

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE ARIZONA  
GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION COUNCIL  
AZGEO ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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A public meeting of the Arizona Geographic Information Council was convened May 17, 2022 at 11:00 AM on Webex. Present at the meeting were the following members or designees of the AGIC AZGEO Advisory Committee:

**Table 1: Committee Voting Members**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Representative</b>	<b>Agency/Company</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
Ryan Johnson, Co-chair	ASLD	AZ State Land Department	Yes
Eric Shreve, Co-chair	AGIC Chair	ADOA	Yes
Kevin Blake	AGIC Vice-Chair	Yavapai County	No, excused
Howard Ward	Data Committee	TerraSystems SW	Yes
Patrick Whiteford	Outreach Committee	ADOT	No, excused

**Table 2: Required (non-voting) Participants**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Representative</b>	<b>Agency/Company</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
Kasey Green	AZGeo Curator	AZ State Land Department	Yes
Ayan Mitra	AZGeo Developer	ASU	No, excused

**Table 3: Public At-Large**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Agency/Company</b>
Mariah Modson	AZ State Land Department
Matt Hiland	AppGeo
Denise Oshall	Mission Critical Partners
Sage Donaldson	AZ Department of Transportation
Brandon Barnett	AZ State Land Department
Jim Meyer	AZ Department of Transportation
Lucas Murray	AZ Department of Transportation
Nicole Eiden	AZ Department of Health Services
Shaun Perfect	AZ Department of Transportation
Sara Thompson	AZ Department of Transportation
Phil Ponce	Engineering Mapping Solutions
Wolfgang Grunberg	AZ Dept of Forestry and Fire Management
Jim Long	J&L Long Consulting
James Haynes	Arizona State University
Morgan Temperly	Valley Metro
Shelby Wilkerson	Mesa Public Schools
Becky Reid	AZ Department of Transportation
David Moss	Sidwell
Mark Flahan	Timmons Group
Shea Lemar	Arizona State University

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- I. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 11:03 am; Introductions were made by the committee; ensuring attendance list was managed and quorum established.
- II. **Approval of March Meeting Minutes:** March meeting minutes were distributed prior to the meeting via email. Eric asked for a motion to approve the minutes as written. Howard motioned and Ryan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously without discussion.
- III. **Items for Discussion:**
  - Announcements
    - Spring Symposium - NR/UAS/Lidar - Prescott, May 24 & 25 | [Registration](#)
    - [Registration](#) is open for AGIC Education & Training Symposium | Aug 30 - Sept 2
  - Biannual User Group Meeting Debrief
    - Searches – A common theme from responses was for improved search functionality and better tags. This information has been relayed to ESRI. With tagging as an ongoing area of improvement, the AZGeo Technical team is working on drafting best practices for users. Part of this capability goes along with improving the metadata of available resources, and how one can ensure their metadata is complete. Eric Shreve commented on his group's discussion during the biannual meeting, adding that there is interest in promoting most used datasets as a search return. This seems to be a key ask from new users, or those less familiar with open data sites.
    - Data – Users are interested in knowing which available datasets are considered authoritative, how to find those specifically. As well as if or how they are able to submit feedback for a dataset. This is a little unclear as AZGeo is not the owner of every dataset so the feedback would have to be sent to the owner, but the question is how to do that.
    - Resources – Users are wanting more, or better, help resources. While there are a fair number of these currently available, the AZGeo Technical team is exploring more. Whether this be YouTube video tutorials, and/or providing the available resources to new users in their welcome email.
  - ESRI feedback on searching
    - Stemming from the search functionality in the open data interface versus searching in the online portal, ESRI recommended linking the online portal search page in a

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location on the open data interface. This is being worked on as a fix in their next release.

- AGIC Education & Training Symposium tracks
  - Two different sessions are being planned for the Fall Symposium. First, a 90-minute working session with those that utilize the platform and discuss what they are looking to get out of the site. To hear what enhancements or improvements could be beneficial. Second, a look at success stories and use cases. With the input of users in how they have benefited from AZGeo's data and functionality, the hope is to open the door for others who may not have thought about using it in those different ways. One idea already is to feature the improvements and enhancements that are, or are in the process of, being implemented. This would allow the public to see their feedback being acknowledged by the technical team.
  
- Data Management
  - AZGEO Technical Group Activities
    - Large data storage - Maricopa/Pinal Co Lidar DEMs
      - As this is a very popular dataset folks are wanting access to, the technical team has begun testing the migration of this data to the storage site. This storage site is also being tested for hosting large UAS collections.
  
    - ArcGIS Portal for AZGeo
      - As this is not currently available on AZGeo, it is being looked into. With the growing need for hosting and accessing very large datasets, the credit management functionality on the current platform cannot handle those. Implementing the usage of ArcGIS Portal for these would off load the burden of burning through available credits.
  
    - Usage – there has been a lot of interest from organizations wanting to provide additional capabilities to their agencies. This includes the State Facilities Oversight Group, and a pilot project with the SHPO using broadband to generate a map to track infrastructure older than 50yrs.
  
- Feedback – Kasey stays on top of user submissions and has only received a few responses since the last meeting. One cool one is from the Arizona Water Company wanting to utilize AZGeo for both their private and public data.

IV. **Comments, Requests, Items for Future Agendas:** None.

V. **Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 11:48am.