

# Advanced Cartography:

## *Creating Map Books and Using Inset Map Tools*

### **Class Manual**

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# Course Objectives

- Implement Map Book Developer Sample and Inset Map Tools within ArcMap
- Create map books
  - Based on grids, polygons and corridors
- Utilize inset tools
  - Both in and outside of a map book

*Note: Students should have a basic understanding of ArcMap before taking this class*

# Course Topics

## ● Map Book

- Overview
- Creation/Use of Index Grids
- Creation/Use of Strip Maps
- Locator Maps
- Modifying the Series
- Feature Indexes
- Printing/Exporting

## ● Inset Maps

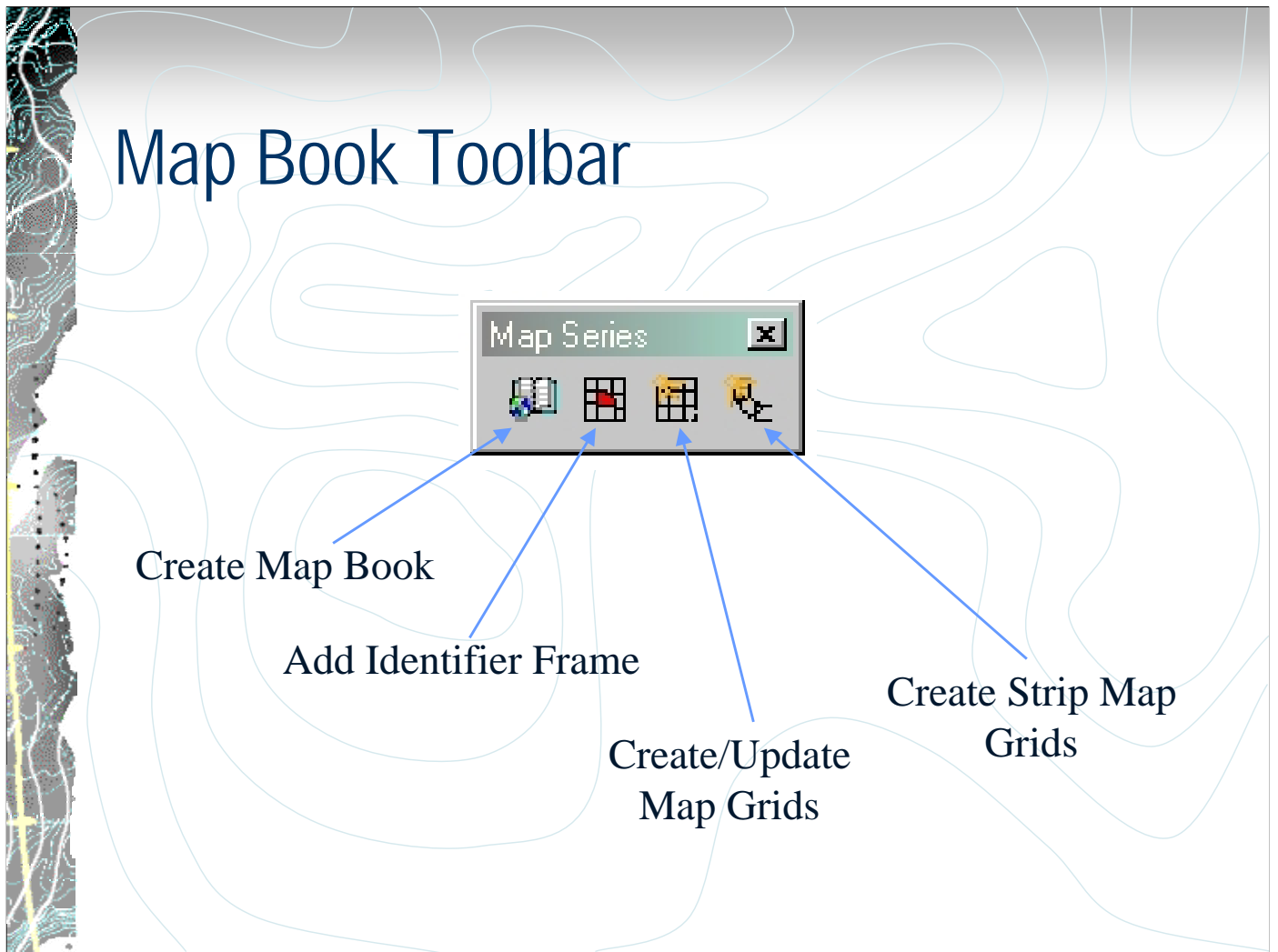
- Overview
- Creation & Use

## Map Book Developer Sample

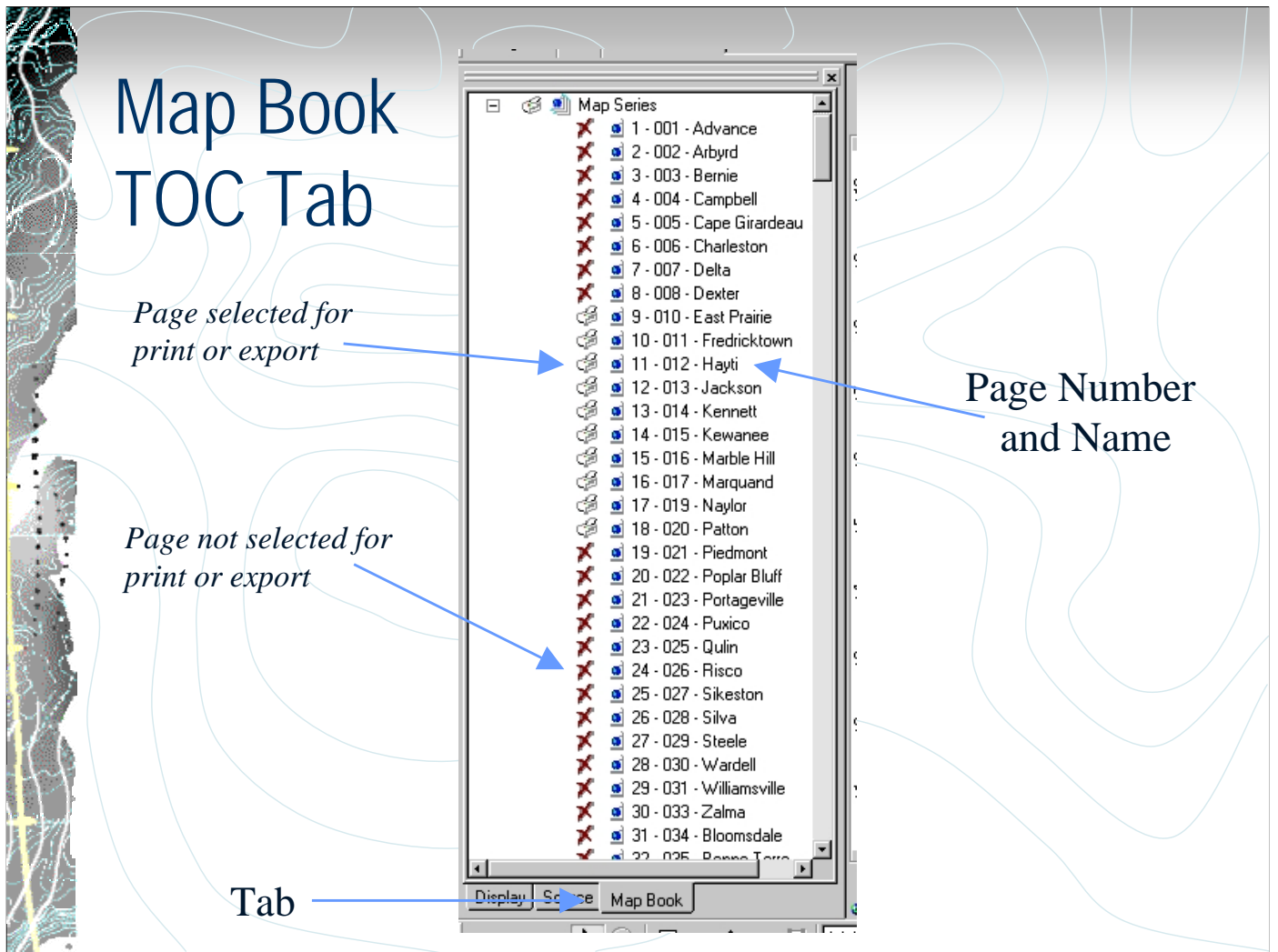
- "This Developer Sample code is designed to allow for the creation of Map Books. A page is create (*sic*) in the book based on each feature in a grid/index layer specified by the user. Index layers must contain polygon features with a string field containing the name of each tile/page. The features in the index layer do not have to be of any particular size or shape, nor do they need to be continuous or non-overlapping." – *ArcObjects Online*

