Regional GIS

- Friday, January 11, 2019 a Mid-Shore GIS Committee meeting was held at the Talbot County Public Works building in Easton. Representatives from the ESRGC, City of Cambridge, Town of Denton, Dorchester County, Talbot County, City of Easton, Queen Anne’s County, Caroline County, and ESRI were present.

Topics/Discussion:

Next Generation 911 continues to be a major initiative in the counties. Caroline County has been working with a consultant to validate their street centerlines and continues to near completion. Caroline County is working with the Town of Denton and Dorchester County on boundary issues. Dorchester County is waiting on PSAP participation, preparation for NG911 is picking up in Queen Anne’s County, and Talbot County is working with PSAP and has requested bid documents.

To follow up last meeting’s interest in the Delmarva Task Force – the Task Force was not mentioned at recent MEMA meeting and no steering committee member has been assigned.

Several attendees mentioned crime mapping and voiced an interest in inviting Washington College to the next MSRC GIS Committee meeting.

Cambridge reported issues related to politics and funding with the housing project, however, the project continues to produce data driven solutions to the City and a second study is planned for 2020. GIS is being used with ADA compliance and the restructuring of downtown roads and sidewalks.

Dorchester County has updated 95% of their planimetrics. The County is researching damage assessment applications for County workers to collect data in the field and sync when returning to the office. FEMA, ArcCollector, and Survey123 are among the applications being considered. Dorchester will also be a pilot when MEMA releases their damage assessment application.

Talbot County’s 911 center now has a live incident map, developed by Easton Utilities, that is populated by dispatch as calls are answered.

Town of Denton is working with ESRGC’s circuit rider for GIS training.

The Town of Easton working on submission of data to Census, working towards updating storm water, impervious surface, and tree canopy layers in for MS4.

Updates from ESRGC include status of RMPIF grant projects: Health dashboard, Education dashboard, Eastern Shore Index, Housing updates, Circuit Rider, Talbot County Flooding Story Map.
ESRI introduced the region’s new representative, David Ozer. An ESRI seminar is taking place in Annapolis at the end of February and the company is working with various public works departments on mobile data collection and NG911 tasking.

Attendees were:
1. Mary Buffington, ESRGC
2. Logan Hall, ESRGC
3. Brett Dobelstein, ESRGC
4. Anastassiya Suprunova, ESRGC
5. Anthony DiBartolo, ESRGC
6. Jeremy Gencavage, ESRGC
7. Tim Lanzi, ESRGC
8. Sierra Crist, City of Easton
9. Chris Kephart, Caroline County
10. Katy Maglio, Dorchester County
11. Scott Shores, City of Cambridge Public Works
12. Martin Sokolich, Talbot County Planning & Zoning
13. Mark Cohoon, Talbot County
14. Donna Todd, Town of Denton
15. Sam Stanton, Queen Anne’s County
16. Tyler Pease, Queen Anne’s County
17. David Ozer, ESRI
18. Rachel Weeden, ESRI
19. Scott Warner, MSRC