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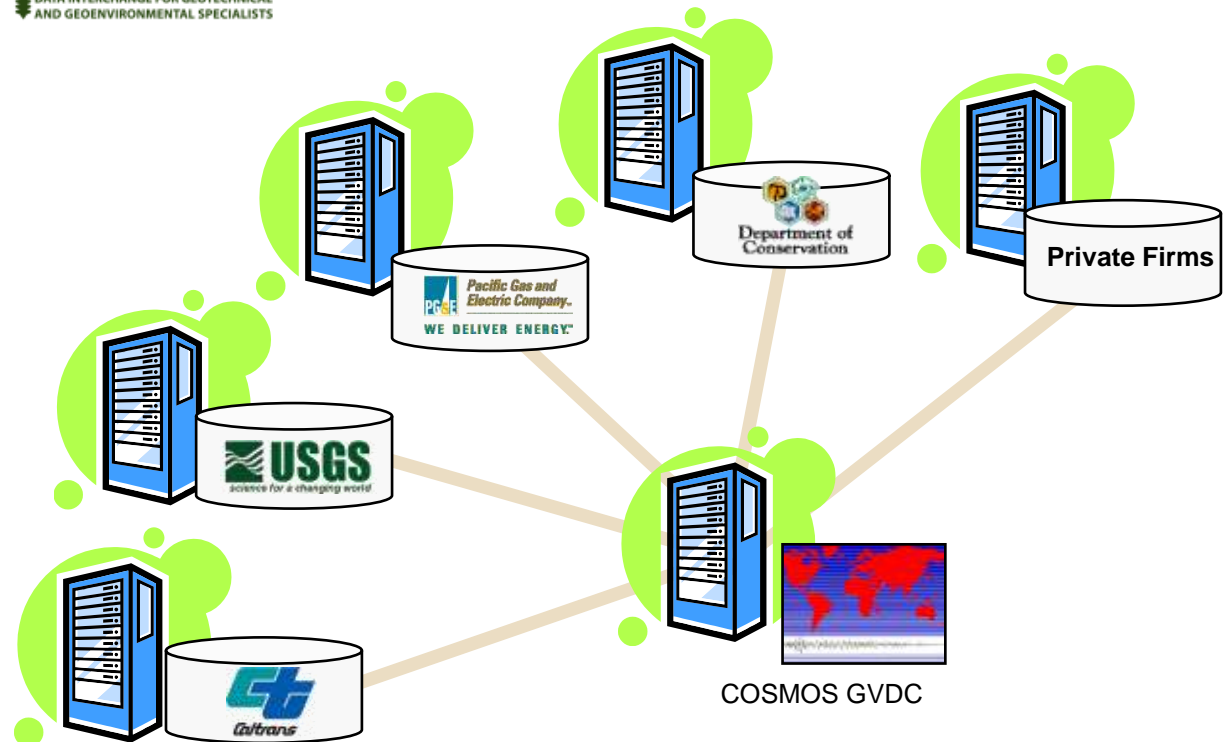
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Overview

- The COSMOS/PEER-LL Geotechnical Virtual Data Center
- Project History
- End-user experience
- How it works

Geotechnical Virtual Data Center

- Virtual gateway to data repositories from multiple agencies.
- Relies on  for standardized data exchange.



Project History

- 1992 NSF/FHWA sponsors the National Geotechnical Experiment Sites.
- 1996 The ROSRINE project pioneers web dissemination of geotechnical data.
- 1998 USC Workshop highlights growing need for geotechnical data management and exchange.
- 1999 PEER Lifelines initiates Project 2L01.
- 2001 Project 2L01 – Held a workshop to assess user needs and build consensus to develop a Geotechnical Virtual Data Center (GVDC).
- 2004 Project 2L02 – Developed a pilot GVDC that demonstrated the feasibility of the technology.
- 2005 Project 2L03 – Initiated. Expanded to accommodate DIGGS, and significant upgrades to GVDC system architecture.

