The State Geospatial Coordinating Board Meeting was held via virtual teleconference and on-site at Commonwealth Technology Center in Harrisburg.

Attendee List:

Board Members and Designees
- Aucker, Jason (Elected Local Government Official - Rural Community)
- Blackmer, Gale (Designee for DCNR – Secretary Cindy Dunn)
- Boozel, Kevin (Butler County Commissioner)
- Cook, Cheryl (Designee for Agriculture - Secretary Russell Redding)
- DeMatt, Mike (Chair and Designee for Secretary of Administration, Neil Weaver)
- Drzyzga, Scott (Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education, GIS Consortium)
- Eaton, Kevin (Vice-Chair, Governance Task Force Lead, and Designee for the Secretary of Environmental Protection, Richard Negrin)
- Gilbert, Dave (Keystone GIS)
- Gross, Eliza (United States Geologic Survey Mapping Liaison)
- Guiseppe, Al (DCNR, Data Task Force Chair)
- Hill, Mike (Designee for PA State Police Colonel Christopher Paris)
- Hunt, Will (Potter County, APA-PA Chapter)
- Kelly, Maurie (Pennsylvania Spatial Data Access)
- Kiger, Bill (PA One Call System)
- Leitzell, Mark (Designee for Department of Transportation - Secretary Michael Carroll)
- Lettiere, Laura (Mifflin County, County GIS Professional Association of Pennsylvania and Service Delivery Task Force Lead)
- Smith, Justin (Cumberland County, County EMA)
- Warner, Matthew (Designee for Pennsylvania Society of Land Surveyors)
- Whitacre, James (PA Game Commission, Data Development Expert)
- Zubek, Scott (Tioga County, Geospatial Expert)

Additional Attendees

Andreoli, Beth	Wall, Scottie
Partsch, David	DeMoss, Jonathan
Passiment. Jessica	Remillard, Denise

Staff
- Janosik-Nehilla, Valerie – (Office of Administration, Office of Chief Counsel)

- Jespersen, Eric (Executive Director State Geospatial Coordinating Board, Office of Administration, Office for Information Technology)

I.   Welcome & Opening Remarks

- DeMatt, Mike (Acting Co-Chair and Designee for Secretary of Administration, Neil Weaver)
- The agenda was presented: 060823 agenda.pdf (pa.gov)
- Board meeting materials: 06082023 presentation
- Welcome new appointees onboard

a.   Sign-in and Introductions – Board Members

b.   Opening Remarks – Mike DeMatt, Eric Jespersen

II.   GeoBoard Leadership Team Updates

a.   **Data Program Task Force** (Al Guiseppe and Eric Jespersen)
Leadership change: Jeff Boyle departing, Al Guiseppe incoming

NG911
- o   Should have statewide address and road centerline data completed next year
- o   This is a broadly useful dataset that can be used as a case study for aggregating local data

Hydrography
- o   Raystown Elevation-derived Hydrography (EDH) was a pilot project by USGS - complete
    - o   Now a site of National Wetland Inventory pilot
- o   PA NE Susquehanna EDH production task now underway

Civic Boundaries
- o   Expected start of Census/DOT Boundary Quality Project mid-June.
- o   Noted again the February publication of Local Government Commission report on municipal boundaries.

Imagery/ Elevation
- o Successful 2023 collection season for PEMA's aerial imagery program. Program ending upon delivery of this round of imagery.

Geodetic
- o Working Group preparing Official Position regarding adoption of new reference datum, to support legislative adoption efforts by land survey community

Parcel
- o County Pro Land Records Committee visioning sessions to result in roadmap for aggregation of county-owned data.

b. **Service Delivery Task Force** (Laura Lettiere and Maurie Kelly)
- o Use of Erie County and Philadelphia County data to do pilot project most likely for 3DPA demonstration
- o County data sharing agreements
  - o Need to encourage those that haven't signed to sign and those that have signed but did not share data to move forward with sharing
- o Joint Task Force meeting on July 13 to focus on expanding data sharing.
- o Planning metadata workshop in Fall 2023
- o Western PA imagery arriving steadily
- o Potential pilot project with weather service; hoping this will integrate into flood assessment tool
- o Kittatinny Ridge (kittatinnyridge.org) posting data used in Return-on-Environment studies

c. **Governance Task Force** (Kevin Eaton)

Legislative Review Subcommittee
- o GeoBoard Reauthorization review team suggested minor changes in anticipation of June 2024 reauthorization.

