

Information Management

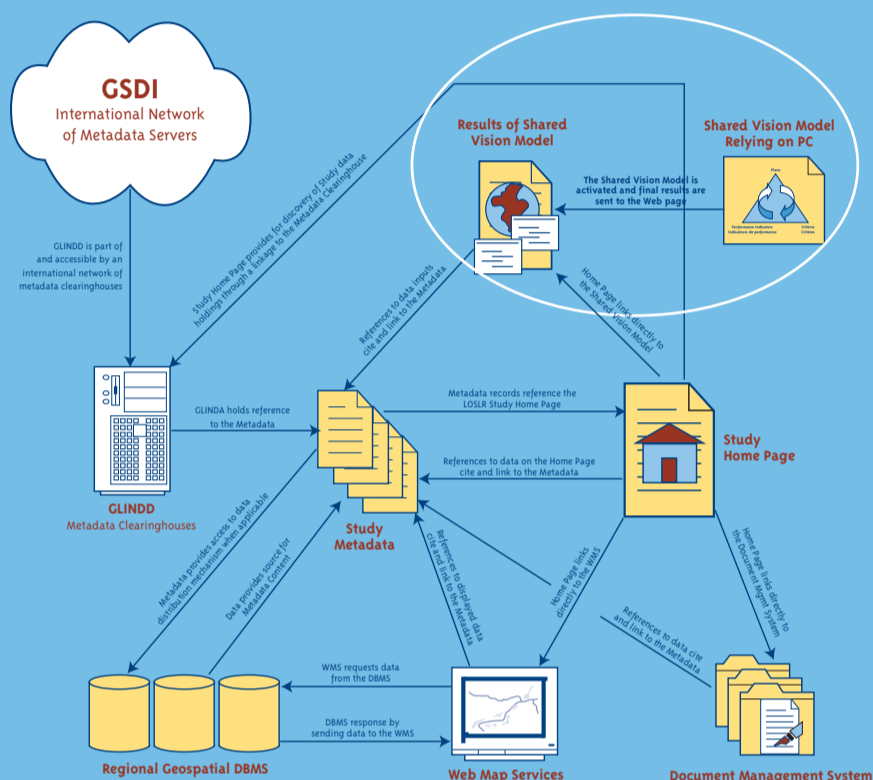


What have we accomplished?

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This Group incorporated basic data layers into an Internet-based Geographic Information System (GIS). These data layers are documented according to common standards. Examples of the many different data sets included in the GIS are:

- Digital aerial photography of wetlands on the south shore of Lake Ontario,
- Satellite imagery and elevation data of islands near Montreal, Quebec,
- Transportation features around Rochester, New York, and
- Political units in Ontario and New York.



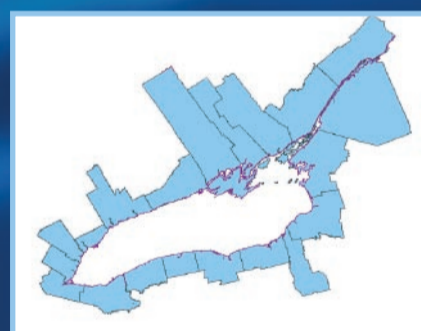
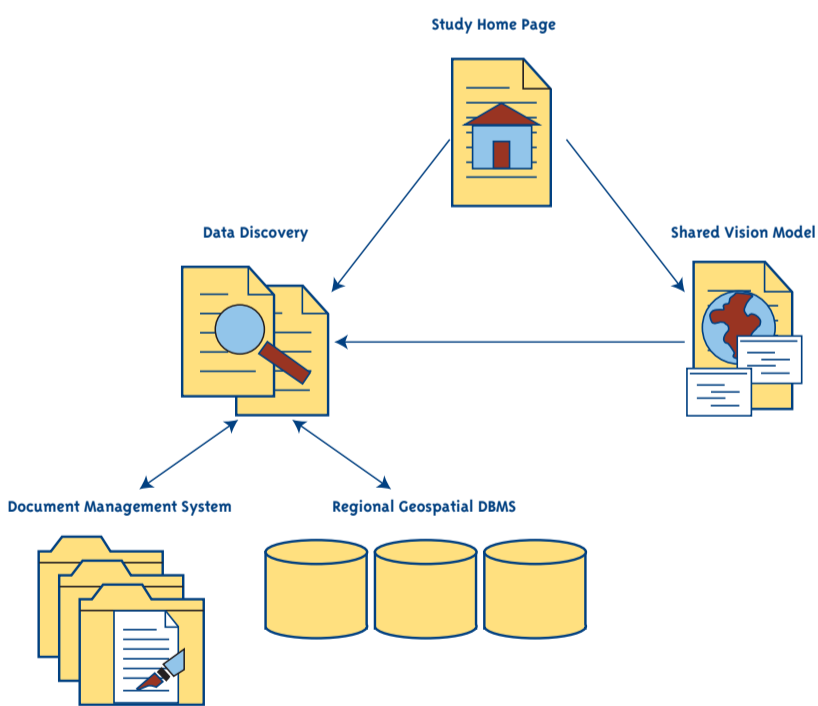
What is the Information Management Technical Work Group doing?

The Information Management Technical Work Group implemented a comprehensive strategy for providing easy access to Study data and published materials during the Study via the Internet.

The information management strategy has three essential objectives:

- 1) Management of large volumes of data and information,
- 2) Facilitation of information exchange between Study participants, and
- 3) To provide for easy public access now and into the future.

The information management strategy includes links from web pages to data holdings stored by various Study partners, to the Study's Shared Vision Model, and to all major Study documents.



Political Units

Transportation



Why is information management an important part of the Study?

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Managing the large data resources are important to ensure that the best data and information are used in the Study's decision-making process. Furthermore, it is an important objective of the Study that all information be easily accessible by the public to allow them to verify decisions.