## Overview of Map Book (cont.)

- Each page in series contains common layout
  - Marginalia placement remains the same
  - Scale and north arrow orientation can change
  - Symbology shared across map pages
- Map series remains in Map Document, no separate files
- Adds tab to TOC
- Installation is straightforward
  - Included bat file adds toolbars and tab
- Various controls for export and printing
  - Can limit pages printed or exported
- Allows for generation of feature index







# Types of Map Series

## ● Atlas

- Can be based on existing polygon features (i.e. Counties, quads, other grid systems)
- Map extent set to extent of individual polygons
- Generally all north as up, but could be changed through rotation angle

## ● Corridor Maps

- Maps centered along central line (i.e. road, stream, etc.)
- Each map set to same scale or spatial extent
- Can be rotated to fit on page, north arrow adjusted on rotation angle

# Map Page Example

Title\*

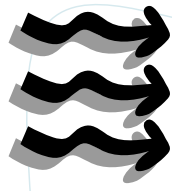
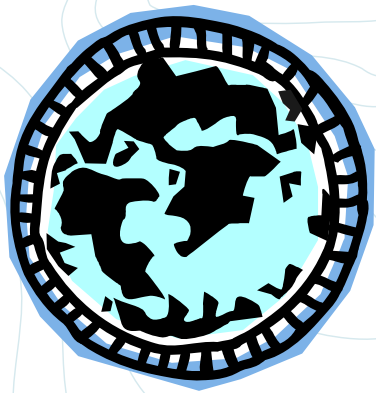
Data Frame\*

\* = changes with each page

Locator Map\* (separate frame)



# Making a map book

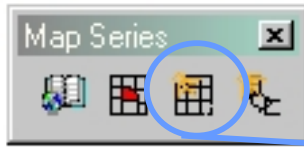


# Index Layer

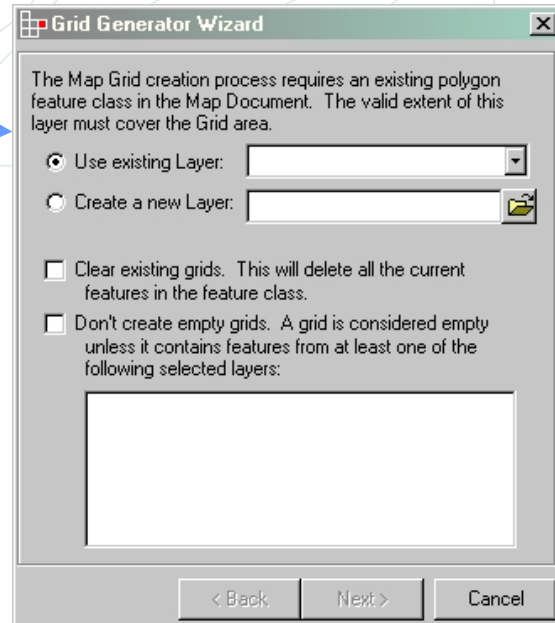
- Index layer controls map extent for each page
  - Does not need to be regular grid
    - User can use point-centered polygons, such as buffers
    - Does require some fields to be added
    - Map Book references layer by **name**
      - If layer name is changed, Map Book will error
  - Map Book can generate grid
    - User defines certain parameters
  - Strip Maps
    - Centers along selected linear feature
    - Can maintain rotation angle
  - User-definable options
    - Includes clipping data frame to index grid cell extent or cross-hatching outside grid cell

# "Create/Update Map Grids"

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- Sets/creates index layer
- Can clear existing grids
- Can also create cells based on presence of another layer(s)
- This is NOT required if using pre-existing polygons for index layer

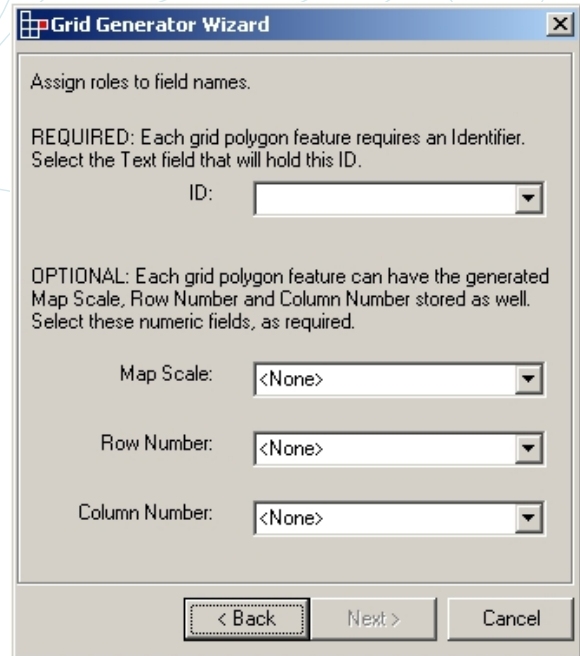


# "Create/Update Map Grids"

1<sub>b</sub>

## Additional Step for Existing Polygons

- Important if empty index layer was created in ArcCatalog
- ID field must be text
- Scale, Row Number and Column Number are long integer fields
  - Scale will be "double" if layer is generated from scratch by Map Book

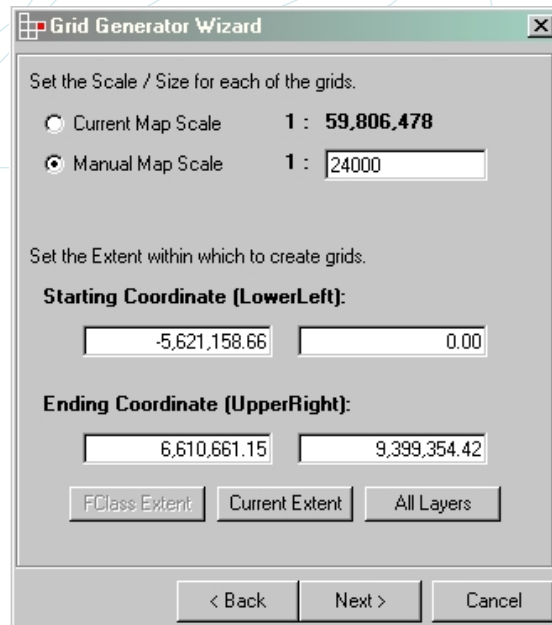


The screenshot shows the 'Grid Generator Wizard' dialog box. It has a title bar with a grid icon and the text 'Grid Generator Wizard'. The main content area is titled 'Assign roles to field names.' and contains the following text: 'REQUIRED: Each grid polygon feature requires an Identifier. Select the Text field that will hold this ID.' Below this is a dropdown menu labeled 'ID:'. The next section is titled 'OPTIONAL: Each grid polygon feature can have the generated Map Scale, Row Number and Column Number stored as well. Select these numeric fields, as required.' Below this are three dropdown menus: 'Map Scale:', 'Row Number:', and 'Column Number:'. All three dropdown menus currently show '<None>'. At the bottom of the dialog are three buttons: '< Back', 'Next >', and 'Cancel'.

