Central Coast GIS User Group  
11/9/2011

Minutes
Attendance: Brady, Eli, Farhad, Neal, Sandy, Lee

• Business: NWUsers conference in Boise reports indicate lower turnout and some level of focus on grasslands. CCGISUG evaluation: schedule seems to mostly be working, the meeting format of presentations or discussions is working, the LiDAR conference went well- perhaps a webmapping or other topic conference next year, interest in a more interactive website.

• Next meeting will be in Newport at HMSC (EPA)

Discussion: historic data; how, where, format continuance, etc

Keeping track of data and change in data over time through different software and formats was discussed. There are many aspects here: public records laws for applicable entities, format of archives, size of archives, frequency of archives, digital vs. paper vs. microfiche, indexing of archives, evaluation and review of archives, location of archives. There are many permutations on all of these. Some tools mentioned were version control (svn and others), diff, visual diff, shpdiff. Data preservation is an ongoing perpetual topic, just like you want your data and records to be.

Map Critiques: Sandy has prominently displayed numerous maps in the Lincoln City Council Chambers. An angled multi-panel map (including a light switch and other room infrastructure) attracted a lot of attention.

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