

NEBRASKA GIS STEERING COMMITTEE

Thursday, January 4, 2007, 1:00 p.m.
Main Auditorium, Nebraska Department of Roads
1500 Nebraska Hwy 2, Lincoln, Nebraska

PROPOSED MINUTES

MEETING AGENDA

Roll Call Present (authorized to vote *)

Steve Henderson	*	Chair, Office of the CIO
Steve Cobb	*	State Surveyor's Office
John Erickson	*	Policy Research
Ray Fox	*	USGS
Jim Langtry	*	Lancaster County Engineers Office
Josh Lear	*	Dept. of Natural Resources
John Miyoshi	*	Lower Platte North NRD
Jon Ogden	*	Dept. of Roads
Sudhir Ponnapan	*	Game and Parks Commission
Mike Schonlau	*	Omaha/Douglas County
Duane Stott	*	Scotts Bluff County Surveyor
Paul Yamamoto	*	Environmental Quality
Milda Vaitkus	*	CSD

Others

Larry Zink GIS Steering Committee Coordinator
Lori Lopez Urdiales, Office of the CIO

ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTION OF AUDIENCE ATTENDEES

Steve Henderson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Eleven members were present at the time of roll call. A quorum existed to conduct official business. Open meetings law is posted (twice).

PUBLIC MEETINGS REGULATIONS AND POSTING OF THE SAME

It was noted that the public meetings regulations were posted and available for meeting attendees, as required by state statute.

INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT FROM ATTENDEES

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 11/1/06 MEETING

Mr. Fox moved to approve the minutes from the November 1, 2006 meeting as presented. Mr. Yamamoto seconded. No corrections were offered and a roll call of the members present passed the motion unanimously.

IMAGERY INITIATIVES

[Nebraska-Iowa Regional Orthoimagery Consortium \(NI-ROC\) 2007](#)

The Metropolitan Area Planning Agency (MAPA) Board will have its meeting the later part of January. The contract is in the final negotiations stages. It is anticipated to have a contract in place after the January meeting. The NI-ROC aerial photography project core area includes the counties of Dodge, Saunders, Lancaster, Washington, Cass, Douglas, Mills, Sarpy, and Pottawattamie. Other areas include Madison, Buffalo, Adams counties and City of Grand Island, Kearney, Norfolk, and Columbus. Nebraska City has been added.

Mr. Mioshi arrived to the meeting.

[Surdex Offer of 2006 1-meter Imagery](#): The State of Nebraska's cost for Surdex Corporation to deliver the entire State of Nebraska at 1m resolution is \$50,000. Rather than follow the procurement RFP process, a Request to Bid has been proposed. This process is utilized by counties. The delivery timeframe is sometime in March. Mr. Henderson will be speaking with the CIO regarding a financial contribution. Mr. Fox will assist Mr. Zink with the development of the Request to Bid. The group will need to discuss operational and hosting issues.

Mr. Schonlau arrived to the meeting.

GIS-RELATED SHARED SERVICES ACTION ITEMS IN THE NITC STATEWIDE TECHNOLOGY PLAN

[Internet Mapping Services](#): Mr. Zink reported that not much progress has occurred since last meeting. The group has met and discussed what they'd like to see happen, as well as what resources are available. The Office of the CIO was mentioned as a possible resource. The group will be meeting on January 22nd to discuss a pilot project.

[Report on Street Centerline Address Work \(NDOR, NPSC, State Patrol\)](#): Investments are planned or currently being made in this data by the Public Service Commission, the State Patrol, and the Dept. of Roads. This is a short-term solution. There will need to further discussion regarding a sustainable enterprise effort for the state to develop and maintain this dataset, which may entail the development of another RFP. The State Patrol has purchased a dispatch system and is contracting with GIS Workshop (thru the Office of the CIO) for collection/integration of existing data from cities and counties. An sustained enterprise approach would require another RFP. Steve Henderson asked members to give consideration as to how this might be funded, if a contractual arrangement for this work was developed through the Office of the CIO.

[Metadata and Geospatial Data Catalogue Campaign](#) -- MAGIC Metadata Triage Proposal: The metadata standard was approved by the NITC. One metadata training session was held last year in Lincoln. MAGIC would like to do regional training sessions in each of the states. Those trained would go back and train others within their state. Donna Fleming, University of Nebraska-Lincoln Libraries, would like to assist. Mr. Langtry stated that MAGIC is applying for the train the trainer grant and it will not cost the state any dollars. Mr. Zink indicated that if the grant was funded, he has made the commitment to assist Ms. Fleming and others in this metadata training project.

Mr. Fox moved that the GIS Steering Committee support the MAGIC training grant application to FGDC. Mr. Langtry seconded. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

2006 ANNUAL REPORT AND STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE REVIEW

Mr. Zink briefly reviewed the 2006 report. For the 2007, a new format will be developed.

Members suggested to include NSDI support and that the NDNR hydrography information needs to include reference for continuing support for maintenance.

Members were encouraged to send any additional comments and changes to Mr. Zink. Report will be submitted in a couple of weeks.

