Date: June 3, 2021

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location: Teleconference meeting via Microsoft Teams

**Constituency & Task Force Reports**

**Andy Rowan, State GIO**

1. Announcing the hiring of Steve Eckhardt at the NJOGIS.
2. 2020 imagery has been received. Processing is to be performed. The data will be released soon and made available through NJOGIS imagery interfaces.
3. Department of Health, COVID-19 dashboard has a newly added map of vaccination coverage percentage by municipality.

**Brian Embley, Office of GIS**

1. Reminder for attendees to sign up as a member of the Geospatial Forum.
2. Reminder to utilize Job Openings section of Geospatial Forum website.
3. 2015 imagery is available in MG3 for AutoCAD users.
4. Reminder to go to NJGIN website to share your open data, or to find and use open data.
5. Announcing MAC URISA webinar on Public Sector GIS in Transportation on June 9th.

**Roger Barlow – Federal Constituency Group**

1. The National Geodetic Survey held an update on reference frame change, but implementation has been delayed.

**Ann Marie Falkowski – State Constituency Group**

1. The NJDEP GIS Mapping Contest was held virtually in April. The winning maps and a gallery of all entries are available to view on the BGIS website: nj.gov/dep/gis
2. DEP has been experiencing system architecture issues relating to firewall rules which have put our server migration and new map service URLS behind schedule. We have been meeting with NJOIT, and we believe that the issues have been resolved. More information will be coming soon.
3. Bureau of GIS has a new full-time employee: Juan Toro-Killion. Juan will be working with the BGIS Server and Data Teams.

**Edith Konopka – Geodetic Task Force**

1. Presentation of National Geodetic Survey webinar review:
   1. Modernized NSRS expected to release around 2025.
   2. First reference epoch will be 2020.
   3. Software vendors are receiving information to prepare.
   4. Data (collected, contracted): include datum used and time.
   5. See <https://geodesy.noaa.gov/datums/newdatums/TrackOurProgress.shtml>
   6. US Survey Foot deprecation December 31, 2022.

**Roger Barlow – Elevation Task Force**

1. Ocean facing coastline to be flown summer 2022 by Corps of Engineers with coastal zone mapping and integration lidar.
2. Early-stage discussions underway regarding the collection of quality level 1 or 2 lidar for Northeastern NJ (Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Union, Middlesex, Monmouth).

**Tanya Nolte – Trails Task Force**

1. The Trails taskforce transitioned from planning to implementation.  Federal funding has been secured to support the work of compiling a statewide trails layer and the taskforce completed the process of gathering existing trail data.  The DEP then released an RFQ via the State GIS contract to solicit bids to compile the gathered data; Civil Solutions was awarded the contract.  Work is currently underway, with a completion date of September, 2021.  The compiled data will be publicly released later in the year and a plan for ongoing maintenance and updates is being planned.

**Open Discussion/Announcements**

**Andy Rowan, State GIO**

1. Princeton Gerrymandering Project has launched a mapping contest

**Presentation**

**Understanding and Using USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service Soils Data and Online Tools**

Presented by:

Trish Long, GIS Specialist at USDA-NRCS – New Jersey

Edwin Muniz, Soil Scientist at USDA-NRCS – New Jersey

Douglas M. Schleifer, Manager at NJ Office of GIS

**Future Meeting Dates**

General Meeting Dates (10am-12pm):

* September 23, 2021
* December 2, 2021
* March 3, 2022

Executive Meeting Dates:

* August 12, 2021 (10:30am)
* September 16, 2021 (1-2:30pm)
* December 2, 2021 (1-2:30pm)
* January 6, 2022 (10:30am)
* March 3, 2022 (1-2:30pm)