



# Geographic Data Committee

## Meeting Minutes Wednesday, December 3, 2008, 9:30 am

Member Agency	Contact	Present
Alterra Technologies	Jim Stevens Matt Kelly	
Brazoria County Engineer's Office	Kevin Sherrodd Eric W. Dyess	
Burditt Consultants, LLC	Paul Howard John Ross	
CDS Market Research	Josh Wadley Charlie Savino	
CenterPoint Energy	Cindi Salas John Chambers	
Central Houston, Inc	Anton Sinkewich Marina Krikitos	•
City of Alvin	Ron Rosenwald Doug Ross	
City of Conroe	Les McKay Angela Slayton	
City of Houston, Houston Emergency Center	Ed Loomis	
City of Houston, Planning and Development	Max Samfield Larry Nierth Chris McPhilamy	
City of Houston, Public Utilities Division	Greg Johnson Anthony Powell Kirt Arthur	•
City of League City	Rick Brezik Andra Caudel	
City of Pasadena	Charles Vaughan Matt Ross	
City of Pearland	Michael Masters Jameson Appel	•
City of Sugar Land	Sharlett Chowning Lary Dorrington Eric Schenck	•
City of Tomball	Delia McDonald Lori Lakatos	•
City of West University Place	Bart Harms Gary McFarland	
CivilTech Engineering, Inc.	Annie Ding	•
CLR, Inc.	Austan Luper Kyle Bertrand	
Contract Land Staff	Leon Law Kevin Taliaferro	
Cypress Creek Emergency Management Services	Toivo Sari	
Dannenbaum	Jeff Scarborough	•
Dodson & Associates, Inc.	Mark Starks Michael Henze	



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Fort Bend County Engineer's Office	Casey Lyde Ronald Drachenberg	• •
Galveston Central Appraisal District	David Arnold	
Greater Fort Bend County EDC	Barkley Peschel	
Greater Harris County 911	Marc Berryman Greg Platek	
Harris County Appraisal District	Chengyan Wu Thang Nguyen	
Harris County Emergency Services District 7	Alan D. Lankford Tim Highley	
Harris County Flood Control District	Scott Lamon Michael Walters	•
Harris County Information Technology Center	Mickey McGee Travis Conner	•
Harris County Precinct 1	Slovak Chavonne	•
Harris County Public Health and Environmental Services	Christina Hailey Dischinger Stefan Nawrocki	• •
Harris County Public Infrastructure Department Architecture & Engineering Division	Samuel Garcia Andre C. Bally	•
Harris County Tax Office	Bryan Dunaway Ed Johnson	
Harris County Toll Road Authority	Jason C. Cowart Burt Lee	•
HDR   Claunch & Miller, Inc.	Doug Wilson Joshua Vickrey	•
HNTB Corporation	Heather Standley	
Houston Advanced Research Center	Zach Vernon	•
Houston Airport System	Katherine Luu Brandon Williams	
Houston Community College	Richard DeBose	
Houston Fire Department	James Hugo Adrian Trevino	
Houston TranStar	Maria Cristela Vera	•
Houston-Galveston Area Council	Tanya Nguyen Robert LaBarbera	• •
Katy Area Economic Development Council	Matthew McCauley Lance LaCour	
Klein Volunteer Fire Department	Rich Jones	
Knudson	Ben Murphey Raul Hinojosa Matt Bruning	•
LAN (Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam), Inc.	Derek St. John	



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	David Manuel	
LJA Engineering & Surveying	George Culver Brandon Copeland	
Magellan Consulting, Inc.	Virginia Appl Sam Wilson	
Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County	John Labio Bryan Carroll	• •
Michael Baker Jr., Inc.	Vince Hamilton Daniel Bally	
Montgomery & Associates, LLC	Crystal Carreon Dehui Su	
Montgomery County 911	Chiu-Wen Ray Robert M. Gunter	•
North Harris College (now, Lone Star)	Peter E. Price Michael Konvicka	
Pate Engineers, Inc.	Cheli Cellmer Amanda Menard	
PBS & J	Timothy P. Ledet Gray Rackley	
Port of Houston Authority	Grant Garrison Brian Doolittle	•
R7 Solutions	Bryan Hassin Kraettli Epperson	
Rice University	Kim Ricker German Diaz	• •
Sam Houston State University Law Enforcement Management Institute of Texas	David William Webb David R. Hoffpaair	
TCB (Turner, Collie & Braden)	Bruce Davidson John Laser	•
Texas Department of Transportation	Kathy DeBettencourt Cindy Gloyna Jeremy Scott	•
Texas Medical Center	Marilyn A. Robinson Bassem Nassif	
Texas Southern University	Dr. Qisheng Pan Dr. Lalita Sen	
Texas Water Development Board	Felicia D. Retiz Erik O'Brian	
University of Houston, Department of Economics	Janet Kohlhase	•
Waller County Economic Development Partnership	Vince Yokom	



