



# GIS at the Harte Research Institute

## *Abstract*

*The Harte Research Institute for Gulf of Mexico Studies (HRI) is a new face on the rapidly expanding horizon of marine research. The mission of HRI, an endowed research institute at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, is to support and advance the long-term sustainable use and conservation of the Gulf of Mexico, focusing on coastal and marine policy, biodiversity, and conservation through an ecosystem-level approach. The goals of the HRI GIS department are to provide researchers and collaborators a cutting-edge research facility with capabilities unmatched in the marine research arena and serve as an information portal for researchers, industry, education, state and federal agencies, and conservation interests from the U.S., Mexico, and Cuba. Collaborating with existing research facilities and assuming a leadership role to the ecosystem approach require the use of enterprise-like technology in a project-based realm, and HRI GIS is developing tools to enable it to process and store data on an enterprise scale.*

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In 2001, Mr. Edward Harte announced a \$46 million dollar endowment to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, with the intent of establishing a world-class, international research center for Gulf of Mexico studies. His vision was to bring to the Gulf of Mexico a research facility which would serve to function much as [Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution \(WHOI\)](#) functions for the Atlantic coast, and [Scripps Institution of Oceanography](#) functions for the Pacific Coast. The mission of this newly endowed and developing institute at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is to support and advance the long-term sustainable use and conservation of the Gulf of Mexico. Cooperating and collaborating with research facilities and researchers in United States, Mexico, and Cuba, it will promote excellence and innovation in interdisciplinary scientific research, public policy initiatives, and education of the public. A 19-member Advisory Council of renowned scientists, policy makers and conservationists was formed, and planning meetings have been held in Corpus Christi, Houston, Havana, Florida, Monterrey and Veracruz.

This generous endowment will fund six endowed chair positions: Coastal and Marine Policy, Biodiversity, Ecosystem Modeling, Socio-Economics, Human and Ocean Health, and Geographic Information Systems. The advisory council recognizes the important role that GIS will play in the structure of this cutting-edge research facility, demonstrating the belief that this technology is a vital component for collaboration and cooperation between the other departments, as well as other collaborating research facilities.

An additional \$18 million from the State of Texas to house the Institute supplemented this \$46 million dollar endowment. Building construction started in 2003, and should be complete in 2005. Although wide-ranging activity and research are planned after HRI officially "opens," several early projects are already underway: Veracruz reef studies; a 50-year update of 'Bulletin 89', an initiative to determine the total biodiversity of the Gulf of Mexico; the State of the Gulf Symposium, the Gulf of Mexico GIS; and, [GulfBase](#), a Gulfwide research website.



Figure 1 : Harte Research Institute for Gulf of Mexico Studies

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## Top-Notch Facilities...

The GIS lab will be located on the second floor of the new building, which is expected to be completed in mid-summer, 2005. This approximately 3000 sq. ft. laboratory will house as many as 25 GIS-capable workstations, with complete LAN and wireless capabilities. Preliminary plans call for two servers; the first will serve data throughout the institute and campus, the second server will serve as a data portal, connecting collaborating researchers to the GIS database. Currently, this database contains almost a terabyte of data, covering the Gulf Coast from Key West, Florida to Brownsville, Texas. Some data has been collected for Mexico and Cuba, but this data is very hard to come by. In addition to the servers, plans call for a sixty inch plotter, a forty-two inch plotter-scanner, and other peripherals, as well as data collection instruments. Other equipment, including

The Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI) has generously offered their expertise in GIS Systems design, to ensure that all hardware, software and networking infrastructure will be compatible, efficient and top-of-the-line. Actual purchase of most equipment and software will take place after final construction is complete, with considerable influence from the Endowed Chair, who has not been selected yet.

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## GIS Data...

The data collection at HRI is at this time primarily base data layers, collected from state information portals, such as the Texas Natural Resources Information System (TNRIS), Texas General Land Office, Texas Commission for Environmental Quality's

External Geographic Information Systems Page, Alabama Water Quality Information System, Louisiana Geographic Information Systems Council, Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), Florida's Land Boundary Information System (LABINS), the Mississippi Automated Resource Information System (MARIS), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), the National Agricultural Imagery Program, EPA's CMAP Program, The National Atlas, Instituto Nacional de Estadística Geografía e Informática (INEGI), GIS Data Depot, NASA's GES Distributed Active Archive Center, The World Data Center, Office of Coast Survey, National Marine Sanctuaries Program, NOAA Electronic Navigational Charts, and other state and federal agencies, as well as many Non-Governmental Organizations such as The Nature Conservancy, Pronatura, Surf Rider Foundation, the Socio-Economic Data And Application Center (SEDAC), Audubon Society, and NatureServe.

By collecting data from these expansive and diverse portals into one library, HRI hopes to become the premier site for GIS data for the Gulf Coast. The data sets have been organized following the State of Texas Department of Information Resources guidelines, with some alterations; since these guidelines were developed, it is no longer necessary for datasets to be in one specified projection. The suggested folder names were altered so that there are no spaces. Numerous sub-headings have been developed to make navigating to a specific type of data easier.

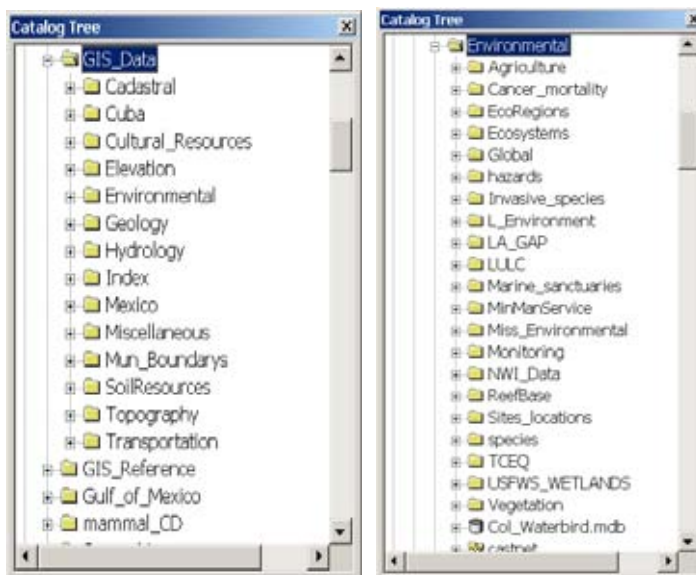


Figure 2 : ArcCatalog file structure

Digital Ortho Quarter-Quads (DOQQs), National Elevation Dataset (NED) DEMs and Digital Raster Graphics (DRGs) are stored by degree block, and image catalogs are built for each block and data type, facilitating rapid loading and ease of use.



Figure 3 : Data holdings; National Elevation Datasets, Digital Ortho Quarter Quads, and Digital Raster Graphics.

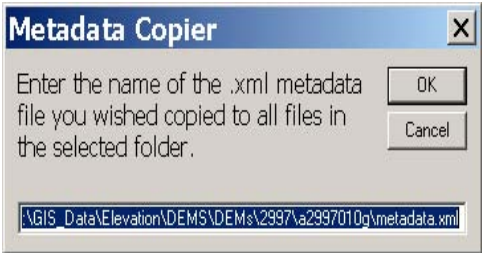
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## GIS Data Processing Tools...

There are 59 degree blocks of DOQQs, 71 degree blocks of DRGs, with approximately 64 datasets in each degree block, as well as 64 degree blocks of NED. Although it varies from state to state, most of the data is delivered from the state agencies in compressed format. There is also a variety of metadata formats, varying by agency, and often varying within an agency. On rare occasions, the metadata has already been imported and attached as an ArcCatalog .xml file. More often, there is one metadata file that applies to an entire set of data. Several tools were developed as Visual Basics Application macros to attach metadata, and build pyramids and thumbnails for this massive amount of data. The source code for these macros is included at the end of this paper, or by contacting the author.

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### Metadata Copier



This macro copies the .xml file entered by the user to all the files in the selected folder. This simple routine uses the `FileSystem.filecopy` function, using the filename entered in the GUI as the input file, and copying it to each filename in the selected directory.

