

Southeastern California GIS Council

May 29, 2003
1:00 – 3:00

Location:
Riverside County Administration Center Annex
4th Floor Conference Room D
4080 Lemon Street
Riverside, CA 92501
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MINUTES

Chair: Ginger Ryba, San Bernardino Associated Governments
Vice Chair: Kevin Viera, Western Riverside Council of Governments
Secretary: Raymond Brown, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
Secretary: John DeGange, City of Temecula

Attendees:	Ann Brierty Annetta Baker Bill Mumbleau Brent Rolf Brian Vanko Brien Green Cameron Brown Domingo D. Gonzales Fred Mouat Ginger Ryba John Donoghue II John Hanson Kevin Viera Lisa Pierce Michael Heslin Patty Diaz Raymond Brown	San Manuel Indian City of Colton County of Riverside County of San Bernardino CVAG ESRI SANBAG City of Barstow Inland Empire Utilities Agency SANBAG Donoghue & Associates City of Ontario WRCOG WRI City of Moreno Valley WMWD SBVWMD
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Agenda Topics

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions (at 1:12 pm)

Ginger Ryba

2.0 Approve March 25, 2003 Minutes

Ginger Ryba

Discussion:

Motion – Postpone approval of the minutes to the end of the meeting to allow attendees time to review.

By – Raymond Brown

Second – Ginger Ryba

Discussion – None

Motion – Approve the March 25th minutes as drafted.

By – Domingo Gonzales

Second – Kevin Viera

Discussion – None

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Conclusion: Motion to approve the March 25, 2003 minutes passed unanimously.

3.0 California GIS Council Update

Ginger Ryba

Discussion:

Ginger Ryba indicated that the California GIS Council (CGIS) has yet to accept Regional Data Council (RDC) applications. Brent Rolf expressed concern as to CGIS's standing and its relevancy to the RDC's ability to operate effectively. Ginger agreed that the all RDCs would be most effective with an active CGIS, particularly in the grant opportunity arena, but added that the SCGC could, and would, continue to serve local interests even if the State was not able to participate.

Brent asked if the CGIS responded to California Geographic Information Association's (CGIA) offer to assist as in interim facilitator. Ginger said that to her knowledge, CGIS had not yet responded.

Raymond Brown discussed Mary Nichols visit on May 8, 2003. Her talk was focused on the water community, but she did address the State's legacy (data) site and its natural resources and conservation data content. She suggested that a letter be sent to Luree Stetson of her staff and CC'ed to her addressing our concerns for the CGIS. The proposed letter was included as an attachment.

Motion – Send a letter expressing SCGC's concern for the CGIS.

By – Domingo Gonzales

Second – Brent Rolf

Discussion – None

Conclusion:

Motion to send a letter expressing SCGC's concern for the CGIS to Mary Nichols with a carbon copy sent directly to Luree Stetson was unanimously approved.

Action:

Finalize and send letter to Mary Nichols & Luree Stetson.

Person(s) responsible:

Ginger Ryba

Deadline:

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4.0 Data Subcommittee Report

Brien Green

Discussion:

4.1 Overview of metadata concept

Brien provided the Geography Network as an example; also, a Kentucky regional council was using similar ESRI technology to solve local data sharing issues. Portals can either serve data or relay users to the data site. Security can be achieved through a password. Info can be dumbed-down for public access. Lisa questioned how metadata is updated. Brien explained that updates can be automatically posted by the data provider or through a review of the metadata by the hosting staff. He explained that APIs do exist that will load XML directly or the XML can be sent to hosting staff for review and update.

4.2 Metadata Recommendation

Attached draft was briefly introduced however, further discussion on the item was postponed to the next meeting due to time constraints.

Action:

Provide a link to the Kentucky portal site and identify API examples.

Person(s) responsible:

Brien Green

Deadline:

None specified

5.0 Current Projects

Raymond Brown

Discussion:

5.1 Who's Doing What

5.1.1. Aerial Photography: Pro/cons were openly discussed of USGS/NIMA project. Fred Mouat and John Hanson provided details of a multi-agency project with a flight date expected sometime this Fall in the works in southwest San Bernardino County. The County of San Bernardino currently only has desires (no budget) to fly.

5.1.2 CSUSB/WRI Portal Update: Per Lisa Pierce, CSUSB's WRI has a "live" but empty FGDC node and is in the process of applying for an FGDC grant which would enable WRI to host a metadata (NOT geospatial) portal/workshop. Ginger read a slightly altered version of a letter drafted by WRI expressing SCGC support for the WRI grant application to the FGDC. Raymond expressed concern that the grant would not support non-"water" interests. Lisa assured the Council that the water community needs the data support of many base data sources and that the metadata of these sources can and will be included.

