ExplanatoryNote Item C 5 Norway

Digital Norway

The Norwegian government has initiated the establishment of a national geospatial data infrastructure called "Digital Norway". This is the main structure for co-operation and sharing national geospatial information across the public sector in Norway. The partnership will include all public departments which either have a geodata responsibility, or are considerable users of geospatial information. The Norwegian Mapping and Cadastre Authority are responsible for the development and establishment of the infrastructure, and the co-ordination of all activities.

In 2005, the Norwegian Hydrographic Service developed two web map services according to the WMS specification. The data content is derived from hydrographic information, and is intended for non-navigational use only. The services were put into full operation early this year, and are available through the national portal for geographic information (geonorge.no). NHS is planning a further development, also including services based on the WFS specification.

