

Monthly Height Modernization Committee Meeting

December 15, 2009

- The 2009 committee annual report was distributed for review.
- The November 2009 committee meeting summary, posted to the committee web site, located at <http://www.igic.org/committees/elevgeo.html>, was distributed. This monthly update was sent to IGIC for posting.
- The March 2010 Great Lakes Regional Height Modernization Forum, to be sponsored by this committee, was the topic of discussion for the remainder of this meeting.
 - It was the group's opinion that the forum should include a one day session for the GLRHM group followed by a one day workshop. The first day of the forum could also include the GLRHM business meeting.
 - A potential agenda for the First Day
 - Height Mod Moving Forward – Renee Shields of NGS
 - Alternative, Cost Effective Approaches to Height Mod – Bill Henning of NGS
 - Height Mod and Flood Plain Mapping Roundtable Discussion of Potential Synergies and/or Funding Sources
 - Height Mod and County Surveyors Roundtable Discussion of Potential Synergies and/or Funding Sources
 - Business Meeting
 - A potential agenda for the Second Day (Workshop)
 - Height Mod Background
 - Rollout of the Indiana Geocoding Plan for Height Mod
 - Elevations and GPS
 - Using Opus DB to Check Bench Marks and Submitting to NGS for Inclusion in Height Mod Database
 - Using NGS Technical Memoranda 58 and 59 to Establish Elevations for Inclusion in Height Mod Database
 - Presentation of the INDOT CORS Network
 - These potential agendas were sent to Renee Shields by Tom Mahon on December 15, 2009 for input.
 - In the event these potential agendas do not work, Tom Mahon also e-mailed Dan Roman and Giovanni Sella, both with NGS, to see if they are interested in helping Indiana with this forum. Dr. Roman works in the area of gravity and the geoid. Mr. Sella specializes in the CORS system.
 - Ryan Swingley solicited a proposal from the Indianapolis East side Marriott hotel as a potential site for the forum. Forum dates are tentatively set for Tuesday, March 23, 2010 through Wednesday, March 24, 2010. Room rates were fairly high.

- Joe Mullins solicited a proposal from the Clarion. It was a serious proposal that merits consideration.
- It was decided that moving out of town might be our best option. Tom Mahon called the West Lafayette University Plaza to request a proposal. ISPLS held an annual conference there a number of years ago and IGIC plans on holding their annual conference there in a year or two. The Plaza has yet to return the phone call.
- The agenda, speakers, and venue need to be finalized prior to the next GLRHM conference call scheduled for mid January 2010.

Respectfully Submitted

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