Figure 4 : Metadata Copier Input GUI.

## Metadata Wizard

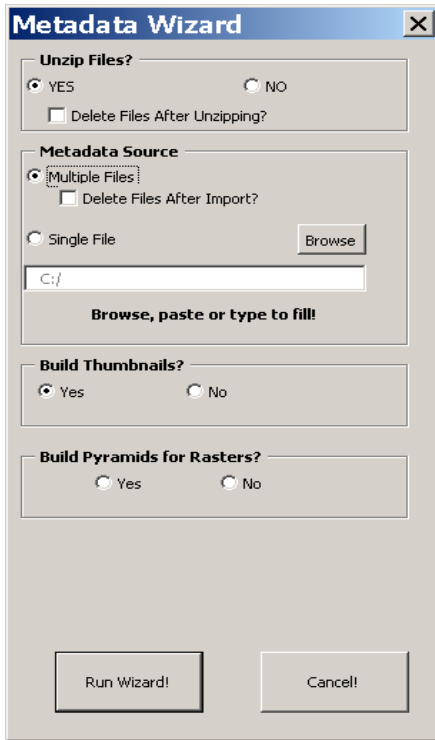


Figure 5: Metadata Wizard Interface

This macro, dubbed the Metadata Wizard, cuts processing time tremendously. The user first selects the directory containing the downloaded data files. If the files are in a WinZip compatible compressed format, the user can specify if the macro should decompress them. If so, the macro then writes and calls a Winzip 9.0 command line batch file, which automatically unzips the files into the same directory. The user may select an option to delete the compressed files after decompression.

After the files are decompressed, the user then selects to import either individual metadata files, or a single metadata file for the entire directory. For individual files, the metadata must have the same base filename; anyfile.shp must have an associated anyfile.met. The macro will recognize numerous metadata file extensions (.met, .fgd, .txt, .xml, .mtd, .sgml), and by accessing the macro code in the Visual Basics macro editor, others can be added easily. It then uses the appropriate ArcCatalog Metadata Import tool to import the metadata.

The user may also select options to build thumbnails for most data types, and/or pyramids for any rasters in the directory.

The Metadata Wizard is actually a combination of several separate macros. The first macro was adapted from a macro written by Rob Crumlin, available through ArcScripts, that recursively built pyramids for a specified raster type. This macro was then adapted to import metadata, the decompression feature was later added, and then the macro was adapted to build thumbnails for all rasters in a directory.

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## MetaFill Macro

The screenshot shows the MetaFill GUI with the following fields and values:

- Select Mode:** Do ALL Datasets in Folder? (checked) / No, just do the selected dataset! (unchecked)
- Distribution Contact Organization:** Harte Research Institute for Gulf of Mexico Studies
- Distribution Contact Person:** Jeff S. Wood
- Distribution Contact Position:** GIS Research Associate
- Distribution Contact E-Mail:** jwood@harteinstitute.org
- Distribution Contact Voice Telephone:** (361) 625-2766
- Distribution Contact Fax:** (361) 625-2575
- Distribution Contact Address Type:** (dropdown menu)
- Distribution Contact Address:** 6100 Ocean Drive, NPC 2206
- Distribution Contact City:** Corpus Christi
- Distribution Contact State:** TX
- Distribution Contact Postal Code:** 78412
- Distribution Contact Country:** USA
- Distribution Liability:** Although these data have been processed successfully on a computer system, no
- Fees:** No Fees
- User Constraints:** none
- Access Constraints:** none
- Buttons:** OK, Cancel
- Checkboxes:** Use for Distribution Contact Information (checked), Use for Metadata Contact Information (unchecked), Use for Publisher Contact Information (unchecked)

MetaFill is another macro developed to speed processing metadata for large datasets. In the FGDC standard metadata, there are at least three different places where contact information is required: in the publisher contact section, the distribution contact section and in the metadata contact section. Filling all these blanks is time-consuming and tedious...and quite often, the same information is required in multiple locations.

This macro will fill in any or all the information, in the specified locations, for either a single metadata file or all the metadata files in a specified directory. The user may also use it to fill in those critical but often repetitive use and access constraints, distribution liability and fees sections. Use CAUTION when employing this macro...it will overwrite any section with text in the GUI! The user may change or delete default values by accessing the VBA code.

Figure 6: MetaFill GUI

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## Multiple Spatial Reference

Although this macro was not developed at HRI, it has been a great help in processing downloaded datasets. It was first written by Vicki Magnis and Jennifer McCollom, and later ported to ArcCatalog 9x by Duane Cranford. The user selects the file to assign a common projection to, and then calls this macro. After the user selects the proper coordinate system, the macro will assign the projection file to all the selected files. This macro is available at <http://arcscripts.esri.com/details.asp?dbid=13664>.

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## WriteDirectory Macro

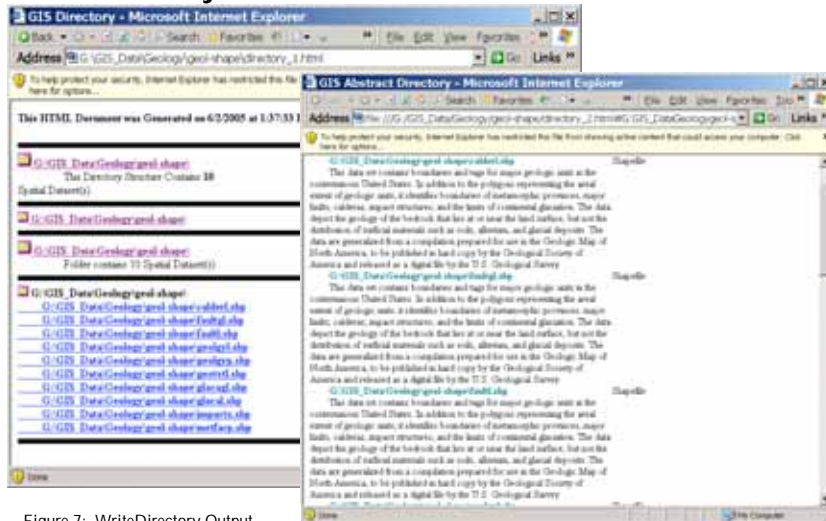


Figure 7: WriteDirectory Output

begin at the specified directory and will write and link HTML for that directory and any subdirectories. Until a full IMS site is developed, these HTML pages serve as a user's catalog to the HRI library.

Because it will progress into subdirectories, this macro has proven extremely useful. With minor modifications, it can be used to count specific datasets of a specific file type, or find directories where metadata is either non-existent or incomplete.

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## Cautions, Questions and Suggestions...

These macros should be used with caution. A test run on expendable datasets is highly suggested, both to familiarize the user with required inputs and outputs, and to find any bugs that might exist. When using these on computers other than the one they were written on, the user is often required to add references in VBA. Some of the macros require Visual Basics to be installed on the computer, in order to access some of the functions, but the macros themselves can be adapted to eliminate this. Please contact the author with any suggestions, questions, or fixes that you find useful.

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## The Future...

The future for the Harte Research Institute for Gulf of Mexico Studies is looking very bright: a search has been initiated for the Endowed Chair in GIS, and several candidates have been interviewed. The brand-new facilities should be complete within a matter of weeks; shortly after move-in, an IMS site will be installed, enabling HRI to distribute the data that is already collected, and hopefully receive even more from other research facilities and collaborators around the Gulf. Several research centers at the Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi will come under the HRI umbrella, and a

Another great tool developed at HRI, the WriteDirectory macro, will write the directory structure, filename, and file type to an HTML page, which is then linked to another page that contains the abstract, if available in the ESRI metadata. It will

new doctoral program in Coastal and Marine Systems Sciences, with a strong emphasis in Marine GIS, will begin classes in the fall of 2005. HRI looks forward to serving as an active member of the Marine GIS community!

