

FIRESCOPE GISS Workgroup Meeting

Conference Call

August 7, 2012 (Updated 8/7/12 – Version 0.01)

FTP site: <ftp://ftp2.fs.fed.us/incoming/r5/FAMSAC/Firescope/>

FIRESCOPE GIS SG site: <http://www.firescope.org/specialist-groups/gis/specialist-gis.htm>

Attendees: - Kris Higgs (CAL EMA), Mark Hafner (CAL FIRE), Chris Ingram (Santa Clara County Fire), Lorri Peltz-Lewis (USFS), Dave Donley (CAL FIRE), Mark Rosenberg (CAL FIRE), Rich Strazzo (CAL FIRE), Chris Waters (CAL FIRE), Tim Chavez (CAL FIRE),

Accept meeting notes from May (ACCEPTED) & June 2012 (ACCEPTED) – Lorri will prepare for FIRESCOPE Website update.

Announcements –

- ASPRS Technical Seminar – August 8, 2012 – information sent out. Presentations will be recorded and location sent out later.
- LiDAR for Fire – October – TBD – Mark Gupe is setting this up – more to come
- CAL FIRE Tools are being released – will be posted CAL FIRE – will be on CAL FIRE and NWCG sites.

DHS HIFLD Meeting – lots of updates here! HISP Gold discussions, DHS is reaching out to those that don't have access to identify the need and tie to the mission of the organization, Mark R and Lorri have provided feedback and documentation. We may have a future meeting with them. At the ESRI SIG this was also presented and many state, county, and local staff talked with DHS representative.

SDSU Viz Lab & Social Media – many tools were displayed to the DHS team during this session, Geofeedia is one that Lorri recently reviewed. Lorri comments to FIRESCOPE, think about for the next F2F meeting? Other companies have also reached out to Lorri about similar tools. Do we want to include future demos in our meetings? Assuming yes and will reach out to FEMA contacts.

Homeland Security Summit – Chris Ingram – NIFC presentation was the best presentation, symbology is on hold due to funding issues, this wasn't as good as the past.

ESRI Observations and Events:

- HP – plotter issues – the HP reps told Lorri that the HP1055 will no longer be supported within the next year. They have a newer unit targeted to replace this and offered a test unit located in San Diego. Lorri has a team connected to test this out. Other units may be available for testing – contact Lorri. HP has also offered to do a 24 month outlook meeting to let users know what their development plans are. More to come on this too.
- LizardTech – MrSID updates – Lorri talked to the reps about the need to be able to turn off colors like GISS do with the TIFF DRG data – the developers at the booth indicated this is coming at the next version.

Getting Trainees out – how is this going – CAL FIRE only a few, USFS 5 CA students have gone out, priority training list – get with your local training officer and network with local teams.

Incident Issues –

- Internet still a problem – still not getting connected, Verizon and AT&T provide free broadband cards to incidents, must be resourced from the COM lead – Lorri doesn't have the contact names, but your COMS staff should. Lorri will attempt to get the contact information.
- GSTOP Draft – get comments in!

Training thoughts:

- S-341 Training – 2014 training class Southern CA? No further discussions have occurred
- S-341 ArcGIS 10 videos have been reviewed and BLM is preparing to release these from a standard location. Lorri will share this as soon as these are available.

- GPS for Fire Management Training – Lorri is planning on a class in Monterey in November? Others in Northern CA this winter.

Symbology – Kris Higgs – Peter Wood, New Zealand stopped by to discuss symbology ANSI standards created by DHS.

http://www.fgdc.gov/HSWG/ref_pages/Infrastructures_ref.htm

Issue Paper – Symbology – Rich has a few hours to work on this, but don't expect anything until September.

Issue Paper - All Hazards – Kris was on vacation – can put this on the schedule. Will try to get something done soon.

Future meeting OR F2F Meeting –

Standards – NPS, ESRI

Green Sheets – incorporating other information, etc. Scott Jones, etc.

NIFC Interra update –

NICS update – Virtual USA integration – Mark update?

WebEOC – demo

dtsWildfire.com - <http://wildfiremaps.com/>

USGS – Digital Globe account – services available like earlier. No login/pass. Mark R is contact.

CAL EMA – Crisis Event services – more to come from Kris H.

Fire Retardant Avoidance – current version is available, update due out in late August.

Next meeting...

2012 Meetings – (proposed)

- September 4, 2012 – 1-3 PM - TBD
- October 2, 2012 – 1-3 PM
- November 6, 2012 – 1-3 PM
- December 4, 2012 – F2F?

Doodle Poll – <http://www.doodle.com/swq5zykw88fceyzgfh5gsnkq/private>

- dates to avoid Nov 12-16, Nov 28-29, Dec 10 (full week)