



Natural Resources Canada Provides Funding Support to TECTERRA for the Development of Innovative Geospatial Technologies

CALGARY, Alberta (March 26, 2014): TECTERRA is pleased to announce that the GeoConnections program will contribute \$350,000 of funding support to TECTERRA. GeoConnections is a national collaborative initiative led by Natural Resources Canada and supports the integration and use of the Canadian Geospatial Data Infrastructure (CGDI), an on-line resource that improves the sharing, access and use of open geospatial information.

The funding will be used to develop highly innovative geomatics technology products demonstrating advanced utilization and promotion of geospatial standards. The selected projects will be funded by TECTERRA under its Industry Investment Program (IND) and will be carried out by small technology companies across Canada. The projects will feature and demonstrate one or more of the following technical areas of development: web-based geospatial data processing, advanced metadata models and data query techniques, interoperable geospatial data models and standards, geographic information system (GIS) and geospatial database environment setup using standards-based application schemas, and other standards-based applications and tools. This funding support will enable TECTERRA to fund more industry led projects and will allow for more technological innovation, commercialization and job creation in Canada.

TECTERRA's Industry Investment Program currently has an open call for proposals. For more information on this call, visit www.tecterra.com.

About TECTERRA

TECTERRA Inc. is a national organization supporting the Canadian development and commercialization of geomatics technologies for integrated resource management. With current funding from the Province of Alberta and the Government of Canada, TECTERRA invests in technology solutions for energy, forestry, agriculture, environment, and land management in addition to development applications. The first centre of its kind, TECTERRA works with industry, entrepreneurs, researchers, and government partners to enable the use of geomatics technologies in addressing local, national and global challenges in resource management. TECTERRA, a nonprofit organization, is governed by an independent Board of Directors representing key industry sectors associated with TECTERRA's focus markets. For more information, visit www.tecterra.com.

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