

SAN DIEGO REGIONAL GIS COUNCIL

MEETING SUMMARY

Wednesday July 14, 2004

1. Welcome and Introductions – Matt Brown

Matt Brown (County Water Authority) welcomed the group to the SDRGC meeting held at the San Diego Association of Governments. We had a total of 20 people representing 23 agencies and firms (see Attachment 1 for a complete list of attendees)

2. GEONEWS

a) SDRGC Matters – Matt Brown

Wendy Barto (City of Encinitas) has volunteered to fill the Secretary position that has been vacated by Dan Henderson. Dan has taken a new job in the private sector, and according to the San Diego Regional GIS Council Charter only public agency staff are allowed to be Council officers.

b) CGIA Update – Steve Kunkel

The California Geographic Information Association (CGIA) met last May at the Government and Technology Conference (GTC) in Sacramento. New officers were elected to the CGIA Board for a two year term. Board members from the San Diego area are Tom McDowell City of Chula Vista, Rick Sperling Caltrans, Matt Brown County Water Authority, and Steve Kunkel SANDAG.

CGIA also applied for a NSDI CAP grant of \$30,000 to assist with metadata training for the smaller rural government agencies in the State.

For more information on CGIA go to www.cgia.org.

c) California GIS Council Update – Matt Brown

The State Council has not held a meeting since last February. The next meeting is supposed to be sometime in September/October, but has not yet been scheduled. Minutes from past meetings can be found at <http://gis.ca.gov/council>.

d) Web Design Subcommittee – Harry Johnson

The website for the San Diego Regional GIS Council is up and running and can be accessed at www.sdrgc.org. The subcommittee formed to design the website has completed its task and is no longer needed. The website will be maintained by the Council Webmaster. The 'links' page still needs to be populated, please email Harry (hjohnson@typhoon.sdsu.edu) with suggested links.

It was suggested that the active Council Subcommittees be added to the website. In addition, feel free to email Harry with any other suggestions for the Council website.

e) GIS Management Subcommittee – Bob Canepa

This subcommittee was tasked with developing a document containing guidelines for implementing, managing, and maintaining a GIS. The subcommittee has completed a rough draft of the document and is meeting on August 4th to review, comment, and revise the draft document. The subcommittee anticipates having a final draft for Council review by the end of the 2004 calendar year.

f) Imagery Subcommittee – Sue Carnevale

The Imagery Subcommittee has been working on developing an Image Acquisition Plan that will foster coordinated, multi-agency image acquisitions in San Diego. The subcommittee is still working on finalizing per agency budgetary cost estimates. A formal Request for Cost Estimates was prepared earlier this year in order to obtain current costs from qualified vendors to prepare the desired digital imagery specified in the Plan. These costs, as well as costs for project oversight/management, QA/QC and delivery of final image products, etc., are being used to derive the per agency budgetary cost estimates.

g) ESRI Host Committee – Matt Brown

VIP passes to this year's ESRI Users Conference are very easy to obtain. Any individual interested in a VIP pass can obtain one at the Registration Desks at the Conference. Identification will be required. VIP passes are valid Tuesday through Wednesday and Thursday till noon. The VIP passes allow access to the map gallery and vendor areas only, not to any of the technical or paper sessions. The Monday night poster social is open to anyone.

The local Host Booth will be set up in the same location as it was last year, with the same banners created by ESRI from last year. Posters of local work efforts are needed for the host both. Please contact John Hofmockel at SANDAG (jho@sanda.org) to submit/donate posters of your work. In addition, professional GIS staff are needed to work at the Host Booth during the conference and for booth setup and tear down. Please contact Harry Johnson (hjohnson@typhoon.sdsu.edu) to volunteer for the Host Booth.

User Group meetings at the Conference:

Southern California Regional User Group Meeting – Tuesday, August 10, 2004, 12:15 PM-1:15 PM, Room 30-B (SDCC)

This meeting is to discuss current events in the Southern California area, and to introduce different User Groups in the region to each other. Winners of the "Geography Showcase" poster contest will also be announced and awards given out.

California / Nevada / Hawaii Regional User Group Meeting - Tuesday, August 10, 2004, 5:30 PM-7:00 PM, Room 15-B (SDCC)

Stop by and visit with other GIS users from this region. This year there will be food and a no-host bar will be available. This is a great chance to talk with your peers and learn what they are doing with GIS in agencies similar to your own.

SDSU Geography Alumni – Wednesday, August 11, 12:15 PM-1:15 PM, Room 24-A (SDCC)

This year Andres Abeyta has offered to put together a PowerPoint presentation on SDSU Graduates. Last year at the ESRI conference it was suggested that the PowerPoint Presentation could be a focal point to future SDSU alumni gatherings rather than the 5 second stand up introductions. This would provide a better networking opportunity for everyone and also create a legacy document for the SDSU Geography program. We are looking for contributions from everyone whether you are attending the ESRI conference or not, and whether you are in GIS or not. After the rollout of this presentation at the ESRI conference in August, we will then let the document reside at IGIST's and SDSU's website for everyone to view. Click on the following link to see an example of what you will be contributing towards: http://www.igist.com/SDSU/IGIST-Alumni-Association1_v2.ppt. If you would like to be included in the PowerPoint show please submit the following information: Name, Company, position, personal photo, jpeg of project work, 1-4 sentence bio, email, phone number, year of graduation. Please get your information to Andres (abeyta@igist.com) by August 3rd.

3. *VOTE* Whether to Recommend that CERES be Adopted as the Official State Metadata Node - Matt Brown *VOTE*

The vote on this item was deferred until the next meeting until more information can be obtained. Tom McDowell (City of Chula Vista), Lisa Stapleton (SanGIS), and Steve Kunkel (SANDAG) agreed to review the CERES metadata catalog, report back to the group at the next meeting, and provide a recommendation to the Council. Anyone else who is interested can visit the site at www.gis.ca.gov/catalog.

4. SANDAG Data and Profile Warehouses - Beth Jarosz

Due to a last minute cancellation by Alfie Blanch of the California Office of Emergency Services (he was called out on a wildfire) we were unable to see the HAZUS demonstration. Beth Jarosz (SANDAG) provided the group with demonstrations of SANDAG's profile warehouse and on how to extract census data from SANDAG's data warehouses for use in your own applications. Both of these applications can be accessed from SANDAG's website at www.sandag.org.

5. Other

John Johnson with Mesa College has taken the lead on and obtained a 3-year grant for about \$750,000 to develop a curriculum for a GIS certification program. Mesa College will be collaborating with San Diego State University and City Schools on this effort and will also be working with established GIS agencies in the San Diego area to obtain their input in developing the curriculum.

ATTACHMENT 1

Attendees at the April 14, 2004 San Diego Regional GIS Council meeting:

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