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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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-  **The 2022 AGIC Education and Training Symposium was a success!** The event, held from August 30 to September 2nd at the Prescott Resort in Prescott, Arizona, was the first in-person AGIC Symposium since 2019. Over 270 attendees and 30 vendors participated. Like previous symposiums, this year included Tuesday events focused on technical topics. All told, the entire 4-day event included more than 50 presentations, training seminars, and hands-on workshops. Presentation slides can be accessed [here](#).
-  **Arizona attends the National States Geographic Information Council (NSGIC) Annual Conference.** Several members from the AGIC Council attended this year's NSGIC Annual Conference, held from September 19 - 23, in Portland Oregon. The members had the opportunity to network and learn from executive-level GIS professionals from across the nation, including Geographic Information Officers from most states. The event was an overall success, with Arizona members feeling they left the conference with valuable contacts and information. This event also marked the passing of the gavel to the new President, where Jenna Leveille became the new NSGIC Past President. Please join us in congratulating her on her incredible contributions to NSGIC during her time as President.
-  **'When one teaches, two learn.' - Robert Heinlein.** The [AGIC Mentorship Program](#) is available to anyone. From those just starting their career to the life-long learners, there is an opportunity for everyone. We are also encouraging anyone with even a few years of job experience in the GIS field to apply as a mentor. Applications for the 2023 mentorship program are being accepted October 15 through December 31, 2022. The next cohort will be paired and the 2023 program will kick-off in early January.
-  **AGIC is on YouTube!** Subscribe today to the [AGIC Arizona Geographic Information Council Channel](#) and be notified when there is new content.
-  **Job Seekers and Job Creators!** Check out the [AGIC GIS Job Board](#) to search for or post GIS job opportunities within Arizona.

AGIC News



AGIC Award Winners! Please join us in congratulating this year's AGIC award winners.

- ◇ *Chairperson's Volunteer of the Year:* John Danloe (Pima County)
- ◇ *Arizona Geospatial Volunteer of the Year:* David Enriquez (Red Cross Volunteer, Retired)
- ◇ *Outstanding Service Award:* Morgana Laurie (AZDEMA)
- ◇ *Gene Trobia Lifetime Achievement Awards:* Rudy Strickland and Gary Irish

In addition to the awards, AGIC announced they renamed the AGIC Lifetime Achievement Award to the Gene Trobia Lifetime Achievement Award. This was done to recognize the former Arizona State Cartographer who made significant contributions to the GIS field in Arizona and across the nation, including his work to transform AGIC into a legislative council. Read more about each of our winners on the [AGIC News website](#).



Maps & Apps Award Winners! There were several Maps & Apps winners at this year's AGIC Education and Training Symposium. Please join us in congratulating everyone for their great work. To view more details about each winner, please visit the [Maps & Apps website](#).

- ◇ *Best Cartography:* 50 Years of Arizona Wildfire; Morgana Laurie
- ◇ *Best Analytical Presentation:* Maricopa County Health Facilities; William McConahey
- ◇ *Best Story Map:* Rediscovering Camp Naco; Crystal Carrancho, Helen Erickson, Gerald Lamb, Sarah McDowell, and Rebecca Orozco
- ◇ *Best Overall Application:* Yellowstone Trail 2022; Paul Rosevear
- ◇ *Best Student Project:* Wrangell St. Elias National Park; Chrisovalantou Karakozis



Arizona Wins at the 2022 Esri User Conference! During this year's user conference, Esri awarded two Special Achievements in GIS (SAG) awards and one map award to Arizona teams and individuals. Please join us in congratulating each winner. Read more about each winner on the [AGIC News website](#).

- ◇ *SAG Award:* Arizona State University for their Map and Geospatial Hub
- ◇ *SAG Award:* Pima County for the Redesigned PimaMaps Site
- ◇ *Map Award:* Jami Dennis for her map of Wetlands, Waterbirds, and Water: A Visual Journey through a Century of Change



Mark Christiano Wins US Forest Service Region 3 Award! Mark Christiano, a member of the AGIC Council, was recently awarded the Region 3 Technology Applications Employee of the Year Award by the US Forest Service for his work on the AGIC 4D Geospatial Workgroup (formally the AGIC LiDAR Workgroup). Read more about his recognition on the [AGIC News website](#).



Red Cross volunteer helps monitor and map wildfires and floods. Read more about the work David Enriquez, this year's AGIC Volunteer of the Year Award, has done for the Red Cross on the [AGIC News website](#).

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AGIC SPOTLIGHT

Green Drone AZ

One of the many guest speakers at this year's AGIC Education and Training Symposium was [Green Drone AZ](#), who have developed programs that expand teaching middle and high school students in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) programs through the use of activities and technologies that address real-world environmental challenges within their communities. In addition to teaching and engaging students to learn STEM, the program also assists in the collection of data that can be used by local scientists and land managers to help guide land management decisions. As Green Drone AZ says, "Management of our public lands and natural resources will soon fall into the hands of today's youth. This program aims to arm these future leaders with the tools and resources needed to successfully protect and conserve our natural ecosystems." Here is a [link](#) to their story map presented at the Symposium.

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, November 3 | [AGIC Council Meeting](#) | 10:00 am - 12:00 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

 [URISA GIS-Pro 2022](#) | October 2-6 | Boise, ID | Fee Required

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