

# RECAP

## Oregon Geographic Information Council



**Meeting Date:** July 30, 2020  
**Time:** 1:00pm – 3:30pm  
**Location:** Virtual, per EO 20-03 and EO 20-12

**Member Attendees:** Jeff Frkonja, Metro (Chair); Tom Rohlfing, Marion County Assessor; Colleen Miller, City of Bend; Brandt Melick, City of Springfield; Molly Earle, Gartrell Group; Lisa Gaines, OSU INR; Jerri Bohard, ODOT; Marguarite Becenti, Umatilla Tribes; Steven Hoffert, OYA; Brenda Bateman, OBDD; Maylian Pak, OCF

**Staff/Observers:** Rob Bovett, AOC; Steve Erickson, Metro; Kathryn Helms, EIS-Chief Data Officer; Cy Smith, GEO; Cedric Cooney, ODFW; Rachel Smith, DLCD; John Ruffing, Esri; John Laughery, Esri; Thom York, DOR; Tom Elder, DHS/OHA; Paul Cone, City of Portland; Dorothy Mortenson, OWRD; Phil Smith, ODOT; John Houweling, York Region; Jeff Lamb, York Region

### Introductions & Announcements

- Meeting was called to order by Chair Jeff Frkonja at 1:00pm. With 9 of the 17 voting [OGIC members](#) present, and under modified procedures per Executive Order, a quorum was established for conducting business virtually and taking votes.
- Introductions were made by members and observers.
- One addition to the [agenda](#) was made to add a consent agenda item to approve the Fish Habitat Data Distribution Stewardship Plan. The consent agenda was approved. No announcements made.
- [Minutes](#) from the April meeting were approved without change from the latest posted draft.

### Leadership Succession Planning

Several changes offered for the OGIC Charter to reflect recommendations by the Leadership Succession Planning Committee, including:

- Length of terms, add the role of Immediate Past Chair
- Add descriptions of each leadership position
- Create an Executive Committee
- Remove detailed membership list
- Changes to standing committees

Steven walked the group through a [presentation](#) that outlined the suggested changes to the OGIC Charter. Those changes will be voted upon in the next scheduled meeting in October.

### Objectives and Key Results (OKRs) Recommendations

Molly walked the group through a [presentation](#) that outlined the Objectives and Key Results (OKRs) process and recommended OKRs for the next six months. There are a few metrics to further identify with some additional research by the Performance Management Work Group over the next few weeks. Work Group proposed to extend the OKR process to several of the OGIC subordinate committees or work groups in the next couple of months. Motion made to accept the recommended OKRs, with the provision that the Executive Committee approves specific numbers for several of the Key Results, to be approved by the Council at the next quarterly meeting. Motion approved. Council agreed with the Work Group's recommendation to extend the OKR process to subordinate groups.

## OGIC Legislative Recommendation

Jeff, Rachel and Cy provided an update on the OGIC Legislative Recommendation in order to get some guidance on next actions from the Council. Cy walked the group through a [presentation](#) on the recommendation. One of the actions thus far has been to more closely align the recommendation with the [State Data Strategy](#) currently under development by the CDO.

Maylian asked for a brief description of Framework data and how it related to the kinds of health data that the Oregon Community Foundation often uses. Cy pointed to the Framework data web page and described the 16 data themes, including address points which would be the primary Framework data theme that would be used to integrate health related data that OCF might use from multiple sources. Kathryn also indicated that she is working to use the Framework program and strategy/concept more broadly to organize all state data, beyond just geospatial data.

## York Region Presentation

Our guests from the York Regional Government in Canada provided a really good [presentation](#) on their long-standing initiative to coordinate geospatial data management and use in their region. Their effort closely parallels and mirrors what we have been and are trying to do statewide in Oregon. There are a number of lessons to be learned from their experiences. They also provided a link to a [YouTube video](#) on their initiative.

Jeff asked how they got stakeholders to agree to share data and participate. They said it relied on working with each stakeholder to find out what would benefit them from a partnership. Sharing applications and code with each other was key. Learning what drives the business of each stakeholder was also critical. Scaling from a regional level to a statewide level is something they have recently initiated with the Province and with other nearby regions.

Data integration has changed over time so that stakeholders don't have to change their system and data model. The Regional Coop has ETL processes that transforms the stakeholders' data. They share the foundational, integrated data back to the marketplace. They do encourage stakeholders to change their data models over time to more closely align with the regional model.

One of the questions from OGIC was who bore the brunt of the ETL costs. They said they were paying \$285,000 to a consultant every time they had to integrate their foundational data across the region. At one point, the Region decided to invest \$300,000 to develop and implement the ETL processes. One of the documents linked in the presentation explains how that happened in more detail. Many of their documents can be found in their [startup kit](#). Each of the people who participated in this Teams meeting should be able to access the chat from the meeting afterwards to see other questions and answers from this part of the meeting.

## Covid-19 Economic Recovery Initiative

Jeff walked the group through a [presentation](#) to propose that OGIC take on a Covid economic recovery project as one of the evaluation projects we are using to evaluate how GEOHub would potentially serve as a valuable resource for securely sharing data between public bodies. The first question such a project might help answer is whether this is a business need for such a resource. The second question is whether such a project would help advance OGIC's mission.

Jeff's group at Metro is leading a Covid economic recovery project in their region. For example, Greater Portland, Inc needs a data resource to help determine where to expend the funds they have to help with economic recovery. That data comes from a lot of stakeholder sources, so a need for a centralized portal is great. The Metro project could be adopted as one of OGIC's evaluation projects for GEOHub. It could then be used as a model or template at a broader scale, either statewide or in

other regions in the state.

The Council agreed to adopt the Metro Covid economic recovery project as the fourth evaluation project for GEOHub evaluation, along with wildfire mitigation, workforce partnership, and election administration.

### Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Report

Phil Smith provided a brief report of the activities and initiation of the TAC. The group now has a web page for their activities and minutes. The group now has a Chair (Phil Smith) and Vice Chair (Myrica McCune). The group will meet quarterly, the month prior to OGIC meetings. At their last meeting, in conjunction with the State GIS Program Leads (GPL) group, they received an update on the State Plane Coordinate System 2022 upgrade that is happening nationally, as well as an update on the OGIC Legislative Recommendation, and the OGIC OKRs.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm.

**Next Meeting** - Oct 2020, TBD