



OUTREACH COMMITTEE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER | JAN - MAR 2022

The AGIC Council, Committees, and Workgroups continue to work hard to bring the Arizona GIS Community a forum for geospatial information exchange. All AGIC meetings and events are open to everyone, so please join us. We value community engagement and believe we are stronger and better together!

Visit the [AGIC website](#) for more information on how to get involved.

AGIC SYMPOSIUM AWARD WINNERS

Please join us in congratulating all of the 2021 AGIC Symposium Award winners.. For more details about each of our winners, visit the [AGIC News Article](#).

- ◆ *AGIC's Chairperson's Volunteer of the Year Award:* Sage Donaldson, Arizona Department of Transportation
- ◆ *Arizona Geospatial Volunteer of the Year Award:* Dawn Schmidt, Corona Del Sol High School
- ◆ *AGIC Outstanding Service Award:* Brian Bond, Yavapai County
- ◆ *AGIC Lifetime Achievement Award (3 Winners)*
 - ◆ Gene Trobia
 - ◆ Seth Franzman
 - ◆ Glen Buettner

In addition to the AGIC award winners, the following submissions were winners of the 2021 AGIC Symposium Maps & Apps Challenge:

- ◆ *Best Cartography:* [Preserving the McDowell Mountains](#) by Mele Koneya, City of Scottsdale
- ◆ *Best Analytical Presentation:* [Prescott Valley Rain Event 2021 Density Map](#) by Tyler Leman, Town of Prescott Valley
- ◆ *Best Story Map:* [Poverty, Income, and Growth in Tucson, AZ](#) by Laura Sharp, City of Tucson
- ◆ *Best Overall Application:* [Oro Valley Adopt-A-Program](#) by Richard Freer, Town of Oro Valley
- ◆ *Best Student Map (College):* [New York City 100-Year Floodplain](#) by Glenn Ingram, University of Arizona
- ◆ *Best Student Map (K-12):* [Importance of Arizona State Parks](#) by Justin French, Corona del Sol High School

2021 AGIC HIGHLIGHTS



AGIC Leadership Workshops are officially an annual event. The workshops, typically held in February on the same day as the Council meeting, are intended for Council members to discuss the strategic and business priorities that AGIC will focus on for the coming year. While the workshops are meant to engage Council Appointees and Committee/Workgroup Leadership, they are open to the public and anyone with interest is welcome to attend. Please join us at the next AGIC Leadership Workshop on February 3, 2022 at 10 AM (this will be a hybrid event, the physical location TBD). The meeting details will be posted to the AGIC calendar.



In March 2021, the Council published the [AGIC Strategic and Business Plan for 2021](#). The Council will update this plan annually following the annual AGIC Leadership Workshop (see above post). All plans will be posted to the [AGIC Publications & Resources Website](#).



The new AGIC Mentorship Program has officially begun. The year-long program kicks-off in January 2022. While applications to participate are no longer being accepted, AGIC does plan to continue the mentorship program annually and will open the next round of applications in the fall of 2022. Visit the AGIC website and social media channels to learn when to submit your application for the 2023 mentorship program.



AGIC has four new Committee and Workgroup sites on AZGeo: the AGIC Natural Resources Workgroup, the AGIC LiDAR Workgroup, the AGIC UAS Workgroup, and the AGIC 9-1-1 Committee. These communities help facilitate the sharing of tools and data with a focus on the associated group's subject matter. Visit the [AGIC Community](#) page on AZGeo for more details.



AZGeo has partnered with agencies throughout the state to develop specialized solutions for different stakeholder needs. Currently, AZGeo has four highlighted partnerships, including the ADOT Arizona GeoData Supply Chain, Arizona Sun Cloud, ADOT Research Center, and Arizona Wildfire Risk Assessment Portal. Visit the [AZGeo Partnerships](#) page on AZGeo for more details on these groups and how to form partnerships of your own.



AGIC Committees and Workgroups actively engaged and served the Arizona geospatial community in 2021 by hosting a variety of hands-on training and presentation events. These included 3 free virtual hands-on Esri training sessions, a Spring LiDAR Symposium, the Natural Resource Workgroup Spring and Winter Presentation Series, a UAS 2-Day Virtual Workshop in partnership with the Federal Highway Administration, and a UAS Fly-in in Tucson (AGIC's first hybrid event). These virtual events were recorded and are available for on-demand viewing through the AGIC YouTube Channel. Subscribe to AGIC-L or [request](#) to be added to a committee or workgroup distribution list to receive information on future events.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Ever try searching for GIS jobs in an online job board and end up getting posts for gastroenterologists (because they specialize in treating problems in the GI tract)? Consider checking out the [AGIC GIS Job Board](#) to make sure you only get jobs related to your field. Whether you are an applicant searching for a local GIS job or an employer who would like to post an available job, the AGIC GIS Job Board is for you.



The next AGIC Council meeting and Leadership workshop are scheduled for February 3rd. Please join us! Details are available on the [AGIC calendar](#). AGIC meetings and events are open to anyone interested.



AGIC is now on YouTube! The channel currently has recordings from the 2020 and 2021 AGIC Symposiums and 2021 Committee and Workgroup events. Subscribe today to the [AGIC Arizona Geographic Information Council Channel](#) and be notified when there is new content

!!! CALLING ALL ARIZONA MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS !!!



Registration for the 2022 ArcGIS Online Student Competition is now open. The competition is available to students under the age of 18, who are in grades 4 to 12. Winners of the competition will be awarded a \$100 gift card and be entered into the Esri national competition. For more details about the competition and how to register, visit the [2022 ArcGIS Online Student Competition](#) website. Don't Wait!!! Registration is due by March 11.

For the last two years, Corona Del Sol High School in Tempe has been dominating this competition. These students have done incredible work with the guidance of their teacher/competition sponsor, Dawn Schmidt, however, they are the only school in the state that has participated. Give them some competition this year. We're looking at you rival high schools.

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

Thursday, February 3 | AGIC Leadership Meeting | 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Thursday, February 3 | AGIC Council Meeting | 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

For a complete list of upcoming AGIC Council, Committee, and Workgroup meetings, visit the [AGIC Calendar](#) or consider joining a committee or workgroup distribution list to receive emails of their respective upcoming events. Joining a distribution list does not require you to attend any meetings. To join, complete this [short form](#).

NEIGHBORING STATE & NATIONAL EVENTS



[State of the Map US](#) | April 1 - 3 | Tucson, AZ | Fee Required



[NSGIC 2022 Midyear Meeting](#) | February 14 - 17 | Milwaukee, WI & Virtual | Fee Required

Know of an upcoming event in Arizona? Email us at agic_info@azland.gov

