreach team
- Summary, Approach and Schedule survey (14 of 16 states participated)
- “What if I held a meeting and nobody came?”

What is the role of the SPOC?

- “Selling” - “cheerleading” for FirstNet, or just presenting the facts
- If all agencies/jurisdictions join-in then we’ll have uniform interoperability

Recent Topics

- CalFRN Board creation and makeup
- Walkthrough of State readiness criteria from TJ Kennedy's PSAC and NCSWIC presentations
- Introduction of Amanda Hilliard
 - FirstNet Director - Outreach
- Feedback on FirstNet's SPOC Webinar
- Priority topics for April's SPOC Webinar
- State consultation update
- Conversion to Regional monthlies

Arizona

- Pre-existing governing commission presiding over interoperable communications
- Established the SWIC's Office as the lead agency under the State CIO. With DPS, ADEM, AZDOHS, ADOA and the CIO met with the Governor's office in March 2012 and established governance and monthly briefings. The State CIO, Aaron Sandeen is the official SPOC
- Only 15 Counties which makes things manageable, at least one EOC per County
- Outreach has begun with Regional Systems Boards

Questions/Discussion

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