



SOLANO COUNTY REGIS MEETING

Meeting Minutes – June 15, 2022

Daniel called to order the regular meeting at 9:03 am on June 15, 2022 via MS Teams.

I. Introductions

The following persons were present: Nellie Dimalanta, Daniel Machado, Bao Nguyen, Aaron Norman, Alex Lacson, Kathrina Gregana, Travis Kroger, Rowland Roberts, Robert Guerrero, Leland Markusen, Mark Jaudalso, Ned Ferrario, Curt Corbett.

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes and New Business

- A. May Meeting Minutes – Curt couldn't easily access the meeting minutes but Nellie explained that it was in the "packet". Daniel will work with Nellie to review posting on ReGIS website. No comments nor questions, moved to approve.
- B. Robert Guerrero – working with Relic on big data analysis, demographics, marketing, etc. **Will be happy to present the project in the future.** (virtual high five! 🙌)
- C. Curt - Vacaville has an opening for a GIS tech, this will eventually alleviate some of the workload to enable more focus on GIS solutions and not just data development. Looking forward to data sharing and integration with the County and more cloud-based apps using AGOL tools for environmental crowdsourcing workflow. **Will be happy to do a lightning talk on any project and volunteer with any workgroup.** (virtual high five! 🙌)
- D. City of Vallejo and the County also has openings for GIS positions. Stay tuned for postings on agency websites and LinkedIn.

III. Discussion:

- A. Daniel – EOC news
 - 1. In the event of a disaster, the County GIS team become staff members of EOC and will provide critical GIS data resources for emergency services. In a training, it was determined that the existing data is out of date so the goal in the next 6 weeks is to work with KCI and other utility companies such as PG&E and ReGIS members to obtain the latest update and develop a regularly scheduled data update cycle.
 - 2. County EOS has a separate AGOL instance with 6 active licenses but during an emergency, surge licensing will kick in by request. In a dry run, ESRI was able to increase that number to 800 active licenses in an hour. There is an internal hub with approx. 149 data layers, working with KCI to cross check data with multi-jurisdictional agencies. A request for data owners to verify their data will be sent out shortly.

3. County EOS is developing an external hub for the public which is more limited but contains thumbnail access links to other public resources, will forward custom URL in the near future.
4. Data transparency - County is working on data sharing policies on the county and state level, an uphill battle. County's goal is become a single authoritative, definitive resource for countywide data and applications specifically for emergency purposes, wherein the fundamental framework will be based on consistent data architecture and data themes, as discussed in previous meetings.
5. Access to resources – custom URL will eventually be shared with members. In an event of an emergency, EOC's roster notification system will be activated, contacts will be alerted by priority predicated upon the type of emergency.
6. Redundancy is key, as experienced a couple years ago when the County lost its internet due to downed towers. EOS resides on the AGOL/ESRI/Amazon Azure cloud framework available to the public and agencies and should NEVER go down. Static maps are/will be generated for EOS.
7. Per Vacaville, there was an issue during fires in the hills of Vacaville where residents had to evacuate, the City generated a webmap but the evacuation routes and boundaries did not match the County's – County working on providing a live service with critical data.
8. For any EOC training within Solano County, please contact Daniel, as he will be more than willing to participate.
9. Per Curt, reiterated by Robert, the County is doing a great job in spearheading all its undertakings.

B. Lidar/GIS Training/Broadband

1. Lidar – info sent and attached to meeting minutes, would like feedback on Lidar derivatives that can be used for special projects, analysis, etc.
2. GIS Training – see training pyramid as discussed in a previous meeting. Goal is to build county-wide GIS awareness for the public and ReGIS members, targeting a November event, possibly GIS Day. Feel free to contact the exec team if interested.
3. Broadband update – working with a contractor to run needs assessment, accessibility studies, etc. Feel free to contact Daniel should there be interest, concerns, or questions about broadband.

C. Executive Team

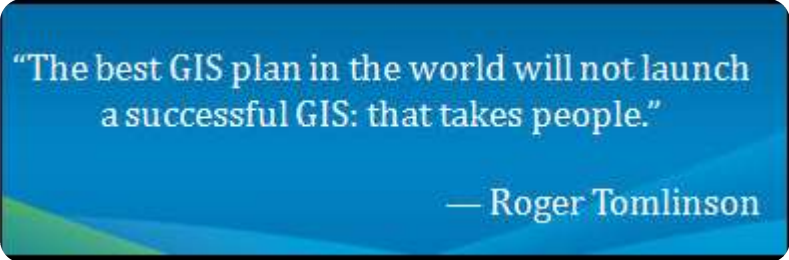
1. Daniel – any ideas on how to bring more folks in these meetings? Uphill battle with most agencies with common comments like a 'busy schedule' or 'you got this handled'. Fire season and flood season EOS-based events tends to draw more people to the table. Robert thanks Daniel for updating the group about all the work they're doing. It would be a good idea to do a short presentation about GIS day at STA or other board meetings which may catch the attention of directors, political figures, etc. ReGIS is a great forum for engaging ideas and brainstorming for the greater Solano County.

IV. Action Items

- A. Nellie – send out a survey to ask if we should skip July/August meetings due to lack of attendance.
- B. ReGIS members – volunteer for Lidar workgroup, GIS training workgroup and/or comment on Broadband project.

V. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by Nellie at 9:58am. Next meeting will be Wednesday 9:00am July 20, 2022. Kathrina will be the facilitator (Thanks, Kathrina!).



“The best GIS plan in the world will not launch
a successful GIS: that takes people.”

— Roger Tomlinson