

MINUTES

MID SHORE REGIONAL COUNCIL
GIS COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, February 20, 2013
Talbot County Public Works
201 Bay Street
Easton MD 21601
9:30 a.m.

Introductions

The following members were present: Michael Scott, Erin Silva, Molly Griffin, Frank Rowe, Brett Dobelstein, Lauren McDermott, Mark Cohoon, Martin Sokolich, Trevor Bozarth, Michael Moulds, Sam Stanton, Megan DelGaudio, Scott Shores, Scott Warner, Russell Provost, Chris Knights, Marshall Stevenson

County Discussion of progress, challenges and needs

Dorchester County:

Michael Moulds, Dorchester County Department of Public Works is working to keep the sign inventory data updated since the departure of intern Mark Deao. Michael also raised the topic of watershed implementation planning and began a discussion with the group about the current MDE methodology of using land use maps as oppose to impervious surface layers. Mark Cohoon discussed that Talbot County's impervious surface is derived from road centerlines, building footprints, pools, airport impervious surface, and driveways. They apply a custom buffer to the roads to account for the paved surface and estimate that this method gets them within a few hundredths of a percentage point of the real number. Trevor Bozarth is working to complete the county's application for inclusion in the Community Rating System (CRS).

City of Cambridge:

Scott Shores continues the process of updating city zoning ordinances. He has recently installed Arc 10.1 and has added a new plotter to his office. Scott is working with Stewart Bruce at Washington College to complete a tree study for Cambridge.

Queen Anne's County:

Megan and Sam are working with the Critical Area Commission and the ESRGC to update the Queen Anne's County Critical Area maps. They are near the end of the review period and will be ready for public meetings soon. Queen Anne's confirmed that they were able to take advantage of the LiDAR buy-up option available with the 2013 imagery acquisition.

Talbot County:

Mark Cohoon is currently migrating servers to 10.1 and is realizing that some of the tools and functions he previously depended on are no longer supported in the new version so he will be exploring other web mapping solutions. Beyond this research he has also assisted Talbot Co. Police with mapping burglaries and provided them with a floor plan for a planned drug bust.

ESRGC:

Mike Scott announced that the 2013 imagery is currently being collected and volunteers will soon be needed for the initial QC of the data. Axis/URS will provide sharepoint access to volunteers to QC. He also announced that two new Project Specialists positions are available to assist with the Maryland Broadband Capacity building project. Russell Provost is the newest addition to the ESRGC. He works in the Department of Information Technology (DoIT) and is responsible for the coordination of the statewide addressing project. He introduced himself and explained the project details and timeline.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at approx. 11:45.