

## **GIS COUNCIL**

Wednesday, January 13, 2010, 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
Nebraska Dept. of Roads- Main Auditorium  
1500 Nebraska Hwy 2  
Lincoln, Nebraska

### **PROPOSED MINUTES**

#### **ROLL CALL PRESENT (authorized to vote\*):**

John Beran	*	State Surveyors Office
Rose Braun	*	Department of Roads
Chad Boshart	*	Nebr Emergency Management Agency
Tim Cielocha	*	Public Power
Steve Henderson	*	Office of the CIO
Les Howard	*	Conservation and Soil Division
Mike Hybl	*	Public Service Commission
Jim Langtry	*	USGS – Federal Agency Representative
Josh Lear	*	Natural Resources Council
Jeff McReynolds	*	City of Lincoln/Lancaster County
John Miyoshi	*	Lower Platte North NRD – NRD Representative
Paul Mullen	*	Metropolitan Area Planning Agency
Sudhir Ponnapan	*	Nebraska Game and Parks Commission
Mike Schonlau	*	Douglas County/Omaha – At Large Rep
Paul Yamamoto	*	Nebraska Dept. of Environmental Quality

#### ***Others Present:***

Larry Zink, GIS Council Coordinator; Lori Lopez Urdiales, Office of the CIO; and Dan Pfiffer, NebraskaMAP Project

#### **ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTION OF AUDIENCE ATTENDEES**

Co-Chair, Jeff Reynolds, called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken. A quorum existed to conduct official business.

#### **PUBLIC MEETINGS REGULATIONS AND POSTING OF THE SAME**

Meeting notice posted to the [Nebraska Public Meeting Calendar](#) on 11-30-2009 and agenda posted on GIS Council website 1-7-2010. The Open Meeting Act was located in the back of the room.

#### **INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT FROM ATTENDEES**

There was no public comment.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 11/18/09 MEETING**

Mr. Mullen moved approval of the [minutes from 11/18/09 meeting](#). Mr. Miyoshi seconded.

#### **[AERIAL IMAGERY INITIATIVE UPDATES](#)**

*Update on NIROC - II.* It is the project's intent to have the contract approved with Pixxures, Inc. completed by end of the month. The scope of service and products is ninety-five percent (95%) complete. The project is waiting on final comments on the Pixxures and various aspects of the scope of work. The last portion to finalize is the non-core areas. The status is uncertain. The project is fairly sure that the board will approve without all the signed agreements. The non core agreements have not been sent out yet.

Mr. Hybl arrived.

*2009 FSA, 1-meter, Leaf-on Imagery.* Mr. Langtry distributed a map indicating the current status of the 2009 FSA 1-meter imagery. QA/QC processes are currently underway and delivery to Nebraska is expected sometime in March.

## **LIDAR UPDATE**

*Rainwater Basin Plus Initiative, Jim Lantry.* The water basin data has been delivered. The Department of Natural Resources will be uploading raw data.

*Statewide LiDAR Strategic Planning.* Mr. Zink spoke with Doug Hallum, NDNR, about the LIDAR Strategic Planning draft. It is still in development and will hopefully be available for the next meeting.

## **NEBRASKAMAP - A GEOSPATIAL DATA SHARING AND WEB SERVICES NETWORK**

Mr. Pfeffer of the NebraskaMAP project provided a demonstration of the geospatial portion of the portal. The project's goal was to provide a one-stop-shop for metadata. Mr. Pfeffer entertained questions from the council members as he proceeded with the demonstration. The website has contact information if more information is needed. Training opportunities will be provided regarding how to access and use the website. More information on training will be available at the next meeting.

Chair Mike Schonlau arrived and presided over the rest of meeting.

The question was raised regarding future plans to incorporate other data for example aerial imagery and rest to end point. Before this can occur, there are issues that need to be addressed and agreed upon such as funding, maintenance, software licensing and where data will be housed.

Further discussion followed regarding funding, funding sources and the need to inform them of the return of investment and economic savings, marketing plan, and staffing needs to maintain the project and data. The Office of the CIO is not funded by general funds so the funding and money issue would need to be addressed. We need to market this (the CIO, legislators and agency heads) with very common vocabulary that everyone can understand,

Mr. Zink informed the members that the GIS Council will be providing a presentation with State Records Board. The OCIO have held recent discussions regarding staffing this position and support.

Mr. Henderson suggested the GIS Council Co-chairs meet with the CIO, the NITC and the State Government Council to begin discussions to begin formulating a plan of approach. Mr. Henderson volunteered to be the liaison to organize these meetings.

After discussion further discussion, the Council decided to establish a small work group to begin with and then expand. Suggested members included Mike Schonlau, Jeff McReynolds, and representatives from NEMA, Department of Roads, Department of Natural Resources, Game and Parks Commission and the Public Service Commission.

The Public Service Commission, and Douglas, Lancaster and Sarpy counties were thanked for their contributions to the NebraskaMAP project.

## **NEBRASKA STREET CENTERLINE-ADDRESS UPDATE**

With the meeting packet, was a map showing the status of the statewide street centerline-address project. It was noted all of the counties shown in green have been completed and included in the current statewide centerline-address database. The data for the six counties shown in dark brown should be available soon and then will be integrated into the statewide dataset. Another of the original objectives for the project was the development of automated tools to help facilitate the on-going integration of updated datasets from individual counties. This phase of project has been delayed, in part, because of delays with related work at the State of Washington. In the next month we hope to have an assessment of the feasibility of building up similar efforts undertaken by the State of Washington.

