I. DEFINITION

There are no definitions for this guideline.

II. RATIONALE

These guidelines are intended to define and clarify the relationships of the various participants involved in statewide geographic information systems (GIS) activities.

III. GUIDELINE

1. The role of the Idaho Geospatial Committee (IGC) is to provide policy-level direction and promote efficient and effective use of resources for matters related to geographic information. To that end, the IGC shall:

   A. Promote cooperation among state, federal, tribal and local agencies, universities, and the private sector in addressing geographic data and information needs and services in Idaho;

   B. Review priorities for statewide geographic information needs and assist in the development of projects, plans, policies, standards, priorities and guidelines for geographic information;

   C. Facilitate cooperative and contract arrangements to develop and maintain high-priority geospatial databases and applications programs;

   D. Identify and promote the State geospatial information clearinghouse as a vehicle for sharing information on geospatial technology programs, policies, and resources to maximize opportunities and minimize duplication of effort, and to facilitate the standardization, documentation, distribution and exchange of geographic information; and
E. Provide recommendations to the ITA, the Governor, and the Legislature, when appropriate, concerning issues related to geographic information in Idaho.

2. The role of the State GIS Coordinator as a member of the ITA Staff is to:
   
   A. Facilitate GIS coordination among all GIS users in the State;
   
   B. Promote GIS within the State;
   
   C. Facilitate GIS cooperation between Idaho and regional and national entities;
   
   D. Serve as a member of the IGC & IGC-EC;
   
   E. Develop private sector relationships/partnerships.

3. The role of State Agencies is to:

   A. Adopt ITA policies and standards regarding GIS;

   B. Alert the State GIS Coordinator of potential projects for collaboration with other GIS users in the State in reducing duplication of effort, cost, and data; and

   C. Share data through the State clearinghouse by providing it with searchable metadata.

4. Other key stakeholders, including local, federal, and tribal governments; public utilities; and the private sector; are encouraged to cooperate and coordinate with Idaho State Agencies for data development and data sharing to reduce the costs to all participants.

IV. PROCEDURE REFERENCE

Policies for Roles of GIS Participants are detailed in ITA Information Technology Enterprise Policies P1070 – Geographic Information Systems (GIS).

V. CONTACT INFORMATION

For more information, contact the ITA Staff at (208) 605-4064.

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