## "Create/Update Map Grids"

2

- Establishes map scale for each cell
  - Some trial and error may be necessary to find best scale
- Also sets extent for generating cells



The image shows a screenshot of the 'Grid Generator Wizard' dialog box. The dialog has a title bar with a grid icon and the text 'Grid Generator Wizard'. It contains two main sections. The first section is titled 'Set the Scale / Size for each of the grids.' and has two radio buttons: 'Current Map Scale' (which is selected) and 'Manual Map Scale'. The 'Current Map Scale' option shows a scale of '1 : 59,806,478'. The 'Manual Map Scale' option has a text input field with the value '24000'. The second section is titled 'Set the Extent within which to create grids.' and contains two sub-sections. The first is 'Starting Coordinate (LowerLeft):' with two text input fields containing '-5,621,158.66' and '0.00'. The second is 'Ending Coordinate (UpperRight):' with two text input fields containing '6,610,661.15' and '9,399,354.42'. Below these fields are three buttons: 'FClass Extent', 'Current Extent', and 'All Layers'. At the bottom of the dialog are three buttons: '< Back', 'Next >', and 'Cancel'.

Grid Generator Wizard

Set the Scale / Size for each of the grids.

☐ Current Map Scale 1 : 59,806,478

☒ Manual Map Scale 1 : 24000

Set the Extent within which to create grids.

Starting Coordinate (LowerLeft):

-5,621,158.66 0.00

Ending Coordinate (UpperRight):

6,610,661.15 9,399,354.42

FClass Extent Current Extent All Layers

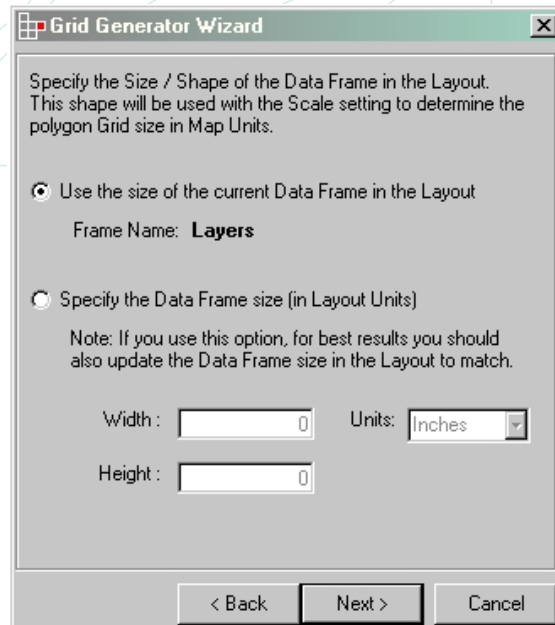
< Back Next > Cancel



## "Create/Update Map Grids"

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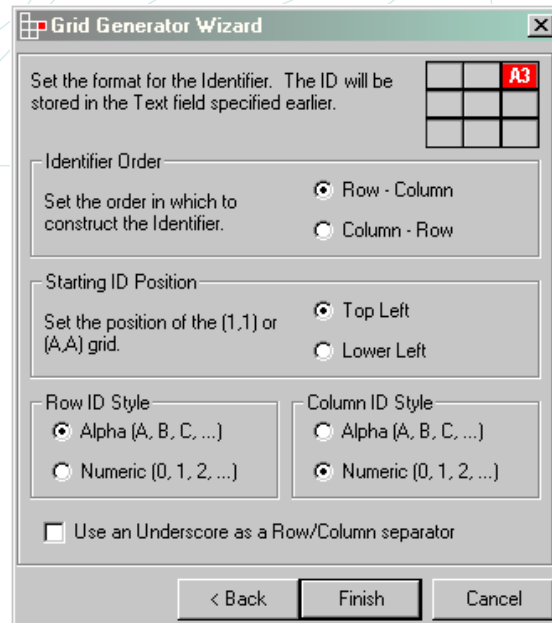
- Sets data frame size, shape
- Does not have to be current data frame size



## "Create/Update Map Grids"

4

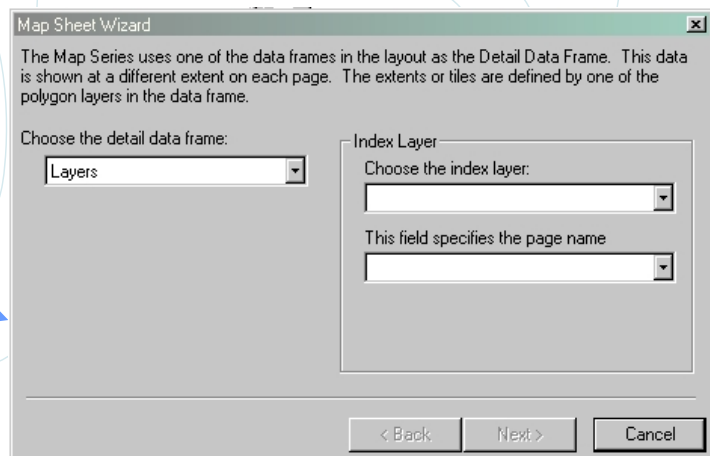
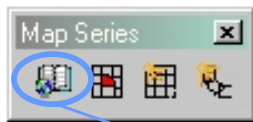
- Sets how each cell will be tagged
- Allows cells to match existing schemes if necessary



# "Create Map Series"

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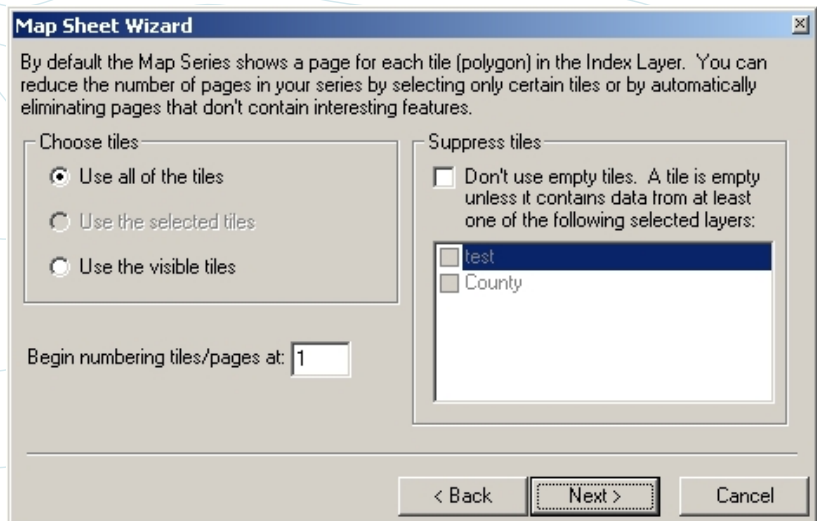
- Sets index layer and specifies page name field
  - Page name must be a text field
- This is common to both regular and strip map series



## "Create Map Series"

2

- Allows user choice of using all tiles or a subset
  - Can be based on selection, visibility or presence of other layer