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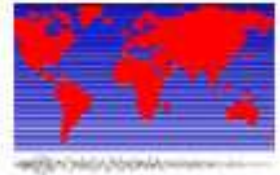
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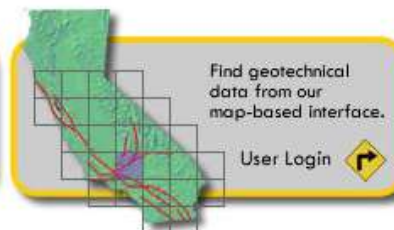
Geotechnical Virtual Data Center (GVDC)

The overall project is divided into a short-term and a long-term objective. The project we are now undertaking encompasses the short-term objective only, to develop a pilot web-based system linking the PG&E, Caltrans, CGS and USGS example geotechnical data sets. The long-term objective (a future project not yet funded) is to extend the pilot system and develop a web-based system linking multiple data sets... [read more >>](#)

Please see the Project Workshop agenda, June 21-23 '04 in Newport Beach, CA. The results of the user scenario survey [more >>](#)

The objective is to develop consensus recommendations for classifying, archiving, and web dissemination of geotechnical data... [more >>](#)

COSMOS and the PEER Lifelines Program are coordinating additional workshops and establishing a pilot project leading to... [more >>](#)



