

Mountain West Digital Library

Geospatial Discovery Task Force

Questions?

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<https://sites.google.com/site/mwdlgeospatial>

Resources

How to use GeoNames:

<https://goo.gl/vpX7mi>

Task Force Final Report:

<https://goo.gl/vTrmzM>

Quick Guide for Creating Geospatial Metadata

Follow this pattern:

place name hierarchy, URI, latitude, longitude

Examples:

Highly recommended format:

Aurora (historical), Mineral County, Nevada, United States,
<http://sws.geonames.org/5499519/>

Minimal accepted format:

Aurora (historical), Mineral County, Nevada, United States

Additional accepted format:

Aurora (historical), Mineral County, Nevada, United States,
<http://sws.geonames.org/5499519/>, 38.28714, -118.9007

More than one place?

Highly recommended format:

Aurora (historical), Mineral County, Nevada, United States,
<http://sws.geonames.org/5499519/>; Phoenix, Maricopa County,
Arizona, United States, <http://sws.geonames.org/5308655/>

Minimal accepted format:

Aurora (historical), Mineral County, Nevada, United States;
Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona, United States

Additional accepted format:

Aurora (historical), Mineral County, Nevada, United States,
<http://sws.geonames.org/5499519/>, 38.28714, -118.9007;
Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona, United States,
<http://sws.geonames.org/5308655/>, 33.44838, -112.07404

Notes:

- GeoNames is the preferred controlled vocabulary
 - www.geonames.org
- List place name values hierarchically from smallest to largest
- Don't use semi-colons, except between discrete places
- Latitude and longitude should be expressed as decimal degrees
- Geospatial fields should be mapped to dcterms:spatial