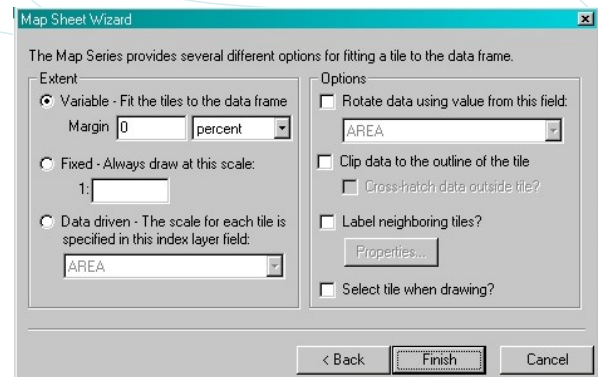


NOTE: *Begin numbering...* only available in 9

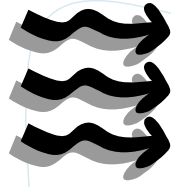
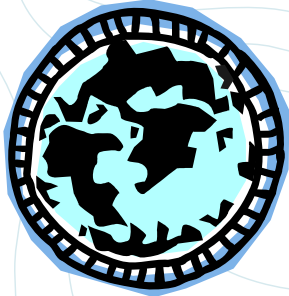
## "Create Map Series"

3

- Sets extent parameters
  - Can be a margin around cell, fixed scale or driven by attribute field
- Sets options
  - Rotation of cell
    - field type must be long integer
  - Clip to data frame
    - Cross-hatching (symbol hardcoded)
  - Label adjacent cells
  - Select tile polygon within dataset (only in 9)
- These options can be changed later if desired



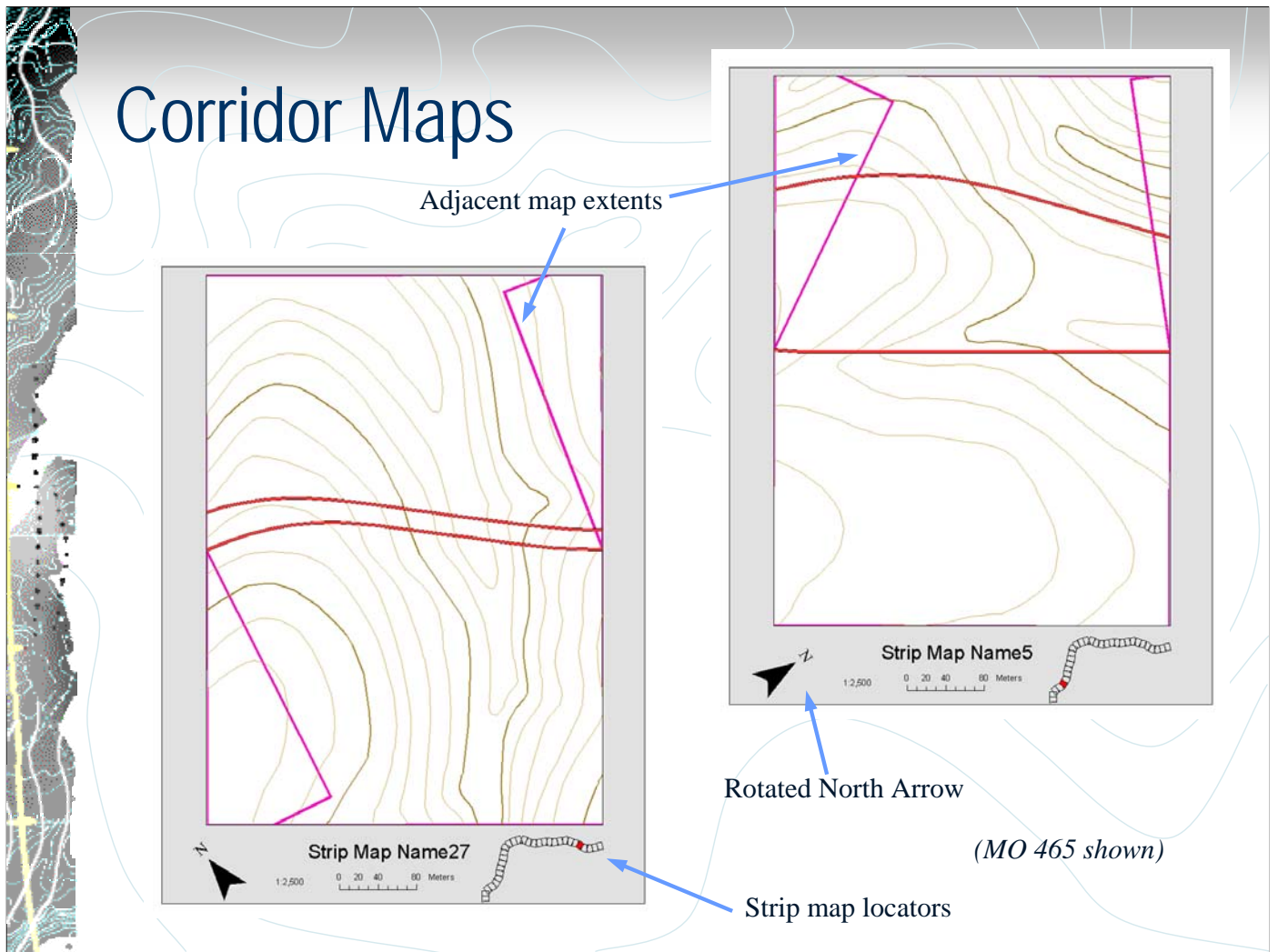
# Creating Strip Maps



## Corridor/Strip Maps

- Map grid centered along central linear feature
- Can use set scale or absolute area for index polygons
- Map extents can be individually rotated by map angle
  - Aligns all map extents to page
  - Not required, but provides cleaner map series
- Can clip data to map extent of each polygon
- Most features common to both grid and strip map series
- Does not deal well with circular or near-circular features

# Corridor Maps

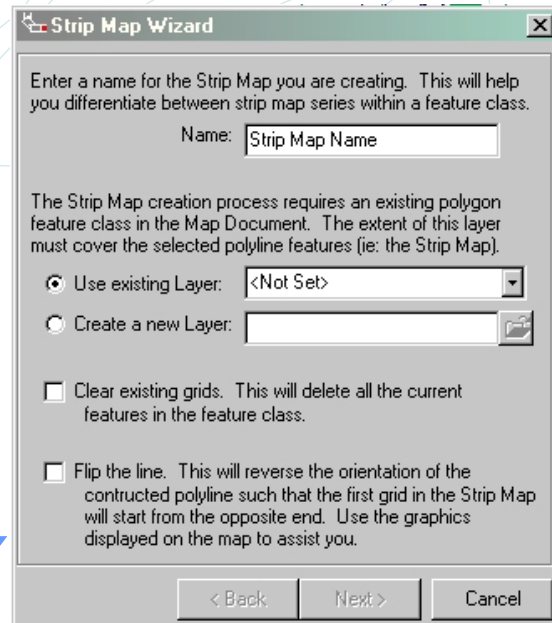
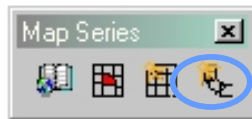




## "Create StripMap Grids"

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- Similar options to creating a grid index layer
- Added option to flip flow direction of grids
  - Normally begins at start of line

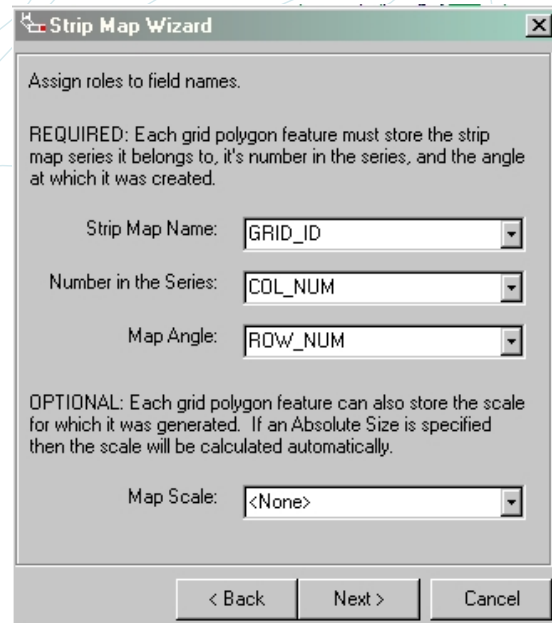


# "Create StripMap Grids"

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## Additional Step for Existing Polygons

