



MGISAC

**MISSOURI GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION
SYSTEMS ADVISORY COUNCIL**

MGISAC Strategic Planning Committee
September 2013

At its August 2013 meeting, the Strategic Planning Committee of the MGISAC decided on an exercise to collect some additional and up-to-date data about the MGISAC from its members present at the regularly scheduled September meeting. Attendees were asked to take a few minutes and write down their expectations of the organizations, for both themselves as individual GIS practitioners and from the perspective of the entity they represent.

The results of this exercise were collected and transcribed by a volunteer not affiliated with the organization. The results are shown in order as transcribed:

Be a leader in GIS in the state:

Set standards

Key on long range, whole group goals (aerials, LiDAR, standards, Conference, Education)

I expect more participation from all members. too few doing too much.

I expect that we redo our bylaws to address the funding issue. How much do we save, how much do we spend, who decides?

I expect that the (primary) activities of the committees will be moving in the direction of the overall organizations goals. i.e. the reports from the committees should not dictate the workplan, it should be (in part) assigned to committees as tasks to further the overall goals and efforts of the organization.

An inclusive, open forum where all geospatial fols feel comfortable voicing their opinions

An MGISAC with a voice with the CIO/GIO/Legislature/governor

Outreach: statewide education, more profile, better member participation

Expectations of the organization: networking, conference, best practices, position paper

#1: "champion" GIS statewide

Public outreach

Internal training for members on new technologies/developing contexts

Presence of GIS in MO

Assume GIO responsibilities if no GIO

Need to connect to external users and non-members

Hold a GIS conference every 2 years

Hold workshops around the states

Effectively communicate with state GIS users through Listserv emails, websites, social media

Serve as an advisor to the state CIO

Advocate GIS use in k-12

Communicate important state GIS initiatives and projects to the community

Coordination on data needs and acquisition; include state government needs and resources

Communication with local governments and private industry

Sharing resources

Education

Affiliation is not local, not state, and not private

Influence policy and government

Adopt standards and procedures

Focus on high-level policy – create a new sub-committee for technical issues

Have a louder voice and higher visibility within all levels of government

Provide communication between state/federal/local governments

Provide networking opportunities via conference meetings, etc

Provide info about partnership opportunities/educational opportunities

Reach out to GIS professionals who might not know what we do or how they can benefit from involvement

Outreach

Best business practices

Lobby for funding

Inclusion within geography profession beyond GIS continued: MO mappers, MO society surveyors, and such.

Interact with other GIS professionals

Educate agencies/individuals on current GIS/issues

Provide an arena for present problems/issues that require multi-agency input

Provide demonstrations/presentations/information on current topics in GIS; not create material, but find experts to conduct these

Work to secure funding in legislation to secure GIS products – i.e. lidar/imagery

Outreach

Conferences

Spread GIS to MO GIS users and support GIS efforts at local, state, and federal levels

Make GIS a household name

Provide GIS leadership to the citizens of MO

Provide GIS data to citizens

Provide GIS help in data search and use to citizens and organizations throughout the state

Forum for discussing what others are doing (networking)

Represents GIS as 'an entity' to the rest of the state

Opportunities for training, workshops, conferences

Bring GIS concerns in the state back to the organization

Collaboration opportunities for data acquisition

Individual: coordination, communication, governance

Organization: coordination, communication, governance

Run bi-annual conference

Run regional workshops

Provide guidance to GIS users in state

Provide guidance to state leaders

Provide a variety of networking opportunities

Push for a real GIO position

Facilitate large projects (Imagery, etc)

Monitor/influence state policy

Push for better emergency response coordination

Ability to communicate directly with peers

More open discussions on current events and topics surrounding all things geospatial

Have MGISAC act as an advocate for local governments using geospatial technology at the state

MGISAC should act as a mentor to up-and-coming organizations interested in geospatial technology

Champion GIS everyday and everywhere I go

Commit to going into elementary classrooms/classes once every several months to teach/speak on what GIS is and provide a fun geography/GIS lesson plan to the class

Attend as many conferences and symposiums as possible

Build GIS community in MO

Conferences and workshops

Champion for GIS in MO

Standards and recommendations

Goals for development of GIS in the state

Provide liason between state and locals

Help develop fund – cost-share opportunities in state to advance GIS

I expect cooperation to bring data opportunities that wouldn't otherwise exist for us as a lone and small entity. We are also hoping to find new knowledge of how we can better utilize the technology that's on the

market to make us more effective in our everyday positions. We want to be able to gain as well as give knowledge so that the future of GIS for us will be positive and productive.

Professional, organized body

Knowledge

Community

Expects

Enterprise voice in the state – effort and initiative

Clearinghouse of information