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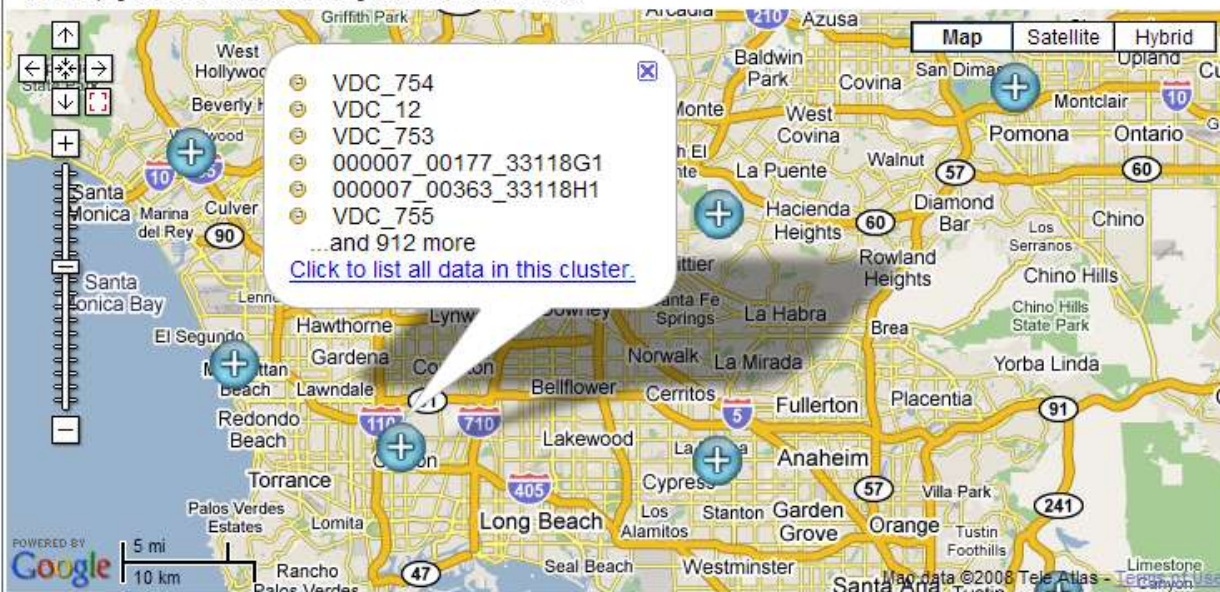
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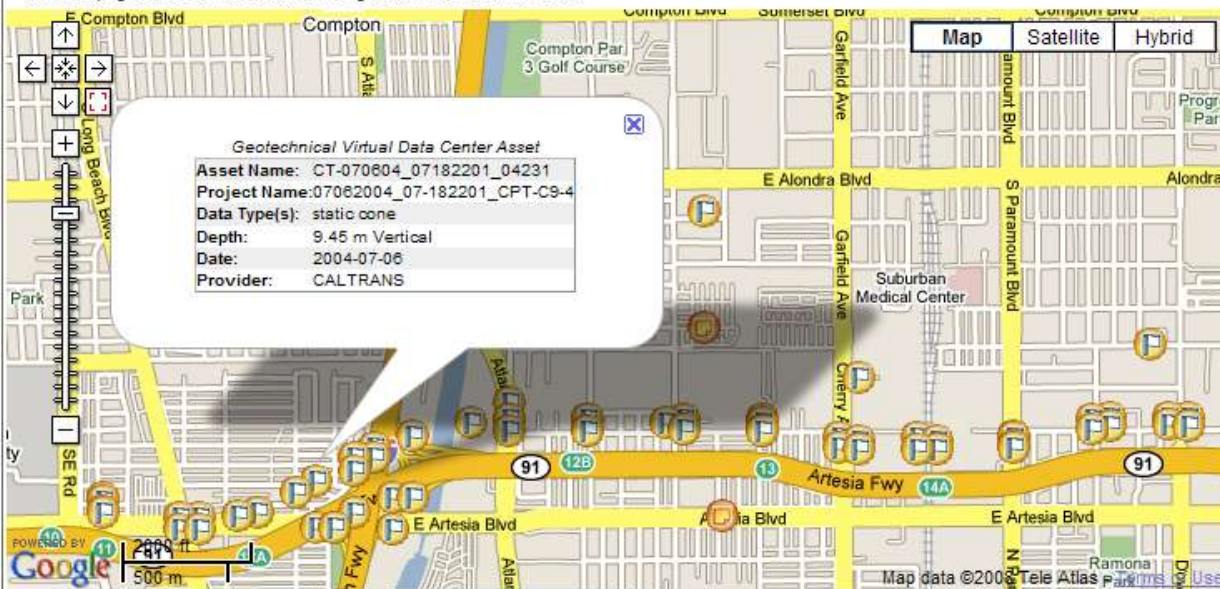
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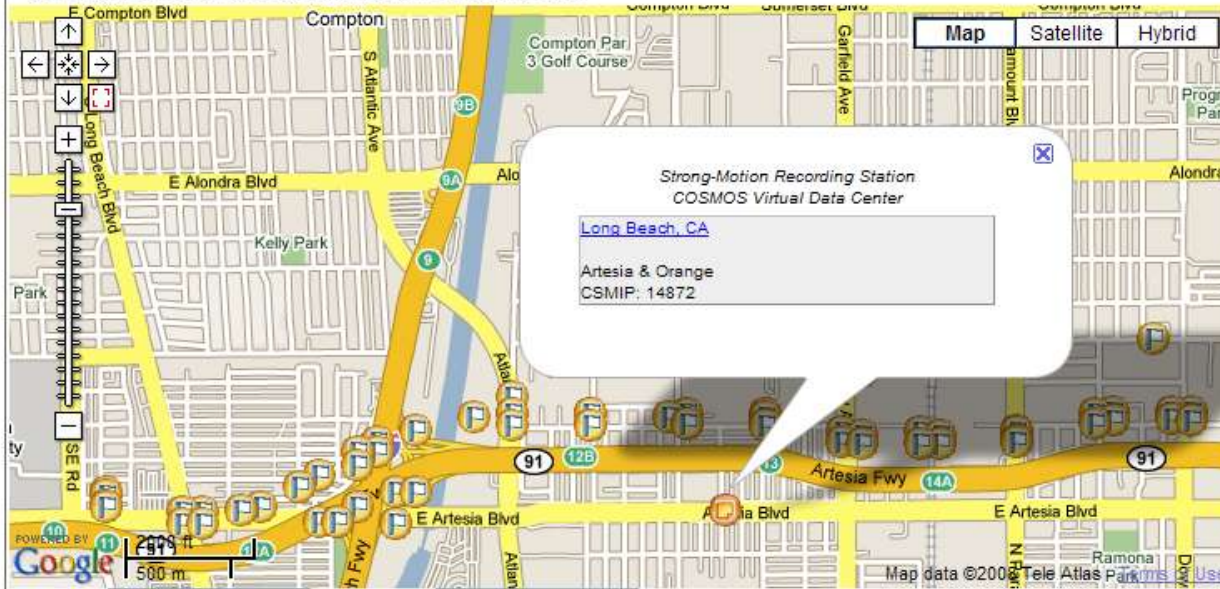
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USC: Long Beach, CA Long Beach LDS Church 6979 Orange Ave

Agency Number: 5380

Latitude: 33.8810

Longitude: -118.1760

Site Geology: Alluvium [QYM Q](#)

Owner: University of Southern California

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Structure: 1-Story Bldg
Instrument: Ground Level