- Establishes fields to store strip grid name, grid number and map angle
  - Map number, angle and scale fields must be long integer to work correctly
- Optional to set map scale

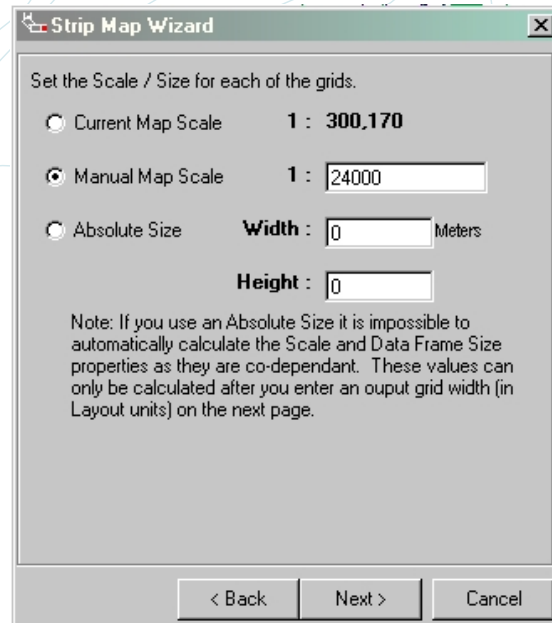


The screenshot shows the "Strip Map Wizard" dialog box. It has a title bar with a close button. The main text says "Assign roles to field names." followed by a "REQUIRED" section: "Each grid polygon feature must store the strip map series it belongs to, it's number in the series, and the angle at which it was created." Below this are three dropdown menus: "Strip Map Name:" with "GRID\_ID" selected, "Number in the Series:" with "COL\_NUM" selected, and "Map Angle:" with "ROW\_NUM" selected. An "OPTIONAL" section follows: "Each grid polygon feature can also store the scale for which it was generated. If an Absolute Size is specified then the scale will be calculated automatically." Below this is a "Map Scale:" dropdown menu with "<None>" selected. At the bottom are three buttons: "< Back", "Next >", and "Cancel".

## "Create StripMap Grids"

2

- Setting map scale for the cells is the same as a regular grid map series
- The exception is an additional option for an absolute grid cell size



The screenshot shows the 'Strip Map Wizard' dialog box. It has a title bar with a close button. The main text says 'Set the Scale / Size for each of the grids.' There are three radio button options: 'Current Map Scale' (selected), 'Manual Map Scale', and 'Absolute Size'. The 'Current Map Scale' option shows a scale of '1 : 300,170'. The 'Manual Map Scale' option shows a scale of '1 : 24000'. The 'Absolute Size' option shows 'Width : 0 Meters' and 'Height : 0'. Below these options is a note: 'Note: If you use an Absolute Size it is impossible to automatically calculate the Scale and Data Frame Size properties as they are co-dependant. These values can only be calculated after you enter an output grid width (in Layout units) on the next page.' At the bottom are three buttons: '< Back', 'Next >', and 'Cancel'.

Strip Map Wizard

Set the Scale / Size for each of the grids.

☐ Current Map Scale 1 : 300,170

☒ Manual Map Scale 1 : 24000

☐ Absolute Size Width : 0 Meters

Height : 0

Note: If you use an Absolute Size it is impossible to automatically calculate the Scale and Data Frame Size properties as they are co-dependant. These values can only be calculated after you enter an output grid width (in Layout units) on the next page.

< Back Next > Cancel

## "Create StripMap Grids"

3

- Setting the data frame size and shape is the same as a regular grid layer

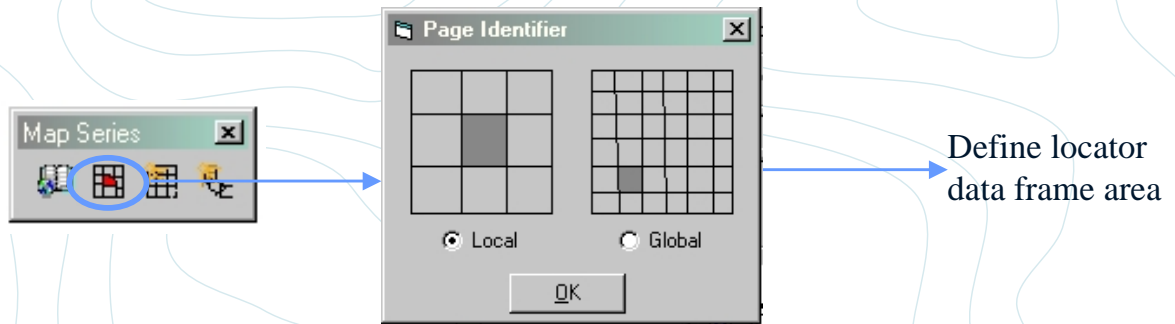


# Locator Maps

- Provides a point of reference for map pages
- Works on both regular grid and strip map series
- Can be global (i.e. statewide) or can be local (i.e. adjacent cells only)
- Refreshes with map pages
- Selection symbology is user-definable
  - Edited under Layer Properties > Selection

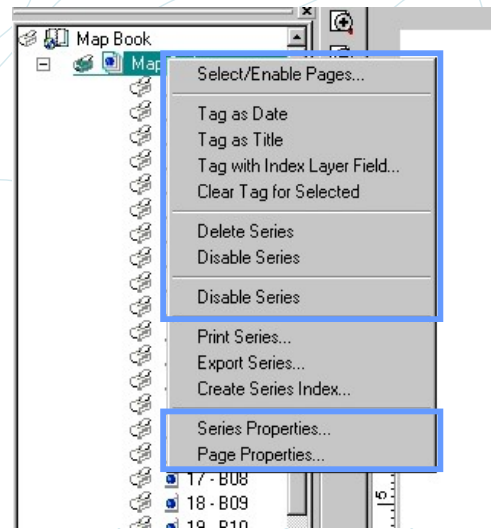


## "Add Identifier Frame"



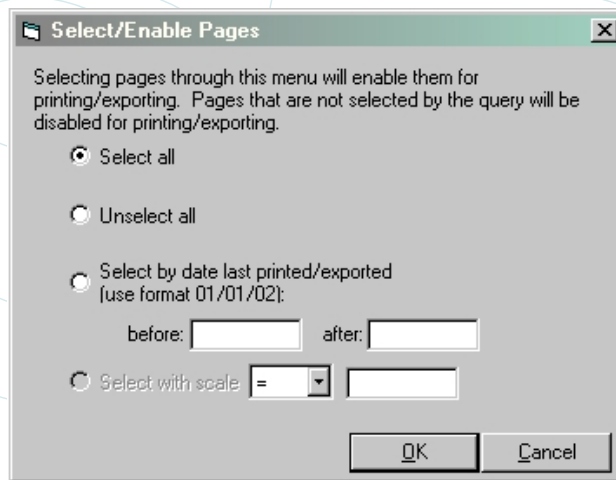
# Modifying the map series

- Several aspects of a map book can be changed
- Context menu (right click) under map series & individual map pages



## "Select/Enable Pages..."

- Menu allows all pages to be selected/unselected
- Pages can be selected by date last printed or exported, or by scale





