

State of Oregon
GIS Program Leaders
Date: Tuesday, Feb 10th, 2026
Time: 1:30 – 3:30 pm
Scribe: David Mather (GEO)

Announcements

- Phill McClellan – DOR - Cadastral FIT looking to update the Cadastral Exchange Standard. Looking for 2 or 3 GPL volunteers to help.
- Lacy – Esri – Intro to AI class, and Advanced formatting with Arcade classes available.
 - [Introduction to AI In ArcGIS](#)
 - [Advanced Formatting with Arcade in Experience Builder](#)
- Cassidy – OSFM – possible idea of shareable update list or spreadsheet that people could sign up for proactively to present at GPL meetings. Will consider.

GEO / OGIC updates (Melissa Foltz)

- Thanks to everyone who participated in ESRI Planning meetings.
- Reminder that ESRI Training academy does have free trainings available.
 - Login with your state ID to unlock anything that says "requires maintenance"
- OGIC had their January meeting and elected a new Vice Chair
 - Josh Tanner from DLCD will be joining the Executive Committee as vice chair.
 - Current Chair is Dan Brown from City of Salem
 - Immediate Past Chair is Chris Wright.
- We do see OGIC focused on membership and recruitment right now. There are currently 3 seats open for State Agencies
 - If anyone is interested, I'd encourage folks to reach out.

Framework update (Melissa Foltz)

- Met with FIT Leads last week,
- Starting to prepare for public review of Framework Inventory updates
- Hoping to get the public review out in early March.
- Planning for OGIC's endorsement in April.

Open Spatial Data Portal on ArcGIS Online (Tom Elder)

- Spatial Data is a big part of Open Data
- Open data is public and authoritative.
- Framework data is a subset of spatial data is mostly open data.
- Tom is focusing on Open data that is Not part of the Framework Program
- Oregon has 4 Open Data Pathways – that were established at different times under different state statutes.

- Oregon Transparency – <https://www.oregon.gov/transparency/Pages/index.aspx>
- Oregon Open Data – <https://data.oregon.gov>
- Oregon ArcGIS Online – <https://geo.maps.arcgis.com>
- Oregon GEOHub – geohub.oregon.gov
- Behind the scenes these sites are connected together.
- In Oregon ArcGIS Online there is an Open Data Hubsite that feeds data into the Oregon Open Data portal. <https://oregon-open-data-geo.hub.arcgis.com/>
- Main requirements are working with agency open data coordinator and agency GIS coordinator, prep the data for open data access, and then add it to the correct open data in geo.maps.arcgis.com, then it will be populated in the Oregon Open Data site.
- Data must be public, authoritative, completed metadata, and have tags.
- A number of questions came up about what is authoritative? A link was provided to two documents answering questions about open data and authoritative data.
 - <https://data.oregon.gov/stories/s/Oregon-s-Open-Data-Program/xr2x-d2d7/>
 - <https://data.oregon.gov/download/8ms8-97hr/application%2Fpdf>
 - <https://www.oregon.gov/eis/geo/Documents/eis-geo-authoritative-data-whitepaper-201602.pdf>

OSFM OrCRAFT Presentation (Andres Schmidt)

- Oregon Community Risk Assessment Fire Tools – developed about 1.5 years ago.
- Allows Fire Districts to do preliminary risk analysis for their areas
- Uses Wildfire data but focuses on Building Fires. Incorporates 30 variables as GIS layers.
- Uses the NFPA 1300 standards for community risk assessment
- 43,000 building fire incidents are included in the analysis.
- Risk maps include social risk analysis, relative ability for communities to recover from fires, not just fire prediction.
- Followed by a live Demonstration of the web tool (but an account must be requested.)
- Andres reviewed Web App functionality with various query options for specific interactively created areas, or predetermined Fire District Areas.
- <https://www.oregon.gov/osfm/about-us/pages/orcraft-login.aspx>
- Listeners expressed interest in the tool and how to request access.
- Andres clarified that weights are assigned using various user selected layers and are components used in final selection of low to high risk mapping. Values are ultimately a combination of probability of a fire and the high value and vulnerability layers selected to develop final scores used for risk maps.

