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Overview

Abstract: This Business Plan outlines specific goals and work items to be pursued by the Vermont Enterprise GIS Consortium (EGC) in FY 2015 (July 2014 to July 2015). The EGC is voluntary consortium of State government organizations focused on the management of Vermont's Enterprise Geographic Information System.

Background: The Enterprise GIS Consortium (EGC) is a voluntary consortium of state government organizations focused on effective management of State's Enterprise Geographic Information System (GIS).

The EGC supports the ongoing implementation and management of the State's Enterprise Geographic Information System (GIS). This support is guided by the vision and goals articulated in the State of Vermont's Enterprise GIS Strategic Plan. The Plan aims to establish a dynamic Enterprise GIS framework within state government which:

- Promotes and leverages efficient use of the state's Geographic Information Technology (GIT) resources;
- Recognizes opportunity through coordination and resource sharing;
- Promotes quality and consistency through standardization;
- Addresses data access needs;
- Enhances the effectiveness of GIS services and solutions; and
- Improves decision making throughout state government.

Objective and Scope

Objective: Further the vision and goals articulated in Vermont's Enterprise GIS Strategic Plan (2008A).

Scope: This 12 month Business Plan addresses a subset of items defined in Vermont's Enterprise GIS Strategic Plan (2008A).

Work Items and Deliverables

The section outlines specific work items that will be addressed by the EGC in FY 2015. It also identifies the strategic objective(s) addressed by the work item (as defined in the Vermont Enterprise GIS Strategic Plan).

Work Item	Objective¹
1) Data Warehouse Redesign: EGC Open Data Workgroup will work with VCGI to redesign and rebuild VT's Open GeoData Portal (GIS Data Warehouse).	Objective 8 Objective 9 Objective 10 Objective 12

¹ Refer to Vermont's Enterprise GIS Strategic Plan (2008A) for details.

2) Pursue the establishment of a GIS “career ladder” for State government employees. Work with the Vermont Department of Human Resources, agency human resource departments to create a GIS career ladder and enhance the current GIS-specific positions in the state classification system.	Objective 15
3) Maintain and enhance the EGC’s SharePoint website (GeoPoint GIS Portal).	All Objectives by enhancing communication and information sharing
4) Review VT Enterprise GIS Strategic Plan. Revise as needed.	Objective 2 Objective 3
5) Draft a FY 2016 Business Plan.	Objective 2 Objective 3
6) Review EGC's Web Services Strategy document. Revise as needed.	Objective 4
7) Improve awareness of EGC efforts through enhanced marketing and outreach. a) Reach out to State CIO and CMO. b) Submit annual report to DII newsletter, State CIO and CMO. c) Target specific stakeholders within state government such as management, GIS professionals, and IT staff. d) Work with State CMO to develop an marketing and outreach strategy.	Objective 5, 6, and 7
8) Pursue opportunities to collaborate and share hardware/software resources between agencies and departments.	Objective 4 and 13
9) Review the EGC’s Charter. Revise as needed.	Objective 1 Objective 2 Objective 3
10) ESRI Master Purchase Agreement (MPA). Work with ESRI/BGS.	Objective 4 and 13
11) ESRI Enterprise License Agreement (ELA). Work with ESRI/BGS and EGC partners to explore the pros/cons (cost/benefit) of an ESRI ELA.	Objective 4 and 13
12) Support ongoing EGC Workgroups, including the Geocortex, LiDAR, Open Data, Parcel, and Emergency Management.	Supports objectives identified by Workgroup

Assumptions

1. EGC participants are willing to attend meetings and contribute toward completing the work items and deliverables identified in this Business Plan.
2. Continuing support from the Office of the Chief Information Officer (CIO) and Department of Information and Innovation (DII).
3. VCGI’s move to ACCD will not disrupt VCGI’s ability to facilitate EGC activities.

Risks

Risks are characteristics, circumstances, or features of the EGC’s working environment that may have an adverse effect on this Business Plan or the quality of its deliverables. Known risks are included below.

Risk Area	Level (H/M/L)	Risk Plan
Lack of support and resources for the implementation of this Business Plan	M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leverage existing resources. • Clear and effective communication strategy.
EGC members do not participate or contribute sufficiently to help get things done	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage participation. • Make participation “easy”. • Ask EGC members to help with specific work items.
VCGI’s move to ACCD disrupts VCGI’s ability to facilitate EGC activities	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Educate VCGI/ACCD management regarding VCGI’s role as an EGC “facilitator”, and the need for its continuing commitment.

Organizational Roles

Members of the EGC will have a role to play in the implementation of this business plan. EGC members will be asked to attend all regularly scheduled EGC meetings and contribute (in whatever fashion they can) toward completion of the work items and deliverables outlined in the FY 2015 Business Plan.