

PNWCG GIS Working Team  
Meeting Agenda Castle Rock, WA  
02/09/07

Attendees:

Emmor Nile	Mike Burnett
Dale Guenther	Shelley Moore
Dave Wischer	Kim Kelly

Guests:

Jeff Sedey, US Army Corps of Engineers

Topics:

1. Introduction of Jeff Sedey and the Corps role in GIS and what they can offer to the WT.
  - Jeff would not be the consistent liaison to the WT.
  - The Corps is ramping up their GIS capabilities after Katrina and is reaching out to the WT for involvement.
  - Kim Kelly offered an explanation of the WT make-up and expressed that the Corps could function in an advisory role; in particular in the “all risk” environment.
  - Round table introductions.
2. PNWCG GIS Web Link
  - GIS WT now on the NWCC web site; <http://www.nwccweb.us/predict/gis.asp>
3. Team meetings – PNWCG Reps to attend and get on Agenda
  - ODF/OSFM – March 20-22 (Seaside)
  - Type 1 – April 9-10 (???) – **Kim/Dale**
  - WA Type 2 – April 17-19 (Spokane) - **Dave**
  - OR Type 2 – May 1-2 (Redmond) - **Emmor**
  - Spring IC – unknown at this time ???
  - Topics –
    - i. FTP site
    - ii. New data
    - iii. Data disks
    - iv. Fire data ordering site
    - v. PLSS Protraction blocks
    - vi. SOP's
4. Update on Tri-Working Fuels Team Meeting
  - Make-up of the team – overview
  - Task to make a fuels data standard
  - Started with the Rocky Mt group
  - Using NIFPORS – national standard verses the Forest Service
  - Sub-group working on the attributes – Kim will send out to the WT for review and input.
  - Dale gave overview of enterprise data management.
  - Emmor gave review of the WEB-DET (special analyst), ODF will not be using it. <http://denservices.esri.com/webdet/>
5. Brief Discussion on Geospatial Tools Conference
  - Portland May 7-11, 2007
  - 15 to 20 Fire related topics/tracks. <http://svinetfc4.fs.fed.us/geoconference/>
6. Upcoming FTP Subgroup Meeting (directories, web interface)

- Web page to give explanation/instructions for use and purpose of the FTP site. Also the user interface software will be located at this site. <http://ftp.nifc.gov/>
  - Dale tested using IE-7 – difficulties in its use.
  - Discussion about populating base data across GACC’s (data ordering site).
7. Structure analysis
- Dale gave a review of the test project done to identify structures. Test area was in Deschutes County.
    - i. Road layer issues
    - ii. Rock outcropping issues
    - iii. Li-Dar attempt
    - iv. The initial tests determined that their attempts were not successful on a region wide basis. A white paper will be presented with hope that other options will be identified.
  - Discussion about “Land-Fire” verse “FS-Pro” (Fire Spread Probability).
  - Discussion about RAVAR (Rapid Assessment Values At Risk).
8. Survey
- Survey report from Dale
  - Breakdown of survey issues (responsible person shown in red)
    - i. Data – Kim
      1. PLSS – Shelly/Kim/DW/Tim
      2. Data Disks – Kim/Dale/Shelly/MH
        - a. Create direction for procedures on transferring the data – take the disk or transfer the data???
        - b. Incoming units should order disk and transfer data to the home unit.
      3. FTP-Data Populations – Kim/Shelly/Dave/Emmor
        - a. Kim will add data clearing house web link to the GISWT web page.
      4. Canada – Kim
    - ii. Training – Kim/Emmor
      1. Generate lists (trained, ROSS)
    - iii. SOP’s – Kim
      1. FTP Folder
      2. File Naming – Kim
        - a. Recommend staying with the existing standard.
      3. Symbology – Emmor/Dale
      4. Projections
        - a. Place common projections list on website – Shelly
        - b. Validate the FS Region 6 projection (petroleum???) – Kim/Dale
    - iv. Tools – Dale
      1. FIMT forward comments – Dale to John Varner
    - v. Hardware – Kim
      1. Plotters – Dale/Dave/Kim
      2. Laptops
        - a. Direction to teams/standard for deployment – Dave /Emmor
        - b. Cache – Kim
        - c. Contractors – Dale
      3. Trailers
        - a. Direction to teams - Dale
    - vi. GISS/taskbook – Kim
      1. Coordinate with the team training specialists/Training WT
    - vii. GISS/personnel – Kim

1. Remove the GIST position (take to the TWT) – **Kim**
  2. Transfer existing GIST's to GISST (Trainee) – **Kim/Emmor**
- viii. IR Stuff – **Kim**
  1. Encourage to post in the incident data folder on the FTP site and use the proper naming convention. Talk to Randy Herrin – **Emmor**
- ix. Encourage GTG to establish GISS list server – **Kim/Emmor**
9. Regroup on Priority Fire Layers
  - Updated list and sent to Shelley to add
10. Work on Yearly Report for PNWCG Steering Committee March 21<sup>st</sup> – **Kim to send out draft**
11. Review Task Items from past meetings. Tasks Added to this list.
12. Next Meeting Scheduled – **Emmor** to host May 24<sup>th</sup> 9-3 Location TBD