

Idaho Geospatial Council – Executive Committee

Subcommittee of the Idaho Technology Authority (ITA)

Meeting Minutes: July 21, 2016

(Approved September 15, 2016)

The July 21, 2016 meeting of the Idaho Geospatial Council – Executive Committee was held at 9:30 am in the East Conference Room, Joe R. Williams Building, 700 W. State St., Boise, Idaho.

ATTENDANCE

Members/Alternate(s) Present:

Pam Bond, Dept. of Fish & Game (Chair)
Bill Farnsworth, Office of the CIO
Brian Liberty, Idaho Power
Tom Carlson, USGS
Wilma Robertson, Dept. of Water Resources
Stephen Cox, Dept. of Agriculture
Laurie Ames, Nez Perce Tribe (phone)
Dennis Hill, City of Pocatello (phone)
Keith Weber, ISU GIS Center (phone)
Donna Phillips, City of Hayden (phone)
Bruce Godfrey, U of I (phone)
Rick Campbell, US Census Bureau (phone)

Members Absent:

Jared Stein, Bannock County Assessor
Stewart Ward, Dioptra Geomatics
Dawn Dionne, TerraMapping LLC
Jerry Korol, NRCS

Others Present:

Erin Seaman, Office of the CIO
Angela VanderPas, City of Lewiston (phone)
Michael Shillenn, Quantum Spatial (phone)

WELCOME

Ms. Bond, chair, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Welcome and introductions were made.

MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Farnsworth moved and Ms. Robertson seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2016 Meeting, as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

USGS / 3DEP UPDATE

Mr. Carlson gave updates on the 3D Elevation Program (3DEP), The National Map (TNM), and TNM templates, as well as US Topo and Historic Quadrangles. Highlights included:

- An overview of the TNM website: <http://nationalmap.gov/>
- Recently funded 3DEP projects in the northwest, including Idaho; how the 3DEP process (including funding) works; vertical accuracy of the various quality levels
- Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) for the 3DEP program
- An overview of the TNM templates, which can be downloaded and do connect to the TNM and the TNM datasets, as well as future products being developed
- US Topo quadrangle topographic maps, which can be downloaded as GeoPDFs, and are geared towards the non-GIS user; and historic quadrangles, which can provide a detailed view of changes over time to an area. There are over 200,000 historic quad maps which have been scanned, with more being added all the time.
- Review of the current USGS National Map liaison network and state points of contact

Discussion followed, and Michael Shillenn briefly explained how Quantum Spatial, the contractor hired to fly the Nez Perce LiDAR project, does their final flight planning. Mr. Shillenn noted that they try to maximize acquisitions to the extent that they are able to under their contractual obligations to USGS. Mr. Weber commented that all the LiDAR collection and imagery resulting from those collections goes into the Idaho LiDAR Consortium and are coordinated so that areas are not flown twice.

ITA REPORT

Ms. Bond reported on the ITA meeting which was held on June 30, 2016:

- ITA Policy [P2060](#) (Least Privilege and Least Functionality) was approved, which mandates that state employees have only the minimum technology accesses and privileges they need to have to perform their job functions. This is designed to minimize vulnerabilities to state agencies' information and information assets.
- A report was given on the results of a survey of current cybersecurity training and awareness programs at the public higher education institutions in Idaho.
- An update on Cyber Liability Insurance was presented: Risk Management has collected applications from all but a few of the smaller state agencies. Coverage will be automatic for those agencies covered by Risk Management beginning in FY2018, without exclusion.
- The committee discussed experiences and lessons learned by agencies that have moved to the cloud for the benefit of agencies considering moving to the cloud. A working group will be formed to discuss operating constraints and desirable business outcomes.
- An ITLC subcommittee update was presented by Michael Farley, ITLC chair. He briefly reported on the upcoming state technology strategic planning session and updated the committee on progress being made on the IT job classification updates.

Mr. Farnsworth noted that cybersecurity will remain a focus of the ITA, and there will likely be new and/or revised cybersecurity policies presented for approval at upcoming meetings for the foreseeable future. He noted that since the GIS community uses a lot of cloud services, he will monitor new and revised policies and standards for any compliance issues that may impact the GIS community.

STATE GIS STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW COMMITTEE UPDATE

Ms. Bond reported that a survey has been sent out seeking input on the goals and priorities for GIS in Idaho. Responses are due by August 1 and will be incorporated into the draft, which will then be circulated for a final review, and is expected to be ready to present at the fall meeting. Thirty-two responses have been received, and it was agreed that Ms. Seaman would send the survey out again to the GIS listservs for those who may have missed it. Once the updated strategic plan is finalized, it should provide direction and focus to the GIS community in Idaho.

CONTROL POINT STANDARD – DISCUSSION

Mr. Weber reported that additional comments have been received since the Control Point Standard was discussed at the IGC Spring meeting on June 14. Input from the comments received were incorporated into the draft. It was agreed that the standard was ready to be formally approved at the next meeting.

MOTION: Mr. Farnsworth moved and Ms. Phillips seconded a motion to add the Control Point Standard to the agenda as an action item for approval, for the September 15, 2016 Meeting; the motion passed unanimously.

ESRI USERS' CONFERENCE – REPORT

Mr. Farnsworth reported on the Esri Users' Conference which was held in June in San Diego:

- Beginning in August, Esri's online training will be free. There will still be a charge for "in person/instructor-led" training.
- Esri and DigitalGlobe have expanded their relationship, which should result in an improvement in the imagery that's available.
- Esri marked the launch of Drone2Map for ArcGIS, which is a desktop application that turns drone-captured still imagery into professional 2D and 3D imagery products.

OTHER BUSINESS

PLANNING FOR 2016 IGC FALL MEETING – Mr. Godfrey reported that the 2016 Fall IGC meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, November 1st. Betty Conces and Joe Johns have secured the location for the meeting, which will be held in Coeur d’Alene at the Kootenai County Administration Building. More details will follow as they become available.

PLANNING FOR 2017 IGC SPRING MEETING – Ms. Bond led a planning discussion for the 2017 Spring IGC meeting. The possibility of scheduling the meeting to coincide with the Northern Rockies Chapter URISA 2017 Intermountain GIS Conference in West Yellowstone in April was discussed. It was also suggested that a future meeting could be held in conjunction with the Southwest Idaho GIS Users Group (SWIG). Ms. Bond is seeking volunteers to help coordinate these meetings, and anyone interested may contact her. She has also spoken with Eric Buehler at the Farm Service Agency, who has a lot of experience coordinating meetings and has been a good resource.

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 am (Mountain). The next meeting was scheduled for September 15, 2016 in the East Conference Room, Joe R. Williams (JRW) Building, 700 W. State St., Boise, Idaho.

Respectfully submitted,



Erin Seaman, Office of the CIO