

Geographic Information Council

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Update



Develop a Vision

- Complete – included in the strategic planning document
 - *“Lead the nation in collaboration and utilization of geospatial resources which achieve statewide goals to positively impact the lives of South Carolinians.”*



Publish Web Services

- Holding pattern
- Some services are available
- Tech Committee discussion
- Economy/budget versus maintenance and ongoing programs



Building GIS Inventory

- Ongoing process
- Current activity includes structures grant to build/maintain structures layers – medical facilities, fire stations, etc.
- Developed by Gary Merrill, DHEC, and will provide some funding to DHEC and Forestry Commission



GPS Standard for Data Collection

- Nearing completion
- Method / Tier
- Spearheaded by DHEC
- Feedback / involvement from state agencies and several local government organizations
- Assistance from Geodetic Survey
- Will feed into the statewide geocoding service



GIS Funding Legislation

- Complete
- Information was collected and classified for funding related to homeland security, E911, etc.
- This information has been shared



Emergency Contact List

- Horry County fires illustrated need for additional communication means
- Everyone has office phone, but additional numbers may not be known
- Technical Committee now has multiple phone numbers for contacting each other, depending on what was provided



Stimulus Broadband Activity

- Large federal grants were available
- Received continual stream of info from NSGIC
- Governor's Office taking the lead
- We have been asked for information on data, etc.
- What level of support do we want to provide?



Data Agreements

- Goal: develop a single data agreement that GIC agencies can use
- Purpose: to address need of several counties that *must* have a data agreement in place, without needing each agency to sign every time a new set of data is required



Data Agreements

- Technical Committee discussed at the last meeting
- Using the NSDI data agreement as a starting point for edits/changes
- Suggest running the agreement past DNR legal as “first pass” prior to presenting it to the Council for approval



E911 Street Centerlines

- New, updated version currently available



Strategic Plan Action Items

- Pilot projects
- GIS talking points
- GIS marketing and communications plan
- GIS case study



Pilot Projects

- Statewide aerial image server – available for internal testing for BCB, waiting on reverse proxy for GIC
- Parcels – recommend focus shift to parcel points, still acquire parcels where possible
- Statewide geocoding service – internal testing for DHEC



Pilot Projects (cont.)

- Address points – nearly complete for existing points
- Routable street centerlines for emergency response, etc. – DOT has Lexington roads and agreement in place (moving forward)



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Moving Forward – Suggested
Continuing Activity



Pilot Projects

- GIC test aerial photo server when available
- Suggest focus on parcel points for willing participants
- Address points – continue to collect/update for areas as they become available
- Routable street centerlines – assist DOT where possible and as necessary



Web Services / Server

- DHEC offered to provide Coordinator opportunity to use their web servers
- Access is currently being set up
- This will allow for the creation of GIS services that can be shared out to the Council and beyond, if desired



GPS State Term Contract

- Call went out to Technical Committee
- Sufficient interest exists to develop contract
- Contacted by ITMO for feedback / involvement in specs
- This is just starting



Moving Forward - Other Items

- Data agreement development
- Work on GPS specs for state contract
- Make agencies aware of the GIC
- Develop/maintain relationships with local government organizations



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LiDAR Update

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New Business
Doug Calvert

