

Idaho Geospatial Council – Executive Committee

Subcommittee of the Idaho Technology Authority (ITA)

Meeting Minutes: March 16, 2017

(Approved May 16, 2017)

The March 16, 2017 meeting of the Idaho Geospatial Council – Executive Committee (IGC-EC) was held at 9:30 am (Mountain) in the East Conference Room, Joe R. Williams (JRW) Building, 700 W. State St., Boise, Idaho.

ATTENDANCE

Members/Alternate(s) Present:

Pam Bond, Dept. of Fish & Game (Chair)
Bill Farnsworth, Office of the CIO
Wilma Robertson, Dept. of Water Resources
Jerry Korol, NRCS
Brian Liberty, Idaho Power
Jared Stein, Bannock County Assessor (phone)
Laurie Ames, Nez Perce Tribe (phone)
Dennis Hill, City of Pocatello (phone)
Keith Weber, ISU GIS Center (phone)
Tom Carlson, USGS (phone)
Bruce Godfrey, U of I (phone)
Donna Phillips, City of Hayden (phone)

Members Absent:

Chase Fly, Frontier Precision, Inc.
Stewart Ward, Dioptra Geomatics
Stephen Cox, Dept. of Agriculture
Rick Campbell, US Census Bureau

Others Present:

Erin Seaman, Office of the CIO
Matthew Syphus, LHTAC (phone)
Bill Reynolds, Nez Perce Tribe (phone)

WELCOME

Chairwoman Bond welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 9:34 am (Mountain).

MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Farnsworth moved and Mr. Korol seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2017 Meeting, as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

IDAHO ESRI GEONET GROUP

Ms. Bond reported that the IGC and Geotech members were queried on the value of creating an Idaho-specific Esri GeoNet group, and the feedback was supportive.

MOTION: Mr. Farnsworth moved and Ms. Ames seconded a motion to approve the creation of an Idaho-specific Esri GeoNet Group; the motion passed unanimously.

GIS STRATEGIC PLAN SUMMARY AND IMPLEMENTATION

Ms. Bond reviewed the strategic plan summary sheet. Several committee members volunteered to lead work on implementing specific goals and objectives. It was agreed that the state would likely need to take the lead on some of the goals, and Ms. Bond noted that some of the upcoming GIS conferences will provide opportunities to achieve some of the education-related goals and objectives.

Discussion followed regarding the difficulty of acquiring and maintaining dedicated funding for a position to manage a geospatial data clearinghouse to achieve Goal #1 and its' objective. It was agreed that further discussion was needed on this topic.

INVENTORY OF AVAILABLE DATASETS

Ms. Bond reported that there is a basic inventory list of framework data layers that she and Mr. Farnsworth have been working on, and the next step will be to begin targeting available data sets for nomination.

TWG UPDATES

HYDROGRAPHY – Ms. Robertson reported on the Hydrography TWG meeting which was held on March 9. The TWG meeting included presentations from Al Rea, USGS, who discussed the different types of hydrography products and how they relate to each other, and Mike Tinker, also from USGS, who gave an update on the provisional naming tools. Full meeting minutes and slides from the Hydrography TWG can be found on the Dept. of Water Resources website at: <http://idwr.idaho.gov/GIS/NHD/hydro-TWG.html>.

ELEVATION TWG – The LiDAR Consortium and its' website were briefly discussed. Ms. Bond noted that Jessie Sherburne is now a liaison with the LiDAR Consortium, and will be working with Nancy Glenn. Ms. Sherburne will be doing outreach and possibly some grant writing. She will be presenting an update at the May IGC-EC meeting

IMAGERY TWG – Mr. Farnsworth reported that the Imagery TWG has been active and meeting regularly. Their next meeting will be held in May. Mr. Korol added that NAIP will be flown this summer and is being planned for 1m resolution. There has been discussion about forming a consortium to “buy up” to a higher resolution on the NAIP in future years since the buy-up deadline for 2017 has passed. Notes from the most recent Imagery TWG meeting can be found at:

https://gis.idaho.gov/pdf/Framework/Imagery/Mtgs/20170201_MeetingNotes.pdf

OTHER BUSINESS

2017 IGC-EC ELECTIONS RESULTS – Ms. Bond reported on the results of this year's election. Candice Dodson, Idaho Power, has been elected to the utilities seat being vacated by Mr. Liberty. All other members who stood for election have been re-elected, and a special election will be scheduled shortly to elect a new chairperson. Ms. Seaman agreed to send out a call for nominations to the committee members, and Mr. Farnsworth nominated Ms. Bond to serve as chair for another term.

2017 IGC SPRING MEETING – Ms. Bond reported that this meeting will be held during the Intermountain GIS Conference in West Yellowstone and has been scheduled for Thursday, April 20, 2017. She asked the members to think about possible items for the agenda, in addition to TWG updates and GIS accomplishments from around the state. Ms. Seaman will send out a call for agenda items.

IDAHO SDI WORKSHOP – Ms. Bond, Mr. Farnsworth, and Mr. Weber are coordinating the agenda for the SDI Workshop, which will be held during the Intermountain GIS Conference in West Yellowstone on Friday, April 21, 2017. Topics will include web services, the nomination process, the importance of metadata, and security.

CYBERSECURITY ROUNDTABLE – Ms. Bond reported that a Cybersecurity Roundtable is being planned to be held concurrently with the 2017 Northwest GIS User Group Conference in Boise in October. She asked the members to begin thinking about who they would like to see as presenters, and added that volunteers interested in helping put the Roundtable together may contact her directly. She noted that she is on the conference committee.

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 am. The next meeting was scheduled for May 16, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,



Erin Seaman, Office of the CIO