



TIPS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 8, 2005

09:30 – 10:30 AM CENTRAL TIME

ATTENDEES:

Note Taker: Steve Trujillo

Participants: Billie Clark, Greg Morlock, Dan Rivers, Robert Welsh, Karyn Evans

Dianne Osborne, Mary Greene, Bill Kannawin, Veronika Eskova, Dawn Trudeau, Jo Gault, Kevin Garnett, Bill Card, Susan Stoyek, Bill Winters, Mike Dunn

Agenda Action Items:

1. Budget Update:

TIPS was approved to use approximately \$500K for 5 positions in FY07. The positions are scheduled to be allocated as follows, 3-Denver, 1-Alton, 1-Pittsburg.

Billie announced that OSM HQ has tentatively allocated TIPS another \$150K. Please submit your requests on how to best utilize these funds NLT 12/16 to Steve Trujillo.

2. Software Distribution:

Mary Greene is reviewing the hard drive set up for distribution. She is also working with IT folks to set up testing of computers and hard drives.

3. FY07 Greenbook:

Diane will have a draft to Billie Clark. Once reviewed she post on sharepoint for general input by the TIPS team members.

4. Training Program:

Karyn indicated that two classes are short on enrollments, CAD applications and AQTESOLVE. Service managers working with Karyn and Dawn to fill classes. Karyn is currently working with Fish and Wildlife on the LMS application.

5. Mobile Computing:

Robert reported that the NASA report on GEO spatial data has been completed. He also indicated that distribution of MC equipment to the states has begun. For details contact Robert. Note, that the FY06 survey for MC software and hardware requirements will be out in mid January. Contact Robert if you have any questions.

6. Software Upgrades and Distribution:

Inform Mary of any software upgrades, she is currently working the hard drive issues. AquaChem 4.2.98 version will be on the TIPS website NLT January 2006. ArcGIS 9.1 and XWin32 version 7.0 program disks were sent out. Contact Mary concerning any issues or questions.

7. PA Wilkes University update:

No new information.

8. National Surface Mining Geospatial Committee:

Committee scheduled to meet on how to best utilize approved funding. Bill Card will send out a notice on the January teleconference. Teleconference will establish working plan for the next year. Contact Bill if you have any questions.

9. TIPS Web Team:

Mary informed the group that the updated website is scheduled to go live next week. Discussed content to include newsletter, also discussed BLOGING. The team will DEMO the updated website at a future teleconference.

10. GEO FLUV:

No new information. Mine trip scheduled for next week, contact Kevin for further information.

11. FY06 Annual Steering committee meeting/ TIPS National Team meeting:

Annual Steering Meeting, Lois is working to secure a suitable location for next meeting. Contact Lois if you wish to add input, suggestions or ideas.

TIPS National Team meeting, Bill Winters would like to develop team to ID requirements and agenda items. Timing and location issues to be discussed.

12. Team Member Reports:

Mike Dunn working with Diane to ID Thermal Cam products and upgrades.

Bill Card and Jo Gault, SDE database complete.

Kevin Garnett, 8 people attended Auto Desk University. Kevin and Bill Joseph presented a paper at the CAD conference. Billie encouraged ESRI experts to attend next conference.