

Oregon Activities To Date

- Legislative session - disagreements
- Last Summer - OGISA meeting
- This Fall - Started Task Force
- This Winter - Focus Subcommittee
- Recommendations

Last Legislative Session

- Professional Land Surveyors of Oregon (PLSO) attempted to place test from current national into effect.
- Results - GIS community felt too much of our profession could be interpreted as surveying.
- Legislation did not leave committee.

Last Summer

- OGISA Summer Meeting
 - Invited surveyors to discuss issue.
 - Identified several outstanding issues.
 - Decided to pursue issue in partnership with other organizations.

Task Force Assembled

- Task force created from interested professionals from:
 - URISA - OGISA - PLSO
 - OACES - ASPRS - OSBEELS
 - County Cartographers
- Identified issues from each profession.
- Group was too large so created a subcommittee to explore what to do

Subcommittee

- Monthly meetings
- Examined issues from main committee
- Defined professions and terms
- Reviewed existing law
- Examined national efforts
- Web Site (http://www.gis.state.or.us/coord/task_force.html)
- Tried to figure out what to do

Subcommittee Goals & Issues

- Identified several important goals
 - Good boundaries for professions
 - Protect the public from harm
 - Identify when the public is harmed
 - Clear lines of responsibility exist when public is harmed
 - Products are clearly defined
 - Improve communication/education
 - Must focus on practice and not tools

Subcommittee Recommendations

- Follow NCEES recommended modifications to define professions (National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying)
- Develop standard metadata requirements and product disclaimers
- Develop certification for professions - GIS, cartographers, photogrammetrists.

NCEES Recommendations

- Many professions participated
- National effort
- Clarified language
- Examined practice versus tool use
- Examined issues by importance
- Looked at mobility of recommendations
- Defined inclusions and exclusions for surveying and non-surveying activities

Some of the Exclusions

- General map making
- Location for inventory purposes
- Clearly state information/products are not authoritative positions or boundaries
- Transcription(use) of information
- Maps depicting natural resources

Metadata & Disclaimers

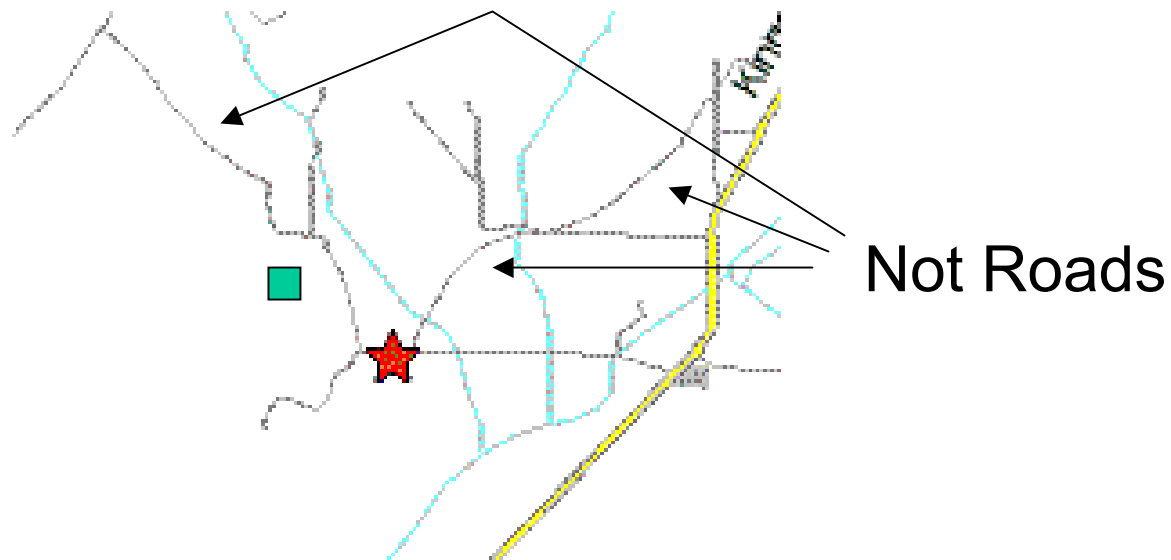
- Identify minimum metadata requirements
 - Source, Accuracy, Intended Use, etc..
- Update disclaimers to meet NCEES recommendations

What is Certification/Licensing ?

- A process where we set a professional standard for GIS, Cartography & Photogrammetry professionals in Oregon.
- A means to protect the public.
- A structure where professionals who harm the public will be disciplined.
- Something that we define & create as a community.
- Something that must be well thought out.
- Something that will take time.

Why Certification/Licensing?

- We do not really have a profession.
- The public does get harmed.



- Will help relationship with other professionals

So Now What?

- Identify your concerns
- Take recommendations/concerns to task force
- Get decision from task force
- Modify & adopt metadata/disclaimers
- Review model law and administrative rules