Information Technology Resource Management Council (ITRMC)

Idaho Geospatial Council – Executive Committee

Meeting Minutes: December 16, 2010

(To be approved)

The December 16, 2010 meeting of the Idaho Geospatial Council – Executive Committee was held in Room 302 of the LBJ Building, 650 West State Street, Boise, Idaho.

ATTENDANCE

Members/Alternate(s) Present:

Nick Nydegger, Chair, Idaho Military Division Gail Ewart, Idaho Geospatial Office Dennis Hill, City of Pocatello Donna Phillips, City of Haden (phone) Donna Pitzer, Bureau of Reclamation Scott Van Hoff, US Geological Survey Keith Weber, ISU GIS Center (phone) Alternates

Jeff Cronce, Nez Perce Tribe (phone)

Others Present:

Sally Brevick, Office of the CIO
Danielle Favreau, Dept. of Water Resources
Brian Liberty, Idaho Power
Bill Reynolds, Nez Perce County (phone)
Paul Reyes, Idaho Geospatial Office
Eric Smith, Fremont County (phone)

WELCOME

Nick Nydegger welcomed everyone and introductions were made. Gail Ewart introduced Paul Reyes to the committee. Paul is the new Framework Coordinator with the Idaho Geospatial Office.

APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOTION: Gail Ewart moved and Donna Pitzer seconded a motion to approve the October 21, 2010 minutes with two amendments; the motion passed unanimously.

(http://itrmc.idaho.gov/minutes/igc/20101021.pdf)

IGC-EC MEMBERSHIP STATUS

Nick Nydegger shared the member list for the new Executive Committee (new members in bold):

Idaho Geospatial Information Officer Gail Ewart

INSIDE Geospatial Clearinghouse Gail Eckwright

USGS Liaison Scott Van Hoff

GIS Training and Research Center Keith Weber

State (2) Danielle Favreau (Dept. of Water Resources) / Loudon Stanford (Idaho Geological Survey)

Federal (2) Jerry Korol (Natural Resources Conservation Services) / Donna Pitzer (Bureau of Reclamation)

Local (3) Dave Christianson (Kootenai County) / Donna Phillips (City of Hayden) / James Zehner (Idaho Co. Assessor)

Tribal (1) Frank Roberts (Coeur d'Alene Tribe)

Utility (1) Brian Liberty (Idaho Power)

Private (1) Diane Holloran (HDR Engineers)

Open (2) Charlla Adams (BSU) / Jacob Mundt (Ada Co. Weed, Pest and Mosquito Abatement)

Dennis Hill extended his congratulations to Dave Christianson on his election as a local representative. Nick Nydegger expressed his thanks and appreciation for everyone for the wide participation and willingness to take on responsibilities.

IGC-EC CHAIR PERSON NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION

The committee agreed that the new Chairperson should be elected by the new Executive Committee. Nick reminded everyone that the four standing members were not eligible. Gail Ewart nominated Jacob Mundt. The occasion for electing a new Chairperson was not determined at this time.

SEPARATION OF CADASTRAL AND GEODETIC CONTROL INTO TWO TWGS

Donna Pitzer explained that due to the volume of work within the Cadastral TWG, it was proposed that a Geodetic TWG be formed separately from the Cadastral TWG.

MOTION: Gail Ewart moved and Keith Weber seconded a motion to approve the separating of Cadastral and Geodetic Control Technical Working Groups; the motion passed unanimously.

STRUCTURES AND LANDMARKS DATA EXCHANGE STANDARD

Bill Reynolds outlined the Standard to the committee; this is a detailed document that combines codes from the USGS and APA as well as some international building codes, while also considering unique situations that Idaho presents. There will now be a push for counties and other entities to code their structures and landmarks over the next 20 years. The Standard can be found at gis.idaho.gov.

MOTION: Donna Pitzer moved and Dennis Hill seconded a motion to forward the Structures and Landmarks Data Exchange Standard to ITRMC for establishment; the motion passed unanimously.

STRUCTURES AND LANDMARKS STEWARDSHIP PLAN

Gail Ewart reported on the intensive 15 month effort, funded by USGS partnership CAP grant, to further the work in Structures development with special emphasis on stewardship of structures datasets. This funding allowed the services of Pete Croswell (Croswell-Schulte IT Consultants) to be secured in a collaborative process that resulted not only in the Structures and Landmarks Data Exchange Standard, but the Stewardship Plan and a move towards a perpetual solution to integrate the data and make it accessible. The Stewardship Plan can be found at gis.idaho.gov.

LOCAL ACTIVITY REPORTS / NEW BUSINESS

<u>Brian Liberty</u> Idaho Power is investigating the use of mobile GIS on PDA type devices and is seeking advice and experiences in this regard.

Keith Weber Registration for the ARCGIS workshop in the first part of January will close on December 20.

<u>Donna Pitzer</u>: Scott van Hoff excused himself from the meeting while a discussion was held in regards to an application for Category 4 of the 50 States CAP Grant. (Scott has been temporarily assigned as a coordinator for the 50 States categories.)

<u>Danielle Favreau</u> The Idaho Dept. of Water Resources (IDWR) has received monies from the USGS to help support their national hydrography database activities. This year they are updating the national directory database in water district 37. They have an internet application that can be used segment by segment for submitting changes. IDWR is also looking at stream classification and working on a pilot project for updating classifications.

<u>Dennis Hill</u> The City of Pocatello has been dealing with infrastructure-related mobile applications for a while; they are hoping to get new LiDAR; the city is working with FEMA as they have been decertified due to the lack of maintenance on their levies.

<u>Scott Van Hoff</u> About 35% of the new USGS topo maps for Idaho are done. The Forest Service is updating their topos, and within the next couple of months the state should be complete. The new brand name is US Topo, and this can be accessed through the national map and downloaded free. The Census is holding a Boundaries Survey Workshop on January 27th at the USGS Office.

<u>Gail Ewart</u> Jennifer Weesen is the Idaho Census representative, located in Bothell, Washington. The relationship with BLM is in a positive transformational stage, and a pilot proposal for the joint stewardship of cadastral reference is being developed. There is a resurgence of interest in the Utilities and Energy TWG – thanks to Donna Phillips. Rod Collins of BLM is still interested in being the lead on the energy side; a lead for the utilities side is needed.

<u>Jeff Conce</u> The National Park Service is developing an FGDC Spatial Data Transfer Standard for Cultural Resources; there are six different work groups to be filled.

NEXT MEETING

The meeting adjourned at 11:36 AM; the next meeting is scheduled for February 17, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Brevick, Office of the CIO