

San Diego Regional GIS Council
Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2015

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

- i. Grace Chung, SDRGC President, welcomed everyone and thanked City of Vista for hosting and providing refreshments.
- ii. Please see attachment for list of attendees. This meeting was held at the City of Vista Civic Center Community Room 202.

2. GEONEWS

a) **USGS** – Drew Decker reported:

- i. New US Topo maps will be coming for CA in early 2015. Production is underway now and maps will be published (downloadable to the public) starting in early March and completed by mid-to late-April. Exact dates planned are March 4, 2015 through April 23, 2015. Maps can be downloaded at the USGS Store (store.usgs.gov) as well as a couple other sites. The last complete topo map coverage for CA was in 2012. This new map includes:
 - a. Crowd sourced geographic names (Drew presented this in July, 2014).
 - b. Public Land Survey System (PLSS) grids.
 - c. National Scenic Trails (such as the Pacific Crest Trail) will be included.
 - d. We have a formal cooperative agreement with the International Mountain Biking Association (IMBA), a volunteer organization that collects bike trails via crowdsourcing. We will start showing IMBA trails data on the Arizona FY15 project. IMBA trails will not be shown on USFS or NPS land, nor will they be identified on the maps as bike trails. Trail uses and restrictions are not shown on US Topo maps.
 - e. All states in FY15 will use commercial road data from HERE (Nokia), except in National Forests where USFS data will continue to be shown.
- ii. Note that AZ maps just came out and NV maps are being published now, if you are interested.
- iii. New one foot imagery for Los Angeles County, the Orange County urban area, and the Riverside/San Bernardino urban area should be out soon.
- iv. San Diego Imagery Project
 - a. Imagery and LIDAR has been completed for the project as of Dec. 29, 2014. This includes some higher resolution LIDAR in the South San Diego Bay and Tijuana River Estuary areas. This was due to the addition of the Southwest Wetlands Interpretive Association (SWIA) as a new partner. Invoices recently went out and some of you may have received notices. Data processing is underway with final data delivery taking place in the summer; however, there will be an early delivery of some imagery stereo-pairs by the end of March and whoever is interested in seeing the data, Drew will distribute as needed. Drew will work with Pat Landrum to get a written status report out to the group.

- b. New Hydrography Requirements and Benefits Study now underway. Similar to our NEEA study in 2011 which led to the 3D Elevation Program.
- b) **DoD Update** – Robert Kraft
 - i. Robert was unable to attend this meeting. Nothing to report.
- c) **SANGIS UPDATE** – Brad Lind reported:
 - i. SanGIS has completed the metadata updates for all SanGIS maintained layers. The updated metadata has been published to the regional data warehouse (data download site) for all layers on the Monthly and Quarterly Updates list. See the layer update report page at <http://www.sangis.org/news/layer.html> for a list of layers on the Monthly and Quarterly lists. The metadata is being published at this time in PDF format using the ISO 19139 style sheet. All PDFs will be converted to the new publication style sheet once that is finalized. Some County of San Diego-owned layers have also been updated to meet the minimum metadata requirements and those are being published as they come in to SanGIS.
 - ii. Owner names in the parcel layers are still available for local jurisdictions and the public through special procedures at this time. SanGIS and SANDAG are working together to create a process that will once again allow the owner names to be included in the parcel layers on the regional data warehouse. Notifications will be sent to email addresses on file when the new process is implemented.
 - iii. At the request of the SanGIS Technical Advisory Board (STAB), SanGIS is starting a project to create a layer of roads in adjacent counties (Riverside, Imperial, and Orange) that can be used seamlessly with the ROADS_ALL layer for routing and dispatch.
 - iv. SanGIS has downloaded the latest National Hydrography Dataset (NHD) for California and clipped it to the watershed boundaries that affect San Diego County. This dataset is not published on the regional data warehouse but it is available in a file geodatabase format from SanGIS if needed. Contact Brad at SanGIS to arrange for the delivery.
- d) **SANDAG UPDATE** – Grace Chung reported for Pat Landrum:
 - i. The final regional growth forecast, and SD Forward – The Regional Plan will be finalized in October, 2015.
 - ii. GIS staff has been busy performing mapping and analysis in support of the SD Forward EIR.
 - iii. The regional bike routes dataset is complete. Metadata is currently being updated. The dataset will be posted to the Regional Data Warehouse soon.

3. WORKING GROUP UPDATE

- a) **Metadata Working Group** – John Hofmockel, SANDAG, reported:
 - i. The Metadata Working Group met on December 9th. We discussed the Metadata Standards implementation for each agency, the development of the publication stylesheet, and briefly web-services metadata.
 - ii. SanGIS has completed editing all its layers. For SANDAG, any layers sent to SanGIS will meet the standards. For SANDAG, all in-house layers will meet the standards by springtime. County is about two-thirds complete. All county layers sent to SanGIS will meet the standards. The city has not yet begun implementation.

- iii. The publication stylesheet is not yet final. The beta stylesheet general layout can be viewed in the minutes from September 25th.
 - iv. A Metadata working group meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2015. Discussion will continue on finalizing the Publication Stylesheet and future plans for Web Mapping Services Metadata
- b) **Imagery Working Group** – Drew Decker, USGS, reported:
- i. The regional imagery acquisition project is progressing. All imagery and LiDAR has been acquired with only a minor re-flight of a small portion of Camp Pendleton remaining. An update from the vendor and USGS will be provided to project partners and will include sample imagery products for review.
- c) **GIS Server Working Group** – Grace Chung reported for Pat Landrum:
- i. No recent activity to report on the GIS Server TWG.

4. BREAK

5. MARK GRENINGER, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION OFFICER AND PRESIDENT – CALIFORNIA GIS COUNCIL

Mark provided an overview of the Council's direction, objectives, and priorities and discussed how the San Diego GIS community can become more involved in important state-wide GIS collaboration.

He discussed the differences between the California Geographic Information Association (CGIA) and the California GIS Council, discussed the Council's goals and next steps.

The links to the documents he provided on the CGIA and CA GIS Council are on the SDRGC's documents page being the California GIS Strategic Plan Phase 2: Regional Participation, the California GIS Council Charter (adopted January 7, 2015) and the California Geospatial Framework Draft Data Plan.

As the Geographic Information Officer for the County of Los Angeles, Mark discussed how they are doing in Los Angeles County in terms of various data programs including the Los Angeles Region Imagery Acquisition Consortium (LARIAC), the Countywide Address Management System (CAMS), and data access for the public.

He addressed the importance of GIS management and leadership moving towards a centralized GIS repository and utilizing an enterprise GIS with the ability to share services.

He also provided Exhibit C of the LARIAC Contract showing external entity pricing which is also on the SDRGC website.

6. OPEN DISCUSSION

- i. URISA: CalGIS, 2015, 21st Annual California GIS Conference is scheduled for June 1-3, 2015 in Sacramento. See website for more details and to register:
<http://www.urisa.org/education-events/calgis-2015-21st-annual-california-gis-conference/>

7. NEXT MEETING

- i. Wednesday, April 8, 2015 – 9:00am to 11:00am at City of Coronado, Council Chambers, 1825 Strand Way, Coronado, CA 92118.

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