.gps to .kml Data Conversion

Purpose:

The purpose of this document is to describe the process of converting .gps data file to .kml format.

Software and download links:

-GPSBabel: http://www.gpsbabel.org/download.html

-Google Earth: http://www.google.com/earth/download/ge/agree.html

Process:

- 1. Store your .gps file in an easily accessible location on your computer.
- 2. Download and open the GPSBabel software.
- 3. See GPSBabel Image for reference:
- A). In the Input section, make sure "File" is selected.
- B). Change to Format to "NMEA 0183 sentences" using the drop down window (this is the .gps format).
- C). Click on the "File Name(s)" tab and locate the .gps file that you want to transfer.
- D). The "Options" tab should self-populate. Do not change these settings.
- E). In the Output section, make sure "File" is selected.
- F). Change the Format to "Google Earth (Keyhole)

 Markup Language" using the drop down window

 (this is the .kml format).
- G). Click on the "File Name" tab and select the folder where you want the output .kml file to be saved. Also, type the name of the output .kml file.
- H). The "Options" tab should self-populate. Do not change these settings.
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 I). Click the "Apply" button. If the conversion was successful, then you will receive a "Translation successful" message.

 Note: After you've finished the conversion process, your .kml will be located in the output folder you selected.

