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National Hydrography Dataset (NHD) Model (v2.3)

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Feature Detail

Table — **NHDFCode**

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
FCode	Long Integer	No			0		
Description	String	No					255
CanalDitchType	String	Yes					32
ConstructionMaterial	String	Yes					32
HydrographicCategory	String	Yes					32
InvisibilityOfControlStatus	String	Yes					32
OperationalStatus	String	Yes					32
PipelineType	String	Yes					32
PositionalAccuracy	String	Yes					32
RelationshipToSurface	String	Yes					32
ReservoirType	String	Yes					32
Stage	String	Yes					32

An inventory of all feature codes and their characteristics in the NHD.

Five-digit integer value comprised of the feature type and the combinations of characteristics and values.

Function or purpose (Aqueduct or Unspecified).

Predominant material (Earthen, Nonearthen, or Unspecified.

Portion of the year the feature contains water (Intermittent or Perennial).

Existence of functional control structures (Controlled or Not Controlled).

State or condition (Abandoned or Operational).

Function or purpose (Aqueduct, Earthen, Nonearthen, or Siphon).

The accuracy a feature can be confidently positioned (Approximate or Definite).

Vertical relationship to the surface (Aboveground, Belowground, or Underwater).

Function or purpose (Aquaculture, Decorative Pool, Disposal, Evaporator, Swim Pool, Treatment, Unspecified, or Water Storage).

Height of water surface to the basis for elevation.

Table — **NHDFlow**

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
DefaultLevel	Long Integer	Yes			0		
Direction	Long Integer	Yes		FlowDirection	0		
From_Permanent_Identifier	String	No					40
To_Permanent_Identifier	String	No					40

Flow table values are derived from the topologic connectivity of the geometric network and attribute values of NHDFlowline features.

Difference in level from first reach to second reach.

Integer code for the direction of flow.

Permanent_Identifier for the from feature.

Permanent_Identifier for which feature flows.

Table — **NHDFlowlineVAA**

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
Permanent_Identifier	String	No					40
FDate	Date	Yes			0	0	8
StreamLevel	Long Integer	Yes			0		
StreamOrder	Long Integer	Yes			0		
FromNode	Double	Yes			0		
ToNode	Double	Yes			0		
LengthKM	Double	Yes			0		
LengthMiID	Double	Yes			0		
PathLengthKM	Double	Yes			0		
TerminalPathID	Double	Yes			0		
ArbolateSumKM	Double	Yes			0		
DivergenceFlag	Long Integer	Yes			0		
StartFlag	Long Integer	Yes			0		
TerminalFlag	Long Integer	Yes			0		
DnLevel	Long Integer	Yes			0		
ThinnerCode	Long Integer	Yes			0		
UpLevelPathId	Double	Yes			0	0	
UpHydroSeq	Double	Yes			0	0	
UpMainHydroSeq	Double	Yes			0	0	
DnLevelPathID	Double	Yes			0	0	
DnMainHydroSeq	Double	Yes			0	0	
DnDrainCount	Long Integer	Yes			0		

NHDFlowline Value Added Attributes are entirely derived from the NHDFlowline features and the Flow table values.

40-char GUID value that uniquely identifies the occurrence of each feature in *The National Map*.

Date of last feature modification.

Drain_level of the downstream mainstem drain.

Strahler stream order/s number for the drain.

Nationally unique ID for the "from" node endpoint of the drain.

Nationally unique ID for the "to" node endpoint of the drain.

Nationally unique sequence number that places the reach in hydrologic sequence.

Hydro Sequence No. of downstream drain that is on the same level path as this drain according to the NHDFlow Table.

Distance from this drain popupoint to its terminal drain's poupoint according to the NHDFlow Table.

Hydrologic sequence number of terminal flowline.

Sum of the lengths of all the drains that drain to the downstream end of the current drain.

Flag indicating if the drain is a 1-drain, 1-drain is main branch, 2=confluence, 0= drain not a branch of flow split.

Code '1' if the drain is a headwater drain according to the NHDFlow Table, otherwise '0'.

Set to '1' if the drain is a main drain (flows into ocean, Great Lakes, Canada, Mex. or the ground) otherwise set to '0'.

Stream level of drain.

Ordinal value designed to allow selection of progressively more dense networks. Least dense network=1.

LevelPathID of upstream mainstream drain.

Hydro Sequence No. of upstream mainstem drain.

Minimum Hydro Sequence No. of all upstream drains.

Level path ID of downstream drain.

