



What's New in the NPS DataStore 2.8

You will see some big changes in Release 2.8! Many changes were based on your requests and our continued efforts to ensure long-term discoverability of our content. Read on for details.

Advanced Search Page

Based on user request, we added a new Date Range search to make it easier to locate references published during a particular interval. The "Publication Date," which is also sometimes referred to as "Date Produced" or "Date Issued," is searched.

A screenshot of the NPS DataStore Advanced Search interface. The interface has a light gray background. At the top, there is a search bar with the text "By or for the NPS NEW" and an "Exclude" checkbox. Below this, there are three search criteria sections. The first section, "Date Range NEW", is highlighted with a yellow border and a yellow arrow points to it from the left. It contains the text "Limit your search to a range of years. This searches on the 'Publication Date,' sometimes referred to as 'Date Produced' or 'Date Issued'." and two input fields labeled "Begin Year" and "End Year", both with "YYYY" as a placeholder. There is also a "Remove" button. Below this section are two more search criteria sections: "Detailed Dates" and "Reference Type", each with an "Exclude" checkbox.

Figure 1. Advanced Search "Date Range" Search Option.

Profile Page

Most of the changes to the Reference Profile page came from our users, and we like the changes!

You can select multiple files from the "Digital Files and Links" list and download them as a .zip file. You can download up to 100 files, that total up to 500 MB, in a single .zip file. If your files are larger than 500 MB, no problem, you can still download items individually.

We reordered the display of the fields. The title of the reference is displayed at the top of the page. The reference type and reference code, which formerly occupied the header, are listed in the first section of the page.

The tabs that display the metadata are open by default. Previously, you had to "click here for more info" to see these tabs.

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Administrative Boundaries of National Park System Units - National Geospatial Data Asset (NGDA) NPS National Parks Dataset

Description National Park Service unit boundaries.

Citation 2022. Administrative Boundaries of National Park System Units - National Geospatial Data Asset (NGDA) NPS National Parks Dataset. NPS - Land Resources Division. <https://doi.org/10.57830/2225713>

Visibility Public

Digital Object <https://doi.org/10.57830/2225713>

Identifier URL

Reference Type Geospatial Dataset (Code: 2225713)

Digital Files and Links (4)

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	Web Service	https://nps.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappvie...		TractsNet AGOL for NPS
	Digital File	Administrative_Boundaries_of_National_Park_Sy...	675.1 KB	
	Digital File	nps_boundary.zip	28.2 MB	

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Core Info Permissions Units and Geography Keywords and Categories Taxonomy History

Title Administrative Boundaries of National Park System Units - National Geospatial Data Asset (NGDA) NPS National Parks Dataset

click here for less info

Figure 2. Reference Profile Updates.

Edit Reference

The title field accepts 512 characters, instead of just 40, and the description field has also been increased.

You can upload multiple files at one time, and you can use Drag and Drop within the “Add Digital Files” window to do it! You may reorder files once they are uploaded and update the descriptions.

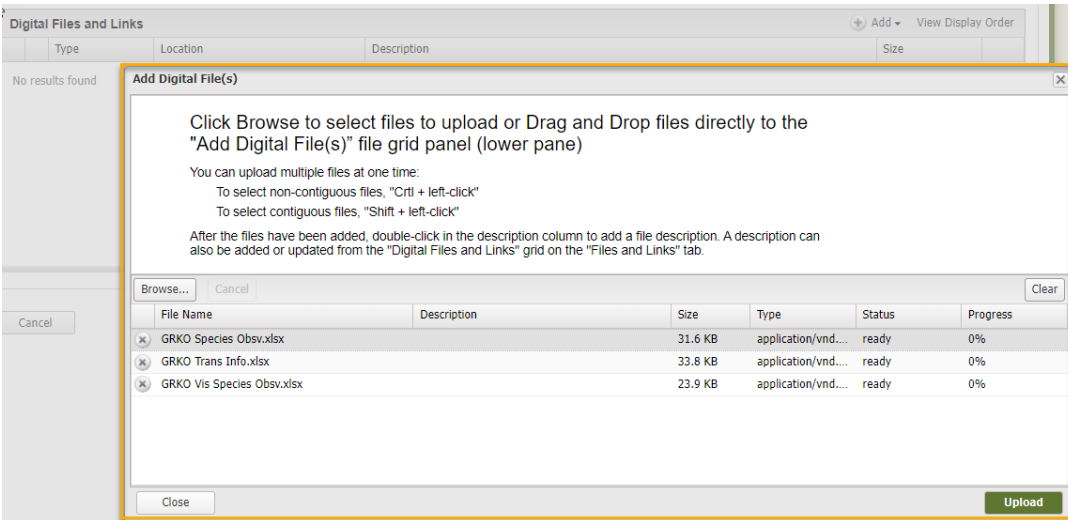


Figure 3. Add Multiple Digital Files.

Data Package Reference Type

We introduced a new reference type called the "Data Package." This is the foundation where we will build a variety of future enhancements to improve data publication and data use. Stay tuned for more information in future releases!

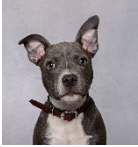
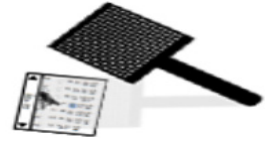
Workflow Change – Preventing Deletion of Public Files

One impactful change will prevent reference owners from deleting files that have been set to public visibility and have been activated. Owners will not be able to change the access level back to non-public. These changes help to ensure that public-facing files remain accessible and do not suddenly vanish. The suggested (and transparent) way to replace a file is through the [versioning process](#). When versioning is used, users with old links see a banner directing them to the latest version, search results only return the latest version, and the full version history is available for review. In the rare case where a file does need to be removed, get in touch with irma@nps.gov and an administrator can assist in documenting the retraction. Leave no trace is recommended for hiking or camping, but it's far from ideal for digital files! Thanks for your patience as this change is rolled out. The result will be a useful increase in transparency for current and future DataStore users, and we are available if you need help.

Special Shout Out

A big **Thank You** to the volunteer Beta Tester Group who tested and provided feedback on NPS DataStore 2.8. We incorporated many of their recommendations.

We do our best to keep the bugs out, and features in, but sometimes we get it wrong. Kudos to our users who joined the **SWAT** team and reported those pesky bugs! If you find a bug, please email us at IRMA@nps.gov.



We are all ears! We want to hear from you. Have a suggestion? Send it our way—IRMA@nps.gov. Want to provide early input to new releases? Join the Beta Testers—email IRMA@nps.gov and let us know you are interested.