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Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 9:30am.	Jeremy Scott (TXDOT)
<b>Item 1:</b> Review of the Previous Minutes	The minutes were accepted as presented.	Jeremy Scott (TXDOT)
<b>Item 2:</b> Key Map License	Bob Abbott discussed the key map license. The grid map should not be used for the public and the graphics should not be used on the website. Star map fees will remain at \$500. Clients and subcontractors are allowed to obtain the map. The money will now be collected by Bob Abbott. Once H-GAC receives a list of participants addendums will be sent out to be signed by participants; then, Key Map will bill the participants directly. The agreement will be sent out today. Steve Hubbs gave a demonstration on the fast and quick digital Key Map. Upgrades will be a \$50 fee and this is for a three year period. Updates are offered two or three times a year. Other fees include \$50 per workstation or user and \$25 per laptop. Network versions are available. PDF can only be in the office. Scaling text is fine. Customizing is not costly and a few things can be added to your database.	Bob Abbott (H-GAC)
<b>Item 3:</b> InfoUSA 2009	Robert LaBarbera presented the InfoUSA for 2009. February 4, 2009 is the cut-off date for cost share. The cost for data is presently \$43,000 for both the 13 county regional business and residential data. At the present there are ten entities wanting to participate and the total so far is \$17,500. More participation is needed to reach \$43,300. No personal information located within the database should be provided to the general public.	Robert LaBarbera (H-GAC)
<b>Item 4:</b> GIS Training	Nick Popovich introduced ESRI training classes that will be held in the new Houston office. Schedules for classes along with prices will be sent out. Some dates are subject to change. Instructor led virtual classes are available. With virtual classes you don't have to travel, no software is needed, and there will be a real instructor. Also a group can request a class at their facility or the instructor can come to you. Josh Davis presented what classes TeachMe GIS has to offer. All specials will be listed on the home page of their website. Private classes are available. If a class is not offered it can always be added.	Nick Popovich (ESRI) Josh Davis (TeachMe GIS)



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<p><b>Item 5:</b> GIS Day Review</p>	<p>November 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> GIS Day was held at the University of Houston. The event can still be seen at <a href="http://nsmitinsm.uh.edu/webcast/vtv.html">http://nsmitinsm.uh.edu/webcast/vtv.html</a>. The UH President gave the welcome and Introduced Dr. Khator. Colonel Marrs was the key speaker. The event was concluded with Dr. Khan, (UH Dept of Natural Atmospheric) who gave the closing remarks. Sponsors- Baker, WDS –Western Data Systems, Gold Sponsor Civil Tech Engineering, Inc, Dannenbaum, and Hunt-Zollars. All sponsors were presented with an Award. Andre C. Bally sponsored the Student Scholarship Award. A Teachers Award was also given out. The College Student Scholarship is still available. This scholarship is for high school or college students who are taking or intend on taking GIS or geography college courses. Chick- Fil-A prepared lunch for the event. There was a good turnout, over four hundred students from local high schools and several volunteers were present. Inflatable globes were given out. The GIS Day was indeed a great success. At the GDC meeting Jeremy Scott presented Christina Dischinger with a gift for her remarkable work with the GIS Day. The gift was on behalf of the GIS Day Committee.</p>	<p>Christina Dischinger (HCPHES)</p>
<p><b>Item 6:</b> Other issues:</p>	<p>1) Houston Area Arc Users Group Meeting -Thursday December 4, at 4:30pm in Conference Room A. 2) If you participated in the Post Hurricane IKE Pictometry Recollection. There is an updated license you will need when using BFS. Contact Scott Lamon with Harris County Flood Control for more information. 3) Zach Vernon from Houston Advanced Research Center will be attending the GDC meetings rather than Mustapha Beydoun.</p>	<p>Jeremy Scott (TXDOT)</p>



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Adjournment  
Upcoming Meeting

**Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.  
Wednesday, January 7, 2009 at 9:30 a.m.**



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GDC Guests	Contact
Geodynamic Solutions	Beau Evetts
City of Houston	Chang Hua Teng
TeachMe GIS	Josh Davis
Fort Bend County Drainage District	Juling Bao
COBB Fendley	Larry Jahn