At a divergence, the Hydro sequence number of the minor downstream drain.

Number of drains immediately downstream.

Table — **NHDVerticalRelationship**

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
Permanent_Identifier	String	No					40
Above_Permanent_Identifier	String	No					40
Below_Permanent_Identifier	String	No					40

Only NHDFlowline features can participate in vertical relationships.

40-char GUID value that uniquely identifies the occurrence of each feature in *The National Map*.

Permanent Identifier of feature **above** vertical offset.

Permanent Identifier of feature **below** vertical offset.

Table — **ExternalCrosswalk**

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
Permanent_Identifier	String	No					40
ExternalID	String	Yes					40
ExternalDName	String	Yes					50
ExternalDOriginator	String	Yes					130
OrganizationType	Long Integer	No		Organization Type	0		
ExternalDEntryDate	Date	Yes			0	0	8

Contains associations of Permanent_Identifiers to external source identifiers, (one-to-many relationship)

40-char GUID value that uniquely identifies the occurrence of each feature in *The National Map*.

Uniquely identifies the occurrence of each feature in the source dataset.

Field name in the external source dataset that contains the unique IDs.

Name of the organization or individual who developed the external dataset/features.

Administrative level of the organization who developed the external dataset/features.

Local date of External ID record.

Processing

Table — **NHDProcessingParameters**

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
ParameterName	String	No		ParameterName Domain			24
ParameterValue	String	No					100

This table lists the schema and the version of the master NHD database that was used to generate extracted NHD data. This table is most useful to USGS to verify the version used by data stewards for updates.

The name of the Parameter.

The value of the Parameter.

Table — **NHDStatus**

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
ID	String	No			0		40
Permanent_Identifier	String	No			0		40
Status	Long Integer	No		Status	0		

Information to track data changes for transaction uploads to the central depository.

Temporary ID assigned to track feature edits.

40-char GUID value that uniquely identifies the occurrence of each feature in *The National Map*.

Type of edit.

Table — **NHDReachCodeMaintenance**

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
Permanent_Identifier	String	No					40
ReachCode	String	No					14
ReachDtMdate	Date	Yes			0	0	8
Resolution	Long Integer	No		Resolution	0		
GNIS_ID	String	Yes					10
FeatureDetailURL	String	Yes					100

Table used to maintain links for backward compatibility.

40-char GUID value that uniquely identifies the occurrence of each feature in *The National Map*.

Reach Code for which change became effective. Eight-digit hydrologic unit code as defined by FIPS 103, and next six digits = location-assigned sequential number unique within a Catalog/reg Unit.

Reach-Spatial Modification Date.

Code of source-resolution: local, high, medium.

Unique identifier assigned by GNIS.

Proper name, specific term, or expression by which a particular geographic entity is known.

Table — **NHDReachCrossReference**

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
OldReachCode	String	Yes					17
OldReachDate	Date	Yes			0	0	8
NewReachCode	String	Yes					17
NewReachDate	Date	Yes			0	0	8
OldLPId	String	Yes					5
NewLPId	String	Yes					5
ChangeCode	String	Yes		ChangeCode Domain			4
Process	String	Yes		Process Domain			6
ReachFileVersion	String	Yes		ReachFileVersion Domain			10
OldHUCode	String	Yes					8
NewHUCode	String	Yes					8

Information that tracks changes, over time, to reach codes

Reach code prior to change.

Date when OldReachCode was originally assigned (yyyymmdd).

Reach code after change.

Date when NewReachCode was assigned (yyyymmdd).

Upstream Marker Index of OldReach (RF-3-Alpha Only).

Upstream Marker Index of New Reach (RF-3-Alpha Only).

Type of change to the reach feature.

Process where the change occurred.

Reach File Version in which change became effective.

Hydrologic Unit of feature prior to migration.

Hydrologic Unit of feature after migration.

Feature Classes

Simple feature class — **NHDPoint**

Contains points representing NHD hydrographic landmark features.

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
Shape	Geometry	Yes					
Permanent_Identifier	String	No					40
FDate	Date	No			0	0	8
Resolution	Long Integer	No		Resolution	0		
GNIS_ID	String	Yes					10
GNIS_Name	String	Yes					65
ReachCode	String	Yes					14
FType	Long Integer	No	458		0		
FCode	Long Integer	Yes	46800		0		

Geometry: Point; Contains M values: No; Contains Z values: Yes

40-char GUID value that uniquely identifies the occurrence of each feature in *The National Map*.

Date of last feature modification.