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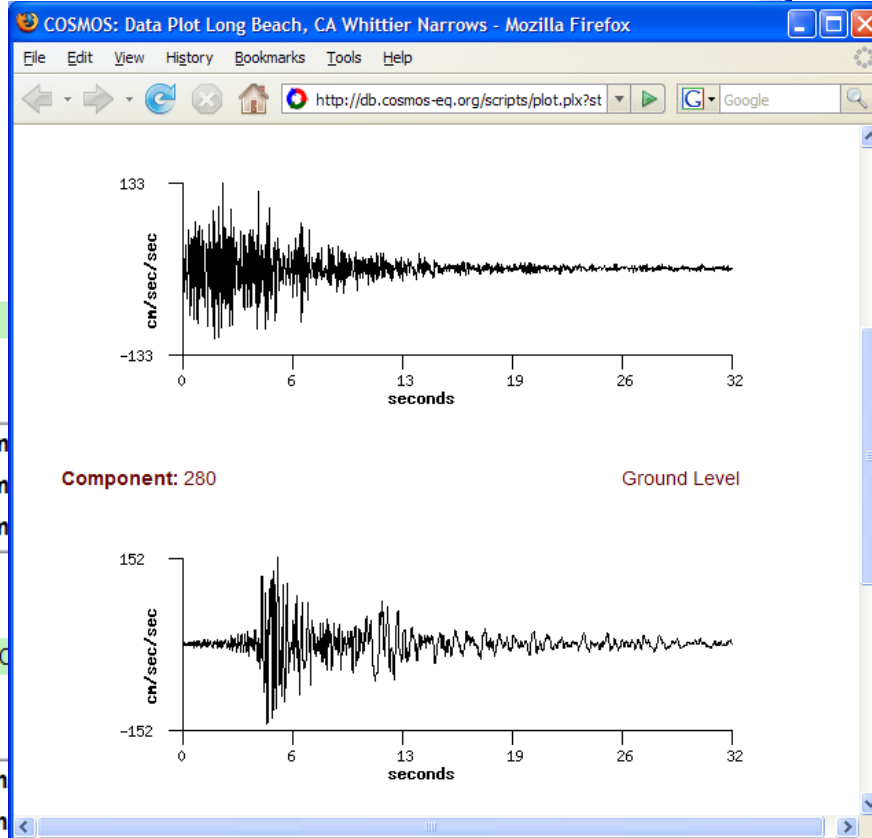
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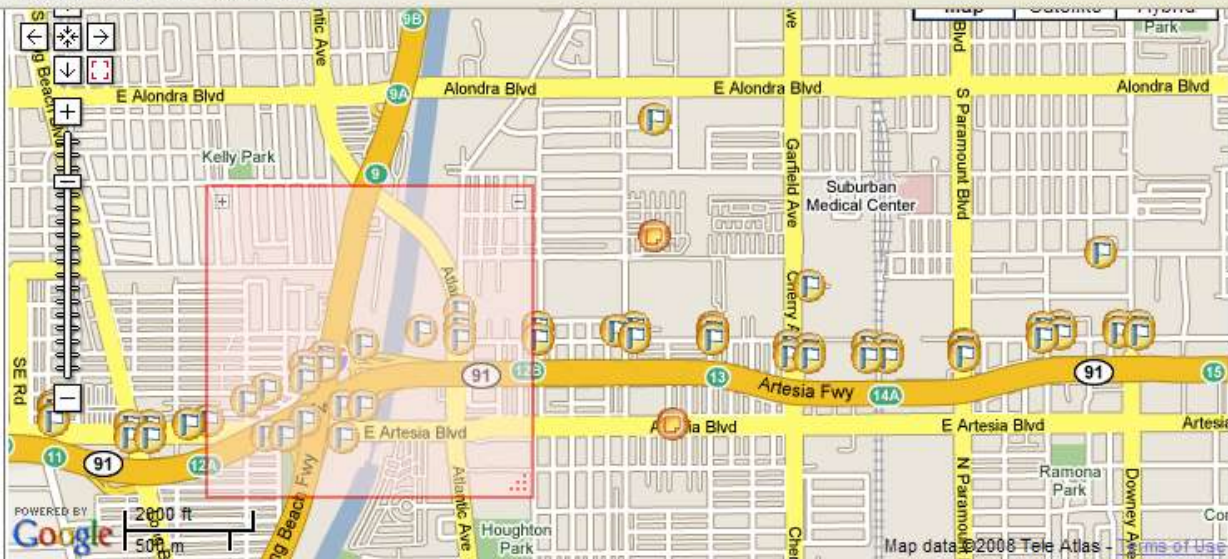
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 - Lithology/Stratigraphy
 - lithology
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- In-Situ Tests
- Lab Tests
 - Engineering Properties
 - atterberg limits
 - compressive strength
 - moisture content
 - particle-size
 - relative density
 - Geochemical Properties
 - pore water chemistry
- Repeated Monitoring

A test to determine the stress-strain properties of soil. Typically, a cylindrical specimen is sealed in a rubber membrane, placed in a cell and subjected to a uniform fluid pressure in the horizontal and vertical directions. A vertical load is applied axially to the specimen increasing the axial stress until the specimen fails.

