

# East Idaho Regional GIS

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Minutes: August 19, 2008

Meeting was held at the beautiful, tranquil Challis Hot Springs in Custer County. Chris and her staff treated us to a delicious luncheon. Thank you Chris!

Welcome: Chris James, Custer County Assessor

Conducting: Bonnie Moore, President

- 1- Bonnie stated that grant money will pay for the development of EIRGIS website and GoToMeeting Subscription. GoToMeeting will allow those who are unable to attend a regional meeting to attend online.
- 2- EIRGIS Mission Statement was edited and adopted.

*Strengthen GIS in our eastern Idaho region by improving the quality and availability of data and through regional collaboration*

- 3- 1 more goal ( #2)was added and approved.
  1. *Contribute ideas and expertise to the regional effort*
  2. *Support and promote the development of GIS in smaller entities*
  3. *Support state efforts and organizations*
  4. *Hold regular meetings and training*
  5. *Strengthen GIS relationships across a broad spectrum of organizations (government at all levels, private, etc)*
  6. *Create and implement regional data standards, including metadata, distribution of data, and fees.*
  7. *Educate the public and officials on benefits of GIS*
- 4- 3 Tab Metadata presentation by Eric Smith.

Eric demonstrated the old version Metadata (ESRI) versus this new version (developed by Frank Roberts) and how it can save time. We created metadata for a regional county map in a few minutes.

  - Call Eric if you need help in downloading the 3-Tab Metadata
  - Eric and Craig assigned to head a subcommittee to create standard defaults and tutorial for our region.
- 5- Presentation and discussion on state wide parcel layer project.

Craig R gave an overview of the vision of the Idaho geospatial community to develop a statewide parcels base map and asked for support from all counties. Gail Ewart, SDI project manager from the Idaho Geospatial Office, will give a presentation at the Assessor' Convention in August.
- 6- EIRGIS Website to be developed by Kade Smith. We will be able to post contact information, minutes, meetings, and link to relevant sites. Eric S is donating time to gather data, create maps, etc.
- 7- Regional standards were discussed briefly and will be the main topic for the next meeting.

Next meeting - Bonneville County, September 16, 2008, 10:00 -12:00.