## "Tag as ..."

- "Tag as Date"
  - Populates a selected text item with the current date
- "Tag as Title"
  - Populates a selected text item with the page name
- "Tag as Index Layer Field..."
  - Populates a selected text item with values from a field in the index layer
- "Clear Tag for Selected"
  - Clears tagging for selected text item

## "Delete " or "Disable Series"

### ● "Delete Series"

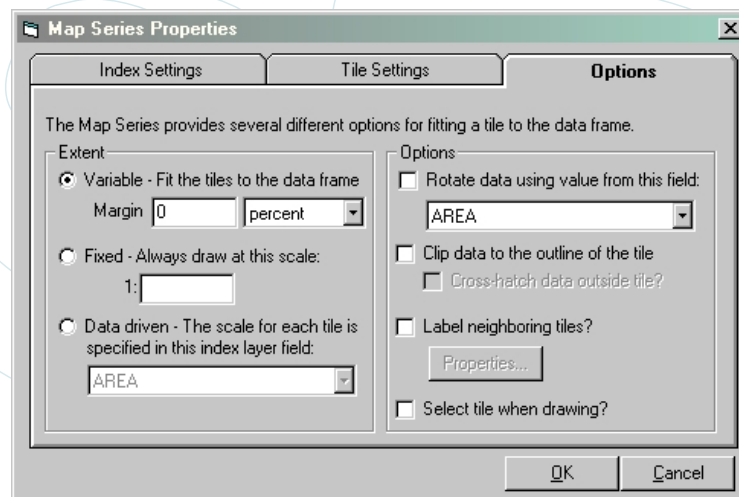
- Clears current map series

### ● "Disable Series"

- Turns map series off without deleting
- Series will not print or export while disabled

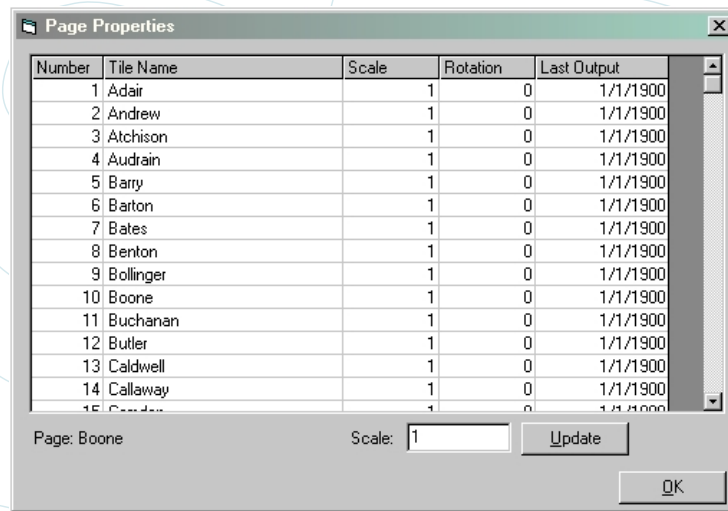
## "Series Properties..."

- Pulls up series properties menu
- Similar to menu used when initially creating series
- Only items under "Options" tab can be changed



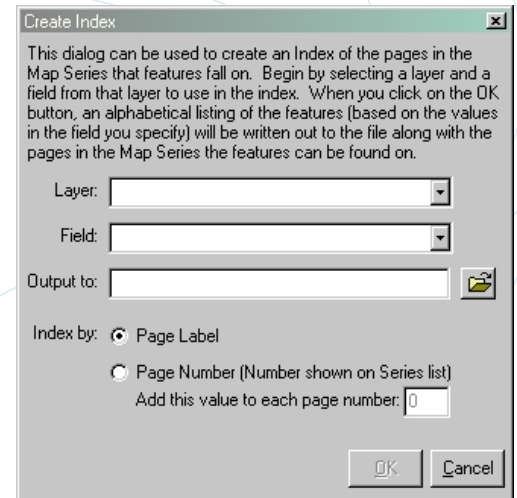
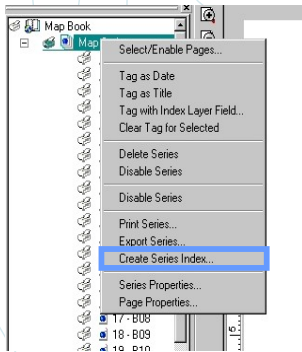
## "Page Properties..."

- Pulls up page properties menu
- Name, Scale, Rotation and Output information for individual pages can be changed



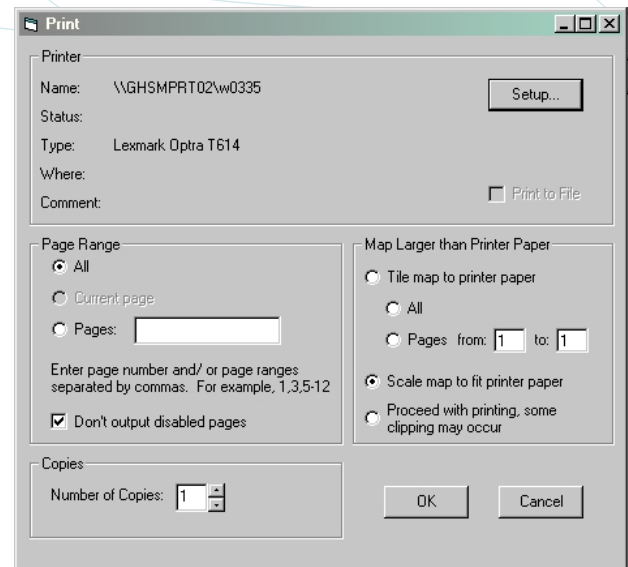
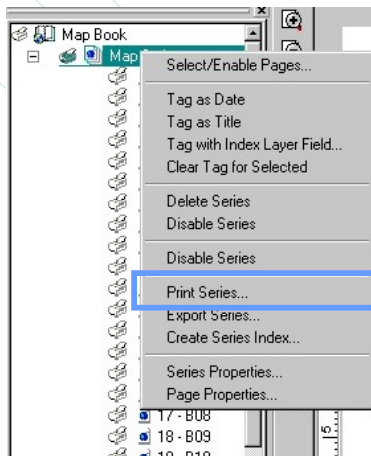
## "Create Series Index..."

- Map Book can generate an index of what pages features are present in
- Outputs a text file that can be formatted in a word processor
- Format: Feature: Page(s)



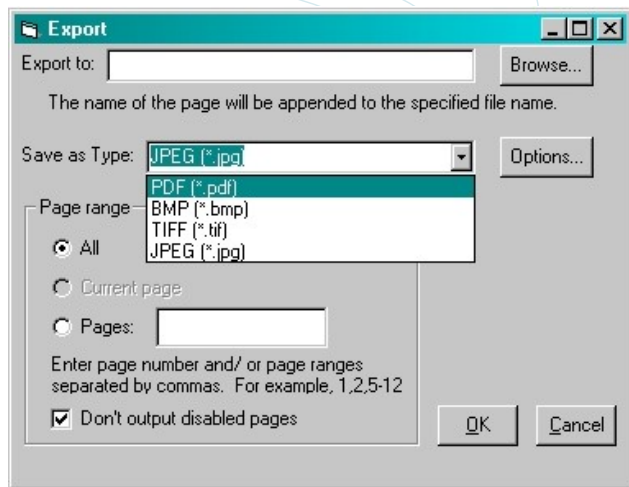
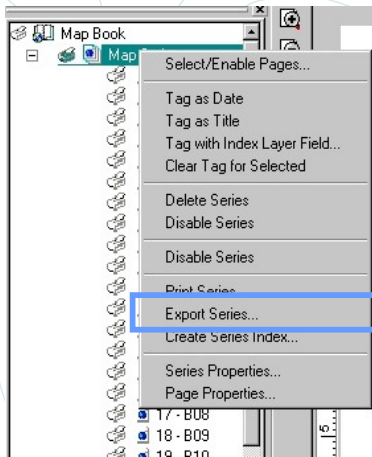
## "Print Series..."