Code for source resolution: local, high, medium.

Unique identifier assigned by GNIS, length 10.

Proper name, specific term, or expression by which a particular geographic entity is known, length 65.

Length of linear feature, Albers Equal Area Conic, length 8.

Unique identifier composed of two parts. The first eight digits are the subbasin code as defined by FIPS 103. The next six digits are randomly assigned sequential number unique within a Catalog/reg Unit, length 14.

Feature type code comprised of the feature type and combinations of characteristics and values.

Direction of flow relative to coordinate order, length 4.

Permanent_Identifier of the waterbody through which the Flowline (Artificial Path) flows.

Three digit integer value, unique identifier of a feature type.

Five-digit integer value comprised of the feature type and combinations of characteristics and values.

The maximum push path tributary streams convergence diverge from.

Identifies the subset of the NHDFlowline features that will be used/included in HORUS.

Represents the appropriate use of individual features through scale. Does not reflect capture conditions.

Subtypes of NHDPoint

Subtype field: *FType*; Default subtype: *458*

Subtype Code	Subtype Description
558	Artificial Path
336	CanalDitch
566	Coastline
334	Connector
468	Drainageway
428	Pipeline
460	StreamRiver
420	Underground Conduit

List of defined default values and domains for subtypes in this class

Field name	Default value	Domain
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	0	HydroFlowDirections
FCode	55800	Artificial Path FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	0	HydroFlowDirections
FCode	33600	CanalDitch FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	0	HydroFlowDirections
FCode	56600	Coastline FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	0	HydroFlowDirections
FCode	33400	Connector FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	0	HydroFlowDirections
FCode	46800	Drainageway FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	0	HydroFlowDirections
FCode	42805	Pipeline FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	0	HydroFlowDirections
FCode	46006	StreamRiver FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	0	HydroFlowDirections
FCode	42000	Underground Conduit FCode

Definitions of features

Abstraction to facilitate hydrologic modeling through open-water bodies and along coastal and Great Lakes shorelines and to aid in drawing aquatic-area polygons for lakes and ponds.

Artificial open waterway constructed to transport water, to irrigate or drain land, to connect two or more bodies of water, or to serve as a waterway for watercraft.

Line that follows the main outline of the land, including bays, but crosses rivers at their mouth. In the NHD, the outline of selected coastal islands are included as part of the coastline.

Known, but unspecific, connection between two nonadjacent network segments.

A watercourse that conveys, or is likely to convey, water but lacks a clearly-defined channel or banks, which differentiates it from an ephemeral stream/river. Drainageways typically convey water for limited periods of time and do not carry perennial flow. Drainageways may follow natural topographic flow paths or constructed or human-made flow paths.

Closed conduit with pumps, valves, and control devices, for conveying fluids, gases, or finely divided solids.

Body of flowing water.

Underground passage of surface water.

Simple feature class — **NHDLine**

Contains routes representing linear NHD hydrographic landmark features.

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
Shape	Geometry	Yes					
Permanent_Identifier	String	No					40
FDate	Date	No			0	0	8
Resolution	Long Integer	No		Resolution	0		
GNIS_ID	String	Yes					10
GNIS_Name	String	Yes					65
LengthKm	Double	Yes			0	0	
FType	Long Integer	No	411		0		
FCode	Long Integer	Yes	41300		0		
Visibility Filter	Long Integer	No	0	VisibilityFilter Domain	0		
Shape_Length	Double	Yes			0	0	

Geometry: Polyline; Contains M values: No; Contains Z values: Yes

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Date of last feature modification.

Code for source resolution: local, high, medium.

Unique identifier assigned by GNIS, length 10.

Proper name, specific term, or expression by which a particular geographic entity is known.

Length of linear feature, Albers Equal Area Conic, length 8.

Three-digit integer value, unique identifier of a feature type.

Five-digit integer value comprised of the feature type and combinations of characteristics and values.

Represents the appropriate use of individual features through scale. Does not reflect capture conditions.

Subtypes of NHDLine

Subtype field: *FType*; Default subtype: *412*

Subtype Code	Subtype Description
318	Bridge
343	DamWeir
362	Flume
369	Gate
568	Levee
398	Lock Chamber
411	Nonearthen Shore
431	Rapids
434	Reef
460	StreamRiver
503	Sounding Datum Line
478	Tunnel
483	Weir
487	Waterfall

List of defined default values and domains for subtypes in this class

Field name	Default value	Domain
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	31800	Bridge FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	34305	DamWeir FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	36200	Flume FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	36900	Gate FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	56800	Levee FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	39800	Lock Chamber FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	41100	Nonearthen Shore FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	43100	Rapids FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	43400	Reef FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	45000	Strahler FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	50302	Sounding Datum Line FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	47800	Tunnel FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	48300	Wall FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	48700	Waterfall FCode

Definitions of features

Structure spanning and providing passage over a waterway, railway, or other obstacle.

