RECAP
Oregon Geographic Information Council

Introductions & Announcements & Approval of Minutes

- Meeting was called to order by Chair, Jim Rue at 10:30am.
- No additional agenda items were added.
- Cy announced that S.740, Geospatial Data Act introduced in the U.S. Senate and assigned to committee. Both Oregon Senators have co-sponsored the bill. UN has written 3 articles thus far about the COGO NSDI Report Card. Merry Seaton announced that Rick Schack, the OGIC rep from DOR, is retiring. DOGAMI was successful in getting legislative approval to match the USGS 3DEP grant for Lidar data development.
- Minutes from the March 2015 meeting were not ready for approval.

GPL Report – Randy Sounhein

GPL has been discussing software changes by Esri. Esri reps made a presentation to the group recently to present some of the changes. GPL has also been discussing possible changes to the projection standard, no decisions or recommendations made at this time. Randy wanted to check in one more time with OGIC to ensure the members were comfortable with decommissioning the Cartographic Elements Standard and moving instead to a Cartographic Elements Best Practices guideline, as no OGIC-endorsed standard has been de-commissioned up to this point. OGIC reiterated that it is indeed their intention to de-commission that standard and endorse the guideline.

2015-17 FIT Data Development Recommendations – Bob DenOuden

Bob presented the recommendations for funding 2015-17 FIT data development projects using a PowerPoint slide show. Bob briefly described the process that led to the recommendations. There were 10 proposals totaling $622,902. The FIT fund has $500,000 for the biennium, so not all proposals could be accommodated as proposed.

Bob briefly summarized the proposals, although the detailed proposals were made available for review to OGIC members and others prior to the meeting. Seven of the proposals were recommended for funding as proposed and were recommended to OGIC for funding for a total of $393,849. One of the proposals was not recommended for funding, the Oregon Watershed Emergency Response System, as it was deemed not to meet the criteria for Framework data development projects. The Historical Railroads project was deemed not to be appropriate for funding as written, but is recommended as a pilot project. The Team recommends going back to the proposers to ask for a modified proposal. The Lidar Data Distribution proposal is recommended to be put on hold until the Elevation FIT has had an opportunity to work with DOGAMI to pursue a more

efficient solution for Lidar data distribution.

Questions were asked and answered about how historical railroads fit into the Framework. ODOT and BLM both indicated several reasons why it should be a Framework data element. Currently, historical railroads are not part of the Framework data list. That fact and the notion that the proposal calls for initiation of a very large project by producing scanned maps, without a clear understanding of what the total project would entail, was what prompted the FIT review teams to recommend reframing this proposal as a pilot project at a lower cost. There was some further discussion about how the process would work, since OGIC has not deferred a FIT project before. It was pointed out that the radon project was turned down in the previous FIT funding cycle because radon locations was not on the Framework list.

Further recommendations from the FIT review teams included providing clarification for future proposals regarding policy on how to include or not include indirect costs. Some of the current proposals included indirect costs, some did not. In addition, FIT would like to develop guidance for future proposal cycles that seek specific proposals addressing high priority framework data needs.

Bob was given an action item to work with the FIT review teams and the proposers of the two proposals that are recommended for deferral, to prepare them for further review by OGIC.

OGIC approved the 7 projects that were recommended by the FIT review teams. The comment was made that it would be appropriate to focus funding on high priority data elements. Cy indicated that Framework re-prioritization was on the table for the immediate future and would be completed soon. The comment was made that there is still a lot of work that has to be done by users of cadastral data to make that data work. There is no cadastral funding in the current cycle.

Consent Agenda – Bob Denouden

There were 4 standards actions generated at the Framework Forum on the consent agenda: Historical Rail Standard recommended for OGIC endorsement; Fish Habitat Data Distribution Standard revised with technical improvements to match NHD; Soils Data Standard revised to incorporate additional attributes; Metadata Standard revised to bring it more closely in alignment with the FGDC Metadata Standard.

OGIC approved the Consent Agenda as proposed.

OGIC Executive Order Revision – Cy Smith

The OGIC Policy Advisory Committee reviewed and revised the previous version of the EO that was presented at the March OGIC meeting. The PAC reduced the EO from 8 to 4 pages, primarily by recommending moving quite a bit of the content to a Charter to be developed after the EO has been signed by the Governor.

Comment made that there is still some content in the EO that is more appropriately part of an OGIC work plan. That could date the EO in a relatively short time. Comment made that we should add State agency boards and commissions to the list of groups with which OGIC will pursue advocacy. Comment made that we should spell out the specific levels of government with which we will coordinate. Comment made to remove the word 'development' from the activities OGIC will undertake to assist DOR with regard to the ORMAP program, as they are already in the implementation phase.

Comment made about clarifying the distinction between those agencies that provide funding for OGIC activities and the much larger group of organizations that benefit from the coordination efforts. This comment was made in regard to the item in the EO revision related to directing available funds to data development projects. There was some discussion about the logistics of getting the EO reviewed, approved and signed by the Governor's Office. Alex Pettit, State CIO, has indicated he will take the EO to the Governor when OGIC is ready. A question was asked about the rationale for revising the EO. It was pointed out that the early paragraphs of the EO refer to part of the rationale being to modify the structure and membership, but the revision has now moved the structure and membership to the Charter. That language needs to be revised further.

Comment made that OGIC has been doing good stuff and we want to expand that ability, and that should be said in the EO in some way. It was also mentioned that we could say in the EO that we are moving some of the detail to a Charter to expand the flexibility of the Council. Comment made that the list of things GIS enhances should be bipartisan, should include economic development, public safety, etc.

Comment made that we could consider adding utilities, private sector and legislative members. Suggestion made that we should delay adding legislative membership until we're discussing the Charter. Decided not to add private sector, agreed to add utilities membership. All other changes above agreed upon.

Cy given the action item to revise as suggested and bring back to OGIC for review.

Next meeting:
September 16, 2015
Meeting adjourned at 12:00pm.
10:30am - Noon
155 Cottage St. Conf. Room A