ADA Guidelines Discussion / Presentation (Ariel Low)

- Ariel presented an example AGOL StoryMap that incorporated ADA accessibility principles such as contrast, color schemes, Alternate text, point symbols, etc. Demonstrated symbol selection

in the web map interface.

- Some of the symbology needed to be modified via ArcGIS Pro after creation in AGOL to get the webmap to a sufficient level of compliance.
- Discussed Casing. “Casing” refers to highlighted or contrasting colors halos around text or boundaries.
 - <https://www.esri.com/arcgis-blog/products/arcgis-pro/mapping/make-lines-legible-and-pop-with-casing>
- There is an AI feature that could suggest alternative text IF it was turned on in AGOL.
- Showed the Accessibility Insights for Web Chrome Extension and some examples of how it interacted with the LPRO StoryMap.
- Showed an AGOL items spreadsheet, looking at AGOL items shared, total views, and other factors, including whether each item was compliant or not yet compliant as a priority guide for getting AGOL items into compliance.
- A web document was shared with suggested links for accessibility.

Roundtable / Role Call

- Business Oregon- Melanie Wadsworth.
 - Nothing to report.
- DAS/GEO-
 - Nothing extra to report
- Dept. of Aviation- Brandon Pike.
 - Not present to report.
- DEQ – Malavika
 - Nothing to report.
- DHS- Chris Douglas Cowin. No report
- OHA – Eric Main
 - EJ Mapping Tool: The Indicator evaluation and sensitivity analysis is underway and final indicator selection is due in August.
- Dept. of Land Conservation & Development (DLCD)- Phil Woods
 - Nothing to report

- Dept. of Revenue (DOR) Thom York.
 - Upgrading ArcGIS Enterprise from 10.9.1 to 11.3. Running into issues with the upgrade. Have to upgrade to 11.1 and then to 11.3. Also issues when launching the web browser during Portal for ArcGIS installation which was Internet Explorer which is a unsupported browser and prevents certain processes from continuing. To continue, you have to install a supported browser.
- Dept. of State Lands- Randy Sounhein.
 - New GIS Analyst position being advertised.
- ESRI- Lacey Summers.
 - Nothing else to report.
- Institute for Natural Resources (INR)- Myrica McCune.
 - Working on accessibility. VertiGIS product has components that are not able to be made accessible and INR has contacted the company.
 - Looking at accessibility over all and encountering difficulties on web maps with multiple layers
- Legislative Policy & Research Office (LPRO)- Ariel Low.
 - Census ACS layers in AGOL have been deprecated - listen
- Oregon Dept. of Agriculture (ODA)- Weston Hustace
 - Nothing to report
- Dept. of Forestry (ODF)- Arthur Rodriguez. No major updates.
 - New employee Lindsey Mayer
 - Updated data by watersheds (more data needed)
 - Doing an Enterprise upgrade to 12, and Pro to 3.6
- Dept. of Fish & Wildlife (ODFW) David Quillin
 - Nothing to report
- Dept. of Energy- Bailey Harris.
 - Nothing to report
- Dept. of Transportation- (ODOT)
 - Not present to report.
- Oregon Emergency Management (OEM). Daniel Stoelb.
 - Listen ...
 - Having discussion with US Dept Entergy ... Eagle Eye system collab
 - Genesis Evacuation planning platform ... want to host some of this data.
 - Working 2025 Disaster StoryMap for flooding.
 - <https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/616408017a3e4e2abd09c9fc6f205c48>

- Oregon Parks & Recreation (OPRD)- Brady Callahan.
 - Nothing to report.

- Oregon State Fire Marshall (OSFM)- Cassidy Woods.
 - Nothing to report.

- Oregon Water Resources (OWRD) Bob Harmon
 - Nothing to report