

# **New Jersey Geospatial Forum General Meeting Minutes**



Date: December 14, 2022  
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
Location: Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

## **Introduction to Information Resource Exchange Group (IREG)**

- Introducing Chris Pollard from IREG.
- Reason for the meeting

## **NJGF Election Results**

- New Executive Committee members
  - County: Matt Gatti
  - State: Scott Constello
  - Education: Zachary Christman
  - Private: Calen Dougherty
  - Municipal: John Hainsworth

## **Task Force Announcements**

### **Elevation Task Force, Roger Barlow**

- 3D elevation program announcement. Proposal submitted for recollection of 2014 Lidar collection. 4 points per square meter.

### **Utilities/Public Works, Dom Elefante**

- No announcements

### **Trails Task Force, Tanya Nolte**

- No announcements

### **Geodetic Task Force, Edith Konopka**

- NJGF Geodetic Task Force update at NJGF meeting 12/14/2022
- Update about the activity of the task force and the New Datum and State Plane Coordinate System.
- NJGF Geodetic Task Force update at NJGF meeting 12/14/2022
- Task Force work has mostly been suspended in the past couple of years because the work of the National Geodetic Survey to produce the new datums and State Plane coordinate systems was behind schedule.
- Their revised schedule appears to be going well, with anticipated release date of mid-2025 for modernized National Spatial Reference System (NSRS) data and limited tools. New State Plane system definitions are scheduled for release in early- to mid-2023, but they won't be usable until the NSRS data are available.

### **Geodetic Task Force (cont.)**

- We anticipate that the Task Force should start active work again in mid-2023.
- The surveyors have continued to provide education about the topic, and NJSPLS has had informative speakers on the new NSRS and State Plane systems at each of their annual Survcon meetings. For anyone needing an in-depth look at them, please see the on-line announcement, available now, for Survcon 2023 in February in Atlantic City.
- One notable event is NOT delayed, which is the deprecation of the US Survey foot. This is occurring on-schedule on December 31, 2022, two and a half weeks from now. The practical effect for those of us in the GIS world in New Jersey is that data in the new State Plane system, if in feet, will be in International Feet (now also termed just “Feet”), not in the current U.S. Survey Feet. NGS will continue to support the U.S. Survey foot for old systems, it just will not be incorporated into new ones.

### **General Announcements**

- Roger Barlow announces that Coastal Topobathymetry LiDAR was flown for some portions of New Jersey.
- David Kraiker from Census announces that American Communities Survey (ACS) Demographic data has been released by the Census.

### **Panel Discussion**

Chris Pollard and Sean Lawrence (DVRPC)

Merrilee Torres (Burlington County)

Joe Ward and Nick Cressman (Gloucester County)

A roundtable discussion among county and regional GIS managers about their experiences, including problems and solutions that come with managing GIS in their organization.

### **Future Meeting Dates**

General Meeting Dates (10:00 am – noon):

- Thursday, March 2, 2023

Executive Meeting Dates:

- Thursday, January 5, 2023, 10:30 a.m.
- Thursday, March 2, 2023, 1:00 p.m.