- Opens dialog box for printing
- Similar to standard print dialog

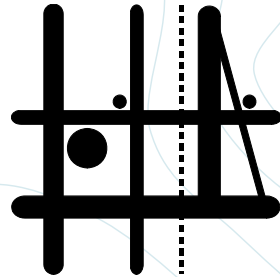
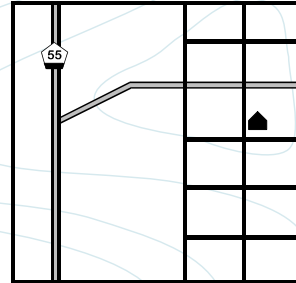


## "Export Series..."

- Opens export dialog
- Each export file is appended with series name (series\_pagename)
- 6 export file types are currently available (PDF, AI, EPS, BMP, TIFF, JPEG)
  - Export options can be set for each file type
  - Only 4 formats in 8.x (PDF, BMP, TIFF, JPEG)



# Making insets

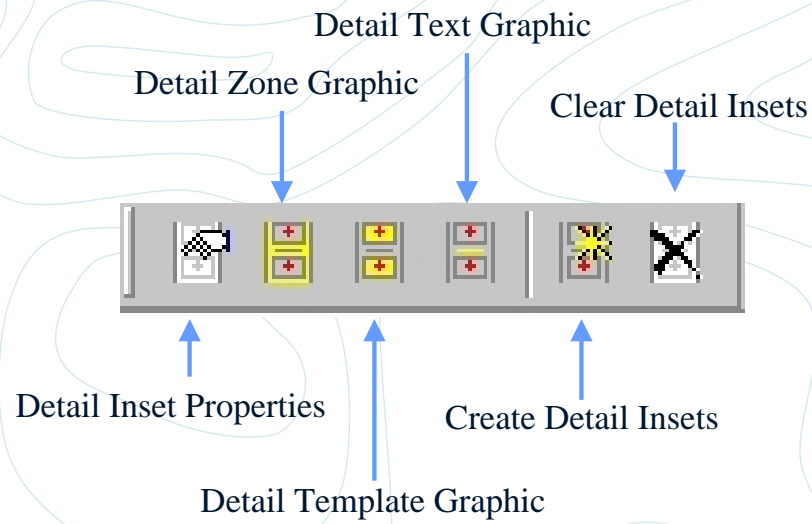




## Detail Area Inset Tools

- Generates smaller inset maps
- Works within a map book or independently
  - If using with Map Book, insets are updated as map pages are refreshed
- Can be used to show more congested areas, without increasing detail of main map book pages

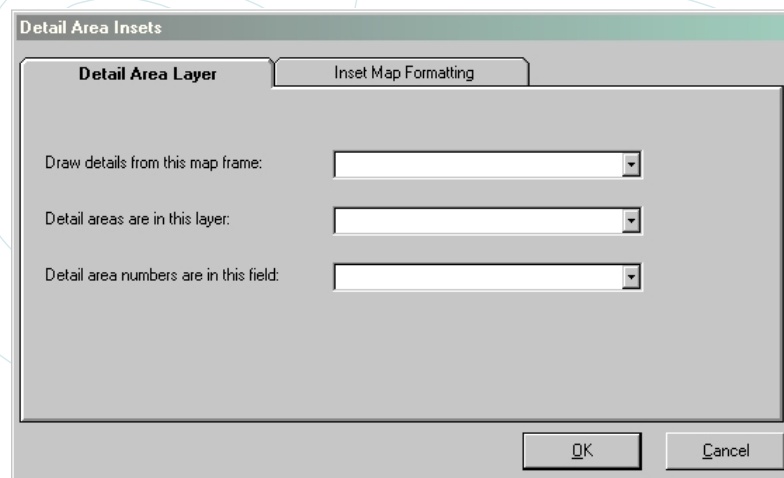
## Detail Area Inset Tools (cont.)



# "Detail Inset Properties"

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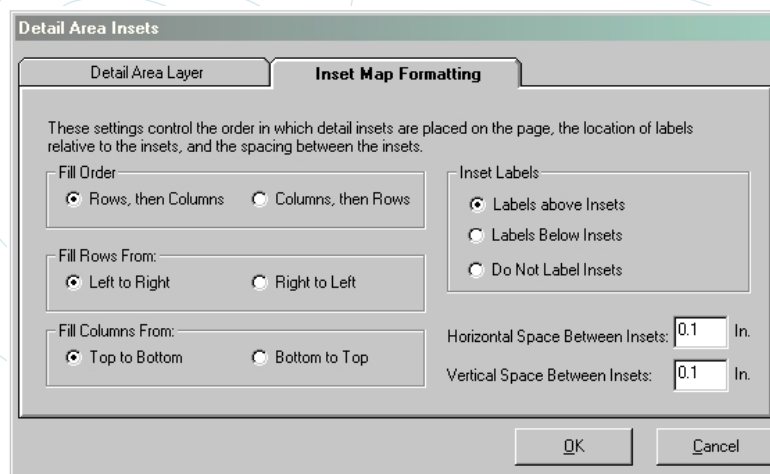
- Establishes what data frame insets will be drawn from (if multiple)
- Sets index layer and field for insets (should NOT be the same as map series index layer if present)



## "Detail Inset Properties"

2

- Sets how insets will be drawn within the inset area
- Sets options for labeling insets



# Template Graphics



- "Detail Zone Graphic" (1)
    - Establishes area where insets will be drawn
  - "Detail Template Graphic" (2) \*
- Establishes size and shape of inset data frame
- "Detail Text Graphic" (3) \*
  - Establishes text formatting for labels (if insets are labeled)

\* - These should not be within page limits

## Parting Comments...



# Issues

## ● Map Book Developer Sample

- Changes in index layer name (after creating series) causes errors in map book
- Some problems with exporting/printing large map series
- No support for multiple series in a single map document
  - Original developer says this could be added, but hasn't
- Difficult (or unable) to have different layouts for landscape and portrait maps
  - Rotation angle may provide some functionality

# Issues

## ■ Detail Inset Tools

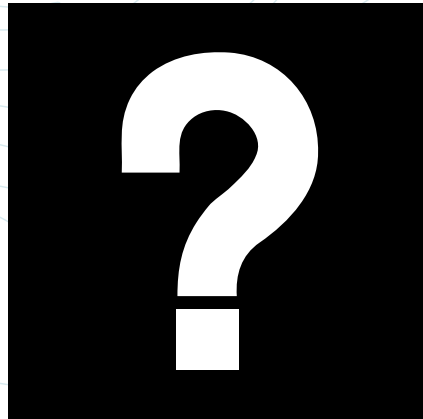
- Somewhat tedious to set up template graphics
- Insets can spill over page edge if they do not fit in original graphics area

