



Cooperation, Coordination, Sharing Geographic Data

TO: Policy Board

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SUBJECT: Information Sharing

DATE: June 4, 2010
(For the Jun 17th meeting)

Announcements and information provided by individuals other than the Staff Coordinator are so noted.

A) NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (NGAC): JUNE 22-23 MEETING

The preliminary agenda for the June 22-23 meeting is attached. When the final is available, it will be posted at <http://www.fgdc.gov/ngac/meetings/june-2010/index.html>. The meeting is expected to be devoted to refining the scope/meaning of a national geospatial platform.

B) MN STATEWIDE GEOSPATIAL ADVISORY COUNCIL: JUNE 30 MEETING

The preliminary was not available at the time of this writing.

C) METRO AND STATE GEOSPATIAL INITIATIVES UPDATE

1) County GIS Planning/Interactive Mapping (Parks Planning)

A meeting was held on June 2 at which agreement was reached on standards for a trails mapping application to serve the metro area. Vice Chairperson Henschel hosted the meeting. If a meeting summary is created, permission will be requested to pass it along to the Committee for information.

2) Pro-West Newsletter Launched

Pro-West has launched a new quarterly newsletter to keep you up-to-date with Pro-West activities and technical news. They hope that readers will find their quarterly newsletters informative and timely. Please click on http://www.prowestgis.com/PWA_Pulse_Spring2010.pdf to view the first issue.

D) NATIONAL/FEDERAL GEOSPATIAL INITIATIVES UPDATE

1) National Address Standard. A national standard has been posted at

<http://www.urisa.org/about/initiatives/addressstandard>. The Address Workgroup reviewed MetroGIS's preliminary address specifications against these proposed national specifications and submitted comments. Mark Kotz, is the contact for further information.

2) URISA National Conference in October – Timely Themes

- **Value of GIS** – The value of GIS can theoretically be quantified in terms of Return on Investment (ROI), but the methodology for determining ROI for GIS has not been standardized. Sessions in this theme include information on measured return on investment (as opposed to estimated cost/benefit analysis performed prior to implementation); various methods for funding and justifying funding for GIS implementation; and ways to articulate the financial/liability, economic, social or environmental impact of GIS for a jurisdiction, region or organization.
- **One Government** – This concept is about multiple jurisdictions and overlapping levels of government (federal, state/provincial, regional, local) acting collaboratively. Sessions include data sharing challenges and approaches; standardization and integration of data, applications and services; collaboration and communication that leads to a "one government" approach, and activities that promote government transparency and accountability

- 3) **Scholarly Peer-Reviewed [Article](#)** entitled “NSDI Building Blocks: Regional GIS in the United States”.
- 4) **NSGIC Speaks: Practical Measures to Make Data Sharing Happen.** On February 9th, Linda Wayne released the [results of a survey](#) she conducted Data Sharing Issues: What Works and What Doesn't
- 5) **Paper Published: [Web 2.0 And Homeland Security: Ending The Fragmentation Of The Practitioner Community](#)**
- 6) **British Ordnance Survey maps to go free online.** For more information, see <http://www.guardian.co.uk/technology/2009/nov/17/ordnance-survey-maps-online>

E) PRESENTATIONS / OUTREACH / STUDIES (*not mentioned elsewhere*)

1) **Articles / Presentations**

- Article submitted for spring issue of Mn GISLIS newsletter by Mark Kotz, Chair of the Address Workgroup - MetroGIS Address Point Dataset Specifications Finalized..

