



October 1st, 2008

Dear WAGIC Colleague,

Thanks to all of you who attended and participated in the recent WAGIC meeting on August 21st, 2008 where we discussed our new strategic vision for WAGIC.

This month's WAGIC meeting will focus on some exciting Remote Sensing work being carried out within Washington State government. The first presentation will be by Warren Cohen, from Oregon State University entitled *Using Landsat Imagery for Mapping and Characterizing Forest Change in Washington and Oregon*. The second presentation will be presented by Kurt Iverson and John Tull from the Washington State Department of Transportation entitled *Three-Dimensional Terrestrial LiDAR: Using Remote Sensing Data in Mapping and Photogrammetry*.

These presentations will be followed by updates on the recent *National States Geographic Information Council (NSGIC) Annual Meeting* and on the *Puget Sound LIDAR Consortium*.

During our business portion of the WAGIC meeting, we will provide an update on the 2009 NAIP statewide orthoimagery project as well as the upcoming GIT meeting and WAGIC action items.

We will conclude our meeting with a site roundtable, which is your opportunity to bring up issues or events of interest to the group.

The usual videoconference sites will be available for this meeting. For the latest information on video conferencing sites please visit the WAGIC website at <http://wagic.wa.gov>.

Available sites include:

Bellingham: Western Washington University

Olympia: Forum Building, DIS Boardroom

Pasco: Educational Service District 123 – Whitman Room, 3918 W. Court St.

Seattle: University of Washington Libraries – T-239 Health Sciences Building

Spokane: WSU Riverpoint Campus – SIRTl Building, Room 310

Pullman: Contact Richard Rupp (509) 335-2381 to confirm location, which is typically Johnson Hall Room 207 on the WSU campus.

If it is not feasible to attend the meeting at one of the sites listed, please consider participating by telephone. The phone bridge number is (360) 407-3780 and the participants pin is 110750#.

If you have questions about the upcoming meeting, or WAGIC in general, please contact Joy Paulus at (360) 902-3447, or myself at (509) 477-6344, or visit the WAGIC website at <http://wagic.wa.gov>.

Sincerely,

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