# NM Resource Geographic Information System Program – RGIS User Guide

Access RGIS in any Web browser at http://rgis.unm.edu.

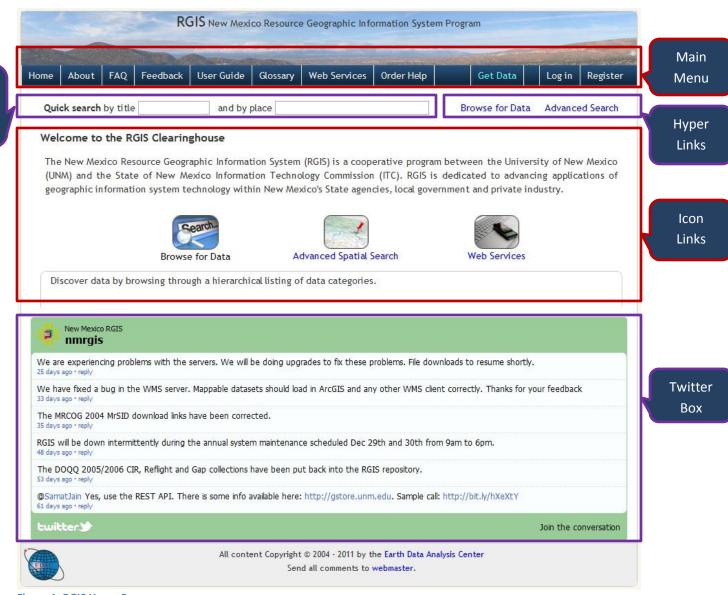


Figure 1: RGIS Home Page

Quick Search

Bar

## **RGIS Home**

The RGIS Home page contains the **Main Menu**; **Quick Search** bar; hyperlinks for **Browse for Data** and **Advanced Search**; icon links for **Browse for Data**, **Advanced Spatial Search**, and **Web Services**; and a **Twitter** box.

## **Main Menu**

The Main Menu is located just below the NM RGIS banner. This has eleven hyperlinks: Home, About, FAQ, Feedback, User Guide, Glossary, Web Services, Order Help, Get Data, Log in, and Register.



**Home** displays the Home page of the NM Resource Geographic Information System Program.

About displays information about the NM RGIS Program.

FAQ opens a page of Frequently Asked Questions related to accessing and using data from RGIS.

Feedback allows the user to send feedback, suggestions, or questions regarding the RGIS Program to the Webmaster. Fill in the text boxes: Subject (required), Message (required), Your email address, and the Captcha security words (required). For the Captcha box, enter the two words separated by a space in the Captcha textbox, which is shown below. If you are unable to read the displayed words, click on the refresh con for new words. If you have speakers or any audio device, you can listen to the displayed words by clicking on the audio con. The Help con provides more instructions on using Captcha.



Figure 3: Captcha Box

**User Guide** opens the NM RGIS Program User Guide.

**Glossary** opens a page with definitions for terms common in GIS documentation.

**Web Services** opens a page providing details about the Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC) service standards supported by RGIS. This page also gives information on using these services to directly access RGIS data and map products without having to download individual data files.

**Order Help** gives information on how to order data from the RGIS Clearinghouse.

**Get Data** displays a drop-down menu to locate and access NM GIS data. The options are **Browse Data** and **Advanced Spatial Search**. Or, follow the links for the **Browse for Data** and **Advanced Search** in the upper right corner of the RGIS home page, under the Main Menu. Also, follow the icon link for **Browse for Data** and **Advanced Spatial Search** on the RGIS home page under "Welcome to the RGIS Clearinghouse" heading.

Log In displays a dialog box that allows the user to log in to the RGIS Web site.

Register opens a page for creating a user account in RGIS.

## **Quick Search Bar**

This search bar allows users to perform a quick search on the data they are looking for, by title and by place.



Figure 4: Quick Search Bar

• **By Title**: Start typing the name or title of the data you are looking for and hit enter. The search results will be displayed on the home page. Clear the title textbox by selecting the entered title and hitting backspace. This erases all the searched results and returns to the default home page.

