

Idaho Technology Authority (ITA)
IDAHO GEOSPATIAL COUNCIL – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (IGC-EC)
MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, May 18, 2023 | 9:30 a.m. (*Mountain*)

Webex link (with video): <https://idahogov.webex.com/meet/quick.link>

Teleconference (audio) only/dial-in:

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Physical Location: Office of IT Services

11331 W. Chinden Blvd, Building 8, 2nd Floor, Conf Rm 215, Boise Idaho

Members Present:

Sydney Lewis, ITD (Chair)
Keith Weber, ISU
Bruce Godfrey, U of Idaho- Inside Idaho
Cyndi Andersen, City of Meridian
Kelly Green, Blaine County
Tom Kearns, Dept. of Lands
Tom Carlson, USGS
Jeff May, Dept. of Fish and Game
Bob Folsom, City of Post Falls
Laurie Ames, Nez Perce Tribe
Wendy Largent, NLI Cooperative
Jan Cunningham, ESRI

Members Absent:

Wilma Robertson, Office of IT Services
Dan Determan, NOAA
Eric Buehler, USDA NRCS

Others Present:

Bill Reynolds, Nez Perce County
Margie Wilkins, Dept of Water Resources
Robin Dunn, Dept of Lands
Cassandra Kenyon, OER
Jackie Reader, Consultant
Pam Bond, Office of IT Services
Catherine Thies, Office of IT Services

WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Lewis welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 9:33 am MST. Roll call attendance was taken, and a quorum was established.

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MOTION: Ms. Andersen moved, and Mr. Weber seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2023, meeting; the motion passed unanimously.

GIO OFFICE - UPDATES

Ms. Bond gave an update on the status of the NG9-1-1 project stating that data collection for all counties is being cleaned in preparation for onboarding into the DataMark SaaS. Also, there is a plan to create an authoritative county boundary layer.

Ms. Reader provided information on the progress of the state broadband project. Submission to the FCC of the address challenges is complete. The total number of challenges was just under 20,000. Successful challenges help determine Idaho's Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment (BEAD) program funding. The next phase of the broadband project is preparing for applications from ISPS to get that grant money.

TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP UPDATES

Boundary TWG

Ms. Bond is state that the TWG is currently focused on the county boundaries map with an end goal of an authoritative statewide layer.

The TWG meets the third Thursday of every month at 2p.m. MT.

Imagery TWG

Ms. Margie Wilkins noted a presentation given at the last TWG meeting by USDA, that explained their land change analysis tool (LCAT). The tool generates statewide high resolution land covers. The recording is available upon request.

The meetings are scheduled for the first Wednesday of the month at 10:00 am MT.

Public Safety TWG

Mr. Bill Reynolds stated that the TWG has been working closely with Ms. Robertson and the team on the NG9-1-1.

Geodetic TWG

Mr. Weber noted the departure of Mr. Beckstead and introduced Stewart Ward as Chair of the TWG.

The TWG meets the fourth Thursday of every month.

Cadastral TWG

Ms. Dunn summarized the meeting with Dan Stone of ESRI. Mr. Stone reviewed data sets from the IDL, BLM and Idaho County and had several recommendations, such as determining spatial accuracy and defining a target dataset; as well as congregating that data together. Cadastral works closely with geodetic on this data.

The next meeting is Tuesday May 23rd at 3p.m. MT.

Transportation TWG

Ms. Lewis stated that the TWG has not met recently due to a complete re-do of the data warehouse. This process includes elimination of old datasets, building applications for data editing environments and new services on some of our portal environments. Upon completion the TWG will be putting forward several nominations including airports, bridges mile posts and railroad crossings.

GeoSciences TWG

Ms. Reader informed the committee that an intern currently working with the GIO, recently released a survey to the GeoTech listserv. The results will assist with prioritizing the soil survey layers.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Cunningham provided information on the ESRI conference to be held on July 27, 2023 in Boise.

Ms. Lewis advised that the IGC semi-annual meeting would be held in conjunction with that event.

ADJOURN

MOTION: Ms. Andersen moved, and Ms. Green seconded a motion to adjourn; the motion was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 10:17 am MT. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 20, 2023, at 9:30 am MT.