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## Appendix...Source Code

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### Metadata Copier Macro

```
Option Explicit
Public Sub metadata_Copier()
'Purpose: For all data items contained in a folder, list in .html file
Dim pGxApp As esriCatalogUI.IGxApplication
Dim pGxObjectCont As esriCatalog.IGxObjectContainer
Dim pEnumGxObj As esriCatalog.IEnumGxObject
Dim pGxObj As esriCatalog.IGxObject
Dim pGxObj1 As esriCatalog.IGxObject
Dim log_filename As String
Dim fs As Scripting.FileSystemObject
Dim write_File As String
Dim log As Scripting.TextStream
Dim pcounter As Integer
Dim nDir As Integer
Dim fileCount As Integer
Dim read_File As String
read_File = InputBox("Enter the name of the .xml metadata file you wished copied to all files in the selected folder.", "Metadata Copier",
"G:\GIS_Data\Elevation\DEMS\DEMs\2997\2997010g\metadata.xml")
Set pGxApp = esriArcCatalog.Application
Set pGxObj = pGxApp.SelectedObject
If Not TypeOf pGxObj Is IGxFolder Then
MsgBox "Please select a Folder", vbExclamation
Exit Sub
Else
Set pGxObjectCont = pGxObj
Set pEnumGxObj = pGxObjectCont.Children 'Check to see if there are children
If pEnumGxObj Is Nothing Then
MsgBox "Nothing was found in the " & pGxObj.FullName & " Folder"
Exit Sub
Else
' Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
' Dim metadata_read As TextStream
' Set metadata_read = fs.OpenTextFile(readFile, ForReading, True)
' Dim meta_Text As String
' meta_Text = metadata_read.ReadAll
' MsgBox ("Here is what it said" & meta_text)
Set pGxObj1 = pEnumGxObj.Next ' For each object that is in the Folder
Dim intCount As Integer
Do While Not pGxObj1 Is Nothing
If pGxObj1.Category = "Folder" Then
subfolder pGxObj1, read_File, write_File
End If
'Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.File")
If Not pGxObj1.Category = "Folder" Then
write_File = pGxObj1.FullName & ".xml"
FileSystem.FileCopy read_File, write_File
End If
Set pGxObj1 = pEnumGxObj.Next
Loop
End Sub
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    End If
End If
MsgBox "Done! "
End Sub
Private Sub subfolder(ByVal pGxObj As esriCatalog.IGxObject, read_File As String, write_File As String)
    Dim pGxObjectCont As esriCatalog.IGxObjectContainer
    Dim pEnumGxObj As esriCatalog.IEnumGxObject
    Dim pGxObj1 As esriCatalog.IGxObject
    Dim fs As FileSystemObject

    Set pGxObjectCont = pGxObj
    Set pEnumGxObj = pGxObjectCont.Children 'Check to see if there are children
    Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
    If pEnumGxObj Is Nothing Then
        MsgBox "Nothing was found in the " & pGxObj.FullName & " Folder"
        Exit Sub
    Else
        MsgBox "In Function"
        Set pGxObj1 = pEnumGxObj.Next ' For each object that is in the Folder,
        Do While Not pGxObj1 Is Nothing
            If pGxObj1.Category = "Folder" Then
                subfolder pGxObj1, read_File, write_File
            Else
                FileCopy read_File, write_File
            End If
            Set pGxObj1 = pEnumGxObj.Next
        Loop
    End If
End Sub

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## Metadata Wizard

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Sub RecursiveTN_MD()
'Methods: IMetadata.Metadata, IMetadataImport.Import
'Purpose: For all data items contained in a folder, import a specified XML document
'as metadata. Checks to make sure the selected object is a Folder and also that
'the folder is not empty

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    Dim pGxApp As esriCatalogUI.IGxApplication
    Dim pGxSel As esriCatalog.IGxSelection
    Dim pGxObjectCont As esriCatalog.IGxObjectContainer
    Dim pEnumGxObj As esriCatalog.IEnumGxObject
    Dim pGxObj As esriCatalog.IGxObject
    Dim pGxObj1 As esriCatalog.IGxObject
    Dim pMD As esriGeoDatabase.IMetadata
    Dim m_pImportTXT As esriCatalog.ImportMPTXT
    Dim m_pImportMPTXT As esriCatalog.ImportMPTXT
    Dim m_pImportXML As esriCatalog.ImportXML
    Dim m_pImportSGML As esriCatalog.ImportMPGML
    Dim pImport As esriCatalog.IMetadataImport
    Dim metaExtension As String
    Dim fs As Scripting.FileSystemObject
    Dim sFile As String
    Dim RetVal As Variant
    Dim batch As Scripting.TextStream
    Dim sPath As String
    Dim sPos As Long
    Dim multifileFlag As Boolean
    Dim strName As String
    Dim metaTypeFlag As String
    Dim deletefiles
    Dim buildTN As Boolean
    Dim BuildPyramids As Boolean

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Set pGxApp = esriArcCatalog.Application
pGxApp.RefreshWindow

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Set pGxObj = pGxApp.SelectedObject
' MsgBox ("pGxObj = " & pGxObj.FullName)
deletefiles = vbNo
multifileFlag = True
MetaWiz.Show

responseMeta = MetaWiz.MetaButtonYes
' MsgBox response & " multi-metadata"
If responseMeta = False Then
    strName = MetaWiz.tbMetaFileName
    ' MsgBox strName & "STRNAM"
End If
buildTN = MetaWiz.Buildthumbnails
BuildPyramids = MetaWiz.obPyramYes

responseZip = MetaWiz.Unzip_YES
If responseZip = True Then
    Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
    Set batch = fs.CreateTextFile("C:\batch_unzip.bat", True)
    ' sPos = InStrRev(pGxObj.FullName, "\") 'get position of \ character from beginning of string
    sPath = pGxObj.FullName & "\"
    ' MsgBox ("sPath = " & sPath)
    Dim myChar As String
    myChar = Strings.Chr(34)
    batch.WriteLine (myChar & "C:\program files\winzip\wzunzip" & myChar & " -o -yp " _
        & sPath & "*.zip " & sPath)
    batch.Close
   RetVal = Shell("C:\batch_unzip.bat", vbMaximizedFocus)
    MsgBox "Please Wait for Files to be Unzipped"

    If MetaWiz.chb1 = True Then
        ' MsgBox "MetaWiz.chb1 = True...deleting zip files"
        Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
        Set batch = fs.CreateTextFile("C:\batch_deletezip.bat", True)
        batch.WriteLine ("del " & sPath & "*.zip")
        batch.Close
        RetVal = Shell("C:\batch_deletezip.bat", vbMaximizedFocus)
        ' MsgBox "Please Wait for Files to be Deleted"
    End If
    ' deletefiles = MsgBox("Delete Metadata Files After Import?", vbYesNo, "Delete Metadata Files")
End If

multifileFlag = responseMeta
' MsgBox multifileFlag

pGxObj.Refresh

If Not TypeOf pGxObj Is esriCatalog.IGxFolder Then
    MsgBox "Please select a Folder", vbExclamation
    Exit Sub
Else
    Set pGxObjectCont = pGxObj
    ' Check to see if there are children
    Set pEnumGxObj = pGxObjectCont.Children
    If pEnumGxObj Is Nothing Then
        MsgBox "Nothing was found in the " & pGxObj.FullName & " Folder"
        Exit Sub
    Else
        ' For each object that is in the Folder, import the text document as metadata
        Set pGxObj1 = pEnumGxObj.Next
        If multifileFlag = False Then
            ' MsgBox "Metadata File Name is " & tbMetaFileName
            metaExtension = Strings.Right(MetaWiz.tbMetaFileName, 4)
            ' MsgBox "MetaExtension is " & metaExtension
            metaExtension = ".unknown" ' InputBox("What Extension is the metadata ?...", "Extension?", extName)
        End If
    End If
End If

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Do While Not pGxObj1 Is Nothing
  Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")

  sPos = InStrRev(pGxObj1.FullName, ".") 'get position of \ character from beginning of string
  sPath = Strings.Left(pGxObj1.FullName, sPos) 'get path
  If fs.FileExists(Strings.Left(pGxObj1.FullName, Len(pGxObj1.FullName) - 4) & ".txt") = True Then
    metaTypeFlag = "TXT"
    metaExtension = ".txt"
  End If
  If fs.FileExists(Strings.Left(pGxObj1.FullName, Len(pGxObj1.FullName) - 4) & ".fgd") = True Then
    metaExtension = ".fgd"
    metaTypeFlag = "TXT"
    'MsgBox pGxObj1.FullName & " " & extName & " " & metaTypeFlag
  End If

  If fs.FileExists(Strings.Left(pGxObj1.FullName, Len(pGxObj1.FullName) - 4) & ".met") = True Then
    metaTypeFlag = "TXT"
    metaExtension = ".met"
  End If

  If fs.FileExists(Strings.Left(pGxObj1.FullName, Len(pGxObj1.FullName) - 4) & ".mtd") = True Then
    metaTypeFlag = "TXT"
    metaExtension = ".mtd"
  End If

  If fs.FileExists(Strings.Left(pGxObj1.FullName, Len(pGxObj1.FullName) - 4) & ".xml") = True Then
    metaTypeFlag = "XML"
    metaExtension = ".xml"
    ' MsgBox "File is XML"
  End If

  If fs.FileExists(Strings.Left(pGxObj1.FullName, Len(pGxObj1.FullName) - 4) & ".sgml") = True Then
    ' extName = ".sgml"
    metaTypeFlag = "SGML"
    metaExtension = ".sgml"
    'MsgBox "SGML found for " & pGxObj1.FullName
  End If

  sFile = pGxObj1.FullName
  If multifileFlag = True Then
    Dim strLength As Integer
    strLength = Len(sPath) - 1
    strName = Strings.Left(pGxObj1.FullName, strLength) & metaExtension
  Else
    strName = MetaWiz.tbMetaFileName

    '*****TEMPORARY*****
    Set m_pImportMPTXT = New esriCatalog.ImportMPTXT
    Set pImport = m_pImportMPTXT
    '*****TEMPORARY*****
  End If
  Set pMD = pGxObj1
  If metaTypeFlag = "TXT" Then
    Set m_pImportMPTXT = New esriCatalog.ImportMPTXT
    Set pImport = m_pImportMPTXT
  End If
  If metaTypeFlag = "XML" Then
    Set m_pImportXML = New esriCatalog.ImportXML
    Set pImport = m_pImportXML
  End If
  If metaTypeFlag = "SGML" Then
    Set m_pImportSGML = New esriCatalog.ImportMPSGML
    Set pImport = m_pImportSGML
  End If

  'Import a local txt document to metadata
  Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
  'MsgBox "strName = " & strName
  If fs.FileExists(strName) = True Then

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    pImport.Import strName, pMD
    ' MsgBox "Importing " & strName
    If MetaWiz.chb2 = True Then
        Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
        Set batch = fs.CreateTextFile("C:\batch_delete_meta.bat", True)
        batch.WriteLine ("del " & strName)
        batch.Close
        RetVal = Shell("C:\batch_delete_meta.bat", vbMaximizedFocus)
        'MsgBox "Please Wait for Files to be Deleted"
        End If

    End If
    If Not pGxObj1.Category = "Folder" Then
        If buildTN = True Then
            BuildThumbnail pGxObj1, sFile
        End If
        If pGxObj1.Category = "Raster Dataset" Then
            BuildPyramidX pGxObj1, sFile
            ' MsgBox "Raster Dataset = True"
        End If

    End If
    Set pGxObj1 = pEnumGxObj.Next

Loop
End If
End If
MsgBox "Done!!!"

End Sub
Private Function BuildThumbnail(ByVal pGxObj1 As esriCatalog.IGxObject, sFile As String)

    Dim qApp As esriCatalogUI.IGxApplication
    Dim bUID As New esriSystem.UID
    Dim m_pGxCatalog As esriCatalog.IGxCatalog
    Dim m_pAoGxApp As esriCatalogUI.IGxApplication 'Get a reference to the application

    Set qApp = esriArcCatalog.Application 'Create a UID Object to hold the ClassID of the view
    Set m_pAoGxApp = esriArcCatalog.Application
    Set m_pGxCatalog = m_pAoGxApp.Catalog

    m_pGxCatalog.Location = sFile
    bUID = "esriCatalogUI.gxpreview" 'used to open preview view

    qApp.ViewClassID = bUID 'open the view
    'To open geographic or table view the preview must be opened
    'then open the type of preview required
    If (TypeOf qApp.View Is esriCatalogUI.IGxPreview) Then
        Dim pview As esriCatalogUI.IGxView
        Dim ppreview As esriCatalogUI.IGxPreview
        Set pview = qApp.View
        Set ppreview = pview
        bUID.Value = "esriCatalogUI.GxGeoGraphicView"
        On Error Resume Next
        ppreview.ViewClassID = bUID
    End If

    Dim pCmdItem As esriFramework.ICommandItem
    Set pCmdItem = esriArcCatalog.Application.Document.CommandBars.Find(ArcID.Geography_CreateThumbnail)
    pCmdItem.Execute

End Function
Private Function BuildPyramidX(ByVal pGxObj1 As esriCatalog.IGxObject, sFile As String)
    Dim pApp As esriCatalogUI.IGxApplication
    Dim pRWS As esriDataSourcesRaster.IRasterWorkspace
    Dim pWs As esriGeoDatabase.IWorkspace
    Dim pWSF As esriGeoDatabase.IWorkspaceFactory
    Dim pRasterDs As esriGeoDatabase.IRasterDataset
    Dim pPyramid As esriDataSourcesRaster.IRasterPyramid
    Dim sPath As String

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```
Dim IFilePathLength As Long
Dim sPos As Long
Dim sName As String
Dim IFileNameLength As Long
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```
Set pApp = esriArcCatalog.Application
Set pWSF = New esriDataSourcesRaster.RasterWorkspaceFactory
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```
sPos = InStrRev(sFile, "\") 'get position of \ character from beginning of string
sPath = Strings.Left(sFile, sPos) 'get path
IFilePathLength = Len(sFile)
IFileNameLength = (IFilePathLength - sPos)
sName = Strings.Right(sFile, IFileNameLength) 'gets just the file name; no path included
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If pWSF.IsWorkspace(sPath) = True Then 'get rasterworkspace
    Set pRWS = pWSF.OpenFromFile(sPath, 0)
    'Get RasterDataset
    Set pRasterDs = pRWS.OpenRasterDataset(sName)
    Set pPyramid = pRasterDs
    'Create pyramid
    If pPyramid.Present = False Then
        pPyramid.Create
    End If
End If
```

