

Boundary TWG Meeting 12/6/2022 Notes

Attendees:

- Pam Bond, Information Technology Services (Chair)
- Wilma Robertson, Information Technology Services
- Craig Tarter, City of Nampa
- Hagen Beckstead, Idaho State University Geodetic Analyst
- Jeff Cook, Idaho Parks and Recreation
- Meghan Burns, Montana State Library
- Polly Anderson, Lemhi County
- Tom Calton, Information Technology Services
- Robin Dunn, Idaho Dept of Lands
- Heather Studley, Bannock County
- Barbara Grimm, Idaho County
- Dorene George, Idaho County
- Jaime Olsen, Oneida County
- Tammy Oliver, City of Burley
- Bill Reynolds, Nez Perce County
- Cyndi Anderson, City of Meridian
- Mike Miller, Jefferson County

Counties:

Wilma – brought up our question of WHO IS the authority for the GIS data representation. We are assuming the counties themselves.

Barb from Idaho County is already modifying her PLSS from control points she is getting from local surveyors.

The Idaho State Tax Commission (ISTC) maps county boundaries as part of their tax code areas. However, the GIS team at the tax commission specifically stated that their data is not authoritative, and their website specifies that this data should not be used for 911 purposes. Problem is that some PSAPs are using the ISTC data to delineate their PSAP and at least one county confirmed that the county boundary from ISTC does not line up with their own data. We have invited members from ISTC to join this Boundary TWG, but they were unable to attend.

Brought up the issue of mapping along waterways. Bill – in DIGB 2's case GIS people agreed on creek/river boundaries but assessor's office didn't always.

Can we set a state standard? People in the meeting seemed to like that idea.

- Montana Land Information Act – PLSS, County boundary, cadastral maintained by them. Their state tax folks work closely with them. Giving the county money to survey corner points. Library works with tax on parcel alignment, they go back and forth.
 - Brought up again that they also have a line dataset that contains information about the source of that line (like hydrography or PLSS).
 - Took over CAD/NSDI about 10 years ago. Do work closely with the BLM.

Wilma asked county GIS reps if they are willing to help work on this and work towards submitting to Census BAS.

- Heather – if it is just an aesthetic change, probably would get less pushback.
- Barb – like the idea of a creating a web app that counties can help edit.

Zip Codes:

For Address Management:

- Bill – data that is out there (Esri, etc.) have been very generalized. ZIP Codes areas need to be mapped with some assurity. Work with postmasters and rural route carriers is most helpful.

Heather – has some weird examples of delivery routes. Conversations should happen between county/regional (DIGB) people and their postmasters.

Barb – has weird issues like mail gets flown into places from Cascade, mailing zip, but the physical zip code is different. She validates every new address with the post office.

Bill – said that they have reached out to businesses like FedEx and said if they have address issues to call them to resolve.