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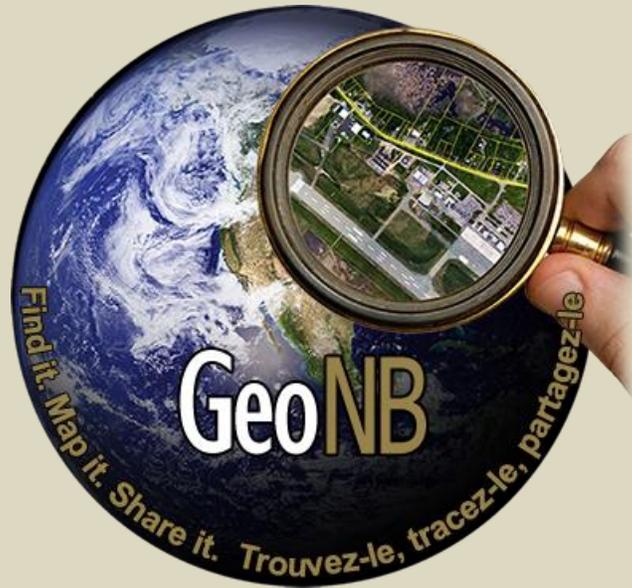
Service New Brunswick was recently honoured by Esri Canada for the more than four years of collaborative work and innovation that has gone into building GeoNB, our province's first spatial data infrastructure (SDI).

As well, our GeoNB team just launched an improved gateway website at [www.snb.ca/geonb](http://www.snb.ca/geonb), which now brings "all things geographic" into one place for New Brunswickers.

On October 30th, 2012 at the Esri Canada User Conference in Fredericton, Bernie Arseneau, Vice President of Operations and Bernie Connors, SDI Manager, accepted Esri's Award of Excellence on behalf of Service New Brunswick.

"Although this award has gone to Service New Brunswick, it belongs equally to all of our partners who have made this possible through collaboration and open sharing of their data to make a great service for New Brunswickers," said Vice President of Operations, Bernie Arseneau, who was present to accept the award. "The success of GeoNB continues to be a result of the contribution of data, applications and collaborative planning by partner departments, universities and municipalities."

SDI Manager Bernie Connors added, "It was very gratifying to have colleagues from across the Maritimes congratulate us on the award and to tell



us they were envious of what we have accomplished."

Each year Esri Canada recognizes organizations and individuals across the country for their outstanding use of GIS by presenting them the Esri Canada Limited Award of Excellence.

"Service New Brunswick has done exceptionally well in promoting the use of geographic knowledge for various applications through the province's SDI," says Alex Miller, president, Esri Canada. "In a time when governments face greater financial constraints, they have created a cost-effective system for opening up valuable data and applications to benefit everyone. GeoNB serves as a model of intelligent government service delivery for others to follow." (excerpt from Esri Canada's press release on October 31, 2012)

Candidate organizations for the Award of Excellence are submitted by Esri Canada staff from hundreds of organizations across the country, then reviewed and approved by an internal selection committee. It is an honour to have been selected, as there are many deserving organizations and individuals within the GIS community who are doing great work to advance the field of geomatics.

GeoNB is based on Esri's geographic information system (GIS) software and is a collaborative effort of the Government of New Brunswick, under Service New Brunswick's leadership. GeoNB improves access to and the use of geographic information and maps.

For more information, please visit [www.snb.ca/geonb](http://www.snb.ca/geonb), or contact the GeoNB team at [geonb@snb.ca](mailto:geonb@snb.ca).