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End Function
FORM CODE
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```
Private Sub cbBrowse_Click()
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```
Dim metafile As String
CommonDialog1.ShowOpen
tbMetaFileName.Text = CommonDialog1.FileName
metafile = tbMetaFileName.Text
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End Sub
```

```
Private Sub cbCancel_Click()
```

```
MsgBox "LATER!"
MetaWiz.Hide
Exit Sub
```

```
End Sub
```

```
Private Sub chb1_Click()
```

```
If chb1.Value = True Then
    ' MsgBox "Delete zips in form"
Else
    ' MsgBox "Do not delete Zips in form"
End If
```

```
End Sub
```

```
Private Sub cbRun_Click()
```

```
MetaWiz.Hide
' MsgBox deletemeta & vbNewLine & metafile & vbNewLine & multipleMeta
'RecursiveTN_MD_GUI(metafile, deleteZip, deletemeta, multipleMeta)
```

```
End Sub
```

```
Private Sub meta_source_Click()
```

```
'meta_source = multipleMeta
End Sub
```

```
Private Sub MetaButtonYes_Click()
```

```
multipleMeta = True
chb2.Enabled = True
cbBrowse.Enabled = False
tbMetaFileName.Enabled = False
```

```
End Sub
```

```
Private Sub metaSingleBttn_Click()
```

```
multipleMeta = False
chb2.Enabled = False
cbBrowse.Enabled = True
tbMetaFileName.Cut
tbMetaFileName.Enabled = True
tbMetaFileName.SetFocus
```

```

End Sub

Private Sub obPyramYes_Click()
    Dim pyraYes As Boolean
    pyraYes = True
End Sub

