**Map Unit Abbreviations for Stratigraphic Age – CDEFG Meeting 11/8/2021**

Jordan – alternative similar to ‘no age cod’e

 Could combine some other code

 Put code in beginning – get around the problem by using a space (or some other thing) between the age identifier and the map unit

 Ex

 P cs (survey 2)

 Xm cs (survey 1)

Macrostrat – Caroline

Beginning and end ages , may include letters and numbers

Jen

Wont we need to translate these into something on the federal level

Emily – Illinois survey

* Tags only for special characters
* Note about fonts added to distribution package
* Illstrat – wiki out of different Illinois stratigraphy handbooks and bulletins, serves as primary place for updating stratigraphy (their version of GeoLex), use stratigrapic codes for Formal Units
* Thought about using IllStrate code for map unit abbreviation
* Is there any code in GeoLex we can use?
* From Evan – doesn’t think so, but it would help if GeoLex was a little more standardized

Evan Thoms

* Gems designed as single map publication schema – assume map unit label unique to pub
* Map unit just has to be unique value to identify map unit (number, letters, guid, etc)
* Names can change, ages can change
* MapUnit is usually human readable
* Could have another field (MUP or DMU) display label – would hold value we are used to seeing in MapUnit field
* MapUnit could even be HierarchyKey (unique and imply hierarchy)

Label – formatting tags are very application specific

 Current tags won’t display properly in a feature service

Question for Evan from Jen - Is there benefit to trying to standardize these?

NGMDB is compilation

 Standards make compilation easier

 No way we can standardize MapUnit – will have to be based on Author or survey

 BUT suggest keeping Label simple (no formatting tags)

Laney –

Just use the FGDC special character

Does include font files in resources folder