

Fed GeoCloud-II 'GeoNode'

*Merging Cloud and NOAA
IT Resources for Geospatial Services*

Project Background

- 2011 HPCC Research Project:
'Enterprise GIS Web Services Hosting Environment for NOAA'
- Purpose:
 - Deploy Open Source geospatial software to WOC to allow NOAA data providers to easily publish data
 - Utilize existing NOAA resources and expertise
 - Prototype a system and prove a capability as well as the existence of an agency need

What is Fed GeoCloud?

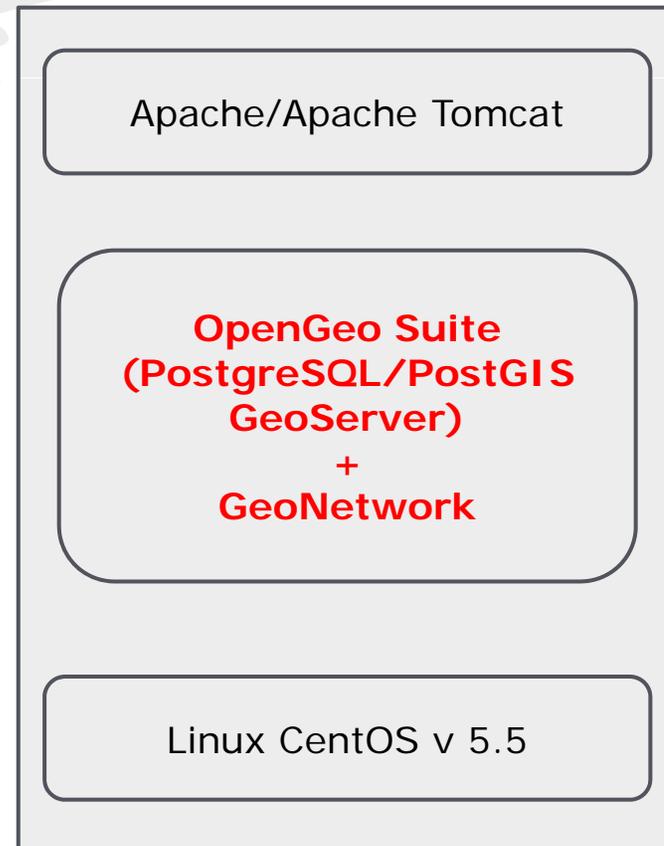
- Interagency working group with goal to create cloud computing reference platforms and prototypes (PaaS/SaaS)
- Provides funding to operate AWS 'sandbox' infrastructure for platform development
- Select and deploy Federal agency geospatial applications on reference platforms
- Document best practices, lessons learned
- Provide a development to operations path

GeoCloud Base Platforms:

Windows Platform



Open Source Platform

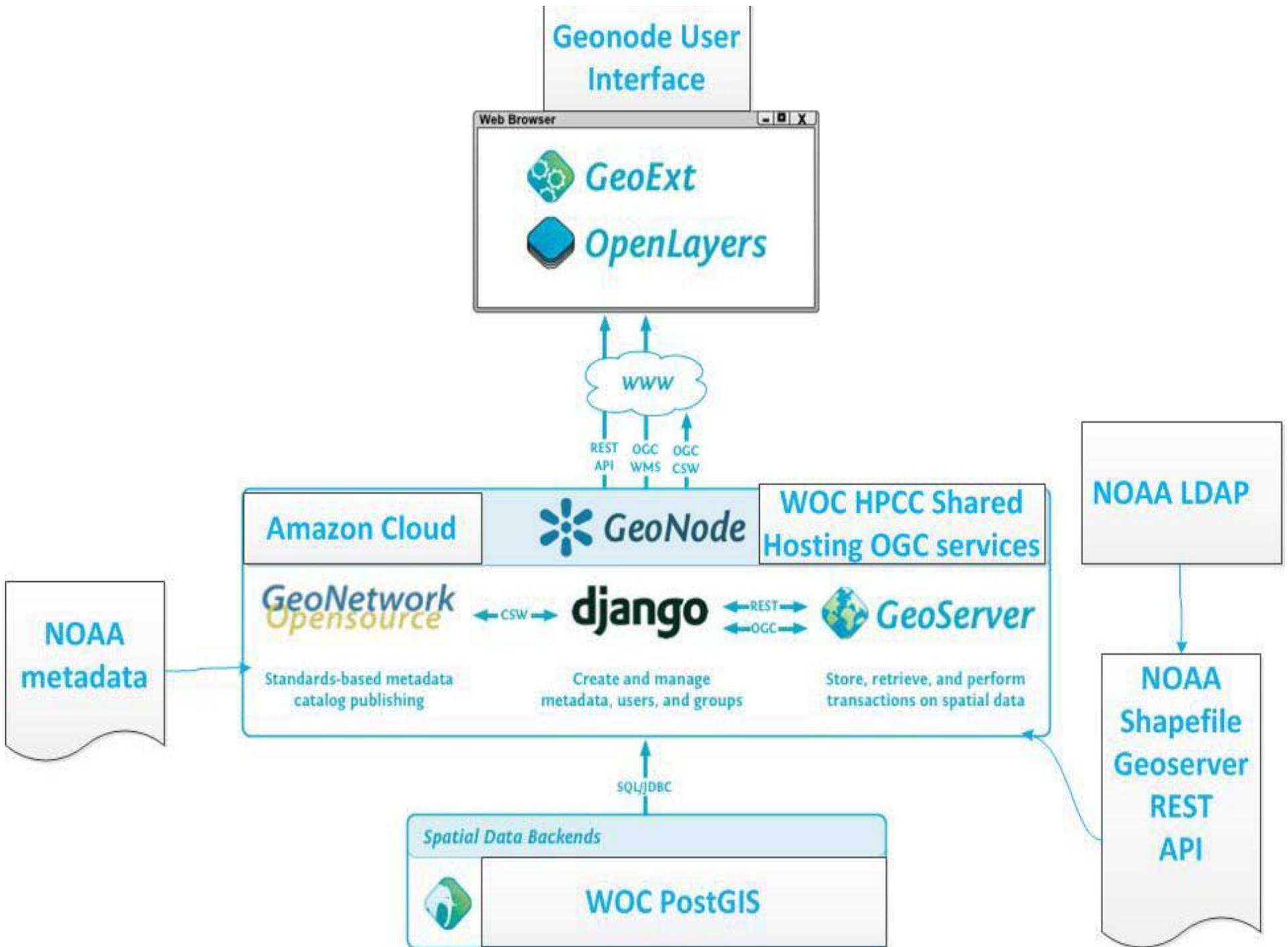


2012 GeoCloud Project: GeoNode

- GeoNode: Open Source SDI solution (geonode.org)
 - Investigate a hybrid approach of NOAA-hosting and cloud hosting to extend capabilities of HPCC pilot project
 - Open Source software: GeoNetwork/GeoNode
 - NOAA (WOC) hosting:
 - serve geospatial data via OGC services
 - GeoCloud hosting:
 - associated service metadata
 - provide front end and CS-W compliant service for user access to metadata and compliance with NOAA metadata catalog

Why a hybrid approach?

- Amazon/AWS can be a cost-effective option for certain use cases
- AWS cost increases based on usage:
 - bandwidth
 - I/O
 - data storage
- For OGC service hosting, optimal solution may be a hybrid where resource intensive data/service hosting is handled internally, while metadata/assoc services are cloud-hosted



Getting NOAA spatial metadata and services into the GeoCloud