Mr. Ogden moved to approve the report as presented with any editorial discretion to be sent to Mr. Zink by the 19th. Mr. Miyoshi seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

FGDC CAP PLANNING GRANT

Grants up to \$50,000 are available. After discussion, rather than submit a grant proposal it was recommended that Mr. Zink work with the committee to develop a strategic plan for this upcoming year and will utilize the template. The 2006 annual report has a lot that can be used in developing a strategic plan. Members were asked to provide feedback. If members are willing to provide content, the Office of the CIO can bring resources to assist in developing the strategic plan. ([FGDC/NSGIC Strategic Planning Template](#))

SYMPOSIUM CO-SPONSORSHIP/EXHIBITOR BOOTH

Mr. Zink posed the question of what type of sponsorship the GIS Steering Committee would like to contribute to the symposium. Discussion followed.

Mr. Ogden moved that the GIS Steering Committee be a Basic Sponsor (\$350) of the Symposium and have an exhibitor's booth (\$400). Mr. Yamamoto seconded. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

HSIP (HOMELAND SECURITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM) UPDATE PROPOSAL

HSIP Enhancement Proposal Overview

NGA (National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency) Credential Letter

NEMA and HHSS have been contacted regarding the proposal. No feedback has been received as of yet. NEMA has been involved with the recent central Nebraska storm recovery. NEMA has sent a sample letter that the GIS Steering Committee could use to encourage cities to participate. Mr. Fox stated that USGC is very interested in this endeavor. Following is an excerpt of correspondence sent from Cheryl Lemon, Quality Control Specialist, TechniGraphicS:

"This is how the program works:

- State provides existing data. This data does not have to be geospatial, a list will suffice. For any given layer, it is highly likely that some agency within your state has an authoritative list for that layer.
- State sends letter (fax, email or conf. call can also work) to relevant officials (e.g. fire chiefs) letting them know about program and asking them to cooperate. Letter should give state level poc for officials to call if they have questions about the legitimacy of the program.
- TGS improves data. Most improvements are done by telephoning local officials to verify the name, address, phone number, and geospatial location of their facilities. Geospatial location is determined by asking the local official to describe their location relative to landmarks visible in ortho imagery.
- TGS incorporates improved state data into "License Free HSIP" and makes it available to the states.
- TGS incorporates improved state data into HSIP and delivers to NGA.

- State considers sharing the improved data with the USGS. There is no monetary cost to the state. The state's contribution is existing data and coordination with local officials (through a letter, fax or email)."

Mr. Erickson moved that the GIS Steering Committee submit a letter acknowledging the GIS Steering Committee's participation in the TGS project, subject to further conversations with NEMA and HHSS and resolving any concerns they might have in this regard. Ms. Vaitkus seconded. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

LIDAR UPDATE

There is interest for Nebraska to participate. Mr. Zink will follow-up with other contributors and will report to the GIS Steering Committee for further action.

OTHER POTENTIAL USGS FUNDING

Mr. Fox reported that they have a new contract of \$5 million dollars. The agency would like to spend some monies in Nebraska. Members were asked to send him suggestions.

REPORT ON GIS ACTIVITIES FROM MEMBER AGENCIES

The web site is up for the symposium www.symposium2007.org.

Members were given an opportunity to provide agency reports.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mr. Henderson adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Meeting minutes were taken by Lori Lopez Urdiales and reviewed by Larry Zink of the Office of the CIO.

Vote Tallies for January 4, 2007, GIS Str. Cmte. Meeting

	Roll Call	#1 Nov '06 Minutes	#2 MAGIC Trng	#3 Annual Report	#4 GIS Symp. Spnship	#5 TGS Prj Partic.	#6	#7	#8
DAS - Steve Henderson	P	U	U	U	U	U	.	.	.
DEQ - Tom Lamberson, Paul Yamamoto (Mike Linder)	P	n	n	n	n	n	.	.	.
CSD - Mark Kuzila, Les Howard, Milda Vaitkus	P	a	a	a	a	a	.	.	.
NGPC - Bruce Sackett, Sudhir Ponnapan (Rex Amack)	P	n	n	n	n	n	.	.	.
NRC - Kim Menke , Rex Gittins (Ann Bleed) Josh Lear	P	i	i	i	i	i	.	.	.
PRO - John Erickson (Lauren Hill)	P	m	m	m	m	m	.	.	.
PTD - Cathy Lang , Bob Martin, Rob Christian	A	o	o	o	o	o	.	.	.
DOR - Jon Ogden , Steve Brown (John Craig)	P	u	u	u	u	u	.	.	.
St.Surv - Steve Cobb , John Beran	P	s	s	s	s	s	.	.	.
Clk of Leg. - Patrick O'Donnell	A	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Ray Fox - Federal	P	V	V	V	V	V	.	.	.
John Miyoshi , Chris Poole (NARD)	P	o	o	o	o	o	.	.	.
Mark Brugger - Public Power	A	t	t	t	t	t	.	.	.
Larry Seifert - NACO	A	e	e	e	e	e	.	.	.
Larry Worrell , Jim Langtry	P	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Lash Chaffin - Municipalities	P	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Duane Stott - At Large	A	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Mike Schonlau	A	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Chris Chalmers - HHSS	P	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TOTALS	13	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.

"P"=present, "A"=absent, "+"=voting for, "-"=voting against, "NV"=not voting