## San Diego Regional GIS Council Meeting Minutes July 11, 2007

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions

Tom McDowell welcomed everyone to the meeting. See Attachment #1 for list of attendees.

#### 2. GEONEWS

## A) CGIA Update - Tom McDowell

CGIA elections have been held, but the results have not yet been announced. Check the CGIA web site at <a href="http://www.cgia.org">http://www.cgia.org</a> for the latest news and updates. CGIA has been involved in the promotion of a number of initiatives designed to encourage data sharing among the State's GIS regional collaboratives and to develop a statewide GIS data plan. GIS professionals are encouraged to join and participate with CGIA.

## B) ESRI UC Host Booth - Paul Hardwick

Paul thanked everyone for submitting posters. This year all of the posters on display were entered into the Geoshowcase – there were over 35 posters. Paul also thanked the SDRGC Board and ESRI for their hard work on the Host Booth and Zero Tower. Tom McDowell added an extra thanks to Barbara Kent and ESRI's graphics team for the Zero Tower content and graphics.

#### C) SDRGC Elections – Barbara Kent

The current two-year term of the Board will be ending at the January 2008 meeting. We will be accepting nominations for new board members (Chair, Vice-chair, Secretary, and Web Master) at the October 2007 meeting, voting will occur between the October and January meeting through email, and the new board will be announced at the January meeting, they will take office for the April 2008 meeting. Descriptions of each office are in Section V, Part 2 of the Charter. <a href="http://www.sdrgc.org/docs/SDRGCS">http://www.sdrgc.org/docs/SDRGCS</a> charter.pdf

#### 3. Aerial Imagery – Sue Carnevale, Tom McDowell

Sue reported that the updated Imagery Acquisition Guidelines is on the SDRGC web site <a href="http://www.sdrgc.org/documents.html">http://www.sdrgc.org/documents.html</a>. Updates include a section on regional and sub regional products, QA/QC by an independent consultant, partnership opportunities with USGS, a discussion of off-the-shelf commercial imagery products, and DTMs. Please review the updated document and provide comments to Sue at <a href="mailto:sca@sandag.org">sca@sandag.org</a>.

Sue also reported that the imagery group concluded that there is no real need for custom imagery acquisition for the entire region. Vendors are now offering a pricing structure for government multi-agency purchases. SANDAG is currently searching for 2007 imagery, as well as potential partnering agencies. If your agency is interested in partnering with SANDAG on an imagery purchase, contact Sue within the next two months.

SanGIS has an imagery contract with Eagle Aerial. Eagle is becoming more flexible with the cost and number of seats for their product. If your agency is interested in this imagery purchase, please contact Andrew Abouna at <a href="mailto:aabouna@sangis.org">aabouna@sangis.org</a>.

Tom distributed a handout of a timeline for a new sub regional imagery acquisition project. The imagery will be true color and four or six-inch resolution. Color infrared imagery can also be purchased for an additional but nominal cost. Tom would like to form a group to work out project details (resolution, contract, cost-sharing, etc). Private companies are welcome to participate in this partnership. Using the existing terrain model, the imagery-only product is estimated to cost \$500 per square-mile. A cost breakdown will be posted on the SDRGC web site. Contact Tom if you are interested in this partnership at tmcdowell@ci.chula-vista.ca.us.

## 4. Digital Submittal Standards – Karl von Schlieder

The Guidelines for the Submittal of Digital Maps draft document is ready for review by the SDRGC. This document sets standards for the development community to submit digital pre-plans to government agencies. It also provides a justification for the standards and sets data layer requirements.

Benefits of having the pre-plans submitted according to these standards include a decrease in the SanGIS landbase update process by 75%, and the ability for the County Assessor to release tentative parcel numbers.

There was an extensive discussion on software, requirements, and other considerations related to this topic.

Please review this document with your agency's stakeholders, including developers, and give your comments to Karl by mid-September (exact date to be determined and emailed to SDRGC members) at <a href="mailto:kvons@ci.carlsbad.ca.us">kvons@ci.carlsbad.ca.us</a>.

5. SanGIS Business Process Reeingineering (BPR) Results – Andrew Abouna

Andrew presented an overview of SanGIS's mission and goals, and a summary of the recent BPR. The BPR Workshop was June 4-7. Participants identified 114 work flow steps in maintaining the landbase; they were able to decrease this process by 82.5%, to 20 steps. The BPR Strategic Planning & Regionalization Workshop was June 11-12. Participants discussed the SanGIS cooperative vision, roles and responsibilities of SanGIS and participating agencies, and allowing for distributed maintenance and editing of landbase data sets.

Proposals resulting from the BPR include:

**Expansion of the Board** 

(Phase 1)

- 1. City
- 2. County
- 3. SANDAG

(Phase 2) North Cities Representative South Cities Representative Additional Reps as Appropriate

**Quarterly Board Meetings** 

#### Data Access

- 1. Public FTP Site Free of Charge
- 2. Internal FTP Fee Structure #1 (amount to be determined)
- 3. SDE/T1 Read Access Fee Structure #2
- 4. SDE/T1 Read/Write Access Fee Structure #3

The next SanGIS Board meeting is July 20, not the 13<sup>th</sup> as previously announced, and all are welcome to attend.

## 6. Stewardship of National Hydrography Dataset (NHD) - Andrew Abouna

SanGIS is the regional steward of the NHD. SanGIS plans to work with local agencies to update the data, and then provide it to USGS. Two, three-day workshops will be held to train data stewards. The first will be July 17-19, the second in mid-September, both at the Caltrans District Office Building.

#### 7. Other

### **Discourse Maps – Gregg Verutes**

Discourse Maps is a structured discussion board integrated with Google Earth for spatially referenced discussions <a href="http://geoinfo.sdsu.edu/mediaGIS/discoursemaps.htm">http://geoinfo.sdsu.edu/mediaGIS/discoursemaps.htm</a>. It was designed by Gregg, an SDSU geography graduate student. For his Master's thesis, Gregg needs to evaluate this application in order to assess its usability. Due to time constraints, the SDRGC could not decide on a course of action regarding this topic but will discuss this application, and our participation in evaluating it, at the next meeting. Please contact Gregg at <a href="mailto:gweigencoursemaps.htm">gweigencoursemaps.htm</a>. It was

## Attachment 1

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