



## TIPS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 9, 2009

09:30 – 10:30 AM CENTRAL TIME

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### ATTENDEES:

Li-Tai BilBao, Bill Card, Mike Richmond, Tom Cunningham, Bob McKenzie, Alan Wilhelm, Cathy McNish, Karyn Evans, Lou Hamm, Duane Matt, Jessica Villanueva, Matt Moore, Janine Ferarese, Eric Perry, Tonya Buckmaster, lessha Moore, Aldo Plascencia, Steve Trujillo, Paul Ehret, Rob Welsh, Min Kim, Susan Stoyek, Stephanie Self; Note Taker: Matt Moore

### AGENDA ITEMS:

**Steering Committee Meeting Results** - Notes are being worked on. Questions? Comments? TIPS reaching its limit on current initiatives. That was the biggest single item of discussion. The idea that TIPS has finite resources; states have finite resources especially in terms of people. We are living in an era of finite resources and TIPS is going to have to be more selective on what it pursues. Many places want to have onsite classes and there are just not enough instructors to fill the need. Especially the CAD classes, there need to be at least two instructors for each CAD class. A possible solution to this was to recruit more local instructors for onsite classes.

Another subject brought up at the meeting was the Geospatial Virtual Presence discussion, Geospatial plans for the future, and a database out on the web for the locations of all the mines. There were many great memos, AqQa was approved and the MOA discussed.

**TIPS Website** - Sent out website procedures. Those are the procedure we are following right now. For right now this is our process. Most of the content is going to stay the same, there is a draft of some changes that will be happening to the website, when it is done it will look more modern. We are hoping most of the changes will be happening by the end of the year, most of the changes will not be huge the changes should make it things flow easier.

We expect that each individual team to keep their site up to date and accurate. Especially your pages, you are responsible as teams for your pages. There is a page of software experts, please go through and make sure they are up to date.

**TIPS Servers** - Will be moving the servers for the website and licenses out to the Denver Federal Center where they will be at a DOI server farm directly connected to a larger pipe. It should make access and ability at our end but we are still trying to find out from the state and tribal end.

**Budget** - Budget has been sent out. Going through the budget and trying to find money. Also going through everyone's emails working on deciphering them.

## **ROUND TABLE:**

**Lou Hamm** – Bill Card received our Outstanding TIPS Contributor Award during the TIPS Steering Committee Meeting. Congratulations Bill.

**lessha Moore** – Working on the permit boundary issues.

**Tonya Buckmaster** – Would it be possible to get copies of some of the TIPS software?

**Cathy McNish** – I do have copies. Please let me know what TIPS software you need and I will get it out to you.

**Action Item:** If anyone needs any TIPS software please let me know. (Cathy McNish)

**Mike Richmond** – Working on an AMD Treat class and WV DEP onsite class and working on making the site visiting in August and September

**Eric Perry** – Representing the AqQa team, the AqQa software has been approved moves underway to get 5 more licenses and get it up and running on Key Server. That should have soon. Online training for this software is still being produced.

**Bob McKenzie** – National Mine Map Depository has a website out there where you can view map and underground mine maps. Minemaps.osmre.net is the website.

**Susan Stoyek** – It is important to have all materials for the classes in a timely manner.

**Paul Ehret** – Issue is the Matrix, I think that we need to manage growth better.

**Min Kim** – Upgrading to ArcPad 8.2. The ArcPad course teams are also in the process of updating the course materials for ArcPad 8.0 within the next 3 months. ArcPad is not a distrusted license software it in individual licenses, so we have about 200 of them.

**Action Item:** If you have not upgraded to ArcPad 8.2 please let me know how many licenses you need. (Min Kim)

**Stephanie Self** – Many different classes happening

**Tom Cunningham** – Request from Eastern Penn Center for Abandoned Mine Reclamation. Is anyone using the Tribble Pathfinder XC receiver? Yes. Can you please let me know how many you have and their availability. Trimble Umma do we have any of these?

**Rob Welsh** – We have the XB Bluetooth receivers we can provide. MCT are order the, we are ordering 5 of the Ummas one for each region.

**Karyn Evans** – The training needs survey, NTTIP is trying to get the last few states to submit their information. Then there will be recommendation that will go out with suggestions of the number classes

should be set up. Also in the process of scheduling a course managers meeting to discuss processes for the TIPS training program.

**Duane Matt** – ASMR Meeting, thank you Tom Galya for filling in for Bill Card last week. It was very well attended about 400 people all together. If you have any questions about the meeting please give me a call later today.

**Steve Trujillo** – If you travel with TIPS funds please send us a copy of your voucher with the reference number.

**Janine Ferarese** – Attended the ASMR meeting and presented a Remote Sensing presentation.

**Rob Welsh** – We are in line to get 25,000 from USGS remote sensing imagery. Data.gov is up and running. It provides a portal to the average citizen to access useful data from a variety of US Government agencies. There will be a requirement that I believe for bureaus to submit data to data.gov.

**Next Meeting** will be on July 7, 2009