Motion – Submit letter of support for the WRI's grant application to the FGDC.

By – Raymond Brown

Second – Kevin Viera

Discussion – None

5.1.3. Collision System: Ginger updated the Council that select hardware/software would be provided to select municipalities in San Bernardino County for the SANBAG Countywide Automated Traffic Collision Analysis System. Crossroads Software has been selected and the city traffic engineers are already involved.

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5.1.4. RIVSAN: Kevin updated the Council regarding the RIVSAN model. Current TAZs of the SCAG model are being refined for larger scale use in traffic modeling. He requested that all cities currently involved in their own separate, but similar, process to please coordinate with the RIVSAN model efforts to ensure that the models are consistent and nest appropriately.

5.1.5. Riverside Existing Land Use: WRCOG (Kevin) is in the process of QCing (via field checks and potentially local review) SCAG’s 2000 existing land use update for the western portion of Riverside County. SANBAG completed a similar project two years ago for SCAG and will therefore not be participating in the QC of this redundant work in progress beyond comparing the file already created with the new one.

Raymond questioned Brent Rolf and Bill Mumbleau as to county efforts to allow public agencies access to property information (name, address, maps, etc) that was removed from the internet as a result of a law that took effect in February, 2003. Both men informed the group that the issue was being looked at, but that security issues remained.

Domingo Gonzales asked if the Counties were accepting, or considering accepting, digital parcel submissions. Bill said that the County of Riverside was working with the BIA and examining canned solutions. Bill agreed to report back at the next meeting as he expected to have more information in approximately one month. Brent said the County of San Bernardino was not yet at a point where digital submissions could be considered a viable alternative. He said that at this point, staff was working on (1) getting the County Council to allow parcel images to go back up on their internet site the parcels digitized and the parcel images back up on the website and (2) completing parcel digitization. Ginger suggested that, in the interest of time, this entire topic should be revisited at the next SCGC meeting.

5.2 Website Posting

Officers have been posted to the Council website. Having agendas posted earlier as well as draft minutes may help expedited meetings.

Conclusion:

- Motion to submit letter of support for WRI’s grant application to the FGDC was unanimously approved.
- Discussion will continue on 5.1.5 Existing Land Use/Parcel Update at the next meeting.

Action:

- 5.1.1. Contact Carol Ostergren at USGS to determine if USGS specs could be changed if local communities were willing to pay for the changes accordingly.
- 5.1.2. Submit letter to FGDC on behalf of WRI.
- 5.2. Post agendas as soon as completed; post draft minutes as soon after meeting as possible.

Person(s) responsible:

Raymond Brown

Ginger Ryba/Lisa Pierce

Raymond Brown/John DeGange

Deadline:

Not specified

May 30, 2003

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6.0 ACTION ITEM: Council Objectives for Fiscal Year 2003/2004 **Kevin Viera**

Tabled until another meeting due to lack of time.

7.0 Election of New Officers per July Fiscal Year Stipulation of the Charter **Ginger Ryba**

Discussion:

Ginger explained the Charter’s “stipulation” and stated that initial elections were held “off-cycle” in order to ensure the CGIS received a valid application. She offered that new elections could be held as specified or that current officers could remain in position with elections returning to the timeline defined by the Charter at the end of the next fiscal year. This decision could be made at the meeting as a quorum was present. The three officers present all stated they would be willing to serve the additional time. .

Motion – Retain current selection of officers until June 30, 2004.

- By – Brent Rolf
- Second – Domingo Gonzalez
- Discussion – None

Conclusion: Motion to retain current selection of officers through the 2003/2004 fiscal year was unanimously approved.

8.0 Items for the Next Meeting **Ginger Ryba**

Revisit items:

- 4.2 Metadata recommendation
- 5.1.1 Continue aerial photography discussion
- 5.1.5 Continue land use/parcel conversation
 - Update on County of Riverside digital submissions
 - Update on County of San Bernardino internet parcel images
- 6.0 Council objectives

Receive update report on action items:

- 3.0 Ginger: letter to Mary Nichols re CGIS concerns (completed on 5/30/03)
- 4.1 Brien Green: link to Kentucky portal site and API examples
- 5.1.1 Raymond: contact Carol with USGS re NIMA aerial specs
- 5.1.2 Ginger: letter to FGDC re CSUSB/WRI grant application (completed on 5/29/03)
- 5.2 Raymond/John: timely posting of agendas, attachments and minutes

9.0 Adjourn (3:15) **Ginger Ryba**

