## MLIA Current Operating Environment Sub-Group Goals, Objectives & Issues

## Goal

To assess the common operating picture for the coordination and distribution of State of Montana geographic information assets, and make recommendations to the CIO and report to the MLIA Council by Sept. 7, 2006 on future direction.

## **Objectives**

- Review State Law
  - o NRIS
  - o MITA
  - o Other (e.g., ITSD/MSL MOU)
- Document the State's current GIS technical environment
- Asses the GIS community's opinion on the:
  - o State's "As Is" structure
  - o State's "To Be" structure
- High-level recommendations on the State's future GIS environment, including:
  - o Legislative initiatives
  - o Roles & Responsibilities
  - o GIS Software Licensing
  - o Application Development
  - o GIS Application/Data Hosting
  - o Organization
  - o Funding

## <u>Issues</u>

- 1. What is the vision for GIS data access for the Public/Private Sector? Government?
- 2. Where is State statute clear? Confusing?
- 3. What is the definition of the State's GIS Clearinghouse? GIS Data Warehouse?
- 4. What should the State's GIS business model be for collecting, maintaining and disseminating digital GIS information, including:
  - a. Organizational model
  - b. Roles & Responsibilities
  - c. Legal basis
  - d. Technical environment
  - e. Funding