Barrier constructed to control the flow, or raise the level, of water.

Open inclined artificial channel constructed of wood, metal, or concrete; generally elevated.

Structure that may be swung, drawn, or lowered, to block an entrance or passageway.

A natural or manmade embankment along the edge of a stream/river, canal/ditch, or waterbody, that protects the surrounding land from flooding.

Enclosure on a waterway used to raise or lower vessels as they pass from one level to another.

Structure built of stone, concrete, or other building material, that borders a body of water.

Area of swift current in a stream or river characterized by standing waves, or by boulders and rocks.

Chain of rocks or coral at, or near, the surface of the water.

Place at which a stream disappears underground or reappears at the surface in a karst area.

Line representing the tidal datum to which bathymetric contours are referenced.

Underground, or underwater passage.

Upright structure of masonry, wood, plaster, or other building material serving to enclose, divide, or protect an area.

Vertical or near-vertical descent of water over a step or ledge in the bed of a river.

Simple feature class — **NHDFlowline**

Consists of routes that make up a linear surface water drainage network.

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
Shape	Geometry	Yes					
Permanent_Identifier	String	No					40
FDate	Date	No			0	0	8
Resolution	Long Integer	No		Resolution	0		
GNIS_ID	String	Yes					10
GNIS_Name	String	Yes					65
LengthKm	Double	Yes			0	0	
ReachCode	String	Yes					14
FlowDir	Long Integer	No		HydroFlowDirections	0		
WBArea_Permanent_Identifier	String	Yes					40
FType	Long Integer	No	460		0		
FCode	Long Integer	Yes	46800		0		
MainPath	Long Integer	No	0	MainPath Domain	0		
InNetwork	Long Integer	Yes	1	NoYes Domain	0		
VisibilityFilter	Long Integer	No	0	VisibilityFilter Domain	0		
Shape_Length	Double	Yes			0	0	

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Date of last feature modification.

Code for source resolution: local, high, medium.

Unique identifier assigned by GNIS, length 10.

Proper name, specific term, or expression by which a particular geographic entity is known, length 65.

Unique identifier composed of two parts. The first eight digits is the subbasin code as defined by FIPS 103. The next six digits are randomly assigned sequential number unique within a Catalog/reg Unit, length 14.

Direction of flow relative to coordinate order, length 4.

Permanent_Identifier of the waterbody through which the Flowline (Artificial Path) flows.

Three digit integer value, unique identifier of a feature type.

Five-digit integer value comprised of the feature type and combinations of characteristics and values.

The maximum push path tributary streams convergence diverge from.

Identifies the subset of the NHDFlowline features that will be used/included in HORUS.

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Subtypes of NHDFlowline

Subtype field: *FType*; Default subtype: *460*

Subtype Code	Subtype Description
558	Artificial Path
336	CanalDitch
566	Coastline
334	Connector
468	Drainageway
428	Pipeline
460	StreamRiver
420	Underground Conduit

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FCode	55800	Artificial Path FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	0	HydroFlowDirections
FCode	33600	CanalDitch FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	0	HydroFlowDirections
FCode	56600	Coastline FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	0	HydroFlowDirections
FCode	33400	Connector FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	0	HydroFlowDirections
FCode	46800	Drainageway FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	0	HydroFlowDirections
FCode	42805	Pipeline FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	0	HydroFlowDirections
FCode	46006	StreamRiver FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FlowDir	0	HydroFlowDirections
FCode	42000	Underground Conduit FCode

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A watercourse that conveys, or is likely to convey, water but lacks a clearly-defined channel or banks, which differentiates it from an ephemeral stream/river. Drainageways typically convey water for limited periods of time and do not carry perennial flow. Drainageways may follow natural topographic flow paths or constructed or human-made flow paths.

Closed conduit with pumps, valves, and control devices, for conveying fluids, gases, or finely divided solids.

Body of flowing water.

Underground passage of surface water.

Simple feature class — **NHDArea**

Contains regions representing areal NHD hydrographic waterbody features.

