



TIPS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 5, 2006

09:30 – 10:30 AM CENTRAL TIME

ATTENDEES:

MCR – Meier, Kim

AR – Dunn, Uranowski, Winters

KFO – Card, Gault

WR – Hamm, Welsh, McNish, Eskova, Wilhelm, Evans, Trudeau, Benavides, Kannawin, Trujillo

PRE-AGENDA ITEMS (HAMM):

Discussion - Lou announced that he hopes to make some changes within TIPS and plans to visit each of the regional offices in the next few weeks to discuss some of his ideas.

Lou reminded the team that the ESRI Federal Users Conference is coming up at the end of January and if anyone wants to attend they should discuss with him.

Action Item – None.

Software Distribution – Configuration of new hard drives [McNish]

Discussion – There are some concerns about states being able to access the portable hard disks because they are using Windows 98 and Windows 2000 operating systems.

Action Item – Service Managers should identify issues specific to each state and let Mary Green and Cathy know what they are. This includes OS issues and concerns.

New TIPS Website Rollout

Discussion – The new site is up and running and on-line. The team is still revising and updating the site as time permits. They anticipate quarterly updates to the site.

Action Item – All TIPS team members should review pertinent portions of the web site and provide comments and additional input to the Web Site Team.

TIPS Recommended Plotters, Scanners Digitizers [Welsh]

Discussion – TIPS hardware survey will be sent out the Mobile Computing Team. It does not include a recommended scanner. We have information on IDEAL scanners but they are expensive (\$11,000 to \$21,000).

Action Item – Include the IDEAL scanners in the survey.

TIPS National Team Meeting [Winters]

Discussion – Still developing a team, need a WR team member.

Action Item – Lou asked Dawn to work with him to identify a WR representative.

Training Program [Evans]

Discussion – We have almost 300 nominations to date. Have added 2 classes already. Have 10 classes that currently have less than the minimum of 8 students. May need to cancel some of these if more nominations are not received.

Action Item - None

Mobile Computing Team [Welsh]

Discussion – None

Action Item – None

Software Upgrades/Distribution [Greene]

Discussion - Postponed

Action Item – None

PA – Wilkes University [Uranowski]

Discussion – No Change.

Action Item – None

National Surface Mining Geospatial Committee [Card]

Discussion – Setting up a meeting for February 28, 2006 in New Mexico. Detailed plans will follow this call.

Action Item - None

FY-06 National Steering Committee Meeting [Uranowski]

Discussion – Still looking for a location. The initial location choices were not feasible due to unavailability of hotel rooms. Lois will attempt to find a location that can accommodate our currently chosen dates of May 9-11, 2006.

Action Item – Keep looking.

11-16 Discussion – None, out of time.

Action Item – None.

Next meeting Thursday—January 19, 2005