Regional GIS

 March 23rd the Mid-Shore GIS Committee meeting was held at the Talbot County Chamber of Commerce in Easton. Representatives from the ESRGC, MSRC, Dorchester County, City of Cambridge, Talbot County, and Kent County were present.

Updates were offered regarding recent activities of the counties, ESRGC, MSRC, and Maryland Department of Information Technology.

Discussions included:

- Barney Krucoff is no longer Maryland's Geographic Information Officer. The change was made
 late last week and Kenny Miller is the acting GIO for the time being. The State is working on an
 RFP to replace the ESRI State-wide Arc license that was negotiated under the O'Malley
 administration. Committee members are interested to see how this change will affect local GIS.
- Many GIS committee members attended TUgis, the Maryland GIS conference, on March 15 and had feedback about the day. ESRGC provided a pre-conference Lidar Workshop that was very successful and well attended.
- Talbot County and Dorchester County discussed their use of Lidar derivative products. A lengthy discussion was had about how often Lidar needs to be flown.

Attendees were:

- Mark Cohoon, Talbot County Department of Public Works
- o Gary Baxter, Dorchester County Department of Planning and Zoning
- Scott Shores, City of Cambridge Public Works
- o Carla Gerber, Kent County Department of Planning and Zoning
- Scott Warner, MSRC
- o Dr. Michael Scott, ESRGC
- Mary Buffington, ESRGC
- o Erin Silva, ESRGC
- Logan Hall, ESRGC
- Lauren McDermott, ESRGC
- Martin Sokolich, Talbot County Department of Public Works