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Map Satellite Hybrid

Geotechnical Virtual Data Center Asset

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 Project Name: Nutrilit
 Data Type(s): water level
 lithology
 Depth: 55 ft Vertical
 Date: 1989-12-10
 Provider: CGS



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drive penetration
 lithology
 water level

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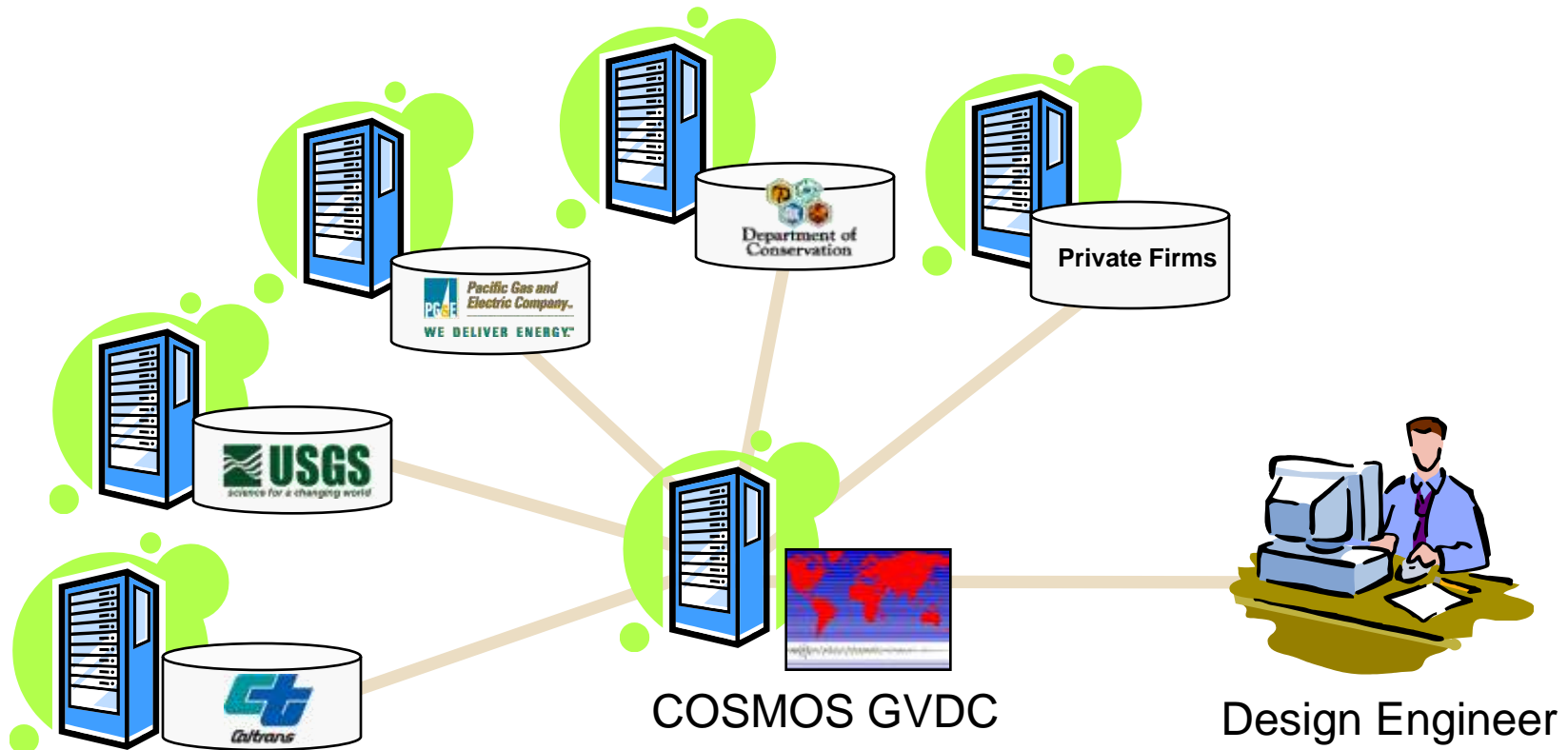
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GVDC – How Does It Work?

