

# Join NARC and ESRI for the Upcoming Metadata Webinar Series!

**July 27th, August 3rd and August 10th  
1pm – 4pm ET / 10am – 1pm PT**

With support from the Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC), the National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) and ESRI will be holding a three-part webinar series on collecting and creating accurate and appropriate metadata, a critical component of any local or regional geographic information systems (GIS) program.

This **FREE** training will allow participants to better understand how their effective use of metadata can allow other users, including regional councils' member local governments, to search and utilize their data services effectively. From their own desks, participants will be able join experienced trainers from ESRI for lectures and interactive exercises, resulting in the creation of functional metadata that can be published to the Geospatial One-Stop (GOS) or [Data.gov](http://Data.gov).

Through the series of three hands-on webinars, participants will learn to:

- Create metadata;
- Publish metadata to popular, federally supported sites including GOS and Data.gov;
- Utilize Web 2.0 technologies to expose catalogued data;
- Discover geospatial services;
- Use the FGDC service status checker to assess service availability;
- And much more!

This training will be targeted at new and expert GIS users alike, with the opportunity for all to improve their skills in creating, sharing and using metadata in real world situations. Following the live webinars, ESRI trainers will be available to provide one-on-one support to participants with questions, supporting them in integrating their new skills into their everyday work life.

Visit NARC's website at [www.NARC.org](http://www.NARC.org) to find registration information or contact Jenee Kresge at 202.986.1032 ext. 215 or [jenee@NARC.org](mailto:jenee@NARC.org) with questions.



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