

GISCC Meeting Minutes
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Department of Community Affairs

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Danielle Ayan opened the meeting, distributed 3 GIS promotional materials (11x17” poster for GIS classrooms, Georgia Tech GIS flyer and GISCC flyer for a GIS Champion), and distributed the March minutes for review. Constance Buford requested a correction to the minutes, revising her email address as shown above.

GIS in Practice Showcase

For the first GIS in Practice Showcase, Elaine Hallisey gave a brief presentation on GIS activities at the Department of Human Resources, Division of Public Health. This and future presentations will be posted on the GISCC website at <http://gis.state.ga.us/Coordination/GISCC/giscc.shtml>.

Introductions

LiDAR Video

ITOS has prepared an introductory video on LiDAR. The group viewed a portion of the video, available at <http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=2891533736664888395> and <https://gis1.state.ga.us/index.asp?body=lidar>

State Agency Strategic Plans

Eric McCrae of ITOS and Danielle prepared suggested verbiage for state agencies to include in their Strategic Plans, due May 1st. They have requested that Tom Maier of the Board of Regents sent the text below to individuals preparing Strategic Plans.

Increased support for statewide GIS activities, software licensing, data standards, coordination, creation of a GIO, statewide GIS steering committee formalization and sustainable funding strategy for data distribution amongst agencies.

CAP Grant/GIS Strategic Plan

To obtain input from stakeholders for the Plan, Danielle will schedule five Input Sessions across the state and hopes to have them all completed within the next 2-months. She will hold a pilot session at the upcoming DNR GIS user group meeting on May 6th at the Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center, near Mansfield, GA. For the five Input Sessions, it would be advantageous to dovetail with GIS/IT/County/City events already scheduled. As PI on the grant, Danielle welcomes suggestions.

John Ripma offered marketing help from Idea Integration. Also, GMIS (Government Management Info Sciences) meets next week. He, Chris Chalmers and Keith McFadden offered to push the GISCC initiatives forward (Strategic Planning participation, Call for Executive/Political champion) and determine if other activities will be occurring that can be leveraged with the 5 planned Input Sessions.

Geospatial Liaison Report

Keith McFadden of USGS stated that the Coastal LiDAR initiative is moving forward. Also, the Potato Creek project in the McIntosh Trail RDC has tentative USGS funding for LiDAR. Georgia has received substantial USGS contributions this year toward GIS/RS-related activities.

Clearinghouse

No updates on Clearinghouse funding. However, GTA/BOR and ITOS/CGIS will be meeting this Friday to discuss FY09 standing.

Georgia GIS Maturity Assessment

Danielle presented a draft of the GIS Maturity Assessment, initially referred to as a GIS Score Card. The group spent about 90-minutes reviewing the draft, line-by-line, offering input. Danielle will share the results with the GISCC listserv and post to the GSDI/GISCC website.

Other items

Various agencies provided spatial data to the Homeland Security Infrastructure Program (HSIP). A contracted vendor processed the data (e.g. cleaned data and geocoded points) and has returned “value added” data to DCA. DCA must complete some further processing and then will post the data on <http://www.georgiaplanning.com>. Eventually, the data will be posted to the Clearinghouse.

Danielle suggested everyone review RAMONA (<http://gisinventory.net>), a GIS inventory tool, and that GISCC make RAMONA a focus for next year.