

**Meeting Description:** February Monthly GIS Users Group Meeting

**Date:** February 7, 2008      **Time:** 10:00 AM

**Location:** Michigan Center for Geographic Information, George W. Romney Building, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Large Conference Room

**Attendees:**

Everett Root, CGI

John Esch, DEQ

Joyce Newell, MDOT

Justin Booth, MSU/RSGIS

Justin Morgan, MDOT

Kathleen Weessies, MSU Libraries

Shannon Dara, CGI

Sherman Hollander, DNR

**Conference Update**

- IMAGIN – May 5-7, 2008 – Dearborn, MI
- Asset Management – April 13, 2008 – Kellogg Center, Lansing MI and May 21, 2008 in Marquette.
- MiCAMP – September 18 & 19, 2008.

**Framework Update**

Everett Root, CGI

1. Lockdown began on Friday.
2. The QA processes are underway; currently there is no time line for finish.
3. Partnerships are still of interest, contact Laura Blastic at 517-373-7910.
4. Look for a “What’s New” document for version 8.

**Ortho Update**

Everett Root, CGI

1. We don’t have the estimate back yet from USGS, but we should receive this very soon as deadlines are coming up shortly for the 2009 flight.
2. We did receive a partnership application from Van Buren County.

- a. They have 2007 Imagery.
3. We now have 5 Counties that will be flying in 2008.
  - a. Manistee, Calhoun, Muskegon, Ottawa and Kent.

### **MDOT Update**

Joyce Newell, MDOT

1. PASER data collection will be 50% for this next year rather than 100%.
2. DNR has been looking at the Senate Republican Agenda and they have an item on Road and Infrastructure Reform.
  - a. There is an Alternative Road Funding Task Force that has been signed into law.
  - b. Create a Road Jurisdiction Task Force to examine jurisdictional transfer of highly traveled county primary roads to MDOT.
  - c. Devise new MTF formulas.
  - d. Eliminate municipal roads where they receive less than \$250,000 a year and transfer to the county.
  - e. The whole report can be seen at:  
[http://www.senate.michigan.gov/gop/accomplishments/Senate\\_Republican\\_Accomplishments\\_Report\\_2007.pdf](http://www.senate.michigan.gov/gop/accomplishments/Senate_Republican_Accomplishments_Report_2007.pdf)
3. Local Road County Program for HPMS, decided that MDOT will take the lead and our traffic data division is contacting Counties for available counts, or when their counts are scheduled and then work on what counts are needed and get that data.

### **DEQ Update**

John Esch, DEQ

1. Nothing new to report.

### **CGI Update**

Everett Root, CGI

1. Parks IMA is being worked on and the MiDrive site is almost finished.

2. NHD data set tools for Arc GIS 9.2 have arrived.
  - a. Our staff is now getting familiar with those tools and can get back to finishing the first pass test for connectivity and feature classes.
3. All the legislature leaders have signed redistricting data creation.
  - a. We will be creating 2008 precincts and election geography for caucuses to start their process.

### **MSU Update**

Justin Booth, MSU RSGIS

1. We do have the MIP server in and are looking to test on the new server shortly.
2. We are building the production environment.
  - a. Hoping to move things over next week.

### **MSU Libraries Update**

Kathleen Weessies, MSU Libraries

1. Imagin news will go from 6 to 4 issues a year.
2. We are always soliciting articles for the publication.
  - a. We are interested in news, new employees, etc.
3. We are looking for a new person for the committee.
  - a. They would be responsible for reviewing submitted articles.
  - b. Offer suggestions for editing.
  - c. Would help to solicit articles.

### **Next Meeting**

March 6, 2008 from 10:00-12:00 PM, CGI Large Conference Room  
111 S. Capitol Ave., Romney Building, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Lansing, MI 48933