Date: December 2, 2021

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Location: Teleconference meeting via Microsoft Teams

**Election Results**

The election results of the following constituency groups are as follows:

* Federal Government – Trish Long
* Land Surveyor – Gary Veenstra
* Non-government Organization – Tanya Nolte
* Regional Authority/MPO – Mark Gatti

**Constituency Groups**

**State GIO, Andy Rowan**

* Andy Rowan will be retiring at the end of 2021.
* Daniel’s law
  + Prohibits government agencies from posting the name and home address of judge, prosecutor, law enforcement officer.
  + Effective date of 12/10/2021.
  + This law effects the Mod-IV data.
  + In order to ensure compliance, the state will be removing all owner names from publicly published versions of the data (This effects downloadable data on NJGIN, and public web services).
  + There is a likelihood that changes to the law will soon be made.
* NextGen 911
  + OIT had an RFP for building and operating the new 911 network.
  + Bids were opened a few months ago and are in review.
  + Document for notice of intent to award is being prepared. Could be awarded in February or later.

**NJ OGIS, Brian Embley**

* NJ Geocode is the new geocoder service.
  + Updated with new address data.
  + Uses ESRI’s new suggest capability.
  + NJ Cascade is still available but is not updated anymore.

**Federal Government, Trish Long**

* Federal agencies are expecting funds for infrastructure projects via Build Back Better.

**State Government, Presented by Trish Long on behalf of Ann-Marie Falkowski**

* The Bureau of GIS will be presenting at the virtual Esri Mid-Atlantic User Group Meeting tomorrow. The presentation covers how the NJDEP uses drones to collect photos, Drone2Map to create maps, and ArcGIS Pro to evaluate the restoration of tidal marshes using dredged material.
* There is an NJ-GeoWeb training class on Thursday, January 27 from 9am-2pm. You can register by visiting the Bureau of GIS’s website and clicking on the training tab.

**Land Surveyor, Gary Veenstra**

* Gary initiated a discussion regarding data collection regulations for GIS professionals.
  + Surveyors have many regulations that they need to adhere to but doesn’t know of GIS regulations.

**Task Force Announcements**

**Elevation Task Force, Roger Barlow**

* NJDEP has decided to pursue a LiDAR collection refresh of the six northeast counties (Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Monmouth and Union) for the 2023 collection season. This will provide time to collect partner funding from state, regional and county agencies, to supplement the funding match from USGS 3DEP. 3DEP recommends an eight year refresh cycle for LiDAR collections, but the deadline for applying to the program for the 2022 collection season doesn’t leave enough time for DEP to request and collect adequate funding from other agencies, submit the application and create MOAs with contributing agencies. Delaying the refresh until 2023 allows DEP and potential partner agencies to properly justify and request funding in their 2023 budgets, provides the necessary time to put together partnership agreements and submit the application to 3DEP.
* DEP has also determined that an upgrade to the QL1 spec for the refresh will be worth the extra expense. QL1 supports better quality for derived data such as building footprints, impervious surfaces and many other DEP stewarded datasets. It is also possible that the costs of data collection will decrease by waiting until 2023.
* The four DVRPC counties (Burlington, Camden, Gloucester and Mercer) will also be ready for a refresh in 2023 and that may give DEP an opportunity to realize a cost reduction because of the economies of scale if the two collections are combined into a single project.
* The National Federation for Wildlife will do a March topobathymetric, wetland focused collection on parts of the coast and a map will be provided showing the project area. Project can take on individual project area with funding if agencies want to add to collection.
* Middle of next summer, the Army corps of engineers will collect topobathymetric data on ocean facing coastline of New Jersey. Project can take on individual project area with funding if agencies want to add to collection.

**Trails Task Force, Mike Shanahan on behalf of Tanye Nolte**

* The DEP has received deliverables from Civil solutions and is working through the process of publishing the first version of a statewide trails dataset.
* A publication is likely to occur in early 2022.
* A core team is working on a procedure for maintaining the dataset with the goal of having an update completed annually on National Trails Day (June).
* They will be reaching out to existing data providers for data updates.
* They are continually looking for additional data sources to fill in data gaps.
* The team is working on ways to develop a more robust and complete dataset which will involve ongoing collaboration with data providers.
* They would like to extend their thanks to contributors.

**Other Discussion/Announcements**

* **Utility Task Force, Dom Elefante**
  + Dom discussed mission of the proposed Utility Task Force, which is:
    - To develop metadata field standards that will span across multiple utility industries (wastewater, stormwater, water, etc.), and in turn will help maintain utility assets within the State’s utility communities utilizing field standards common to everyday use.
* Glenn McNichol Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) Retirement of Will Stevens after 37 years at DVRPC
* Fed ESRI User Conference is Feb 8-9 in Washington, DC.

**Presentation**

* Lessons Learned from Supporting the NJDOH COVID-19 Dashboard, or What to Do When a Pandemic Forces You to Break All the Rules, presented by Andy Rowan and Brian Embley from the NJ Office of GIS

**Future Meeting Dates**

General Meeting Dates:

* March 3, 2022 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Executive Meeting Dates:

* January 6, 2022 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
* March 3, 2022 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.