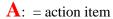# GPL Notes for October 8, 2013
Time: 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM
Location: DAS/CIO Geospatial Enterprise Office (155 Cottage St., Salem) - Conf. Rm. B

A: = action item

Introductions/Attendees

Next GPL Meetings:

November 12, 2013 - Port of Portland - 8th floor conf. rm. (Portland) **day after Veterans Day

December 10, 2013 - All Call-In iLinc meeting

Announcements:
NWGIS User Conference - October 14-18, 2013: http://sunriver2013.nwgis.org/
ESRI Fall Seminar "Sharpen Your Skills" - seminar is full. They have a waiting list.
GIS in Action April 16-17, 2014
Esri UC July14-18, 2014 - Call for Papers now open
Willamette Valley User Group - Oct. 30th in Corvalis

Review of September Minutes
No changes or comments on the minutes. Reviewed Action Items.

FIT Leaders Update:
FIT Leaders met last week and was a chance for Bob D. to get up to speed on the FIT groups and the various activities undertaken by the groups. Bob hopes to get the metadata group restarted and focus on stewardship which has been quiet for a while. They're starting to plan for a Standards Forum for the end of this year or early next year. Most of the FIT funding agreements for the 13'-15' biennium have been signed and executed and the projects are underway. Bob will be taking the revised Map Element Standard to OGIC in December.

Does the address standard get shared out to other groups in the state (non-GIS groups)? It needs to be; but ways to make that happen need to be explored.

At the next Standards Forum, a new NENA address standard will be introduced. There are two different address standards. The FGDC standard is the content standard. The NENA standard is a data exchange standard. NENA = National Emergency Numbering Association. They have been working to get these two standards aligned. Oregon will adopt both standards.

Agency Round Table:
Chad Brady (ODOT) mentioned exposing REST services for other agencies to use at the last meeting. He has since followed up with internal discussions. They're holding off on this until they migrate to vs. 10.2 which is slated for the 2nd Qtr of 2014.

Is there any objection to others making their own service of the transportation data until ODOT can open up its services next year? If it is internal use only, then there shouldn't be an issue. There is no issue with external use so long as folks cannot download the data from the service.

ODOT currently exposes the data externally but not as an ingestible service.

DEQ update: The 2010 Water Quality Assessment has just been released. Has about 800 streams and waterbodies that EPA has approved. The geodatabase is available on their web site and has been sent to GEO for the SDL.

DEQ is also in the process of evaluating Geocortex. Software that runs on top of ArcServer. Asking if anyone else has used or evaluated this software. The Port has evaluated it and will be working with it as part of a 10.2 update through next June. The Port also looked at other packages but in the end felt like this software was the best option for them. DEQ is trying to do a business case analysis for using and was hoping if others had already done the same thing, if they would share it. Sim will send his info to Don P. @ DEQ. DEQ will start to evaluate Geocortex software in November.

http://www.geocortex.com/

Emmor - ODF has been taking a look at public ownership data and will be developing a feature class on this topic. He needs land ownership and land management data. Emmor is wondering if there is interest in this data and if anyone else has done this type of work. Several agencies expressed interest in the data.

OR Dept. of Energy is interested in GIS and has a new project focused on energy sites that they permit. They have an intern working on the development of this data. They asked several agencies to participate in a meeting to discuss the end-use of the data. FERC projects (federal) are not included.

OWRD permits hydro-electric facilities including tide generated facilities.

Agency Spotlight: DAS GEO
GEO provides staff support for OGIC and GPL. For some FIT teams, GEO takes a lead role. ie. imagery steward for the State.

Address Repository: GEO has a signed charter with OEM. Keith Massey is the GEO project manager. He is working on a project plan and will be on-board until the end of July. He's working on 3 pilot projects and their project plans. The pilots are for Curry, Josephine and Hood River Counties. They're also looking at two software purchases for this project.

Data Sharing: Data sharing is still a major policy issue and Cy is wanting to use the next OGIC meeting to discuss this issue and hopefully begin to address it. Cy is hoping to have materials available by mid-November to distribute to OGIC.

ELA & ArcGIS Online: Cy sent out a PowerPoint presentation to the ELA contact list explaining the new ELA. For $150K they bought unlimited user seats and 30K credits per year. We can use the user seats for local governments and State agencies. Cy is hoping to do an educational piece on AGOL at the upcoming Standards Forum. For this ELA period, the local government users will be free. This might change to a small fee per user at a later time. For state agencies currently participating in the pilot through Oct 1st, those seats will continue without any fees. But new seats will be charged a small fee per year. The reason is because the $150K is not money that Cy has in his budget.

How will the agencies know the # of users signed up on Oct. 1st? Dave M. has a list.
ODA asked about soil conservation districts and their ability to get user seats? Cy said this topic needs more discussion. Cy stated that we need to have a group that will govern the AGOL use so that questions like this will be handled by this group. Diana W. volunteered to be on the AGOL governing group.

A: Cy will begin organizing the AGOL governing group.

OWEB would be interested in the arrangement that gets worked out for watershed councils and AGOL use.

Imagery FIT proposal: Cy got approval from OGIC to spend the funds for the Imagery FIT proposal. This includes: getting the 2012 NAIP imagery onto Imagery Explorer. Also getting additional imagery cache levels for Imagery Explorer. Increasing storage for local imagery and lidar. Evaluating and fixing the lidar issues on Imagery Explorer. Emmor asked if GPL can have input on how the seed money be spent for new lidar acquisitions. Cy said that they can discuss that option.

GEO Staff Changes: They had a failed recruitment for the ISS 6 position (Erik Endrulat replacement). So they have started again on a new recruitment. This time they've added the posting to some of the national networks and will be leaving it open until filled vs. opening a position and closing it 2 weeks later. Sean McSpaden resigned and is now a Principal IT Analyst for the Legislative Fiscal Office. The State CIO position closed. They got 108 applicants, 34 met MQs. That position is now a Governor's appointed position. The COO will recommend a person to the Governor for hire. They're hoping to have a person in place by the middle of November.

Agora project: Software that the Governor's office is looking at that will give agencies the ability to collaborate around investments. It puts together private investors and public entities to collaborate on projects. The pilot is currently ending and they're looking for geospatial data to use as reference data.

Esri Training Options/Discussion: Carol Dargatz
Carol is part of the Esri training consultant team. Andy Spence is a new member of that team. It is their role to get the training that we need to succeed. Could be simple (recommendation for a course) or as comprehensive as a training plan. Last year Esri finished developing the training plans for state agencies. It's time to revisit those plans and discuss the success or lack of success and talk about moving forward. For those who have not created a training plan, Esri could start with those folks.

Carol would like to sit down with each agency (or by phone) and evaluate the training goals, staff skills, etc... Then Carol can put the results together for all of the agencies so that we can put folks together to save multiple agencies some money by pooling resources. She would like to reinvigorate that process.

There are some new things: they're increasing their flexibility ex. taking a 3-day class and reducing it to a 2-day class. They have a new delivery method: 4-hr instructor led workshops. No hands-on exercises at these workshops. These are meant to quickly deliver the highlights or "must need to know" items from a training class.

Discussion of training plans: the training plans seemed generalized and some situational guidance is needed. The plans are supposed to be living documents that evolve. The training plans should identify some real needs and then work on a solution.

The original goal of the training plans was to utilize cross-organization planning for the use of ELA credits. The agencies need a more coordinated effort for training in general. The best use of the credits is to have a private event. This gives us the most bang for the buck.

Next step: update the training plans. **A**: Carol will follow-up on this to get the ball rolling.

Meeting Adjourned