Private Sub obPyraNo_Click()
    Dim pyraYes As Boolean
    pyraYes = False
End Sub

Private Sub tbMetaFileName_Change()
    singleMeta = tbMetaFileName.Text
End Sub
Private Sub Unzip_NO_Click()
    response = vbNo
    chb1.Enabled = False
End Sub
Private Sub Unzip_YES_Click()
    response1 = vbYes
    chb1.Enabled = True
End Sub

```

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## MetaFill Macro

```

Public Sub fillMeta()
'Purpose: For all data items contained in a folder, Create metatdata
    Dim pGxApp As IGxApplication

    Dim pGxObj As IGxObject
    Dim strSimple As String
    Dim contact As Boolean
    Dim pGXObjectCont As esriCatalog.IGXObjectContainer
    Dim pEnumGxObj As esriCatalog.IEnumGxObject

    Dim pGxCatalog As IGxCatalog

    Set pGxApp = Application
    Set pGxCatalog = pGxApp.Catalog

    Set pGxObj = pGxApp.SelectedObject
    MsgBox pGxObj.Name

    metaFill.Show

    Do While metaFill.obRecursiveNo = False And metaFill.obRecursiveYes = False
        MsgBox "You must Select a Mode!"
        metaFill.Show
    Loop

    If metaFill.obRecursiveYes = True Then
        Set pGXObjectCont = pGxObj
        Set pEnumGxObj = pGXObjectCont.Children 'Check to see if there are children
        If pEnumGxObj Is Nothing Then
            MsgBox "Nothing was found in the " & pGxObj.FullName & " Folder"
            Exit Sub
        End If
        Set pGxObj = pEnumGxObj.Next

        Do While Not pGxObj Is Nothing
            fillMetaBlanks pGxObj
            Set pGxObj = pEnumGxObj.Next
        Loop
    End If

```

```

Else
    fillMetaBlanks pGxObj
End If
'MsgBox strSimple
Dim pGxView As IGxView
Set pGxView = pGxApp.View
If TypeOf pGxView Is IGxDocumentationView Then pGxView.Refresh

MsgBox "Done! This macro brought to you by John S. Wood "
End Sub
Private Function fillMetaBlanks(ByVal pGxObj As esriCatalog.IGxObject)

    Dim pGxObjectCont As esriCatalog.IGxObjectContainer
    Dim pEnumGxObj As esriCatalog.IEnumGxObject
    Dim pMD As IMetadata
    Dim pPS As IPropertySet
    Dim pXPS As IXmlPropertySet2

