



## WHITE PAPER

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TO: FIRESCOPE Board of Directors  
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SUBJECT: FIRESCOPE GISS Information Portal

**APPROVAL: This White Paper and the ICS 1403 document were approved by the Board of Directors on April 4, 2024**

### SUMMARY

There is a need to compile a list of links that are beneficial to GISS' on assignments. This will be a living document that will continually be updated as links change, or new relevant information is created. The document will live on the [GIS Subcommittee webpage](#) under the Group Documents section.

### FINDINGS

There is an existing challenge for GISS' to locate various relevant and useful data quickly and easily. Creating a singular repository to collect needed information will be valuable for new and veteran GISS' alike. The repository will have updated links to data or tools that will promote incident management success, streamlining the process of identifying the best information and data to use. It may also open the door to discovering new information that could be leveraged through the development of better products, benefiting the end users in other sections.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

- The document will be sent to OES for publication on the FIRESCOPE GIS section of the website.
- Annually (March/April) an update will be provided to OES for republication of the updated links.



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### IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

- The updated links document will be sent through the FIRESCOPE decision process for approval.
- Once approved, it will be sent to the OES Website Manager for publication.
  - Documents will be updated annually by the GIS Subcommittee to ensure currency.

### CONCLUSION

The benefits this will give are widespread, ensuring GISS' use the best and most up to date authoritative data. It also lends itself to using data they were previously unaware of for their products. An annual update and refresh of the links and new data, as identified by the GIS subcommittee, will be beneficial to all team members on all-hazard incident assignments.

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