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KARI J. CRAUN

Kari Craun is the Director of the U.S. Geological Survey, National Geospatial Technical Operations Center (NGTOC). This Center performs a wide range of functions in support of maintaining a seamless, current, nationally consistent coverage of base geospatial data for the United States. The Center also develops a wide range of digital and graphic products, including U.S. Geological Survey topographic maps and The National Atlas

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digital and graphic products. The Center manages several broadly scoped contract mechanisms for acquisition of geospatial products and services through the commercial sector.

Prior to coming into her current position, Ms. Craun was Chief of the USGS Central Region Partnership Office. There she was responsible for development of partnerships with other federal, state, and local governments, as well as with the private and academic sectors, for furthering the development of the National Spatial Data Infrastructure. She had previously worked in other positions with the USGS in both Rolla, Missouri, as Chief of the Mid-Continent Mapping Center, and in Reston, Virginia. Before joining the USGS in 1988, she was with the Defense Mapping Agency in San Antonio, Texas, and Brookmont, Maryland.

Ms. Craun is a Past-President of the American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ASPRS). She received a B.S. degree in Geology from the University of Missouri-Kansas City in 1984 and an M.S. degree in Photogrammetry from Purdue University in 1987. She is currently pursuing a Master of Science degree in Geospatial Information Science through Northwest Missouri State University. Ms. Craun resides in Rolla, Missouri, with her husband, Jeff, and two daughters, Zoey and Natalie.



DANIEL G. COLE

Daniel Cole is the GIS Coordinator of the Smithsonian Institution (SI). He has worked in this position since 1990, and since 1986 has also served as the research cartographer at SI, including work for the Handbook of North American Indians and the National Museum of the American Indian. Prior to working at the Smithsonian, he worked as a geographer/cartographer at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, NOAA, University of Maryland, and Oregon State University. His educational background consists of undergraduate (SUNY Albany) and masters (Michigan State University) degrees, plus two years of post-Masters study (Oregon State University) in geography with specializations in cartography and remote sensing. Currently, he is working on the development of the Ocean GeoPortal, co-editing a multi-authored book on cartography in Indian affairs, and involved in investigations of biodiversity and species range prediction through the GIS/Remote Sensing interface. On the side, he serves as a judge in the CaGIS Map Design competition, and as a reviewer for GISCI.

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