

MLIAC November 30, Colonial – Red Lion Hotel

Members or Designees

Robin Trenbeath – Department of Administration; Mike Bousliman – Department of Transportation; Ed Madej – Tetra-Tech; James D. Claflin – Bureau of Land Management; Annette Cabrera – Yellowstone County (via teleconference); Lance Clampitt – Department of the Interior; Art Pembroke – Lewis and Clark County IT Department; Janet-Hess Herbert – Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks; Erin Geraghty – Department of Administration/BMSC; Lorin Peterson – Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes IT Manager; Darlene Staffeldt – Montana State Library; Kris Larson – CDM; Alan Peura – Department of Revenue; Daniel Chelini – Department of Environmental Quality;

Guests

Jenny Stapp – Montana State Library; Rick Bush – Department of Natural Resources; Stu Kirkpatrick – Base Map Service Center; Linda Vance – Montana Natural Heritage/MAGIP; Julie Kriedeman – DOA/SITSD

September Executive Summary Dan Chelini motions to approve, seconded by Janet Hess Herbert
Approved

Land Plan Subcommittee

FY11/12 Land Plan – Annette Cabrera/Stu Kirkpatrick Action Item

In an effort to move the Council forward, the subcommittee tried to incorporate several previously produced documents, include more specific action items, and build-in more accountability.

Darlene Staffeldt suggested adding a MSDI archiving objective to goal 2.

A correction was made to page 4; only 13 of the 14 MSDI layers were listed.

Robin Trenbeath had concerns that the Plan did not follow statute; in particular, the \$240K and plan implementation budget projections.

Janet suggested that Goal 5 could include tasking the standing committee with flushing out the funding needs for each of the goals.

After a lengthy discussion, Stu suggested that we approve Plan and the budget later. Robin has some issues but agreed that could be done.

Mike asked if the objectives with specific tactics are the priorities. Robin's concern was that the Plan is not just strategic, but tactical. Annette stated that the subcommittee was trying to be as specific as possible, but didn't have the time or the knowledge for all the specifics. Robin suggested getting away from the tactical piece and using strategic goals and objectives. Annette noted that goes against what the subcommittee was trying to do.

The subcommittee agreed to go through the goals/objectives/tactics and add some flexibility language. Art asked the Council to use these as recommendations or options; that these are guidelines. Annette agreed but wanted to make sure we don't want to lose the thoughts.

SUMMARY Robin we will work with the subcommittee to prepare the Plan for Council action. Remember that January 15 is the deadline. **(Subsequently, the Plan was modified, approved by the Council on an electronic vote, and submitted to the DOA Director for approval).**

FY 2012 Grant Criteria and Process Recommendations – Annette Cabrera/ Stu Kirkpatrick – Action Item

Annette reported that the group was to clarify the grant evaluation process, making it less subjective and easier for applicants to understand.

Stu noted that the primary change to the existing application is the scoring methodology.

Robin noted that on page 6 the goals don't match the goals in the Land Plan. Also, he asked if Appendix C, sub criteria 3 weight application scoring towards state and federal rather than local governments.

Stu answered that it gives counties the opportunity to compete, but that the committee will evaluate to make sure it accomplishes our goal.

Darlene Staffeldt moves to approve and Mike Bousliman seconds. ****Approved****

FY 2012 Grant Subcommittee Appointment – Robin Trenbeath

If you are interested in being on the Grant Subcommittee send Robin a note in the next few of days.

(Subsequently, the Grants Subcommittee was appointed and will be Chaired by Art Pembroke).

Lance Clampitt stated that in his opinion, the process is broken. He offered to lead a committee to look into how to change things. Maybe it is the act itself, if so we need to change it. We need a Plan based on our budget and perhaps set aside some of the granting process. Art agreed that it is broken, but expressed concern that if do away with the granting process we do away with one of the local government carrots; local governments' endorsement of the Act was based on grants. Lorin Peterson concurred; Tribes are here because of the grant availability. **(Agenda item for the March MLIAC meeting).**

Janet noted that the fundamental problem is that we have never funded the base layers. Why don't we have a General Fund request? Given the Cadastral business case, there should be a way to fund MSDI without tapping into MLIA grants.

Robin shared that as part of the Budget Director's first Task Force meeting when the departments were asked which agencies are using State MSDI data, almost every hand in the room was raised. However, when subsequently ask who is funding those efforts, almost no hands were raised.

Linda Vance has an issue with the idea that if an extension exists an organization is not able to apply for additional grants until the project is completed. For example, a project may be finished by May 1 but would be ineligible to apply, resulting in a funding gap. The language was changed to they would be ineligible to "receive" rather than "apply".

State Executive Branch ITMC GIS Task Force – Mike Bousliman

Mike provided an update from the Budget Director's meeting in October. From the State Executive Branch perspective, the Task Force will look into some of the things discussed today. The group chatted about priorities, improvements to making use of the GIS information we already have, and mechanisms to better communicate what information is available. Mike understands the great work done by the Council and wants to use that as the bases for moving forward.

Montana Geospatial Strategic Plan – December 31 expiration – Stu Kirkpatrick with Council Discussion
The [Plan](#) expires on December 31. Do we need a written Geospatial plan? Robin asked that any group looking into answering the question hold off meeting until after the Task Force meetings.

MAGIP Report – Linda Vance President's Report

Significant Accomplishments – the Fall Technical Session that was held in Helena with over 100 participants. Second, the [MAGIP website](#) has been updated.

Upcoming Events - Spring Planning Meeting will be held in Lewistown the week of April 12. Contact Erin with theme ideas. The 2012 Conference (Kalispell) planning is under way.

At the Whitefish Lake Retreat last fall the [2010 -2011 Work Plan](#) was finalized.

FY 2011 Coordination Budget – Robin FY 2011 Report

The Coordination Budget was posted. When reviewing the budget be sure to look at the comments.

MSDI Policy Issues Progress – Robin Trenbeath

Robin reported on the [status](#) of the Policy issues.

BMSC Update – Move status and outreach – Stu Kirkpatrick

BMSC is working with the Department of Revenue (DOR) to modify the cadastral work flow. BMSC will soon issue a Statement of Work to reengineer the cadastral website in partnership with DOR.

BMSC also participated in three days training for ESRI administrative tools.

The move went smoothly.

2011 NAIP – Evan Hammer/Stu Kirkpatrick

Presentation 2011 NAIP Partnership Survey conducted by the Montana Imagery Workgroup – October/November 2010. They will follow up with those expressing interest in funding 2011 natural color, process, hosting, and archival costs.

Geographic Names Stewardship at MSL – Robin Trenbeath

The 14th MSDI layer, Geographic Names, was approved. MSL volunteered and was approved by the GIO to become the steward.

MSL's Legislative Snapshot – Using GIS and maps as communication tools – Jennie Stapp

Stu asked Jennie to share information about a project the State Library does for every legislative session, the [Legislative Snapshot](#). This is an example of how we might demonstrate the GIS value within a wide variety of topics. Janet added that a discussion of each MSDI theme including how it is used and funded would be a meaningful way to approach the legislature.

Open Forum and Public Comment

None

Next Meeting Date, Location and Agenda Items – Robin Trenbeath

Next meeting – March 3, 2011, DEQ Room 111, Helena

Topics for Next Meeting

Strategic plan, normal updates, NAIP 2011, Legislative status/ bills, ITMC Task Force, and the action plan.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:40 p.m.