## **GIS-RELATED NITC TECHNOLOGY PLAN ACTION ITEMS**

A draft of the proposed action items was given at the last meeting. There were other items requested to be added and these were implemented into the document. After sending out the revised document, GIS Council members did not have any changes. These were approved by the NITC at their November meeting and these GIS action items are now part of the Statewide Technology Plan.

## **BROADBAND MAPPING REPORT**

The Public Service Commission received word that NTIA has released more funding dollars. The Public Service Commission grant was approved for \$1.6 for the mapping portion. The planning portion of the grant was awarded ½ million dollars. The University of Nebraska, the Public Service Commission and the NITC were acknowledged and thanks for the contribution with the planning portion. The Public Service Commission will be working with Purchasing to get a contract signed with vendor. Data will be collected through surveys provided in written format as well as through web tools.

## **NEBRASKA GEOSPATIAL STRATEGIC PLANNING**

[NSGIC Strategic Planning Template](#) and [Nebraska's FGDC Strategic Planning Grant Application](#)

Mr. Zink noted that it had been over a 1 – ½ years since the original grant application to the FGDC for Strategic Planning was submitted. Mr. Zink further suggested that it was probably appropriate to reassess the objectives in the original grant application prior to releasing an RFP for a consultant to assist with this strategic planning effort. Mr. Zink quickly reviewed the original objectives and asked those present to use a one-page survey to provide their feedback on what the members felt should be the current Strategic Planning objectives. Due to time constraints rather than review the priorities in a large group, members were asked to indicate their priorities individually and submit their rankings to Mr. Zink for collection. Mr. Zink will inform members not in attendance of this request and will tally the results.

## **UPDATES ON PENDING WORKING GROUPS**

Promoting Statewide Coordination in Property Parcel Mapping, Geospatial Data Sharing Networks and Application Platforms, Historical Maps/Imagery Ortho-rectification

Mr. Shonlau stated there was no progress to report since the last GIS Council meeting. He requested Mr. Zink's assistance in organizing meetings with these work groups and hopes to have a report for the next GIS Council meeting.

## **OTHER BUSINESS OR UPDATES**

The Department of Energy has also received stimulus monies. The Office of the CIO will be in contact with their office to begin discussions.

Mr. Langtry is serving on the MAGIC Board. He stated he would like to see more participation from Nebraska and asked members to consider becoming involved.

It was suggested to invite the Nebraska State Patrol to inform the Council about their projects.

Due to upcoming projects and the stimulus monies, Mr. Shonlau asked the members to reconsider the frequency of the Council meetings and suggested rather than meeting quarterly that the Council consider meeting 8-9 times this year.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Mr. Shonlau adjourned the meeting at 3:22 p.m.

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

**Vote Tallies date: \_\_\_\_\_**

		Roll Call	#1 Nov 2009 Minutes (Mullen/Miyoshi)	#2	#3	#4	#5
1	<b>Mike Schonlau</b> - Chair - At Large.	<b>P</b>	Not Present at time of vote	.	.	.	.
2	<b>Jeff McReynolds</b> - Vice Chair - Lincoln area .	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	.	.	.	.
3	<b>Steve Henderson</b> (Brenda Decker) - DAS	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	.	.	.	.
4	<b>Les Howard</b> , Milda Vaitkus (Mark Kuzila) - CSD	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	.	.	.	.
5	<b>Josh Lear</b> , Kim Menke, (Brian Dunnigan) - DNR	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	.	.	.	.
6	<b>Jeremy Hosein</b> (Lauren Hill) - PRO	<b>A</b>		.	.	.	.
7	Bill Wehling, <b>Rose Braun</b> , (Monty Frederickson) - DOR	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	.	.	.	.
8	Steve Cobb, <b>John Beran</b> - St.Surv	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	.	.	.	.
9	<b>Jack Dohrman</b> (Patrick O'Donnell) -Clk of Leg.	<b>A</b>		.	.	.	.
10	<b>Sudhir Ponnapan</b> (Rex Amack) -NGPC	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	.	.	.	.
11	<b>Ruth Sorensen</b> , Bob Martin - PTA	<b>A</b>		.	.	.	.
12	<b>Jim Langtry</b> - Fed. Ag.	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	.	.	.	.
13	<b>John Miyoshi</b> , Chris Poole - NARD	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	.	.	.	.
14	<b>Tim Cielocha</b> (Mark Brugger) - Public Power .	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	.	.	.	.
15	<b>Eric Herbert</b> - NACO rep.	<b>A</b>		.	.	.	.
16	<b>Lash Chaffin</b> - League	<b>A</b>		.	.	.	.
17	<b>Karis Bowen</b> , Ge Lin -DHHS	<b>A</b>		.	.	.	.
18	<b>Chad Boshart</b> (Sue Krogman) - NEMA/Mil.	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	.	.	.	.
19	<b>Paul Yamamoto</b> , Tom Lamberson (M. Linder)-DEQ	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	.	.	.	.
20	<b>Paul Mullen</b> - Omaha area .	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	.	.	.	.
21	<b>Mike Hybl</b> (Sue Vanicek) - PSC	<b>P</b>	Not Present at time of vote	.	.	.	.
22	<b>Mike Preston</b> - GIS Prof. Org.	<b>A</b>		.	.	.	.
23	NACO - VACANT			.	.	.	.
24	At-Large - VACANT			.	.	.	.
	<b>TOTALS - 15</b>			.	.	.	.

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