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 on April 3, 2025 at 11:00 AM on Google Meet. Present at the meeting were the following members or designees of the AGIC AZGeo Advisory Committee:

Committee Voting Members

Member	Representative	Agency/Company	In Attendance
Ryan Johnson, Co-Chair	AZ State Land Dept	AZ State Land Dept	Yes, phone
Lucas Murray, Co-Chair	AGIC Chair	AZ Dept of Transportation	Yes, phone
Howard Ward	Data Committee	Terra Systems SW	No, excused
Shiloh Johnson	AGIC Vice-Chair	Maricopa County ,	Yes, phone
Sage Donaldson, Secretary	Outreach Committee	AZ Dept of Transportation	Yes, phone

Required Non-Voting Members

Member	Representative	Agency/Company	In Attendance
Vacant	AZGeo Curator	AZ State Land Dept	N/A
Ian Vandeventer	AZGeo Developer	AZ State University	Yes, phone

Public-At-Large Attendees

Member	Agency/Company
Kevin Blake	Yavapai County
Shea Lemar	AZ State Land Dept
Wolfgang Grunberg	DFFM
Lissa Klun	Arizona Dept of Environmental Quality
Phil Ponce	EMS, Inc

This meeting was recorded. Minutes where agenda items were discussed are marked in red within the minutes below. The recording is available for review here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1fF3s0Vg1jgO07zbqea85S6OFS55Y9HLY/view

I. **Call to order:** Meeting was called to order at 11:02 am; Introductions were made by the committee; ensuring attendance list was managed and quorum established.

II. **Approval of January Meeting Minutes [Minute 1:45]**: A motion to approve the minutes was called by Lucas and seconded by Ryan. Minutes passed unanimously.

III. **Announcements [Minute 2:50]:**
- Q2 2025 AGIC Newsletter - Lucas reported that the newsletter went out earlier in the month and discussed items of import to members.

- [Next Council Meeting - May 1, 2025](#): Hybrid event with 2 in-person venues - Tucson and Phoenix
- Symposium presentation request for presentations
- Outreach Committee Updates
  - AI work is moving. They have built an AZGeo StoryMap template and are building other templates. It would be good to have them share the updates at the next meeting. They are continuing lunch and learn events and those are successful.
- Data Committee Updates
  - Howard stepping down as co-chair and Brooke nominated.
  - Data sharing reforming to finalize data sharing guidelines. Jim requested push to help Steve with the workgroup.
  - Imagery still moving forward
- Symposium Presentation Topics
  - Could show and discuss Category updates and other updates to the hub site
    - Shea wants to know if we can build on that to get audience participation
  - Sharing data back and forth between Enterprise and AZGeo
  - 2 or 3 speakers using AZGeo as collaboration tools - like ADOT
  - Hear from others with Hub sites to see how they are using it and how they are sharing data
  - Shea wants to hear what others are doing
    - Sage - The panel would be awesome to highlight that Shea, ADWR I believe is also doing some cool stuff
    - 911 too
    - ADEQ using it for community science alliance. might not be ready for this year but could speak next year. like lessons learned
  - People always want to see about the vision for the future of AZGeo
  - The AZGeo address geocoder would be great to highlight
  - User types and licensing!!! Sage has great ideas for user types (hub vs enterprise vs AGOL)
    - also MPA and what components are in the MPA
- Data Curator Position
  - ASLD has posted the position and are actively working on hiring.

IV.   **Follow-up items [Minute 4:45]:**

- ○ AZGeo Open Data Portal
  - ■ Ryan reported there is a lot of content in the Open data portal and it can cause searches to be frustrating. Our recommendation: remove all data sources from the open data page if they are not from AZ or one of its counties/cities. Could create a petition form people can submit to re-add sources deemed important or authoritative. The AZGeo Advisory can review the request and, if determined authoritative, return the item to the open data portal. Petition form can also allow category change suggestions and propose new data items. Could add a separate page for resources that are outside of Arizona, are not authoritative/trusted, but could be valuable.
    1. Lissa Klun, ADEQ, notes it was also difficult to find regularly updated datasets in AZGeo.
  - ■ Shea shared the results of a recent AZGeo satisfaction survey. Had 51 responses. Challenges are search and navigation, data availability and currency, and some organizational/user challenges. Recommendations are people want enhanced search and accessibility, data availability, and improved collaborations.
- ○ AZGeo Categories Updates
  - ■ Shea presented results and said we are working on it
- ○ 2025 user meetings and user engagement
  - ■ Looking for opportunities in addition to the conference.
  - ■ Could do a lunch and learn session (since Outreach are doing those).
- ○ AZGeo Presentations and Data Spotlights
  - ■ Similar to the discussion above. Lucas will bring the idea to the outreach committee and if they want to then bring it back to AZGeo
  - ■ One idea is to have a WG that has people from data and outreach and AZGeo that come up with ideas for these spotlights and lunch and learns etc. I suggest this knowing that everyone is already very busy.
  - ■ We also can set up a section on AZGeo to highlight these pretty easily too.
- ○ Premium data store, credits and MPA
  - ■ SPO signed the MPA and so we were able to get the Premium data stored turned back on. We were able to get most of our credits back as well.
  - ■ Esri doesn't like that our premium data store is attached to our

community hub and has asked us to rearchitect the system by 2026. This has quite a few challenges.

V. **AZGeo Open Data Management [Minute 16:02]:**
   - Statistics
     - Users: 1,578
     - Content Items: 6,043
     - Groups: 187
     - Apps: 1,170
   - AZGeo Technical Group Activities
     - Imagery and LiDar processing - we have processed ADOT historic imagery and been providing LiDAR to people upon request
   - Data Review by Subject Matter Experts
     - Still in process and will be addressed after the category updates

VI. **AZGeo Feedback/User Submission**
   - We don't know of any issues but will verify that is the case

VII. **Information or topics for future meetings [Minute 39:35]:**
   - Next meeting is May 20, 2025
   - Authoritative data workflow review - Sage will know more

VIII. **Adjourn [50:00]:** Meeting adjourned at 12:01 pm