

Ada County Mapping Co-Operative Special Interest Group (SIG)

Meeting Minutes

September 8th, 2016

9:00 AM to 10:30 AM

Location: Meridian City Hall, 33 E Broadway Ave, Meridian, ID 83642

Attendance:

- Emily Dixon
- Katey Jones
- Matthew Hoffman
- Doug Green
- Anne Kawalec
- April Wing
- Eric Wing
- Gail Jorgenson
- Joey Diehl
- Chuck Spencer
- Stacey Shaffer

Minutes:

Meeting opened at 9:00am.

Chuck S. motioned to approve June's minutes, Emily D. seconded. Approved.

Announcements

Gail J. is interested in starting a TWG to create data standards for AutoCAD drawings received from engineering companies. If you are interested in joining, please contact Gail.

NIFC Operations Center Tour

- Thursday, October 13th, 2016
- Must sign up, 15 people max. NIFC Security will only allow those on the base that are on the list.
- Tour begins inside lobby at 9:00am sharp, so please allow time to get through security.
- Government Issued Photo ID for each person entering the base is required at the security gate.
- Cameras are welcome. Firearms, weapons, alcohol, and drugs are not allowed on the base under any conditions.
- Follow driving routes to the parking area for the Jack Wilson Building. The tour will begin INSIDE the lobby.
- The standard tour is approximately a ½ mile walk and involves standing for over one hour. Please wear adequate walking shoes and prepare for possible inclement weather.
- They will not start tour until the entire group is present; if any one person is late, tour is subject to cancellation. So if you sign up to go, it is important that you are in the lobby before 9:00am.

Upcoming Training Opportunities or Conferences

Northwest GIS User Group Conference – October 17th - 21st, Salem, Oregon

GIS-Pro 2016: URISA's 54th Annual Conference – October 31st – November 3rd, Toronto, Ontario

Presentations

City of Meridian – How we use SQL server back-end GIS

- Meridian creates non-spatial views of spatial data, so non-GIS people can edit the data.
- Data is stored in SQL and can be accessed directly out of Hansen (their asset management program). GIS data can be connected to Hansen using joins and relates.
- They use SQL Server Management Studio to write the queries.
- You can perform spatial analysis processes, like union, buffer, and extract, using SQL.
- SQL saves time. A process that took 2 hours to run in Model Builder only took 2 minutes in SQL.

Round Robin

Stacy Schaffer (Idaho Military Division)

- They have been experimenting with Trimble Geo 7 GPS units and are getting close to 4mm accuracy.

Chuck Spencer (Ada County Highway District)

- ACHD is moving away from using GPS. Have been utilizing collector on tablets, so field staff can edit the data directly.

April Wing (City of Boise)

- SWIG GIS Day – November 19th at the Boise Watershed Center. We need volunteers!
- February 2017 meeting – will do half of the day as a conference and half as technical training.

Eric Wing (City of Boise)

- VueWorks (new asset management system) is taking off
- Boise City is getting a new permitting system with heavy GIS component

Emily Dixon (City of Boise)

- Boise has almost completely mapped private Stormwater systems.

Anne Kawalec (Ada County Assessor's Office)

- Appraisers have a new mobile app. Anne would like to demonstrate it at a SIG meeting.
- Boise Elevated meetings
 - Developers and local government staff are discussing the platting/planning process, with the goal of having an all-digital submission of plats.
 - Encourage supervisors and colleagues to attend!
- New employee: Amanda Mores will be doing addressing

Joey Diehl (Ada County Assessor's Office)

- Working on GIS support for the new 911 system
- Planning to correct the parcel fabric

Gail Jorgensen (Ada County Highway District)

- ACHD is now the authority on Bike Routes. This does not include paths, only routes in the right-of-way.

Closing

- Meeting adjourned at 10:30 AM.
- Next meeting will be November 10, 2016 at 9am at the Ada County Highway District Office.