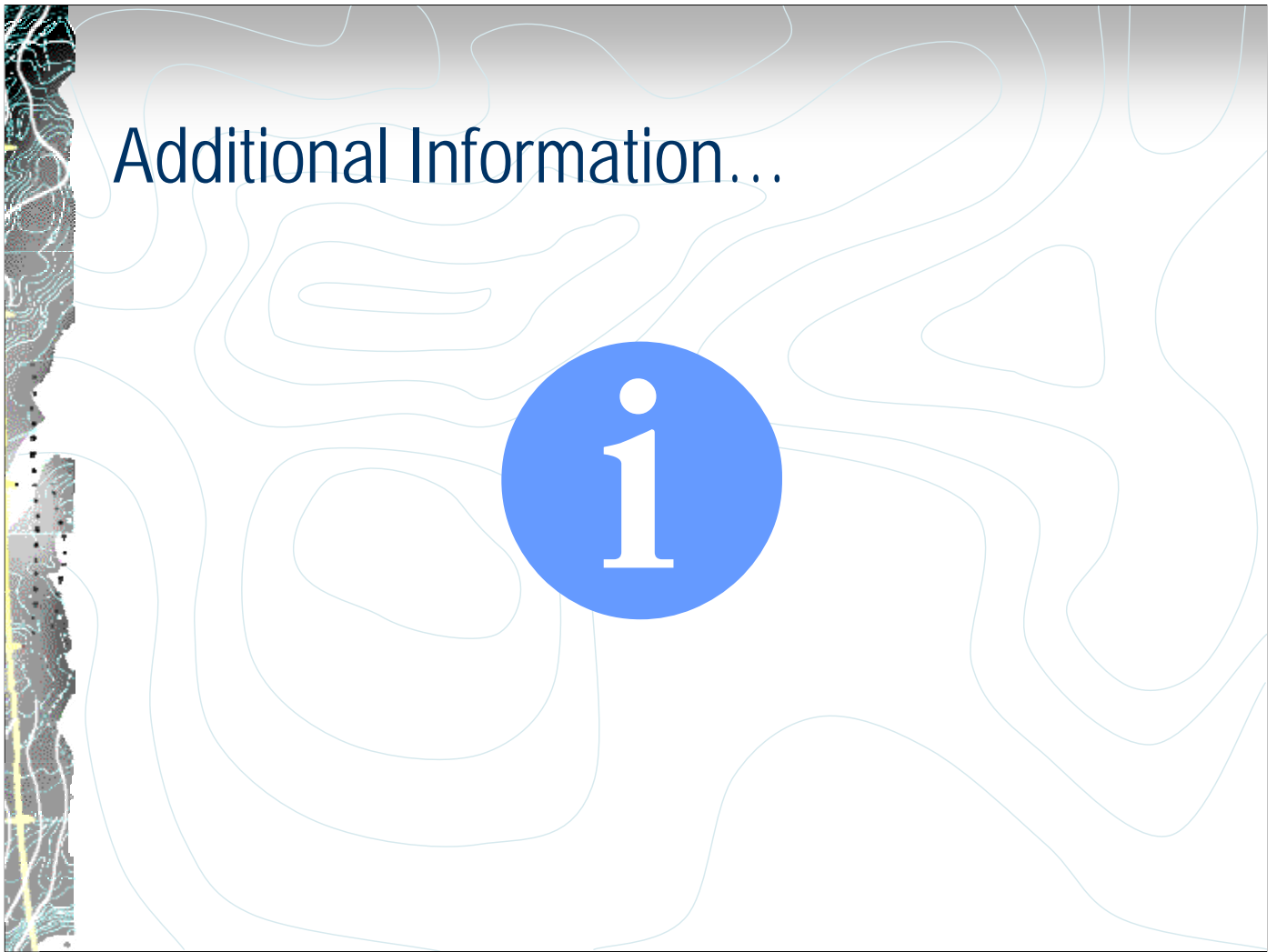


## Final Remarks

- These are developer samples
  - There are some bugs to work out
    - No warranties or guarantees on the samples
  - Slated to be included in future releases of ArcGIS (Map Book)
  - Customizable if necessary
- Map Book does provide tool for making multiple, common-format maps and using inset maps
  - Does NOT replicate multiple layout capability of ArcView 3.x

Questions, Comments...





# Download Paths

## ● Map Book Developer Sample

- ArcGIS Developer Online > Samples > Cartography > Map Production > DS Map Book

[http://edndoc.esri.com/arcobjects/9.1/DownloadCounter/startDownload.asp?File=/arcobjects/9.1/Samples/Cartography/Map\\_Production/DSMapBook/DSMapBook.zip&Size=18&Name=DSMapBook.zip](http://edndoc.esri.com/arcobjects/9.1/DownloadCounter/startDownload.asp?File=/arcobjects/9.1/Samples/Cartography/Map_Production/DSMapBook/DSMapBook.zip&Size=18&Name=DSMapBook.zip)

NOTE: It appears that Map Book for 8 is no longer available from ESRI

## ● Detail Area Inset Tools

- Developed by ESRI – Denver Tech Marketing Center
  - Unfortunately, tool must be downloaded elsewhere

<ftp://ftp.modot.gov/otms/mogis/detailinset.zip>

Note: This version of Detail Inset Tools is based on the original Map Book.

Install just Detail Inset Tools. MapBook for 9.x is already coded to work with this tool





# Map Book Project Page

<http://code.google.com/p/arcmmapbook/>

## Another useful tool for map series...

### ● Create Polygon from Point with Area Field

- Samples > Geometry > Create Polygon From A Point Feature Class Containing An Area Field

- Can generate square polygons, not just circular buffers

<http://arcobjectsonline.esri.com/ArcObjectsOnline/Samples/Geometry/CreatePolygonFromAreaField.htm>

### ● NOAA Coastal Protection & Restoration Division Tools

#### ● Map Extent Tool

- "The purpose of the Map Extent Tool is help facilitate map production or printing in ArcMap for a series of maps. The Map Extent Tool creates a polygon shapefile and captures an extent polygon, the data frame rotation, the data frame scale, and a map name."

<http://mapping.orr.noaa.gov/website/portal/cprdtools/gistools/arccgis9xtools>



## Additional Help...

- Map Book and Inset Tools both come with manuals on how to install and use them
  - They also come with the original code, making customization easier (does require Visual Basic, not Visual Basic for Applications)
- Map Book is an active topic on the ESRI User Forums
  - The forums are a very useful tool for finding help



Thank you.



# Toolbar Quick Reference

## Map Book Toolbar



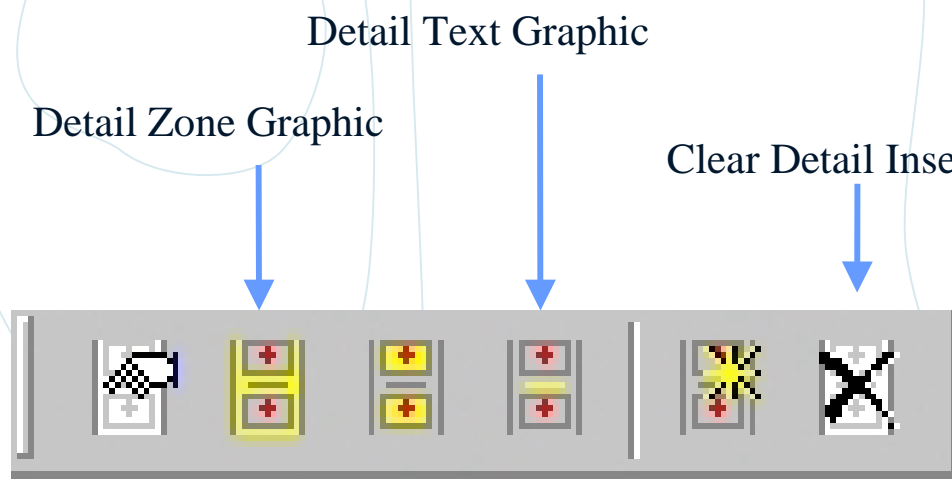
Create Map Book

Add Identifier Frame

Create/Update  
Map Grids

Create Strip Map  
Grids

## Detail Area Inset Tools



Detail Inset Properties

Create Detail Insets

Detail Template Graphic