



Meeting Minutes

October 21, 2009

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Call to order: 1:30pm

Introductions

Attendees Present: See sign-in sheet

Attendees Call-in: Natalie Lee, Michael Baker, Caroline Stalschmidt, ESRI

Presentation:

- Dan Stowers, Planning Director “Georgia Online Disaster Awareness Geospatial System” (Common Operating Picture)
 - See presentation
 - Goal: What GEMA is trying to do for state of Georgia, not from a geospatial expert’s perspective
 - Seeking help from GISCC. And, offering to help the GISCC
 - GEMA wants to be coordinator, not expert
 - Offered to help fund backup data for ITOS
 - GEFA funds via imagery stimulus source
 - FEMA did aerial PDA (Preliminary Damage Assessments). GEMA identified for the Governor that an 1100’ area surrounding a 752’ area was creating a flood effect (i.e., a “bowl” was being created)
 - Dan is tasked as of 10.20.09 to establish DSA w/public and private partners to get those datasets into the system
 - Ex: Ken Perry at DNR working on state operations work (fuel tanks covered underwater). However, this has already been done by Rights Express
 - Ex. FL signed an MOU w/Rights Express where FL can access real-time Rights Express data (i.e., card usage along an evacuation route .. see gas stations which are/aren’t utilized)
 - Has buy-in from senior leaders
 - Food for thought: THE issue that showed GEFA the light .. 85% of all fuel in GA comes through pipeline. Remaining comes through port of Savannah. No significant fuel storage capacity any longer. Shutdown for Gustov, never back online for fear of Ike. EPA requires blends to be different .. led to shortage during our most recent disaster. Folks drove into Canton, GA from other states to get fuel & then couldn’t get back. This led to Georgia’s funding request from DOE. 3-year funds. Seeking EMPG funding for future.
 - \$50K requires multi-state exercise by 2011 (4 states). Having GIS folks partake.
 - 90% of all fuel in metro ATL is in gas tanks.
 - Question: What about the Clearinghouse? What about agency’s perspective about outsourcing capabilities? Continuation plan across the administration.
 - GEMA requested GISCC recommendations:
 - D Ayan: Stewardship inventory re: authoritative data sources
 - D Ayan: Human inventory
 - D Ayan: Work more closely w/NSGIC
 - Issues: Open source? Security?
 - Distinction between C’house + VIPER



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- Is VIPER next c'house? .. or, does VIPER feed data from C'house
 - Answer will help determine next steps (if latter, C'house needs more web services, etc.)
- T. Buchanan: Where do we start?
 - D. Stowers: Before Thanksgiving .. have a mtg and data call. 3, 6, 9, 12 month ideas. (R&D: Ripoff & Duplicate)
- **D Ayan: Action Item:** Post Google doc to include
 - existing data dictionary (basemap) that can be built out via GISCC. Give some coherence to C'house.
 - Include data that is needed; leverage FEMA for data needs (i.e., data deficiencies)
 - **Policy Subcommittee: Action Item:** Add list of anticipated questions to 3rd worksheet to Google Doc. Follow with GoTo Meeting for discussion.

Discussion:

- GIS Day, Nov 18
 - F. Howell recommends event at Capital
 - ITOS is organizing w/elementary schools + middle schools
 - Georgia URISA??
 - CDC is having an event, via Elaine Hallisey
 - Motion/Vote: Tech Expo at Capital
 - **Ayan: Action Item:** Send out call to private sector requesting commitment within 2-weeks
 - ?? Leverage private sector
 - **McRae: Action Item:** Secure location/logistics
 - Work w/Georgia URISA Board, if agreeable
 - Include GEMA presentation (Situational Awareness Platform). Who/what was affected by floods?
- Geospatial Governance & Standards
 - Reach out to NSGIC for best practices
 - Review of talking points (see Slideshare)
- D Ayan: 2 things happening .. continuing with ongoing discussion and receiving an open door from GEMA on how the GISCC can add value. Recommend that GISCC focus on the latter between now & Thanksgiving, tying into the existing strategic plan
 - Identify list of questions, that will enable us to make recommendations (some questions above)
- GISCC website is moving to Google collaborative environment so that all members can post
 - Will include calendar, doc sharing, etc.
 - Planned to be in operation before Nov mtg
- Committee Reports:
 - Framework: CAP grants are out. Applications due in Jan. Meet at RC Conference in Nov to discuss Cat 7 CAP grants.
 - Policy: Nothing new to report
 - Education: Absent. In planning phases for upcoming meetings. Supports GIS Day.
 - Outreach: Absent. Nothing new to report.
- ACCG created Policy Platform supporting GIS
- NSGIC update (E. McRae + D. Ayan):
 - Broadband initiative huge! Represents largest amount of funding from Federal govt for mapping activity
 - Heavy discussion re: Social media
 - Materials available via slideshare
- OSM Mapathon



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- Press Releases
- T. Buchanan: Content question? Editing existing TIGER data
- Are they using the most recent data (TIGER?)
- www.openstreetmap.org
- Anyone can participate without going outdoors .. contribute your GIS data
- Other items
 - Georgia URISA Biennial Workshop tomorrow/Friday (LiDAR/ROI)
 - Have AppGeo pres't re: MN success (they've offered)
 - FYI: Census addresses current for every house in the nation, but data can't be released via Title 13
 - Irony: NTIA and Census are sister agencies under Dept of Commerce, but one can't share info w/the other.
 - NSGIC's Advocacy Agenda is working toward modifying Title 13 to make these data available
 - D. Ayan: Suggestion: GISCC setup Twitter account + slideshare
 - F. Howell: County amortizing the value of GIS data
 - Georgia First Amendment contacted F. Howell. Looking at Georgia as next stop

Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes.

Adjourned at 3:35pm.