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Project Narrative

Following awarding of our CAP grant, Richard Butgereit, the principal investigator, attended the NSGIC mid-year conference in March. Presentations to the State CIO Council and the Water Management Districts GIS Managers Meeting were given in May. Following those presentations, a steering committee was formed and weekly conference calls began. The months of June and August were spent with the steering committee developing a scope of work and a request for proposal. The request for proposal closed on September 5th, and on September 11th, Fugro EarthData was selected to assist with development of the plan.

On September 18, 2007, an informational session was held at the Central Florida GIS workshop in Orlando, Florida. The presentation including an introduction by Richard Butgereit and Ric Dugger, a review of federal enabling framework by Louis Driber, a review of past coordination efforts and NSGIC initiatives and templates by Richard Butgereit, and an outline of the approach we are to take by Martin Roche of Fugro EarthData.

September 23-29, Richard Butgereit attended the NSGIC annual conference, including the Fifty States Initiative meeting held in conjunction with the conference.

October 4, 2007, the second of three planned presentations at regional GIS workshops was held at the South Florida GIS Expo in West Palm Beach, Florida. This presentation followed the format presented at the Central Florida GIS workshop.

A project chartering meeting is scheduled for October 11 and 12, where steering committee members and the Fugro EarthData team will iron out remaining details for further presentations and meetings to achieve production of a strategic plan.

Another session is planned for the Seven Hills Regional User Group GIS workshop to be held in Tallahassee, Florida November 13 and 14.

Though we got off to a slow start, the project is now moving ahead full steam, involving partners throughout Florida with awareness raised at regional meetings, diversifying and expanding our steering committee, and setting an aggressive agenda for the next few months.

A key accomplishment to date is that Florida's Office of Program Policy Analysis & Government Accountability (OPPAGA), an office of the Florida Legislature, has been requested to examine state agency geographic information systems. This examination was not yet underway, and we have drafted staff responsible for this examination onto our steering committee.

Next Steps

Our next steps are to continue sessions at regional workshops, as well as expanding presentations and listening sessions outside of those workshops, targeting business and industry representatives and spending more time. Stakeholder outreach will also include a survey and analysis.

We will also develop another CAP grant application for further planning.

Attachments

Under development

Feedback on Cooperative Agreements Program

We have been very happy with the CAP process. We have especially learned a lot from the Fifty States Initiative conference call held and the sessions at the NSGIC conferences.