    Dim DistCountry As Boolean
    DistCountry = True

    Dim DistCity As Boolean
    DistCity = True

    Dim D_AddressType As Boolean
    D_AddressType = True

    Dim Dist_Address As Boolean
    Dist_Address = True

    Dim DistLiability As Boolean
    DistLiability = True

    Dim DistPerson As Boolean
    DistPerson = True

    Dim DistPost As Boolean
    DistPost = True

    Dim DistState As Boolean
    DistState = True

    Dim DistPos As Boolean
    DistPos = True

    Dim DistOrg As Boolean
    DistOrg = True

    Dim DistVoice As Boolean
    DistVoice = True

    Dim DistFax As Boolean
    DistFax = True

    Dim DistEmail As Boolean
    DistEmail = True

    Dim fees As Boolean
    fees = True

    Dim metaUse As Boolean
    metaUse = False

    Dim distUse As Boolean
    distUse = False

    Dim recurse As Boolean
    recurse = False

    Dim pubUse As Boolean

```

pubUse = True

metaUse = metaFill.cbMetaContactUse  
distUse = metaFill.cbDistContactUse  
pubUse = metaFill.cbPubContactuse  
' MsgBox "pubUse is " & pubUse

If Not metaFill.tbDistFees.Text = "" Then  
Dim DistributionFees As String  
DistributionFees = metaFill.tbDistFees.Text  
' MsgBox "DistributionLiability is " & DistributionLiability  
Else  
fees = False  
End If

If Not metaFill.tbDistributionLiability.Text = "" Then  
Dim DistributionLiability As String  
DistributionLiability = metaFill.tbDistributionLiability.Text  
' MsgBox "DistributionLiability is " & DistributionLiability  
Else  
DistLiability = False  
End If

If Not metaFill.tbDistContPerson.Text = "" Then  
Dim DistContPerson As String  
DistContPerson = metaFill.tbDistContPerson.Text  
' MsgBox "DistContPerson is " & DistContPerson  
Else  
DistPerson = False  
End If

If Not metaFill.tbDistcontactVoice.Text = "" Then  
Dim DistcontactVoice As String  
DistcontactVoice = metaFill.tbDistcontactVoice.Text  
' MsgBox "DistcontactVoice is " & DistcontactVoice  
Else  
DistVoice = False  
End If

If Not metaFill.tbDistcontactState.Text = "" Then  
Dim DistcontactState As String  
DistcontactState = metaFill.tbDistcontactState.Text  
' MsgBox "DistcontactState is " & DistcontactState  
Else  
DistState = False  
End If

If Not metaFill.tbDistcontactPost.Text = "" Then  
Dim DistcontactPost As String  
DistcontactPost = metaFill.tbDistcontactPost.Text  
' MsgBox "DistcontactPost is " & DistcontactPost  
Else  
DistPost = False  
End If

If Not metaFill.tbDistcontactPos.Text = "" Then  
Dim DistcontactPos As String  
DistcontactPos = metaFill.tbDistcontactPos.Text  
' MsgBox "DistcontactPos is " & DistcontactPos  
Else  
DistPos = False  
End If

If Not metaFill.tbDistcontactOrg.Text = "" Then  
Dim DistcontactOrg As String



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    DistcontactOrg = metaFill.tbDistcontactOrg.Text
    ' MsgBox "DistcontactOrg is " & DistcontactOrg
Else
    DistOrg = False
End If

If Not metaFill.tbDistcontactFax.Text = "" Then
    Dim DistcontactFax As String
    DistcontactFax = metaFill.tbDistcontactFax.Text
    ' MsgBox "DistcontactFax is " & DistcontactFax
Else
    DistFax = False
End If

If Not metaFill.tbDistcontactEmail.Text = "" Then
    Dim DistcontactEmail As String
    DistcontactEmail = metaFill.tbDistcontactEmail.Text
    ' MsgBox "DistcontactEmail is " & DistcontactEmail
Else
    DistEmail = False
End If

If Not metaFill.tbDistcontactCountry.Text = "" Then
    Dim DistcontactCountry As String
    DistcontactCountry = metaFill.tbDistcontactCountry.Text
    ' MsgBox "DistcontactCountry is " & DistcontactCountry
Else
    DistCountry = False
End If

If Not metaFill.tbDistcontactCity.Text = "" Then
    Dim DistcontactCity As String
    DistcontactCity = metaFill.tbDistcontactCity.Text
    ' MsgBox "DistcontactCity is " & DistcontactCity
Else
    DistCity = False
End If

If Not metaFill.cbDistAddressType.Text = "" Then
    Dim DistAddressType As String
    DistAddressType = metaFill.cbDistAddressType.Text
    ' MsgBox "DistAddressType is " & DistAddressType
Else
    D_AddressType = False
End If

If Not metaFill.tbDistcontactAddress.Text = "" Then
    Dim DistcontactAddress As String
    DistcontactAddress = metaFill.tbDistcontactAddress.Text
    ' MsgBox "DistcontactAddress is " & DistcontactAddress
Else
    Dist_Address = False
End If

Set pMD = pGxObj
Set pXPS = pMD.Metadata

'MsgBox "should be false" & D_AddressType

' strSimple = pXPS.SimpleGetProperty("distinfo/distrib/cntinfo/cntorgp/cntorg")
' MsgBox strSimple

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If metaFill.cbAccess = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "idinfo/acconst", _
        metaFill.tbAccess.Text, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
End If
If metaFill.cbUse = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "idinfo/useconst", _
        metaFill.tbUse.Text, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
End If

If distUse = True Then
    If DistPerson = True Then
        pXPS.SetPropertyX "distinfo/distrib/cntinfo/cntorg/cntper", _
            DistContPerson, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
    End If
    If DistPerson = True Then
        pXPS.SetPropertyX "distinfo/distrib/cntinfo/cntorg/cntper", _
            DistContPerson, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
    End If
    If DistOrg = True Then
        pXPS.SetPropertyX "distinfo/distrib/cntinfo/cntorg/cntorg", _
            DistcontactOrg, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
    End If
    If DistOrg = True Then
        pXPS.SetPropertyX "distinfo/distrib/cntinfo/cntorg/cntorg", _
            DistcontactOrg, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
    End If
    If DistPos = True Then
        pXPS.SetPropertyX "distinfo/distrib/cntinfo/cntpos", _
            DistcontactPos, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
    End If
    If D_AddressType = True Then
        pXPS.SetPropertyX "distinfo/distrib/cntinfo/cntaddr/addrtype", _
            DistAddressType, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
    End If
    If Dist_Address = True Then
        pXPS.SetPropertyX "distinfo/distrib/cntinfo/cntaddr/address", _
            DistcontactAddress, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
    End If
    If DistCity = True Then
        pXPS.SetPropertyX "distinfo/distrib/cntinfo/cntaddr/city", _
            DistcontactCity, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
    End If
    If DistState = True Then
        pXPS.SetPropertyX "distinfo/distrib/cntinfo/cntaddr/state", _
            DistcontactState, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
    End If
    If DistPost = True Then
        pXPS.SetPropertyX "distinfo/distrib/cntinfo/cntaddr/postal", _
            DistcontactPost, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
    End If
    If DistCountry = True Then
        pXPS.SetPropertyX "distinfo/distrib/cntinfo/cntaddr/country", _
            DistcontactCountry, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
    End If
    If DistVoice = True Then
        pXPS.SetPropertyX "distinfo/distrib/cntinfo/cntvoice", _
            DistcontactVoice, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
    End If

    If DistEmail = True Then
        pXPS.SetPropertyX "distinfo/distrib/cntinfo/cntemail", _
            DistcontactEmail, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
    End If
    If fees = True Then
        pXPS.SetPropertyX "distinfo/stdorder/fees", _
            DistributionFees, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
    End If
    If DistFax = True Then
        pXPS.SetPropertyX "distinfo/distrib/cntinfo/cntfax", _
            DistcontactFax, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
    End If

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End If
If DistLiability = True Then
  pXPS.SetPropertyX "distinfo/distliab", _
    DistributionLiability, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
End If
End If 'distuse

If metaUse = True Then
  If DistPerson = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "metainfo/metc/cntinfo/cntorgp/cntper", _
      DistContPerson, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
  End If

  If DistOrg = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "metainfo/metc/cntinfo/cntorgp/cntorg", _
      DistcontactOrg, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
  End If

  If D_AddressType = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "metainfo/metc/cntinfo/cntaddr/addrtype", _
      DistAddressType, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
  End If
  If Dist_Address = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "metainfo/metc/cntinfo/cntaddr/address", _
      DistcontactAddress, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
  End If
  If DistVoice = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "metainfo/metc/cntinfo/cntvoice", _
      DistcontactVoice, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
  End If
  If DistFax = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "metainfo/metc/cntinfo/cntfax", _
      DistcontactFax, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
  End If
  If DistEmail = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "metainfo/metc/cntinfo/cntemail", _
      DistcontactEmail, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
  End If
  If DistCountry = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "metainfo/metc/cntinfo/cntaddr/country", _
      DistcontactCountry, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
  End If
  If DistCity = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "metainfo/metc/cntinfo/cntaddr/city", _
      DistcontactCity, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
  End If
  If DistState = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "metainfo/metc/cntinfo/cntaddr/state", _
      DistcontactState, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
  End If
  If DistPost = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "metainfo/metc/cntinfo/cntaddr/postal", _
      DistcontactPost, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
  End If
  If DistPos = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "metainfo/metc/cntinfo/cntpos", _
      DistcontactPos, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
  End If
End If 'metause

If pubUse = True Then
  If DistPerson = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "idinfo/ptcontac/cntinfo/cntorgp/cntper", _
      DistContPerson, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
  End If
  If DistPerson = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "idinfo/ptcontac/cntinfo/cntorg/cntper", _
      DistContPerson, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
  End If
  If DistOrg = True Then

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    pXPS.SetPropertyX "idinfo/ptcontact/cntinfo/cntorgp/cntorg", _
    DistcontactOrg, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
End If
If DistOrg = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "idinfo/ptcontact/cntinfo/cntorg/cntorg", _
    DistcontactOrg, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
End If
If D_AddressType = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "idinfo/ptcontact/cntinfo/cntaddr/addtype", _
    DistAddressType, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
End If
pXPS.SetPropertyX "idinfo/ptcontact/cntinfo/cntaddr/address", _
DistcontactAddress, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
If DistCity = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "idinfo/ptcontact/cntinfo/cntaddr/city", _
    DistcontactCity, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
End If
If DistState = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "idinfo/ptcontact/cntinfo/cntaddr/state", _
    DistcontactState, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
End If
If DistPost = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "idinfo/ptcontact/cntinfo/cntaddr/postal", _
    DistcontactPost, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
End If
If DistCountry = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "idinfo/ptcontact/cntinfo/cntaddr/country", _
    DistcontactCountry, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
End If
If DistVoice = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "idinfo/ptcontact/cntinfo/cntvoice", _
    DistcontactVoice, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
End If
If DistEmail = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "idinfo/ptcontact/cntinfo/cntemail", _
    DistcontactEmail, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
End If
If DistPos = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "idinfo/ptcontact/cntinfo/cntpos", _
    DistcontactPos, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
End If
If DistFax = True Then
    pXPS.SetPropertyX "idinfo/ptcontact/cntinfo/cntfax", _
    DistcontactFax, esriXPTText, esriXSPAAddOrReplace, False
End If

```

End If 'pubUse

pMD.Metadata = pXPS

End Function\

FORM CODE:

```
Private Sub cbAccess_Click()
```

```
    accessConstraints = True
```

```
End Sub
```

```
Private Sub cbCancel_Click()
```

```
    Unload Me
```

```
    Exit Sub
```

```
End Sub
```

```
Private Sub cbDistContactUse_Click()
```

```
    Dim distContactUse As Boolean
```

```
    ' distContactUse = True
```

```
End Sub
```

```
Private Sub cbMetaContactUse_Click()
```

```
    Dim metaContactUse As Boolean
```

```
    ' metaContactUse = True
```

```
End Sub
```

```
Private Sub cbOkay_Click()
```

```

    metaFill.Hide
End Sub
Private Sub cbPubContactuse_Click()
    Dim pubContactUse As Boolean
    ' pubContactUse = True
    ' MsgBox pubContactUse
End Sub

Private Sub cbUse_Click()
    useConstraints = True
End Sub

Private Sub obRecursiveNo_Click()
    ' Recursive = False
    'MsgBox "Recursive = No!"
End Sub
Private Sub obRecursiveYes_Click()
    Recursive = True
    'MsgBox "Recursive = Yes!"
End Sub

Private Sub UserForm_Initialize()
    cbDistAddressType.AddItem "mailing and physical address"
    cbDistAddressType.AddItem "mailing address"
    cbDistAddressType.AddItem "physical address"
End Sub

