

GIS Working Group Meeting Notes by Barry Waite
December 4, 2006

Attendees: Jenny Gough (Chair, Torrance), Barry Waite (Carson), Chris Hardenbrook (Hermosa), Bonnie Shrewsbury (Manhattan Beach), Sonali Tambe (Rancho Palos Verdes), Ryan Tucker (Redondo Beach), Michael Williams (Redondo Beach), Rod Peel (ESRI)

FTP Site – So far, only Bonnie has been able to get it to work from the office. Each city has to make firewall changes to allow access. If we cannot get that, the FTP site will not work out for us.

LARIAC Update – We are now looking at a mid-January delivery. We will get three months to do our own quality checks in theory. Due to the way the contract is written, it may only be a month. The county is creating a user group for the LARIAC products. In addition to the 2006 imagery, Pictometry will provide 2003 data for doing change detection. USGS 1 foot imagery is now available for free. Send a drive to get the data for the whole county to Carol Ostergren (costergren@usgs.gov). One meter elevation data is available for free from USDA on line.

Purchase of Business Data – The data for South Bay businesses with a three mile buffer has been ordered (and has since arrived!). Carson is paying for it and will bill each city.

Street Centerline Creation – We need someone to do this. Jenny suggested the COG hire an intern. Carson is willing to host the person and provide work space and equipment. Jenny is writing a proposal for the Steering Committee. Our data has some gaps. The new aerial photos will help fill those. If we can get it to work, this will be a good use for the FTP site.

GIS Day Recap – Several of our cities did displays. It was a success for all. Next year, maybe we'll even do an official GIS Day cake since there are some very creative entries.

Economic Development Grant – Barry is trying to finalize the cost and come up with some funding options to present to the LAEDC. The total cost was not that high, but it will take some time to finish this off.

LALOTS – Jacki asked us to look into this. No one had looked at it lately. We can discuss it next month.

ESRI User Conference (June 2007) – Jenny noted the housing accommodations are now available. Anyone who may be going to the conference should sign up right away. There is no cost to reserve a room. Doing so later can result in high costs or extra driving.

New Group Chair – Bonnie is now the big cheese for GIS in the South Bay. Everyone thanked her for taking the job.

Upcoming Meetings – The Orange County meeting on Dec. 6 focuses on server technology. Everyone was encouraged to attend the So Cal Government GIS User Group (www.socalgis.org) in Santa Monica December 19.

Announcements – Chris announced he will be leaving Hermosa Beach for the Center for Environmental Management of Military Lands in Hawaii. He's getting married too! He was roundly congratulated, though he will be missed.

Next Meeting – January 17, 2007, Redondo Beach Planning Conference Room