- The GVDC is a data “broker,” not a data repository.
- Translation-based system using DIGGS.



GVDC – How Does It Work?

- The data provider needs to have a digital repository of their data.
- The data repository can take on many forms, however, the simplest implementation is to have a collection of DIGGS files on a web server.

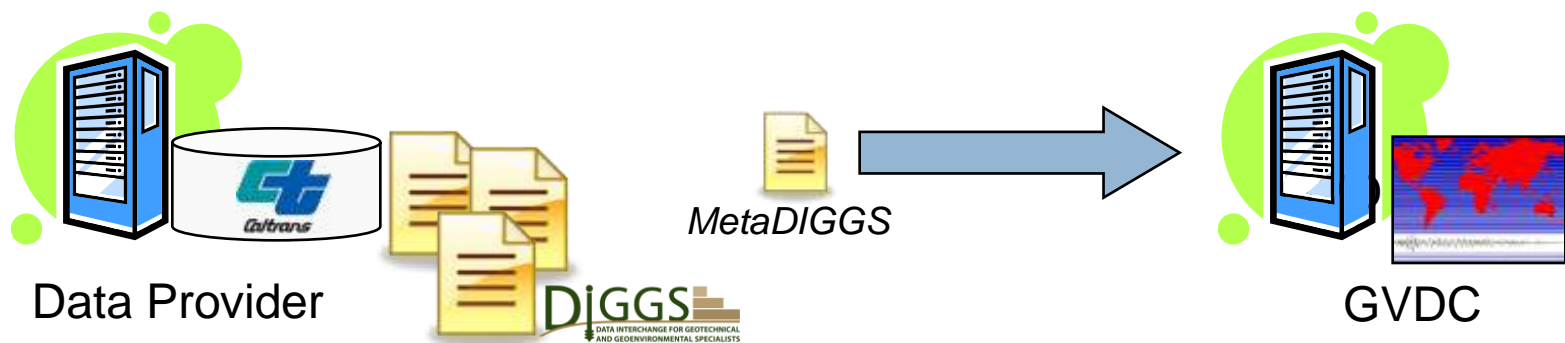


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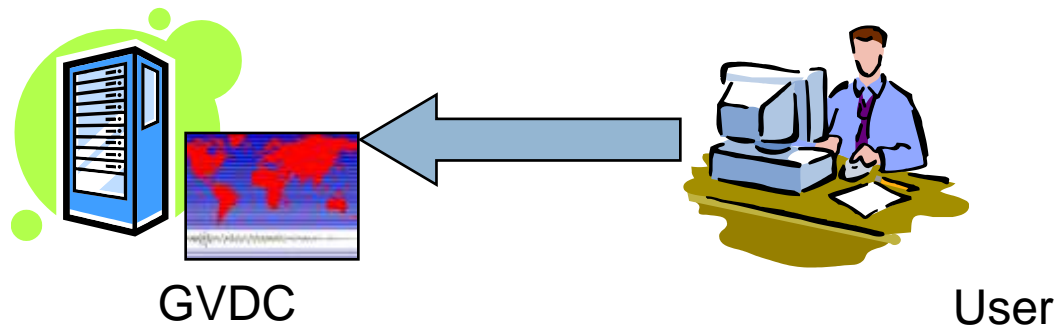
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- The Data Provider generates a MetaDIGGS XML file to reflect their available data sets.
- The GVDC “harvests” the MetaDIGGS file and stores this information in it’s database.