```

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## Multiple Spatial Reference

```

'Created by Vicki Magnis and ifer Mcollom 5/2004
'Edited by Duane Cranford to work in ArcCatalog 9 - 8/2004
'This tool will set the same projection for selected raster, shapefiles and coverages
Public Sub MultiSpatRef()
    Dim pApp As esriCatalogUI.IGxApplication
    Dim pGxObjectCont As esriCatalog.IGxObjectContainer
    Set pApp = esriArcCatalog.Application
    Dim pGxSelection As esriCatalog.IGxSelection
    Set pGxSelection = pApp.Selection
    Dim plist As esriCatalog.IEnumGxObject
    Set plist = pGxSelection.SelectedObjects
    Dim pGxObject As esriCatalog.IGxObject
    Dim pName As esriSystem.IName
    Dim pDS As esriGeoDatabase.IDataset
    Dim pSpatRef As esriGeometry.ISpatialReference
    Set pSpatRef = SelectSpatRef
    Dim pGDSE As esriGeoDatabase.IGeoDatasetSchemaEdit
    'Exit out of sub if you "Cancelled" the Coordinate System dialog box
    If pSpatRef Is Nothing Then
        Exit Sub
    End If
    Set pGxObject = plist.Next
    Do Until pGxObject Is Nothing
        If TypeOf pGxObject Is esriCatalog.IGxDataset Then
            Set pName = pGxObject.InternalObjectName
            Set pDS = pName.Open
            Set pGDSE = pDS
            With pGDSE
                If .CanAlterSpatialReference Then
                    .AlterSpatialReference pSpatRef
                Else: MsgBox "error"
            End If
        End With
    End If
    Set pGxObject = plist.Next
Loop
MsgBox "Done!"
Cleanup:
    Set pSpatRef = Nothing
    'Set pRasterDs = Nothing

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    Set pGDSE = Nothing
End Sub
Function SelectSpatRef() As esriGeometry.ISpatialReference
Set SelectSpatRef = Nothing
    Dim pGxDlg As esriCatalogUI.IGxDialog
    Set pGxDlg = New esriCatalogUI.GxDialog
    Dim pGxFilter As esriCatalog.IGxObjectFilter
    Set pGxFilter = New esriCatalog.GxFilterSpatialReferences
    Set pGxDlg.ObjectFilter = pGxFilter
    pGxDlg.Title = "Select Coordinate System"
    pGxDlg.StartingLocation = "Coordinate Systems\Favorites"
    pGxDlg.Name = "North American Datum 1983.prj"
    pGxDlg.AllowMultiSelect = False
    Dim pEnumGxObj As esriCatalog.IEnumGxObject
    pGxDlg.DoModalOpen 0, pEnumGxObj
    Dim pGxPrj As esriCatalog.IGxPrjFile
    pEnumGxObj.Reset
    Dim pGxObj As esriCatalog.IGxObject
    Set pGxObj = pEnumGxObj.Next
    If Not pGxObj Is Nothing Then
        Set pGxPrj = pGxObj
        Set SelectSpatRef = pGxPrj.SpatialReference
    End If
End Function

```

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## WriteDirectory Macro

Option Explicit

```

Public Sub WriteDirectory()
'Purpose: For all data items contained in a folder, Create HTML Directory
    Dim pGxApp As IGxApplication
    Dim pGxObjectCont As IGxObjectContainer
    Dim pEnumGxObj As IEnumGxObject
    Dim pGxObj As IGxObject
    Dim pGxObj1 As IGxObject
    Dim fs As FileSystemObject
    Dim log As TextStream
    Dim pcounter As Integer
    Dim pMD As IMetadata
    Dim pPS As IPropertySet
    Dim pXPS As IXmlPropertySet
    Dim strSimple As String
    Dim m_sFullName As String
    Dim sStart As String
    Dim response
    'Dim continue1 As Boolean
    Dim log_filename As String
    Dim log_filename2 As String
    Dim colDirs As New Collection
    Dim i As Integer

    Set pGxApp = Application

    *****
    Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
    Set pApp = esriArcCatalog.Application
    Set pGxObj = pGxApp.SelectedObject
    sStart = pGxObj.FullName
    log_filename = InputBox("Enter the path of file you want to write to. Include file name and extension. ", "Output File", sStart & "\directory_1.html")

    If fs.FileExists(log_filename) = False Then
        Set log = fs.CreateTextFile(log_filename, True)
    Else
        Set log = fs.OpenTextFile(log_filename, ForWriting)
    End If