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
Shape	Geometry	Yes					
Permanent_Identifier	String	No					40
FDate	Date	No			0	0	8
Resolution	Long Integer	No		Resolution	0		
GNIS_ID	String	Yes					10
GNIS_Name	String	Yes					65
AreaSqKm	Double	Yes			0	0	
Elevation	Double	Yes		ElevationRange	0	0	
FType	Long Integer	No	460		0		
FCode	Long Integer	Yes	46006		0		
VisibilityFilter	Long Integer	No	0	VisibilityFilter Domain	0		
Shape_Area	Double	Yes			0	0	

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Date of last feature modification.

Code for source resolution: 1 = Local resolution, 2 = High resolution, 3 = Medium resolution.

Unique identifier assigned by GNIS, length 10.

Proper name, specific term, or expression by which a particular geographic entity is known, length 65.

Area of areal features, Albers Equal Area Conic, length 8.

Elevation, in meters, of water surfaces where water polys are encoded for a few features.

Three-digit integer value, unique identifier of a feature type.

Five-digit integer value comprised of the feature type and combinations of characteristics and values.

Represents the appropriate use of individual features through scale. Does not reflect capture conditions.

Subtypes of NHDArea

Subtype field: *FType*; Default subtype: *460*

Subtype Code	Subtype Description
537	Area of Complex Channels
307	Area to be Submerged
312	Bayliner
318	Bridge
336	CanalDitch
343	DamWeir
362	Flume
364	Foreshore
403	Inundation Area
568	Levee
398	Lock Chamber
431	Rapids
445	SeaOcean
455	Spillway
460	StreamRiver
461	Submerged Stream
484	Wash
485	Water IntakeOutflow

List of defined default values and domains for subtypes in this class

Field name	Default value	Domain
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	53700	Area of Complex Channels FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	30750	Area to be Submerged FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	31300	Bayliner FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	31800	Bridge FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	33600	CanalDitch FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	34305	DamWeir FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	36200	Flume FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	36400	Foreshore FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	40308	Inundation FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	56800	Levee FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	39800	Lock Chamber FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	43100	Rapids FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	44500	SeaOcean FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	45000	Spillway FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	46006	StreamRiver FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	46100	Submerged Stream FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	46400	Wash FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	48800	Water IntakeOutflow FCode

Definitions of features

Area where a stream or river flows in an intricate network of interlacing channels.

Known extent of the intended lake that will be created behind a dam under construction.

Water-opening that is an opening into the seashore into the land, or of an estuary, lake, or river into its shore.

Structure spanning and providing passage over a waterway, railway, or other obstacle.

Artificial open waterway constructed to transport water, to irrigate or drain land, to connect two or more bodies of water, or to serve as a waterway for watercraft.

Barrier constructed to control the flow or raise the level of water.

Open, inclined, artificial channel constructed of wood, metal, or concrete; generally elevated.

Port of a seashore between high-water and low-water marks.

Area of land subject to flooding.

A natural or manmade embankment along the edge of a stream/river, canal/ditch, or waterbody, that protects the surrounding land from flooding.

Enclosure on a waterway used to raise/lower vessels as they pass from one level to another.

Area of swift current in a stream or river, characterized by standing waves or by boulders and rocks.

Great body of salt water that covers much of the earth.

Constructed passage for surplus water to run over or around a dam.

Body of flowing water.

Old river course inundated by an impounded water body.

Usually dry portion of a stream bed that contains water only during or after a local rainstorm or heavy snowmelt.

Area of land or water behind a dam.

Structure through which water enters or exits a conduit.

Simple feature class — **NHDWaterbody**

Contains regions representing areal NHD hydrographic waterbody features.

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
OBJECTID	Object ID						
Shape	Geometry	Yes					
Permanent_Identifier	String	No					40
FDate	Date	No			0	0	8
Resolution	Long Integer	No		Resolution	0		
GNIS_ID	String	Yes					10
GNIS_Name	String	Yes					65
AreaSqKm	Double	Yes			0	0	
Elevation	Double	Yes		ElevationRange	0	0	
ReachCode	String	Yes					14
FType	Long Integer	No	390		0		
FCode	Long Integer	Yes	39004		0		
VisibilityFilter	Long Integer	No	0	VisibilityFilter Domain	0		
Shape_Area	Double	Yes			0	0	

40-char GUID value that uniquely identifies the occurrence of each feature in *The National Map*.

Date of last feature modification.

Code for source resolution: 1 = Local resolution, 2 = High resolution, 3 = Medium resolution.