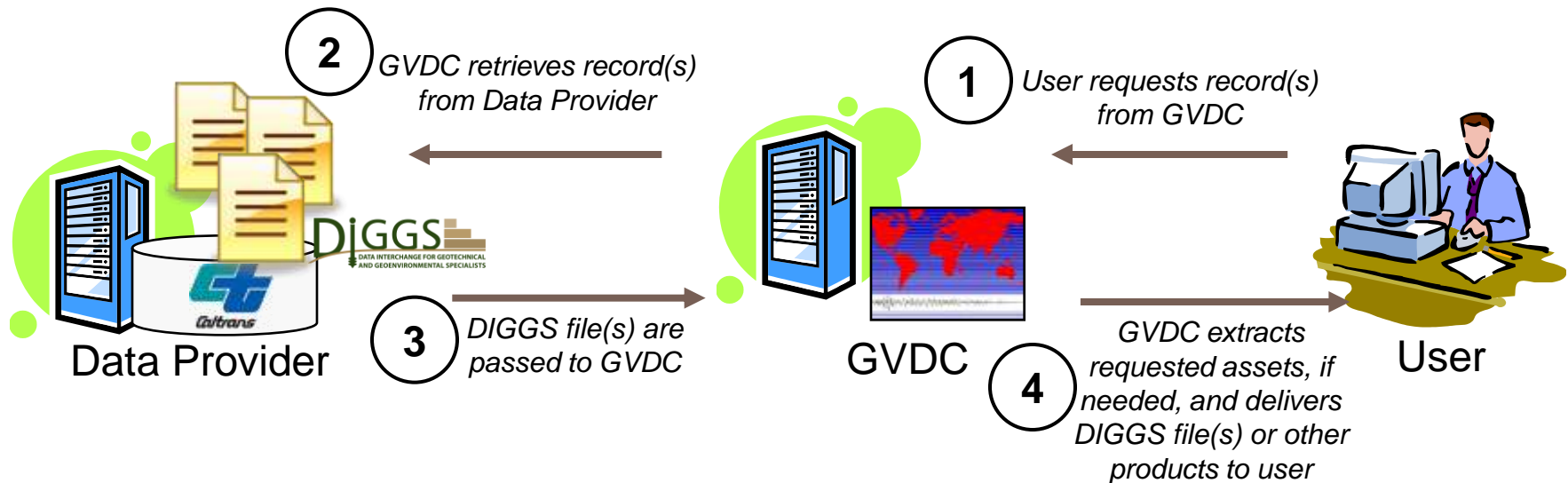
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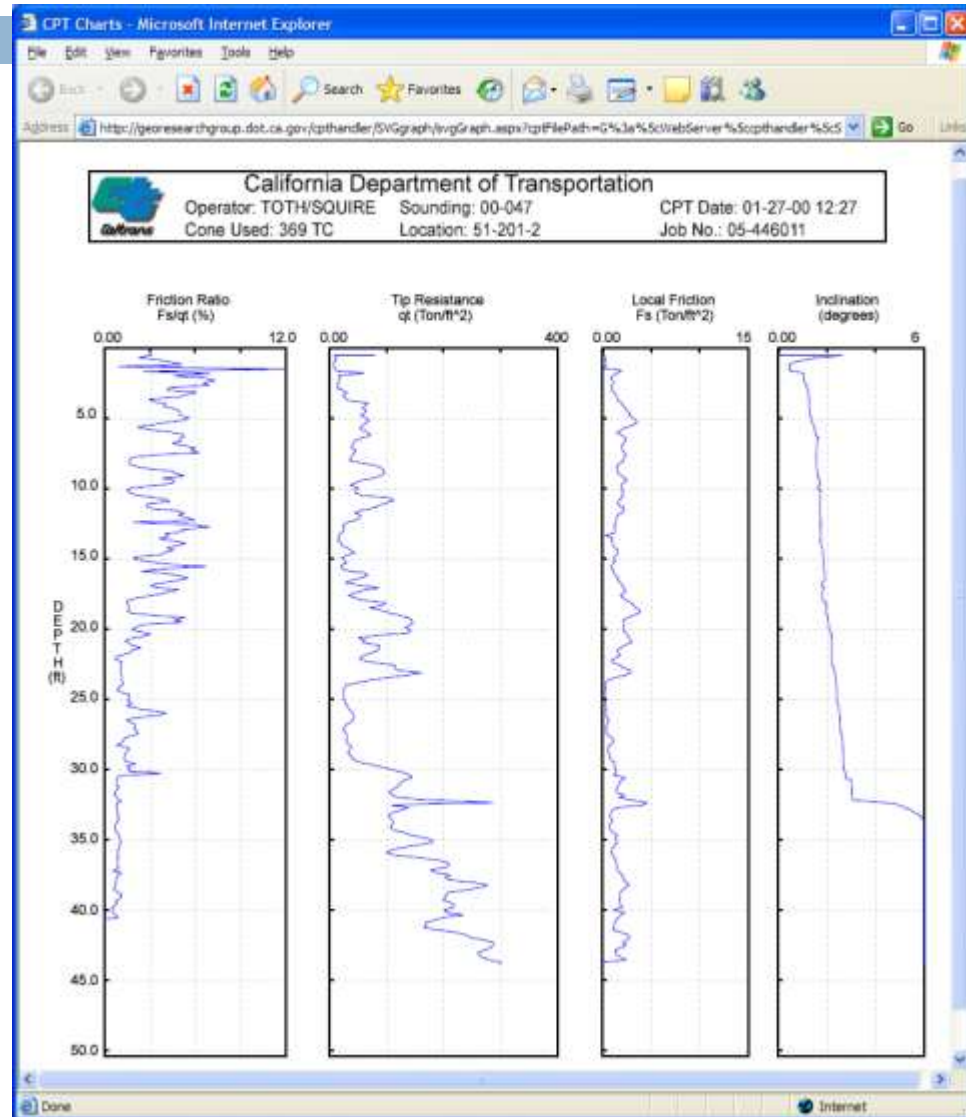
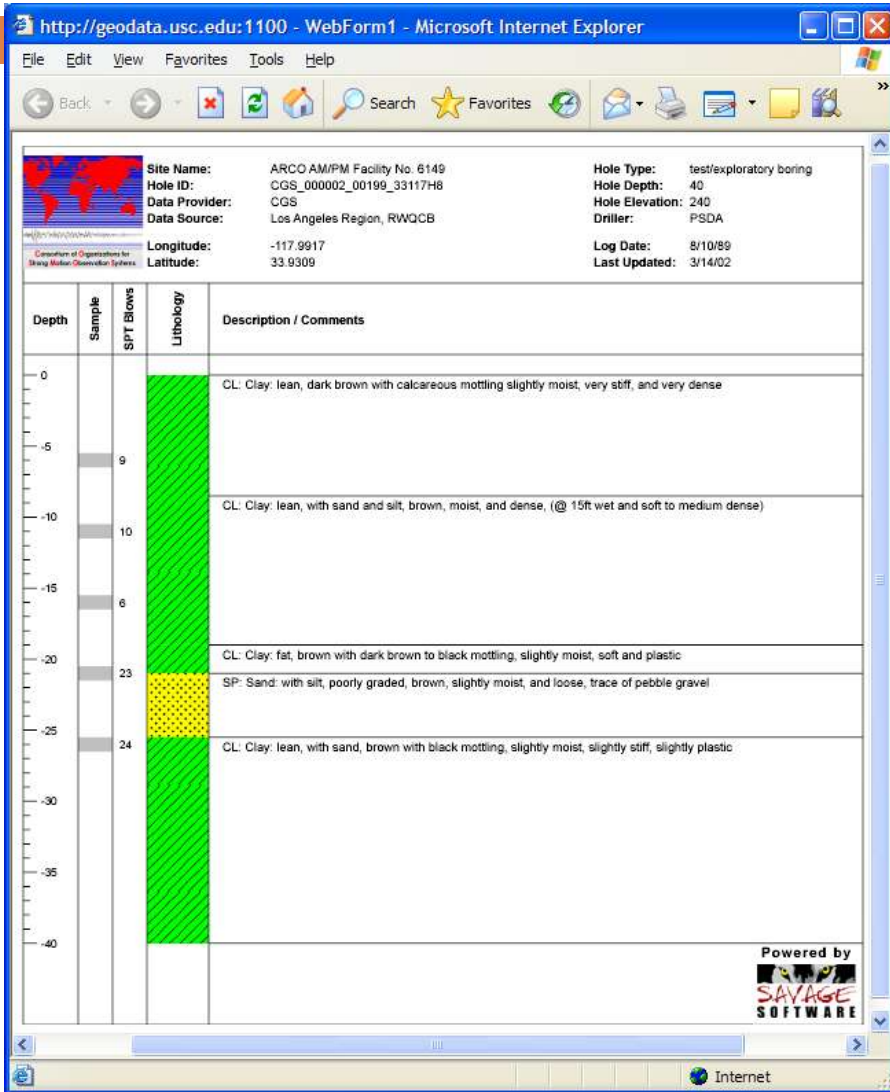


GVDC – How Does It Work?

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GVDC – How Does It Work?



GVDC – How Does It Work?

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GVDC Technologies

- WAMP framework
 - **W**indows (Server 2003)
 - **A**pache
 - **M**ySQL (PostgreSQL/PostGIS for GVDC)
 - **P**HP
- GoogleMaps
 - Clustering
 - Selection box tool
 - Map overlays
- Other Technologies
 - Java Applets
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