



## Minutes

Thursday November 20, 2014 - 10:00am to Noon

DRCOG~1290 Broadway~Denver 80203

1st floor Independence Pass Conference Room (West Side)

### Meeting Objective:

Promoting collaboration and information sharing among GIS professionals in the region by featuring presentations and discussions led by members of the Data Consortium.

- Attendees:

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| 1. Jenny Todd         | DRCOG            |           |
| 2. Christine Connally | DRCOG            |           |
| 3. Josh Pendleton     | DRCOG            |           |
| 4. Ashley Summers     | DRCOG            |           |
| 5. Todd Bless         | DRCOG            |           |
| 6. Andy Taylor        | DRCOG            |           |
| 7. Doug Genzer        | Denver           |           |
| 8. Bruce Reagan       | Denver           |           |
| 9. Robert Stansauk    | Denver Water     |           |
| 10. Jeff Caldwell     | Castle Rock      |           |
| 11. Heather Henderson | ESRI             |           |
| 12. Kam Draper        | InfoGroup        |           |
| 13. Dave Murray       | Westminster      |           |
| 14. Barbara Morey     | Jefferson County |           |
| 15. Tyler Dunn        | Thornton         |           |
| 16. Deb Wilson        | Thornton         |           |
| 17. Mike King         | CDOT             | (Call in) |
| 18. Nathan Lowry      | OIT              | (Call in) |
| 19. Matt Taylor       | Clear Creek      | (Call in) |
| 20. Annabel Montoya   | Wheat Ridge      | (Call in) |
| 21. Bill Keever       | Aurora           | (Call in) |
| 22. William Mast      | Castle Rock      | (Call in) |
| 23. Mark Weritz       | Nederland        | (Call in) |

- Doug Genzer and Bruce Reagan demonstrated how [GeoCortex](#) is used at the City and County of Denver. The software is customizable and configurable by a GIS analyst instead of requiring developers. Denver's implementation allows access to enterprise GIS layers for GIS users and

non-GIS users, in the office and in the field. It also provides integration with other systems (e.g. assessor information) and can create maps, reports, and visualizations.

- Josh Pendleton explained DRCOG's progress on making regional data layers. Four regional datasets for 2014 are now available in the Regional Data Catalog. Other datasets are in development or may be purchased.
- Ashley Summers and Christine Connally discussed new opportunities for our consortium to collaborate on employment data from the Department of Labor and Employment (i.e. QCEW). The DLE is willing to let us share our QAQC'ed data amongst ourselves as long as we all agree to their license agreement in writing and pay a small fee. Christine showed examples of errors found in the QCEW and outlined why it's important for each jurisdiction to help clean the data each year. Several meeting attendees suggested that there were other data sources available that DRCOG could use to check the QCEW data.
- Kam Draper from InfoGroup described the InfoGroup Business and Residential data that DRCOG purchased and is making available to member governments that sign a license agreement.
- Ashley Summers described upcoming DRCOG initiatives including a planimetric data capture scheduled for 2015, a visualization project to put our data and information on our website, our plan to collect local this year through the Data Portal, and our strategy for pursuing an open data policy for our region. Regarding the open data policy, attendees are directed to resources published by MetroGIS: <http://metrogis.org/projects/free-open-data.aspx>
- Please take the [DRDC Survey](#).

**Next newsletter goes out on January 15th.**

**Next DRDC meeting is on March 26th.**

If you would like to contribute an article or give a presentation, please email me at [asummers@drcog.org](mailto:asummers@drcog.org).