```

```

listDirectories colDirs, sStart
log_filename2 = InputBox("Enter the path of file you want the abstracts written to. Include file name and extension. ", "Output File", sStart &
"directory_2.html")

log.WriteLine("<html><head><meta name=" & Chr(34) & "GENERATOR" & Chr(34) & " content=" & Chr(34) & "Microsoft FrontPage 5.0" & Chr(34) &
"><meta name=" & Chr(34) & "ProgId" & Chr(34) & " content=" & Chr(34) & "FrontPage.Editor.Document" & Chr(34) & "><title>GIS
Directory</title><style></style><script type=" & Chr(34) & "text/javascript" & Chr(34) & " src=" & Chr(34) & "/sourcescripts.js" & Chr(34) &
"></script></head><body><p><b> This HTML Document was Generated on " & Date & " at " & Time & "</b></p><table border=0 cellpadding=0
cellspacing=0 bordercolor=#111111 width=100%>")
log.WriteLine("<script type=" & Chr(34) & "text/javascript" & Chr(34) & ">")
log.WriteLine("var newwindow;")
log.WriteLine("function popit(url){")
log.WriteLine("    newwindow=window.open(url)")
log.WriteLine("    if(window.focus) {newwindow.focus()}")
log.WriteLine("    }")
log.WriteLine("</script>")
log.WriteLine("<hr color=#000000 size=7>")
log.Close
' MsgBox (colDirs(1))
For i = 1 To colDirs.Count
    sStart = colDirs(i)
    numWrite log_filename, sStart
Next
If fs.FileExists(log_filename) = False Then
    Set log = fs.CreateTextFile(log_filename, True)
Else
    Set log = fs.OpenTextFile(log_filename, ForAppending)
End If
log.WriteLine("<hr color=#000000 size=7>")
log.Close
'continue1 = True
For i = 1 To colDirs.Count
    sStart = colDirs(i)
    FirstWrite log_filename, sStart
Next
'continue1 = True
For i = 1 To colDirs.Count
    sStart = colDirs(i)
    SecondWrite log_filename, sStart
Next
For i = 1 To colDirs.Count
    sStart = colDirs(i)
    Thirdwrite log_filename, sStart
Next

*****
Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")

If fs.FileExists(log_filename2) = False Then
    Set log = fs.CreateTextFile(log_filename2, True)
Else
    Set log = fs.OpenTextFile(log_filename2, ForWriting)
End If
log.WriteLine("<html><head><meta name=" & Chr(34) & "GENERATOR" & Chr(34) & " content=" & Chr(34) & "Microsoft FrontPage 5.0" & Chr(34) &
"><meta name=" & Chr(34) & "ProgId" & Chr(34) & " content=" & Chr(34) & "FrontPage.Editor.Document" & Chr(34) & "><title>GIS Abstract
Directory</title><style></style><script type=" & Chr(34) & "text/javascript" & Chr(34) & " src=" & Chr(34) & "/sourcescripts.js" & Chr(34) &
"></script></head><body><p><b> This HTML Document was Generated on " & Date & " at " & Time & "</b></p><table border=0 cellpadding=0
cellspacing=0 bordercolor=#111111 width=100%>")
log.Close
For i = 1 To colDirs.Count
    sStart = colDirs(i)
    fourthwrite log_filename2, sStart
Next
Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
Set log = fs.OpenTextFile(log_filename2, ForAppending)
log.Write("<INPUT type=" & Chr(34) & "button" & Chr(34) & " value=" & Chr(34) & "Close Window" & Chr(34) & "onClic=" & Chr(34) &
"window.close()" & Chr(34) & "> </FORM>")
log.Close
MsgBox "Done! Brought to you by John S. Wood"
End Sub

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End Function

Private Function inFolderNumwrite(ByVal pGxObj As IGxObject, log\_filename As String, log As TextStream, fileCount As Integer, pcounter As Integer)

Dim pGxObjectCont As IGxObjectContainer  
Dim pEnumGxObj As IEnumGxObject  
Dim pGxObj1 As IGxObject  
Dim fs As FileSystemObject

Set pGxObjectCont = pGxObj  
Set pEnumGxObj = pGxObjectCont.Children 'Check to see if there are children  
Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")

If pEnumGxObj Is Nothing Then  
'MsgBox "Nothing was found in the " & pGxObj.FullName & " Folder"  
'Return

Else  
fileCount = 0

Set pGxObj1 = pEnumGxObj.Next ' For each object that is in the Folder,

Do While Not pGxObj1 Is Nothing  
If pGxObj1.Category = "Folder" Then  
inFolderNumwrite pGxObj1, log\_filename, log, fileCount, pcounter  
End If  
If Not pGxObj1.Category = "Folder" Then  
fileCount = fileCount + 1  
pcounter = pcounter + 1  
End If  
Set pGxObj1 = pEnumGxObj.Next  
Loop  
End If

End Function

Private Function FirstWrite(log\_filename As String, sStart As String)

'Purpose: For all data items contained in a folder, write the first directory

Dim pGxApp As IGxApplication  
Dim pGxObjectCont As IGxObjectContainer  
Dim pEnumGxObj As IEnumGxObject  
Dim pGxObj As IGxObject  
Dim pGxObj1 As IGxObject  
Dim fs As FileSystemObject  
Dim log As TextStream  
Dim pcounter As Integer  
Dim m\_pGxCatalog As IGxCatalog

Set pGxApp = Application  
Set m\_pGxCatalog = pGxApp.Catalog  
'sstart = InputBox("Enter where to start Write .HTML function. It can simply be a drive letter, eg. x:\", "Write First HTML ", "D:\Projects")  
On Error GoTo ENDSUB  
m\_pGxCatalog.Location = sStart

Set pGxObj = pGxApp.SelectedObject  
Set pGxObjectCont = pGxObj  
Set pEnumGxObj = pGxObjectCont.Children 'Check to see if there are children

If Not TypeOf pGxObj Is IGxFolder Then  
MsgBox "Please select a Folder", vbExclamation  
Exit Function

Else  
Set pGxObjectCont = pGxObj  
Set pEnumGxObj = pGxObjectCont.Children 'Check to see if there are children

If pEnumGxObj Is Nothing Then  
'MsgBox "Nothing was found in the " & pGxObj.FullName & " Folder"  
Exit Function

Else

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Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
If fs.FileExists(log_filename) = False Then
    Set log = fs.CreateTextFile(log_filename, True)
Else
    Set log = fs.OpenTextFile(log_filename, ForAppending)
End If
log.WriteLine ("<table border=0 cellpadding=0 cellspacing=0 bordercolor=#111111 width=100%>")
' write line 1 *****
log.WriteLine ("<tr><td width=70%><b><img border=0 src=http://www.sci.tamucc.edu/~jwood/folder_closed.bmp " _
    & "width=16 height=16><a name=" & pGxObj.FullName & "\a href=#" & pGxObj.FullName & "\a> " & pGxObj.FullName _
    & "\ " & "</a></b></td><td width=30%>" & pGxObj.Category & "</td>")
log.Close

Set pGxObj1 = pEnumGxObj.Next ' For each object that is in the Folder

Do While Not pGxObj1 Is Nothing
    If pGxObj1.Category = "Folder" Then
        Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
        If fs.FileExists(log_filename) = False Then
            Set log = fs.CreateTextFile(log_filename, True)
        Else
            Set log = fs.OpenTextFile(log_filename, ForAppending)
        End If
        log.WriteLine (" ")
        *****write line 2
        log.WriteLine ("<tr><td width=47%><b><img border=0 src=http://www.sci.tamucc.edu/~jwood/folder_closed.bmp width=16 " _
            & "height=16><a href=#" & pGxObj1.FullName & "\> " & pGxObj1.FullName _
            & "\ " & "</a></td><td width=53%>" & pGxObj1.Category & "</b></td></tr>")
        log.Close
        inFolder1 pGxObj1, log_filename, log
    End If
    Set pGxObj1 = pEnumGxObj.Next

Loop
End If
Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
If fs.FileExists(log_filename) = False Then
    Set log = fs.CreateTextFile(log_filename, True)
Else
    Set log = fs.OpenTextFile(log_filename, ForAppending)
End If
log.WriteLine ("</tr></table><hr color=#000000 size=7>")
log.Close
End If
ENDSUB:
'MsgBox "Error"
End Function
Private Function inFolder1(ByVal pGxObj As IGxObject, log_filename As String, log As TextStream)

Dim pGxObjectCont As IGxObjectContainer
Dim pEnumGxObj As IEnumGxObject
Dim pGxObj1 As IGxObject
Dim fs As FileSystemObject

Set pGxObjectCont = pGxObj
Set pEnumGxObj = pGxObjectCont.Children 'Check to see if there are children
If pEnumGxObj Is Nothing Then
    'MsgBox "Nothing was found in the " & pGxObj.FullName & " Folder"
    Exit Function
Else
    Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
    Set pGxObj1 = pEnumGxObj.Next ' For each object that is in the Folder,

Do While Not pGxObj1 Is Nothing
    If pGxObj1.Category = "Folder" Then
        Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
        If fs.FileExists(log_filename) = False Then
            Set log = fs.CreateTextFile(log_filename, True)
        Else
            Set log = fs.OpenTextFile(log_filename, ForAppending)

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    End If
    ' write line 3 *****
    log.WriteLine ("<tr><td width=70%><b><img border=0 src=http://www.sci.tamucc.edu/~jwood/folder_closed.bmp width=16 " _
        & "width=16 height=16><a href=#" & pGxObj1.FullName & "\ " >" & pGxObj1.FullName _
        & "\ " & "</a></b></td><td width=30%>" & pGxObj1.Category & "</td>")
    log.Close
    inFolder1 pGxObj1, log_filename, log
End If
Set pGxObj1 = pEnumGxObj.Next
Loop
End If
End Function
Private Function SecondWrite(log_filename As String, sStart As String)
Dim pGxApp As IGxApplication
Dim pGxObjectCont As IGxObjectContainer
Dim pEnumGxObj As IEnumGxObject
Dim pGxObj As IGxObject
Dim pGxObj1 As IGxObject
Dim fs As FileSystemObject
Dim log As TextStream
Dim pcounter As Integer
Dim nDir As Integer
Dim fileCount As Integer
Dim pGxCatalog As IGxCatalog

Set pGxApp = Application
Set pGxCatalog = pGxApp.Catalog
On Error GoTo ENDSUB
'start = InputBox("Enter where to start Write .HTML function. It can simply be a drive letter, eg. x:\", "Write Second HTML ", "D:\Projects")
pGxCatalog.Location = sStart

Set pGxObj = pGxApp.SelectedObject
Set pGxObjectCont = pGxObj
Set pEnumGxObj = pGxObjectCont.Children 'Check to see if there are children

If pEnumGxObj Is Nothing Then
'MsgBox "Nothing was found in the " & pGxObj.FullName & " Folder"
Exit Function
Else
Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
If fs.FileExists(log_filename) = False Then
Set log = fs.CreateTextFile(log_filename, True)
Else
Set log = fs.OpenTextFile(log_filename, ForAppending)
End If
log.WriteLine ("<table border=0 cellpadding=0 cellspacing=0 bordercolor=#111111 width=100%>")
'writeline 4 *****
log.WriteLine ("<tr><td width=41%><b><img border=0 src=http://www.sci.tamucc.edu/~jwood/folder_closed.bmp width=20 height=20><a name=" &
pGxObj.FullName & "\a><a href=#" & pGxObj.FullName & "\1> " & pGxObj.FullName & "\ " & "</a></b></td><td width=59%></td>")
log.Close

Set pGxObj1 = pEnumGxObj.Next ' For each object that is in the Folder

Do While Not pGxObj1 Is Nothing
If pGxObj1.Category = "Folder" Then
inFolder2 pGxObj1, log_filename, log, fileCount, pcounter
End If
If Not pGxObj1.Category = "Folder" Then
fileCount = fileCount + 1
pcounter = pcounter + 1
End If
Set pGxObj1 = pEnumGxObj.Next
Loop
End If
Set fs = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
If fs.FileExists(log_filename) = False Then
Set log = fs.CreateTextFile(log_filename, True)
Else
Set log = fs.OpenTextFile(log_filename, ForAppending)
End If

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