



## TIPS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 7, 2010

09:30 – 10:30 AM CENTRAL TIME

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### ATTENDEES:

Bill Card, Corey Miller, Li-Tai Bilbao, Karyn Evans, Eric Perry, Tonya Mullins, Mike Dunn, Dianne Osborne, Duane Matt, Len Meier, Kevin Garnett, Paul Behum, Randall Mills, Janine Ferarese, Debbie Dale, Stefanie Self, Jessica Villanueva, Dan Rivers, Lou Hamm, Aldo Plascencia, Chris Benson, and Rob Welsh

### PRIORITY:

**Software Distribution:** AutoCAD Map & Raster Design for 2011 is out for those that buy it. We have our copies, but the CAD team tests it first. SEDCAD is in process and is trying to get it out but it is still being worked on with Danny Rahnama and Daniel Lewis. A Regional set of software was sent to Susan Stoyek.

Hydrology Software is being tested and verified by Debbie Dale. The team will alert Cathy that the software is being verified. The goal is to get the list more up to date to say whether the software is downloadable, what the latest version is and etc.

Lou Hamm spent September 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> with the Appalachian Region Technology Transfer Team in Pipestem, WV. All of the states have their MOA's signed and are now capable of getting our Software and now also need to download Keyserver. All software distribution letters should state that keyserver is required for our software usage.

### **Budget Status & Planning for Next Year – New Technology Purchases**

An X-Ray Fluorescents hand-held detector has been ordered and is going to Eric Perry in the AR. Two gas meters are going to Ken Eltschlager. Two replacement infrared cameras have been ordered. The old ones are over 10 years old. The new ones have GPS Capability.

Duane Matt is in charge of the Thermal Cameras. The loan process has not been ironed out except for the thermal camera.

### **New Servers at Denver Federal Center**

The Reverse Proxy Server allows is to add a layer of security where the proxy server looks at the permissions on who can access the server. If the person trying to access the server is not allowed then their access will be logged off. MOS 2007 external server allows ESN to do an external scan. The server should be available September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

Contact Cathy McNish about password and login for a new SharePoint site. The Password will have to be reset when they log on.

The Software site is not available yet, but it is close to be getting done. Dan Rivers will be getting a letter out to get the vendors permission to put their software online. If we do not get the vendors approval then we will continue with CD/DVD distribution.

## **FOLLOW-UP FROM LAST MEETING:**

### **Service Managers – Workload Follow-up**

It appears that most people have responded to Tonya Mullins so she can get the information into a report. Please send updates to Tonya. Everyone has not made it all of the Service Manager Visits. Oversight has interfered with our TIPS/NTTP Program.

### **Windows 7 Testing:**

Windows 7 software has been tested. The new version of Statgraphics has been ordered and is on its way to Eric Perry. All GIS software needs to be tested. Windows 7 image team is testing the TIPS software, the team is not installing the software properly, the TIPS people are doing the testing. ArcGIS 10 has not been tested or ArcInfo Workstation.

## **ROUND TABLE:**

**Dianne Osborne:** NGA Work continues to get images on time. Proper use memorandums have been received. She will be providing a presentation to the civil applications committee on what our agency has done and is about. Title IV and Title V work has been approved. Remote Sensing pilot project, the first five priorities have been completed. Phase I has been completed and Phase II is next.

October 25<sup>th</sup> there will be a meeting in Alton about the project. ENVI has been chosen and ERDAS has been phased out but will supported short term. ESRI no longer supports ERDAS. ENVI's functionality over shadows ERMapper. ENVI is much easier to work with. Working with NGA for space born digital data. SAR can see at night through clouds and etc.

**Rob Welsh:** GeoMine Team has briefed the director about extra funds. Did get all the funding Of \$100,000 for consulting services with USGS (Steve Hale). \$25,000 to Virginia for their services. Cloud computing services with ESRI and Amazon have been purchased. Corey Miller gave back a bunch of money.

**Eric Perry:** Groundwater Vistas training was last week and the training was well received. Statgraphics problem not compatible with Windows 7, we are a couple of versions behind what The vendor offers.

**Len Meier:** Excited that the XRF Analyzer is bought. They are rewiring the training room in a couple of weeks.

**Dan Rivers:** Reminder about Windows 7 encryption for laptops. DIET initiative – 1 to 1 ratio to have users only have one PC instead of 2. Need to justify why you need more than one computer. As an agency we need to explain why you need more than one computer. Need to have a business justification for the reason why you would need more than one computer. Request in for greater Bandwidth and how we complete training. Some classes have been using blended learning and our

current infrastructure cannot handle the video format and etc. A business proposal needs to be done to increase our bandwidth and ran through the proper chain of command and budget.

**Karyn Evans:** Is currently working on a business model. The basic functioning of how our teams work and how we all are having the same issues. E-mails need to be sent to Karyn and Lout about this.

**Corey Miller:** Will be getting Kentucky information to Tonya.

**Lou Hamm:** Stratafact borehole coorelation tool will be replaced with Strater2. Go to [www.goldensoftware.com](http://www.goldensoftware.com)

**NEXT MEETING:** October 5, 2010