2) **Publications: - none**

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Tuesday, June 22, 2010 NGAC Public Meeting

- 8:30 – 8:45** **Welcome & Opening** – *Anne Miglarese (Chair) & Steve Wallach (Vice Chair)*
- Roll call/introductions
 - Review and adoption of minutes from March NGAC meeting
 - Objectives and purpose of this meeting
 - Quick Introductions
 - Announcements/logistics
- 8:45 – 10:15** **Geospatial Platform Briefing & Status of Initiative** – *FGDC Executive Committee Members*
Objective: Provide a status update on FGDC activities in support of the Geospatial Platform.
- Overview of Status – Tony LaVoi
 - Working Group Reports – Geo Platform Champions & Co-Chairs
 - Whole Group Discussion
- 10:15 – 10:45** **BREAK**
- 10:45 – 12:00** **Geospatial Platform: NGAC Feedback** – *Jerry Johnston*
Objective: Provide actionable recommendations and improvements to the Geospatial Roadmap to be submitted to OMB on June 30, 2010.
- Summary of NGAC Response
 - Emerging Technologies Subcommittee Response & Recommendations
 - Governance Subcommittee Response & Recommendations
 - Platform Subcommittee Summary of NGAC Member Responses
 - Whole Group Discussion
- Objective: Identify longer-term enhancements and issues that need to be addressed in the development of the Geospatial Platform.
- 12:00 – 1:30** **LUNCH & Subcommittee Meetings** – The Commons
- 1:30 – 2:30** **Geospatial Platform – Critical Issues Discussion**
- 2:30 – 3:15** **Subcommittee Project Plans & Updates**
Objective: Review Subcommittee Project Plans for CY 2010
1. Broadband – *Bob Austin*
 2. Partnerships – *Barney Krucoff/Gene Schiller*
- 3:15 – 3:45** **BREAK**
- 3:45 – 4:30** **Subcommittee Project Plans & Updates**
3. Geospatial Workforce – *Sean Ahearn/Dave DiSera*
 4. The National Map – *Allen Carroll*
- 4:30 – 5:00** **Lightning Sessions 1 (5 minutes per speaker)**
- 5:00** **Day 1 Wrap-up/Planning for Day 2**
- 5:30** **ADJOURN**

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Wednesday, June 23, 2010 NGAC Public Meeting

- 8:30 – 8:45** **Welcome, Summary of Day 1, Overview of Agenda – Chair/Vice-Chair**
- Logistics and announcements
- 8:45 – 9:15** **FGDC Report – Karen Siderelis/Ivan DeLoatch**
- Update on FGDC activities
- 9:15 – 10:00** **Subcommittee Project Plans & Updates**
- 5. Emerging Technologies – *Kim Nelson/Xavier Lopez*
 - 6. Governance – *Dennis Goreham/David Schell*
- 10:00 – 10:30** **BREAK**
- 10:30 – 11:15** **Subcommittee Project Plans & Updates**
- 7. Geospatial Platform – *Jerry Johnston*
 - 8. Communications – *Kass Green*
- 11:15 – 11:45** **Public Comment Period**
- 11:45 – 12:00** **Lightning Session 2 (5 minutes per speaker)**
- 12:00 – 1:30** **LUNCH & Subcommittee Meetings**
- 1:30 – 2:30** **Geospatial Platform: Recommendations – Anne Miglarese & Jerry Johnston**
- Objective: Agree in principle on initial recommendations to FGDC to improve and enhance the Modernization Roadmap for the Geospatial Platform.
- 2:30 – 2:45** **BREAK**
- 2:45 – 3:30** **Outreach and Communications Strategy – Stephen Lowe & Kass Green**
- Objective: Recommend actions and activities to enhance the Outreach and Communications Strategy for the Geospatial Platform.
- 3:30 – 4:00** **Meeting Summary/Wrap-up – Chair/Vice-Chair/Committee**
- Actions & next steps
 - Agenda items for next meeting
 - Announcements
- 4:00** **ADJOURN**

Protocol for Public Comments:

Opportunity for public comment will be provided at the meeting. Members of the public who would like to make comments to the Committee should register prior to the meeting. Comments will be taken at the designated time on the agenda. Comments may need to be held to 3 minutes, depending on the number of parties who request time to comment. If time does not allow for all comments, then members of the public will be asked to submit their comments in writing to FGDC staff. All comments will be made part of the public record and will be distributed to all Committee members after the meeting.