At the 3rd Geologic Mapping Forum in Minneapolis from April 7th to 9th, 2020, ~100 geological map authors, program managers and allied professionals from geological surveys and associated agencies will meet to discuss the status and future of geological mapping in the USA and neighboring nations.

Monday, April 6th

1:00 – 4:30 PM  Field trip – meet at Courtyard Minneapolis Downtown
5:00 – 7:00 PM  Registration & Reception – Courtyard Minneapolis Downtown

Tuesday, April 7th

7:30 – 8:30 AM  Registration, coffee, bagels, and pastries, and poster setup - Atrium
8:30 – 10:00 AM  Opening plenary - Auditorium
  - USGS/AASG – Opening Remarks
  - USGS Core Science - National Cooperative Geologic Mapping Program, John Brock
  - USGS Core Science - National Geologic Map Database (NGMDB), Dave Soller*
10:00 – 10:30 AM  Break & poster viewing - Atrium
10:30 – Noon  Plenary – Auditorium
  - USGS Hazards – National Crustal Model, Oliver Boyd
  - USDA NRCS - National Cooperative Soil Survey, Dave Hoover
  - GSC – Canada-3D, Boyan Brodaric
Noon – 1:00 PM  Box lunch & NCGMP Funding Huddle – Atrium & Forum
1:00 – 2:30 PM  Concurrent session 1 – Auditorium, Room 180, Forum
2:30 – 3:00 PM  Break - Atrium
3:00 – 4:30 PM  Plenary - Auditorium
  - USGS Minerals – Earth MRI, Warren Day
  - USGS/AASG – Launch of NGMDB Phase 3, Randall Schumann & Harvey Thorleifson
  - Discussion session 1 – Status – Developing a method to assess status of geologic mapping, to develop consensus, and to attract funding; facilitator*
4:30 PM  Adjourn for the day
Wednesday, April 8th

7:30 – 8:30 AM  Registration, coffee, bagels, and pastries - Atrium

8:30 – 10:00 AM  Plenary - Auditorium
  - USGS Water, Randy Bayless
  - USGS Core Science – Seamless, Ren Thompson
  - Discussion session 2 – Seamless – Making our mapping queryable – assembling many maps as a single GIS resource; facilitator

10:00 – 10:30 AM  Break & poster viewing - Atrium

10:30 – Noon  Concurrent session 2 – Auditorium, Room 180, Wilkins 215

Noon – 1:00 PM  Box lunch - Atrium

1:00 – 2:30 PM  Plenary – Auditorium
  - NSF/EarthCube – Macrostrat, Daven Quinn
  - USGS Energy, Brian Shaffer
  - Discussion session 3 – Scale – For what levels of resolutions can we build queryable seamless 3D; facilitator

2:30 – 3:00 PM  Break - Atrium

3:00 – 4:30 PM  Concurrent session 3 – Auditorium, Room 180, Wilkins 215

4:30 PM  Adjourn for the day

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Thursday, April 9th

7:30 – 8:30 AM  Registration, coffee, bagels, and pastries - Atrium

8:30 – 10:00 AM  Concurrent session 4 – Auditorium, Room 180, Wilkins 215

10:00 – 10:30 AM  Break & poster viewing - Atrium

10:30 – Noon  Plenary – Auditorium
  - USGS Minerals – Geophysical Surveys, Ben Drenth
  - USGS Minerals – National Bedrock Geology, Carma San Juan
  - Discussion session 4 – Surfaces – Can we build vertical position, thickness, and properties into our mapping, to support applications; facilitator

Noon – 1:00 PM  Box lunch - Atrium

1:00 – 2:30 PM  Closing plenary - Auditorium

2:30 PM  Adjourn

* Invited