

RECAP

Oregon Geographic Information Council

Meeting Date: September 16, 2015
Time: 10:30am - Noon
Location: 155 Cottage St., Conference Room A
Attendees: Attendee list was not captured at this meeting.

Introductions & Announcements & Approval of Minutes

- Meeting was called to order by Acting Chair, Cy Smith at 10:30am.
- No additional agenda items were added.
- Janine Salwasser announced that INR has recently completed a redesign of the Oregon Explorer (www.oregonexplorer.info) web portal, and requested feedback. Cy mentioned that the GEO move to the Ag Building will likely happen by the end of October.
- Minutes from the June 2015 meeting were not ready for approval.

GPL Report – Randy Sounhein

GPL discussed the concept of authoritative data and mentioned that authoritative data will be a key focus for Esri this coming year. The concept in this case means data that comes from a source authorized to create that data. At this point, it's unclear what Esri will do about this, but GPL has been discussing ways to clearly denote authoritative data for the user, possibly through feature level metadata or attribution that could be used as annotation if desired. There was some discussion as to what this all means, how authoritative sources will be recognized, that OGIC should probably have a process for making such determinations. The certified weather person on the nightly news was put forward as a possible model to follow. Disclaimers will be very important in this discussion, as one means of managing liability and risk. INR will be setting up a data catalog group that can help with managing some of the logistics related to identifying authoritative data.

DOR has been working on a new data sharing agreement for cadastral data that they will be asking each County Assessor to sign. The new agreement will allow cadastral data to be made available for viewing as web services from agency websites beyond DOR.

Dean described his new arrangement with Google for 6" aerial imagery for this coming year and mentioned that he has made an arrangement with Google to provide all state agencies with access to this imagery, and that if the State purchases Google imagery statewide, we won't have to pay for Polk County.

Bob mentioned that DOGAMI is modifying their Lidar distribution FIT proposal to comply with discussions at the Elevation FIT.

Data Sharing Legislation – Cy Smith

An opportunity for data sharing legislation has presented itself. The Joint Legislative Committee on Information Management and Technology is interested in the most recent data sharing legislative proposal OGIC approved in 2014, that DAS decided not to move forward. Cy made a few changes to that draft to add the concept of authoritative data and the identification by OGIC of authoritative

data sources for Framework data, and identifying GEO as the hub for distribution of authoritative Framework data. Cy also made changes to remove DAS since the State CIO now an independent office reporting directly to the Governor based on HB 3099.

Cy mentioned that when the 2014 data sharing concept was being developed, DOR raised some concerns and he worked closely with John Phillips at DOR to resolve those concerns. That language is still in the current concept. This will be a committee bill if it moves forward. Dean suggested that we need to do significant advocacy with AOC and LOC on this prior to the session. He also mentioned that if the State is covering the risk for local governments, that will help them support it, but that has to be a strong approach where the State stands behind the data. The current language isn't really strong enough right now.

Question asked as to whether we should specifically mention universities as a public body. They are still a public body, even though they aren't a state agency any longer. We'll want to let Legislative Counsel know that this is an issue we want to be sure to address.

Cy given the action item to send to rest of OGIC and ask for feedback.

OGIC Policy Issues – Cy Smith

Cy presented the OGIC Policy Issues in prioritized order based on the discussion and prioritization from two meetings ago. He asked if there was some direction from OGIC in terms of next steps, which specific high priority issues to take up first, etc. Suggestion made to make data sharing a very high priority issue since legislation is being proposed.

We've made some progress on the stewardship issue. Bob provided a summary of that progress: DLCD is the UGB steward and has received endorsement from OGIC for their UGB Stewardship Plan. Strategy going forward will be to pick off the low-hanging fruit among the high priority Framework data elements, getting the appropriate steward to prepare a stewardship plan for those elements.

The UGB example is one way to approach things, but OGIC really needs to undertake an effort to develop an agreed upon process for determining authoritative sources for Framework data and then determining the appropriate steward for each Framework data element. This is something we're basically creating from whole cloth, there is no stewardship concept in State law. There is a concept of data custodian in Oregon state law, which is an important element of the stewardship concept. In many cases, perhaps all cases, a data custodian would be the authoritative source for that particular data.

Cy was given the action item to tee this up for a future OGIC meeting so we can begin to develop the process for determining authoritative Framework data and data sources, as well as defining appropriate stewards. Agenda for the next and future OGIC meeting will also likely include the OGIC Charter, as well as the data sharing legislation.

Cy walked through some of the other high priority policy issues, there was a bit of discussion related to purchase of commercial geodata as an enterprise, which a number of agencies are currently pursuing individually.

Cy was given an action item to send the policy issues list to OGIC again and ask for feedback related to the prioritization and next steps. Suggestion made to report back to OGIC regularly with bullets of progress being made on each issue.

OGIC Executive Order Revision – Cy Smith

Alex was going to bring up the EO with Brian Shipley, Governor's Chief of Staff yesterday, but Cy hadn't heard yet if that happened. The EO has been revised again by Alex, but no changes were made to the content, just to the format. Cy went through it word by word to ensure no content changes were made. It is posted on the OGIC Review Page and will remain there for the time being, at least until it has been signed by the Governor. OGIC members should feel free to review again and offer suggestions if they would like. There was a bit more discussion regarding the rationale for revising the EO. Cy has been asked by Alex to put together a bullet list explaining the rationale; this will be sent out to OGIC and others when finalized.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00pm.

Next meeting:

December 16, 2015

10:30am - Noon

155 Cottage St. Conf. Room A