

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MISSISSIPPI COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR
REMOTE SENSING AND GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS

October 15, 2019, 1:30 pm at ITS

PRESENT

Mike Cresap, Chairman, Mississippi Department of Transportation
Jim Steil, Vice-Chairman, Institutions of Higher Learning
Gary Leblanc, Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services
David Dockery, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality
Steve Gray, Mississippi Association of Supervisors
John Helms, Mississippi Development Authority
Chuck Carr, Central Mississippi Planning and Development District
Greg Michel, Mississippi Emergency Management Agency
Richard Tolbert, Mississippi Association of Professional Surveyors

ABSENT

Shari Veazey, Mississippi Municipal League
Talbot Brooks, Delta State University
Michael Wright, Mississippi Board of Registered Professional Geologists
Jeff Mullins, Mississippi Tax Assessors and Collectors Association
Dr. Brian Mitchell, Mississippi Forestry Commission
Bill Cheney, Mississippi Secretary of State
Unnamed, Senator, Mississippi State Senate
Scott Delano, Representative, Mississippi House of Representatives
Gene McGee, Mayor, City of Ridgeland

Mike Cresap called the meeting to order and declared there was a quorum.

Agenda Item II:

- A motion to approve the minutes from the August 20 Council Meeting was made and seconded. The vote approved the August 20 Meeting Minutes.

Agenda Item III:

Mr. Joel Yelverton updated the Council on the current Orthophotography efforts. The current contract involves 9 counties; however only about half of the imagery was collected due to flooding. Counties that were flown are being QA/QC'd. At this time no know issues with the data has been reported.

Since the project was not completed, the contract will remain open and additional counties will be allowed to come on board. At this time, George and Marion have expressed interest Noxubee, Tate and Benton have been asked also. Blake Wallace will help develop contracts for any additional counties joining.

Agenda Item IV:

Gary Hennington gave an update on the Clearinghouse. Work is being done on the open data portal developing story maps for MDEM layers and a simple layer viewer. The goal is to be done by the end of December. The website will be based on ArcGIS online. Gary commented, the advantage of using ArcGIS online would be allowing the data to be formatted for easy access and maintenance. All data will be accessible from this one website.

Barbara asked will there be only one website to access MDEM data? Gary replied, the website GIS.MS.GOV will be the only place for GIS clearinghouse data. Other sites will redirect or have splash screens telling them to go to GIS.MS.GOV.

Agenda Item V:

Jim Steil discussed the new MARIS website. The website has been updated using new technology. It has a new look and feel. The website has been updated to use standardized data type names.

Agenda Item VI:

Jim Steil said the MAST conference was great. The attendees had a great opportunity to network. The conference had 111 registered. The keynote speaker, Bill Johnson was great.

Agenda Item VII:

Jim Steil gave a report on the NSGIC conference. The keynote speaker was Jack Dangermond of ESRI. Some of the discussion topics included: local data sharing (Indiana), Lidar, and boundary issues (Official vs look). Scott Trapolino and Jim gave a talk about 911. The next NSGIC Conference will be held in New Orleans, LA on Sept. 21-25 2020.

Agenda Item VIII:

TUG & PAC Update – Scott Trapolino mentioned he is continuing to work with counties introducing them to the next gen 911 requirements. There has been much discussion about boundary conflicts and how first responders operate in the counties.

Agenda Item IX:

Haley Feather gave a report on the 911 Coordinator's Association Conference. A draft of the updated 911 standards was uploaded to the geoforum. The goal is to have it in finalized format by the end of the year. A draft questionnaire was passed out to the 911 centers. Scott T. hopes to use the questionnaire to determine how far along each 911 center is to becoming compliant with the standards. Several 911 directors asked what they needed to do to move forward. Scott wants to finalize the questionnaire as soon as possible. The next 911 conference may be in Vicksburg.

Greg Michel mentioned some counties don't have basic 911. He mentioned that he and Scott have talked about going forward with this document. Mr. Michel asked the GIS Council for help with data collection efforts for NG911.

Jim Steil gave an update on the 2020 luca efforts. The process is almost finished. They have identified as many as 85,000 additional households. This equates to approximately 460million dollars a year to be distributed.

Jim Steil suggested exploring the possibility of developing a centralized effort to maintain the boundaries for the state. The advantage to this would be a single set of features instead of separate features.

Agenda Item X:

Next meeting – DEC 17th

Meeting adjourned.