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:

Minimal accepted format:
Aurora (historical), Mineral County, Nevada, United States; Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona, United States

Additional accepted format:

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