

Regional GIS

- Wednesday, March 14, 2018 a Mid-Shore GIS Committee meeting was held at the Talbot County Community Center in Easton. Representatives from the ESRGC, MSRC, Maryland Department of Information Technology, City of Cambridge, Town of Denton, Dorchester County, Talbot County, City of Easton, and Queen Anne's County were present.

Topics/Discussion:

The Town of Denton, Queen Anne's and Talbot counties are all involved in the statewide Next Generation 911 effort. DoIT informed the group that the Emergency Systems Numbers Board has approved the purchase of 1integrate software which will be available for all locals. This will enable locals to submit their addresses for verification and will have two options – issues can simply be flagged in the data and returned to the data owner for correction or the data can be corrected automatically through the portal. Verification of data include geometry and attribute checks. There will also be training available coordinated through DoIT. Queen Anne's County is involved in historic imagery acquisition through various sources including the national archives. Drone activity: licensing and regulations were discussed. Talbot County is engaged in election board mapping to ensure voters are voting in the correct precincts. Talbot is also involved in an update to their MSAG due to some CAD system updates and addressing of some navigational buoys. The Town of Easton is engaged in data cleanup and organization, updating boundaries as well as working on submission of data to Census and working towards updating storm water and impervious surface layers in preparation for MS4. The City of Cambridge discussed the housing study and the new Geography/Planning course at Salisbury University which utilizes the data from the housing study to develop planning strategies. Cambridge continues to encourage staff to utilize the ESRI collector app and the explorer app on tablets to streamline tasks in the field however adoption has been slow as many still request print outs of individual sheet. Cambridge is interested in developing a story map of the housing project. DoIT provided updates on the status of MD iMap 3.0, imagery services and contracts. They are moving ahead with migrating archived services which will be followed by public services, imagery, and LiDAR. The new infrastructure will result in optimized sharing of authoritative data. DoIT is also working towards the renewal of the statewide imagery acquisition contract which is on track to be complete by the end of the fiscal year. The new contract will allow for the acquisition of 6" imagery with county level buy-ups for products including planimetrics, LiDAR: QL1/QL2/mobile, oblique imagery, as well as imagery buy-up options to highest available resolutions provided by vendors instead of being capped at 3" as in previous contracts. Updates from ESRGC include status of RMPIF grant projects: Health dashboard, Education dashboard, Eastern Shore Index, AgGIS; Critical Area, LiDAR, and SHA sea level change and GeoMentor program. Updates from MSRC include status of RMPIF grants, potential for additional RMPIF grant money and call for group to consider any regionally focused, multijurisdictional projects that may be candidate for these funds.

Attendees were:

1. Mary Buffington, ESRGC
2. Logan Hall, ESRGC
3. Brett Dobelstein, ESRGC

4. Erin Silva, ESRGC
5. Anastasiya Suprunova, ESRGC
6. Anthony DiBartolo, ESRGC
7. Sierra Crist, City of Easton
8. Tyler Pease, Queen Anne's County
9. Sam Stanton, Queen Anne's County
10. Katy Maglio, Dorchester County
11. Scott Shores, City of Cambridge Public Works
12. Doug Reedy, Talbot County
13. Mark Cohoon, Talbot County
14. Donna Todd, Town of Denton
15. Scott Warner, Mid Shore Regional Council
16. Matt Sokol, DoIT
17. Ryan Mello, ESRGC