



SACOG Board of Directors

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Regional GIS Committee Charter

Issue: Several jurisdictions have requested that staff explore a consolidated purchase of aerial imagery for many jurisdictions. Several of the providers of aerial imagery have indicated they would license their products to a committee established by SACOG. A formally established coordinating committee made up of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) managers from SACOG members, State and Federal partners, and related special districts would be the ideal group to manage an imagery collection project of this type.

Recommendation: The Housing & Land Use Committee recommends that the SACOG Board of Directors charter a Regional GIS Committee to coordinate geographic information in the six-county region.

Committee Action/Discussion: For the last five years, staff has worked with our member agencies to coordinate GIS layers around each county's GIS parcel map. While Sacramento and Yolo County jurisdictions have formed formal coordination committees, El Dorado, Placer, Sutter and Yuba Counties have worked informally with their local partners to build a series of GIS basemap layers. SACOG has brought these groups and individual jurisdictions together annually to share information and techniques for GIS management and mapping. The attached charter for a Regional GIS Coordinating Committee charter and membership will provide for a formal method to continue this coordination.

Several jurisdictions in the SACOG region have requested that staff look into the potential for pooling resources to save money in the next aerial imagery purchase. Previously each local government has contracted independently with the vendors of this information. Under a consolidated purchase program, SACOG would solicit interested partners from the regional group membership in the jointly funded project. Proposals will be solicited from vendors to provide a product, which is owned, or a jointly licensed, product to the members of the Regional GIS Coordinating Committee.

Developing State and Federal initiatives are also looking for regional agencies to coordinate GIS layers for a variety of planning programs. SACOG has represented our member agencies to the California GIS Council. The Council recommends policies for state, regional and local government information used in state planning projects. SACOG has also worked with the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) to develop GIS layers that are being used in the National Map Project. This project replaces the USGS quadrangle-mapping program for our six-county region. A Regional GIS Coordinating Committee will help SACOG communicate with our members on these developing programs.

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SACOG Regional GIS Coordination Committee

Committee Charter: The Sacramento Area Council of Governments Board of Directors establishes a committee of Geographic Information System (GIS) Managers to coordinate the management of critical information layers in the six-county SACOG region. The committee will serve as a coordination body to recommend the development or purchase of regional GIS or aerial imagery layers. The committee will document its members' data-sharing policies and serve as a forum for joint application development and data standards development. The Committee may form subcommittees to fund the development or licensing of new development layers. All projects shall be organized on a voluntary basis.

The Committee will meet a minimum of four times per year. The Committee will be consensus based with disagreements taken to the SACOG Housing & Land Use Committee and the SACOG Board of Directors where both minority and majority opinions can be presented. The jurisdictions and agencies listed below are recommended for membership; more special districts and agencies may be added as the group develops.

Jurisdictions

County of El Dorado
 County of Placer
 County of Sacramento
 County of Sutter
 County of Yolo
 County of Yuba
 City of Auburn
 City of Citrus Heights
 City of Colfax
 City of Davis
 City of Elk Grove
 City of Folsom
 City of Galt
 City of Isleton
 City of Lincoln
 Town of Loomis
 City of Live Oak
 City of Marysville
 City of Placerville
 City of Rocklin
 City of Roseville
 City of Rancho Cordova
 City of Sacramento
 City of West Sacramento
 City of Wheatland
 City of Winters
 City of Woodland
 City of Yuba City

Special Districts

Sacramento Area Council of Governments
 Sacramento Municipal Utility District
 Sacramento Regional Transit District
 Yolo County Transportation District
 Yuba-Sutter Transit District
 Sacramento Regional Fire/EMS ECC
 Yolo County Communications and Emergency Services Agency
 Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District
 Yolo/Solano Air Quality Management District
 Feather River Air Quality Management District
 El Dorado County Air Quality Management District
 Placer County Air Pollution Control District

State Agencies

Caltrans, District 3

Federal Agencies

US Geological Survey