

# Geographic Information Council Meeting

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# Welcome and Opening Remarks

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# SC Coordination Activities Report

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# Activity Report

- One year summary
- Annual report available
- Status of current activities
- Direction for the coming year



# Summary: Met Agencies

- Initial interviews and meetings provided a basic outline of activities and highlighted some needs
- Learned
  - Almost every agency would benefit from parcel information
  - Several layers of information needed by an agency were already built by another agency
  - The MOA is a great vehicle for data sharing and represents top-down support in an agency



# Summary: Data Inventory

- Data inventory listings developed
- (Most) included with the annual report
  - Very small portion of the data not for general use
- Additional data sharing – fire stations, annexations, etc.
- Increases efficiency and saves money – removes duplication of effort



# Summary: Publish Website

- Website is online – <http://gis.sc.gov>
- Facilitates communication / transparency
- Provides access to data downloads
- Project information, statewide contacts (GIC organizations and counties – cities and other organizations are to be added)
- Website is a continually changing and improving document



# Summary: MySCMap

- <http://myscmap.sc.gov>
- Connected with main website
- Provides viewer option for data from multiple agencies simultaneously
- Utilizes web services
- Join project involving USGS liaison, local and state organizations
- State Coordinator named primary contact



# Summary: Web Services

- Can provide continuously updated data to the user
- Can be used in a web browser, in desktop GIS applications, server applications, “non-GIS” applications, MySCMap, etc.
- Would benefit state organizations without a GIS operation (DOR, DSS, DOE, etc.)
- Several organizations have published services – more need to



# Summary: Emergency Layers

- Goal was to identify important layers
- John Knight provided listing (airports, fire stations, ports, etc.)
- Data layers made available where known
- Additional data discovery in process
- GAASC's CAP Grant
- GAASC's fall conference has an emergency response focus track



# Summary: Grow the Council

- Goal to identify and approach additional organizations that would benefit from participation in the GIC
- Orgs included EMD, DPS, SLED, Dept. of Education, Archives, Clemson, College of Charleston, etc.
- This activity would benefit from Executive to Executive interactions



# Summary: Grow the Council

- EMD – Ron Osborne (Director)
  - Amanda Loach looking to FEMA for funding
- SLED – Rodger Owens (Captain)
  - Currently looking to fill GIS Manager role
- DPS – Barry Langley (CIO)
  - New Director recently sworn in



# Summary: Local Government

- Goal to develop and maintain relationships with local government
- Attended / spoke at many user group meetings
- Local area visit to low country (state/local)
- Involvement with GAASC – meetings, data survey, CAP Grant, etc.



# Summary: Local Government

- Successful CAP Grant bid – build relationships / remove barriers with locals
- Joint State Mapping Advisory Committee (SMAC) / GIC technical committee – July
- Local/state data improvement program – DHEC and City of Greenville



# More GIC Benefits

- E911 Centerline Data Improvement Project
- State point of contact for GIS
- Greater communication for GIC partners
- Probation and Parole Sex Offender Study
- Minimum GIS Surveyor Standards
- State contract for ESRI software



# GIC Annual Report

- Now available to GIC partner organizations for review
- Upon conclusion of review, annual report will be posted on the GIC website for public consumption



# Status: Current Projects

- CAP Grant – RFP closed, vendor selection
  - Completing stakeholder list, hold outreach sessions, developing report, finalize grant
- Data inventory – continuing to update listing
- Website – continually updating – new content always welcome



# Moving Forward: Next Year

- Discussion ideas already provided:
  - Representation of local government with GIC
  - Legislation – funding the GIC, GIS needs
  - Standards development
  - Services – focus on GIC orgs publishing
  - Inventory – data stewardship, comprehensive listing, where to list (RAMONA, etc.)
- Other discussion ideas?



# GIS Activity Around the Country

Dave Cowen  
USC



# SC Statewide LiDAR Project Status Report

Gary Merrill / Jim Scurry  
USGS / SC DNR



# Host Agency GIS Presentation:

Jeannie Eidson and Becky Wilkerson  
DHEC



# Other Business

Doug Calvert  
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