Data Extent vs Responsibility

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Overview

- While encoding S-123 data for Canadian Coast Guard the Radio Coverage extent raised a question of data extent versus area of responsibility.

- If there is data beyond the area of responsibility, should it be included or truncated?

- If it is included how should the metadata describe this situation?

Canadian Example

From CCG RAMN figure 4.5 Radio Coverage Prediction

Similar area from Google Maps with National boundary

- The blue radio coverage areas (left image) exist beyond the international limits.

Discussion

- Truncation of actual coverage may not be optimal.
  - Finding available services (weather reports) for a given location.
- How should it be described in the metadata?
  - Geographic extent exceeds area of responsibility.
  - Data Discovery – Area of responsibility or area of coverage?
  - Data loading – use actual coverage?
- Carriage requirements
  - Whether a product needs to be carried and maintained?
  - Should S-128 carry information about actual coverage versus official coverage?

Discussion

- How does this affect Portrayal and Alerts?
  - Area that may overlap (such as Radio Coverage) should not use solid fill.
  - Can priority be assigned based on area of responsibility?

Metadata handling, possible options

1. Include **MD_Constraints-> MD_LegalConstraints** from ISO 19115 to define the area of responsibility separate from the actual data coverage.

2. Limit the **DataCoverage** areas to the area of responsibility but allow the actual data to extend beyond.

3. Extend the **DataCoverage** attributes to indicate authoritative or official coverage versus physical coverage.

Action Required

- Note this paper and consider potential support of the underlying requirements in future S-100 versions.

- Suggest a way forward for S-123 project team and others with similar product data coverage situations.

- If appropriate present this situation to WENDWG or IMO for consideration.

- Add to next TSM agenda for further consideration.

Thank You