

**Louisiana Geographic Information Systems Council**  
Meeting of November 20, 2008  
**Draft Minutes**

**1. Call to Order**

Chair David Gisclair (LOSCO) called the meeting to order at 1:35 P.M., a quorum was present. The meeting was held at the Capitol Park Visitors Center in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

**2. Roll Call**

A sign in sheet confirmed attendance.

**Member Agencies/Organizations Present:**

**Department of Culture Recreation and Tourism**

Rachael Watson, **Member**

**Department of Education**

Steve Gunning, **Member**

**Department of Environmental Quality**

Joe Holmes, **Member**

**Department of Health and Hospitals**

Clay Trachtman, **Designee**

**Department of Natural Resources**

Bo Blackmon, **Member**

**Department of Social Services**

David Jacobson, **Member**

**Department of Wildlife and Fisheries**

Brad Mooney, **Member**

**Division of Administration, State Lands Office**

Marty Beasley, **Member**

**Louisiana Municipal Association**

Ian Beer, **Member**

**Louisiana Association of Planning and Development Districts**

Lynn Dupont, **Designee**

**Louisiana Senate**

David Gisclair, **Designee**

**Louisiana Workforce Commission**

Larry Aiken, **Member**

**Military Department**

Bryan Haviland, **Designee**

**Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness**

David Schlotzhauer, **Designee**

**US Geological Survey**

Chris Cretini, **Member**

**Others Present:**

**Ascension Parish Government**

Kib Prestridge

**Baton Rouge Water Company**

Dina Knight

**Communities in Schools of New Orleans, Inc. (CISNO)**

Brittany Morgan

**Department of Health and Hospitals**

Kate Streva

**Department of Justice**

Will Paulson

**Department of Transportation & Development**

Doug Albert

**Department of Wildlife and Fisheries**

Fred Hagaman, **Designee**

**Division of Administration,**

Tai Istre

Martha O'Hara, **Designee**

Karen Paterson

**Environmental Systems Research Inc. (ESRI)**

Veronica Schindler

**Geodynamic Inc.**

Beau Evetts

**Louisiana Geographic Information Center**

Craig Johnson

Joshua Kent

Chris Pennington

Alaa Shams

**Louisiana State University**

Joe Thompson

**Louisiana State University, Ag Center**

Henry Capello

Maurice Wolcott

**Missouri Spatial Data Information Service**

Tim Haithcoat

**Office of Coastal Protection and Restoration**

Tina Waguespack

**Tangipahoa Parish Government**

Bill Moorman

**University of Louisiana Lafayette – NIMSAT**

Rusti Liner

**U.S. Geological Survey**

Pierre Sargent

### **3. Approval of October 2008 Minutes**

The October 2008 Minutes was accepted, on a motion by Bo Blackmon (DNR) and seconded by Marty Beasley (DOA).

### **4. Chair's Report**

Chair David Gisclair (LOSCO) thanked our speaker; Tim Haithcoat with the Missouri Spatial Data Information Service, for traveling from Columbia Missouri to make a presentation to the Council

Chair Gisclair attended a TOPO meeting, called by Chris Cretini (USGS) and held at DOTD. The purpose of the meeting was to define our state topographic mapping requirements.

Chair Gisclair is working with the Sea Grant Program to develop an online system for accessing the Marina and Boat Launch data.

### **5. Presentation: "Mapping for Emergency Management: Missouri's 1:24000 Scale Mapping Initiative" by Tim Haithcoat, Missouri Spatial Data Information Service.**

Mr. Haithcoat discussed his work on the Homeland Security Grant for Topographic Mapping. MSDIS was involved in ensuring sure that geospatial data was regarded as a critical element of the state Homeland Security Plan. Missouri has noted that the Madrid Fault is the primary driver for the updating of the quad maps in the Southeastern corner of the state.

Mr. Haithcoat noted some of the mapping initiatives currently taking place in Missouri, including statewide GIS Strategic planning, HSIP Partnership Program, Attribute and Structure Verification, GeoPDF creation, Imagery Services and the DHS Geospatial Data Model.

One important recent public safety project is an effort to cross reference points to residential addresses for E-911 purposes.

### **7. LAGIC Report**

LAGIC will be assisting with the 2009 election of officers. Nomination forms will be distributed to members and designees. A member or designee can nominate, or be nominated, but only one vote per agency. We have scheduled the Council Introduction for new members for the December meeting.

LAGIC will be applying for a 2009 USGS CAP Grant to further the development of Louisiana's cadastral data. LAGIC will begin the first of a series of five GNIS

Workshops in North Louisiana. Our first two GNIS workshop are scheduled for early January with the first in Shreveport followed by a workshop in Monroe.

LAGIC's GIS Training Coordinator, Ala Shams will be teaching Intro ArcGIS I & II in early December. Ala has flyers and registration forms for anyone who is interested. As suggested by the LAGIC oversight committee, LAGIC has conducted a survey of Council members and friends as to their GIS training needs. We will use the results of that survey to develop our annual training plan. We have some extra training survey forms on the back table if you did not get a chance to complete it.

LAGIC conducted GIS Day activities yesterday in both Baton Rouge and New Orleans. We had map galleries in both locations. If you haven't already, please take a look at the Map Gallery in the hallway outside.

## **8. Old Business**

### **LIDAR Report**

David Gisclair (LOSCO) noted that he received the final shipment of LIDAR data. There are now 3,014 quarter quads of LIDAR data completed. He noted that the last shipments of LIDAR data are much denser (1 meter posting) than the first batch of LIDAR data (5 meter posting).

### **DOQQ Update**

Chris Cretini (USGS) gave an update on the status of the current DOQQ flight over coastal Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. The flight is currently underway. The imagery vendor, Photo Science, has provided 4 sample images from the SW Louisiana area for initial review. The imagery is 4-band with 1-meter ground resolution and is available as a GeoTiff.

## **8. New Business**

Bo Blackmon (DNR) noted that the RS/GIS Workshop will be held at the Cook Conference Center from April 14<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup>. There will be training workshops on Monday and social events on Tuesday and Wednesday evening.

Chris Cretini (USGS) is putting together a Post Hurricane Gustav Workshop on January 29<sup>th</sup> at the State Library downtown.

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**9. Next Meeting** – December 18<sup>th</sup> at Efferson Hall on the LSU Campus in Baton Rouge.

**10. Adjourn** - The meeting adjourned at 4.02 on a motion by Bo Blackmon (DNR) and seconded by Marty Beasley (DOA).

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### ***Summary of Action Items***

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