Communications
- o Reviewing use of SharePoint, website, and resource account

d. **State GIS Coordinator** (Scottie Wall)
- o NGSIC Geospatial Maturity Assessment underway
  - o Self-assessment
  - o National benchmarks
- o Bureau of Geospatial Services
  - o Creating Strategic and Tactical Plan
- o Geospatial Center of Excellence (GCoE)
  - o OA OIT Internal Geospatial Committee
  - o Currently drafting standards & governance

e. **Executive Director** (Eric Jespersen)
- o Implementation Tasks published on website
- o Enterprise Data Office providing additional meeting and communications support to GeoBoard
- o Majority of vacant GeoBoard Member positions filled since March quarterly meeting

III. **Data Task Force Workshop Report**

Joint meeting of representatives of the various Working Groups held to develop a roadmap template to guide each group and begin the integration that will be required PA BaseMap 2030
- o Meeting summary shared with meeting participants
- o Individual roadmaps expected by October 2023
- o Small team will combine in an overall roadmap for review at November 2023 quarterly meeting
- o Side benefit – emphasis on GeoBoard internal and external communications. Draft plan expected for August quarterly meeting

IV. **Remote Sensing Opportunity Brief**

The Elevation Working Group prepared a brief entitled *Remote Sensing Remote Sensing Stewardship: Exploring Alternatives to Current Practice.* GeoBoard member Gale Blackmer (DCNR) presented the brief :
- o Imagery and lidar are a universal need among governments and for citizen services

- o Many local governments and private firms collect localized data
- o Drones and satellite imaging have emerged as complementary data sources
- o At least two previous statewide programs have lapsed, including the PEMA program ending this year
- o PA would benefit from a permanent program, having a steward, predictable cycles and products

An active discussion ensued, some key points of which are:
- o There are lessons to be learned from previous statewide programs
- o Kevin Eaton suggested that Bureau of Geospatial Services is a logical choice to lead the initiative
- o Scottie Wall agreed to the challenge, supported by Mike DeMatt; Maurie Kelly and James Whitacre voiced support in chat
- o Justin Smith asserted that state agencies are the right level for a statewide program. He stated that it could be a full-time job to coordinate an imagery program, and that a similar commitment would accelerate the hoped for statewide parcel data aggregation
- o Scott Zubek stated that a Remote Sensing Program should be the GeoBoard's first priority
- o No motion was entered to change the status of the opportunity brief from draft to final; remains draft

V.   Member Forum

GoeBoard member Cheryl Cook (Agriculture) picked up the discussion, saying that it illustrated the complexity of and need for communicating opportunities across such a large and diverse enterprise as the Commonwealth. Main points she made included:
- o We need to better communicate about skills, data and opportunities among ourselves and with agencies that we have not necessarily identified as geospatial data users
- o Need to ensure that all agencies and local governments understand the importance of geospatial data and how to leverage skills that exist in the enterprise
- o There may be opportunities to inform multiple agencies at once if we address interagency teams created by Executive Order; examples where this approach could

help enhance efforts include: identify food deserts, match aging populations and needs, ensure environmental justice, reduce gun violence, longitudinal data systems.

o Scottie Wall reiterated that the Bureau of Geospatial Services is more active than ever in coordination and that there are already processes for inter-agency coordination and a plethora of GIS/data resources available to agencies.

VI. New Business

Expanding Data Sharing Workshop
o July 13 - Joint Task Force Meeting

Topics for August 10 meeting
o Datum-related Official Position
o Communications Plan
o Member Forum

VII. Motion to Adjourn

By motion of Cheryl Cook, seconded by Laura Lettiere, the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 3:00 P.M.

2023 Board Meeting Schedule

Meetings dates and times are listed below. Notification will be provided if changes occur.

- August 10, 2023 at 1:30 PM - Virtual video / teleconference and on-site

- November 16, 2023 at 1:30 PM - Virtual video / teleconference and on-site

On-site location: 1 Technology Park, Commonwealth Technology Center (CTC), Harrisburg, PA 17110