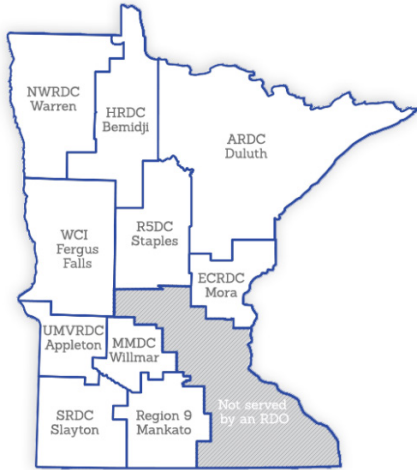


# SECTOR REPORTS

## NON-METROPOLITAN REGIONAL GOVERNMENT

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### SECTOR OVERVIEW

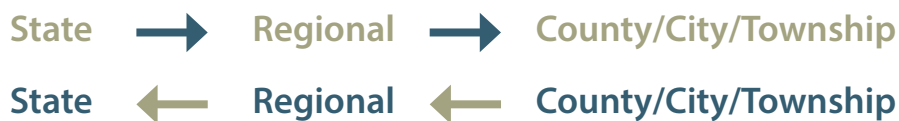


There are nine Regional Development Organizations (RDO) established by Minnesota statute in 1969 that provide technical assistance to local units of government in their regions. Technical assistance includes a wide range of services and programs in areas of economic development, business development, healthy communities, transportation, community development, geographical information systems and leveraging regional resources. Each RDO performs a variety of unique services based on the needs of their region.

Typical GIS services are included in larger planning projects, e.g. comprehensive plans, transportation plans, hazard mitigation plans etc.

### HOW IS THE GEOSPATIAL ADVISORY COUNCIL RELEVANT TO YOUR SECTOR/HOW CAN GAC'S MISSION BENEFIT YOUR SECTOR?

- GAC benefit's our sector through the exchange of information, e.g. geospatial standards, best practices, resources. Communicating standards and increasing the knowledge of the benefits of geospatial technology provides a basic foundation of GIS data available at local level.
- Regional connector – benefits on all levels especially educating and informing policymakers about the value and use of geospatial technology.



### WHAT IS YOUR STRATEGY FOR COMMUNICATING WITH YOUR SECTOR ABOUT THE GAC?

- Minnesota Association of Development Organizations (MADO) - [mnado.org](http://mnado.org)
- Regional Full Commissions -  
Region Nine Development Commission:  
38 regional leaders representing nine counties,  
72 cities, 147 townships and special interest groups:  
Health & Human Welfare, Minority Populations,  
and Youth

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