Unique identifier assigned by GNIS, length 10.

Proper name, specific term, or expression by which a particular geographic entity is known, length 65.

Area of areal features, Albers Equal Area Conic, length 8.

Elevation, in meters, of water surfaces where water polys are encoded for a few features.

Unique identifier composed of two parts, first eight digits is subbasin code as defined by FIPS 103. Next six digits is randomly assigned sequential number unique within a Catalog/reg Unit, length 14.

Three-digit integer value, unique identifier of a feature type.

Five-digit integer value comprised of the feature type and combinations of characteristics and values.

Represents the appropriate use of individual features through scale. Does not reflect capture conditions.

Subtypes of NHDWaterbody

Subtype field: *FType*; Default subtype: *390*

Subtype Code	Subtype Description
493	Estuary
378	Ice Mass
390	LakePond
361	Playa
436	Reservoir
466	SwampMarsh

List of defined default values and domains for subtypes in this class

Field name	Default value	Domain
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	49300	Estuary FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	37800	Ice Mass FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	39004	LakePond FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	36100	Playa FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	43600	Reservoir FCode
Resolution		Resolution
FCode	46600	SwampMarsh FCode

Definitions of features

Lower end of a river, or a semi-enclosed coastal body of water with access to the open ocean, which is affected by the tides and where fresh and salt water mix.

A field of ice, formed in regions of perennial frost.

Standing body of water with a predominantly natural shoreline surrounded by land.

Flat area at the lowest part of an undrained desert basin, generally devoid of vegetation.

Constructed basin formed to contain water or other liquids.

Noncultivated, vegetated area that is inundated or saturated for a significant part of the year. The vegetation is adapted for life in saturated soil conditions.

Event Feature Classes

Simple feature class — **NHDAreaEventFC**

Geometry: Polygon; Contains M values: No; Contains Z values: No

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
Shape	Geometry	Yes					
OBJECTID	Object ID						
Permanent_Identifier	String	No					40
EventDate	Date	Yes			0	0	8
ReachCode	String	No					14
ReachDtMdate	Date	Yes			0	0	8
ReachResolution	Long Integer	Yes		Resolution	0		
Feature_Permanent_Identifier	String	Yes					40
FeatureClassRef	Long Integer	Yes		Event Feature Class Reference	0		
Source_Originator	String	Yes					130
Source_DataDesc	String	Yes					100
Source_FeatureID	String	Yes					100
FeatureDetailURL	String	Yes					255
EventType	Long Integer	No		Area Event Type	0		
Shape_Length	Double	Yes			0	0	
Shape_Area	Double	Yes			0	0	

Simple feature class — **NHDLineEventFC**

Geometry: Polyline; Contains M values: No; Contains Z values: No

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
Shape	Geometry	Yes					
OBJECTID	Object ID						
Permanent_Identifier	String	No					40
EventDate	Date	Yes			0	0	8
ReachCode	String	No					14
ReachDtMdate	Date	Yes			0	0	8
ReachResolution	Long Integer	Yes		Resolution	0		
Feature_Permanent_Identifier	String	Yes					40
FeatureClassRef	Long Integer	Yes		Event Feature Class Reference	0		
Source_Originator	String	Yes					130
Source_DataDesc	String	Yes					100
Source_FeatureID	String	Yes					100
FeatureDetailURL	String	Yes					255
FMeasure	Double	No			0	0	
TMeasure	Double	No			0	0	
EventType	Long Integer	No		Line Event Type	0		
EventOffset	Double	Yes			0	0	
Shape_Length	Double	Yes			0	0	

Simple feature class — **NHDPointEventFC**

Geometry: Point; Contains M values: No; Contains Z values: No

Field name	Data type	Allow nulls	Default value	Domain	Precision	Scale	Length
Shape	Geometry	Yes					
OBJECTID	Object ID						
Permanent_Identifier	String	No					40
EventDate	Date	Yes			0	0	8
ReachCode	String	No					14
ReachDtMdate	Date	Yes			0	0	8
ReachResolution	Long Integer	No		Resolution	0		
Feature_Permanent_Identifier	String	Yes					40
FeatureClassRef	Long Integer	Yes		Event Feature Class Reference	0		
Source_Originator	String	Yes					130
Source_DataDesc	String	Yes					100
Source_FeatureID	String	Yes					100
FeatureDetailURL	String	Yes					255
Measure	Double	No			0	0	
EventOffset	Double	Yes			0	0	
EventType	Long Integer	No		Point Event Type	0		