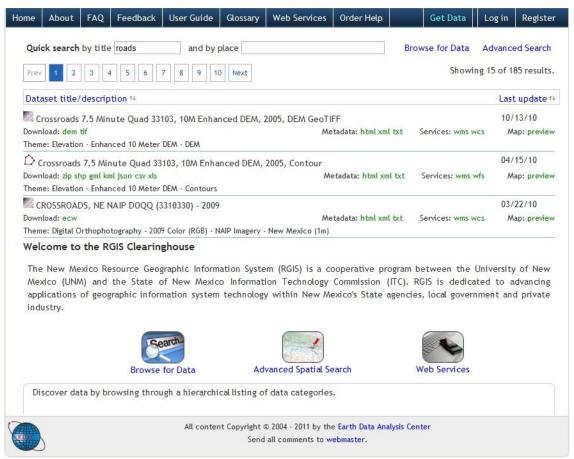


Figure 5: Quick Search 'by title'

The available options for downloadable file formats are displayed below each data set along with other options for viewing Metadata, Web Services, and the Map preview. Also the theme to which the dataset belongs is displayed below each result name and the date the file was updated. The download options are displayed below.



Figure 6: File downloadable options

By Place: Start typing the place name in the textbox next to 'by place.' A drop-down menu of
filtered options will appear. Select the place name and hit enter. The results obtained will be
displayed on the home page.



Figure 7: Quick Search 'by place'

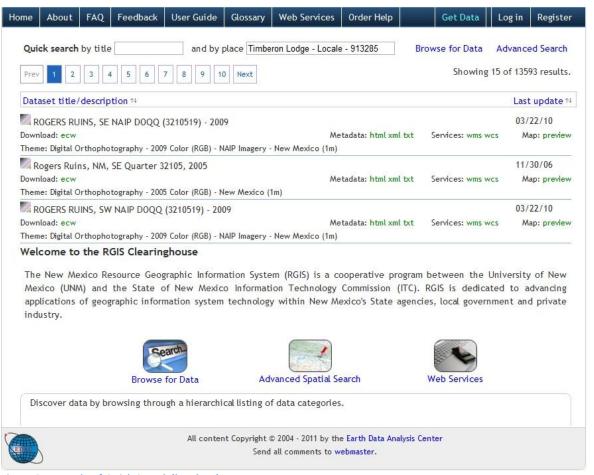


Figure 8: Example of Quick Search 'by place'

• **By Title** and **By Place**: Start typing the name or title in the 'by title' textbox and filter the results specific to a location by selecting a place name from the drop-down menu in the 'by place'

textbox. The drop-down menu appears when the user starts typing the place name in the 'by place' textbox.

# **Browse Data and Advanced Spatial Search**

Data can be located and accessed by clicking the hyperlinks **Browse for Data** and **Advanced Search** on the upper right-hand corner below the Main Menu. Alternatively, follow the icon links for the **Browse for Data** and **Advanced Spatial Search** on the RGIS home page under "Welcome to RGIS Clearinghouse" heading. The icon link will display a textbox with a description of the link on hover.



Figure 8: RGIS Menu

## **Browse Data**

The Browse Data page allows users to **Browse Data by Theme** through the catalog structure and also by filtering the displayed data sets by **Filter Search**. The Browse Data page initially displays the data sets for all the available themes.



Figure 9: Browse Data page

• To **Browse Data by Theme** from the available theme categories click on the 'plus' button shown in front of the folder. This expands the data set folder to show the subsets of data in each category. Click on the data set icon to view the datasets available in that particular subset. The available data sets of the current theme are displayed in the Results column on the right-hand side.



Figure 10: Browse Data Example

• **Filter Search** can be used to filter the displayed data sets by entering the title and/or place of interest in the respective text boxes next to 'by title' and 'by place.'

The icons displayed in front of each data set in the Results table tell about the type of file, whether it is a vector, raster image, vector or raster virtual mosaic, or static file dataset. The icon legend is shown below the browse data page under the data categories.

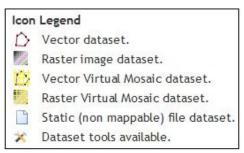


Figure 11: Data set icon Legend

# **Advanced Spatial Search**

Advanced spatial search is under development and will be available soon.

## **Twitter Box**

**Twitter box** displays the tweets about the New Mexico Resource Geographic Information System Program. Users can follow NM RGIS on Twitter **@nmrgis**.