

# New Jersey Geospatial Forum

## General Meeting Minutes



Date: December 18, 2020  
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
Location: Teleconference meeting via Microsoft Teams

### Constituency & Task Force Reports

#### Andy Rowan, State GIO

- 1) Daniel's Law (Assembly Bill 1649) was passed in response to the murder of a son of a judge and prohibits posting the name and home address of judges, law enforcement officers, and prosecutors (current or former) on internet. The property tax database has owner name and address. Those names may have to come out of the database. There currently is not a list of the names affected by the law. OGIS is still waiting for advice on this issue. OGIS may have to temporarily remove all owners' names. OGIS will send out findings on this issue to the Forum.

#### Brian Embley, OGIS

- 1) The new NJGIN website was released about a year and half ago. Currently there are 568 datasets available for download. The top downloads include municipal boundaries, parcels composite, and county boundaries.
- 2) OGIS tracks unique map requests. Cadastral was the most used averaging 4.8M requests monthly.
- 3) South Jersey LiDAR project datafiles are now available for download. Ocean, Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, and Salem counties. Use the web application to download tiles individually, or tiles can bulk download using command line tools.  
<https://njgin.nj.gov/njgin/edata/elevation/index.html>
- 4) All elevation and imagery data is being made available in the cloud (AWS). Download instructions are being compiled by NJOGIS and will be made available on the NJGIN Imagery, <https://njgin.nj.gov/njgin/edata/imagery/index.html>, and Elevation, <https://njgin.nj.gov/njgin/edata/elevation/index.html>, web pages. OGIS will no longer be distributing datasets via physical media such as hard drives.

#### Ann-Marie Falkowski, State Constituency Group

NJDEP will be changing its map service URLs due to a planned server migration. This means anyone using NJDEP data in ArcGIS Online or other applications will need to update their web maps and applications to point to the new URLs. This change will be taking place in early 2021. We be posting more information on our website and sending emails through the forum soon with more information.

#### Edith Konopka, Geodetic Task Force

- 1) The task force is suspending activities for at least a year due to the delay in the release of the modernized NSRS.
- 2) The US Survey foot will be deprecated on December 31, 2022. NGS will continue support the current tools but will not be updating the tools. In future years it will be confusing to people if you don't indicate what foot you are using. It is important to convey if your data is using the US Survey Foot.

- 3) Deadline to submit GPS benchmark data to NGS is December 31, 2021.
- 4) On January 27, 2021, the NJSPLS is hosting a webinar about the datum change. There is a modest cost to attend.

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

The task force is working to change the 3DEP LiDAR base specifications to homogenize differences in water surface height between LiDAR swaths in "enclosed" tidal water areas. In this case we are speaking about water features such as Little Egg Harbor and Barnegat Bay. Discussion of this topic will be had January 7th with the 3DEP lidar base specifications committee.

### **Doug Schleifer, OGIS**

OGIS is working with John Tyrawski, NJDEP to determine what derivative LiDAR data products will be developed. John will be developing the methodology for creating the statewide DEM from the various collections and determining the resolution that the products will be developed at.

### **Trails Task Force**

No one was present from this task force, but Andy indicated that they are preparing to put together the submissions they have received from various sources.

## **Open Discussion/Announcements**

### **Tom Rafferty, NJ State Police**

NJ State Police is working with Esri using CARES funding sources to set up ArcGIS Online organizations with County emergency coordinators. For more information e-mail Tom: Thomas.Rafferty@njsp.org.

### **Maya Thomas, MAC URISA secretary**

Active members, those who have attended two events in the past two years, received an email to vote in MAC URISA Board of Trustees election. Voting is open until December 28.

### **Charles Adamson, past president of NJSPLS**

In January 2021 the NJSPLS will host a seminar on the change of the US foot to the international foot. Look for other seminars from the NJSPLS or the NSPS as these organization will be very active due to the upcoming datum change.

## **Executive Committee Elections**

### **David Kunz**

- Election results
  - Private: Calen Daugherty, Civil Solutions
  - State: Ann-Marie Falkowski, NJDEP
  - County: Joe Smalley, Middlesex County
  - Education Dr. David Tulloch, Rutgers
  - Municipal: No eligible members; will remain vacant

## **Presentation**

**NJ Division of Taxation Digital Tax Map Submittal Portal**  
Donny Velasquez & David Kunz, Civil Solutions

## **Future Meeting Dates**

General Meeting Dates:

- March 18, 2021 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Executive Meeting Dates:

- January 7, 2021 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- March 18, 2021 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.