

Rapid Response Data Briefing

Navigating the HIFLD Transition

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What's in HIFLD?



Why is HIFLD important?



Bodes Well

- HIFLD Open data layers are currently available at original agencies [CONFIRM]
- DHS requested input on how jurisdictions use HIFLD Secure
- HIFLD Secure is not mis-aligned with Administration priorities

Bodes Less-Well

- HIFLD Open terminated as of Aug 26, 2025 [CONFIRM]
- Former HIFLD Open data layers will be more brittle when not centralized by DHS
- DHS requested input on how jurisdictions use HIFLD Secure
- Reductions in agency staff, cuts to contracts, and increased bottlenecks (such as delays approving contracts)

Survey on HIFLD Use Cases



Lessons from the HIFLD Open Crosswalk



Accessing HIFLD Open Data Layers



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Take Action



<https://tinyurl.com/HIFLD-Use-Cases>

Submit use cases by _____

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