

# Watershed Research

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## Indiana GIS Initiative

**To:** INGISI Committee

**From:** Jill Saligoe-Simmel, Ph.D.  
INGISI Chair

**Date:** August 25, 1999

**Re:** August 16, 1999 Minutes

### In Attendance:

Jim Denoncour	Albert Sarvis	Christine Clothier
Scott Stephens	Doug Marvel	Charline Avery
Jane Frankenberger	Roberta Brooker	Charles Dunn
Mike Andrews	Philip Nichols	Moshrek Sobhy
Scott Linn	James Cramer	Beth Hernly
Bob Wilkinson	Andy Laudick	Scott Wiet
Mike Martin	Jill Hill	David Glenn
Donise Stahl	Irvin Goldblatt	Bob Weaver
Andrew Harrison	Eric Torok	Daniel Johnson
Jonathan Makepeace	Kevin Miller	Jill Saligoe-Simmel
Shelly Frohs	Kathy McCarter	Peter Orono
Dayne Wilkinson	David Beery	

### 1. Technical Subcommittee Reports:

#### Metadata - Jill Saligoe-Simmel

The Metadata subcommittee has developed a Plan Recommendation for metadata in Indiana. The Plan includes a "Profile" for Indiana that allows for minimally compliant data documentation. The Plan also covers technical resources, budget, and training needs. The Plan, including the Indiana Metadata Profile, will be placed on our web site for a comment period until Oct. 1, 1999.

The metadata project funded by the FGDC starts Sept 1, 1999. All of the participants on that project can expect to be contacted soon by Jill regarding details. The grant will offer training and resources to a general audience available later (at the proposed GIS conference). In the mean time, Jill is developing a metadata tutorial to be placed on our web site by mid-October.

#### Web Development - Shelly Frohs

The Web Development Subcommittee wins the prize for meeting the most times! The Web Plan Recommendation is available for review on our web site. This is to be viewed strictly as a living document since there are a number of dependencies for implementation. It identifies areas of concern and needs for further investigation. Access Indiana is revitalizing the INGISI web site with many great features and expects its release before Oct.1.

#### Education - Kathy McCarter

The education subcommittee met and responded to a request to determine the likelihood/feasibility of an Indiana GIS Conference sometime next year. They decided to move forward with planning this event. It will be planned for the Spring, to be held at the RCA Dome conference facilities in Indianapolis. There is also discussion of expanding this venue with

regional workshops to be held in various locations. Kathy McCarter is the contact (kmccart@iupui.edu).

2. Introductions.

3. Charlene Avery asked about digital orthophotography (DOQ) availability. Bob Weaver (chelp@netusa1.net) responded with some good information about where and how to access DOQs. Bob is an excellent technical resource for this issue.

4. Indiana State Government GIS Task Force - Donise Stahl

Donise reviewed the SGGISTA goals and objectives. Their current projects are developing a intranet site for state agencies, a demo/test project to help make the case for a needed State agency GIS coordination body of some type (as yet undetermined), and cataloging State held data sets.

The state, co-sponsored with the INGISI, is inviting Susan Carson Lambert, Kentucky's GIS Coordinator, to visit and share information about how Kentucky is doing things. Charline Avery also suggested Stew Davis, Ohio's GIS Coordinator, as a potential resource. Jane Frankenberger inquired about how the SGGISTF objectives differ from the INGISI objectives. The importance of an internal state agency effort, in full cooperation with the INGISI, was commented on by several people.

5. Indiana / USGS Joint Mapping Project - John Hill

Indiana is participating in a joint project for the USGS to create DLGs for the entire state of Indiana based on USGS topographic quadrangles. The project is partially funded (\$400,000 - layers marked FUNDED) and the project seeks support (~ \$770,000) for completion. Underway are the following coverages:

- Boundaries
- Hypsography (elevation contours) FUNDED - est. completion date 3 years
- Hydrography FUNDED
- Public Land Survey System
- Transportation

For more info, contact Rick Hill (hill2@indiana.edu) or John Hill (Hill6@indiana.edu).

5. INGISI Steering Committee Report.

We reviewed the draft mission statement and took comments. There was some disagreement over what the mission statement should be. Jill wrote down comments and it was agreed that the steering committee should review those comments and bring back a couple choices to be voted on at the next meeting. In the mean time, everyone was asked to forward ideas to Jill.

6. NEXT MEETING DATE SET: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1999 MEETING LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED.