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OGIC Communications Plan

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Introduction

A communication plan is a tool to help an organization align their communications and produce cohesive and consistent messaging. The Oregon Geographic Information Council (OGIC) created an Outreach and Communications Committee (OCC) in 2023 to strengthen the awareness of OGIC and OGIC activities to advance geospatial data sharing by and for the public, the GIS community at-large, the legislature, and other key stakeholders. This committee leads the collection and dissemination of information, creates materials and key messages, and communication strategies to support OGIC initiatives and activities. This communication plan was created by the OCC to assist OGIC in achieving its priority initiatives.

To achieve the shared vision of geospatial data sharing and management for the State, OGIC has identified the following priority initiatives:

- 1. Strengthen Communications
- 2. Support Sustainable Funding
- 3. Improve Data Sharing
- 4. Legislative Coordination / Advocacy

This communication plan is designed to support OGIC's activities to promote these initiatives and advance the shared mission and vision of the Council. The plan identifies specific audiences, a summary of the messages to be sent to the audiences, the frequency of communications, and the method or tool to be used to deliver the messages.

The following methods or tools are planned for OGIC members to use to disseminate OGIC-related information: email, stakeholder listservs, in-person and virtual meetings and events, website, Esri hub site, and USPS mail.

The OCC must also create new materials to support this communications plan. Draft materials will be presented to OGIC for review and approval for use by all OGIC members.

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Communication Plan Summary

Audience	Message Summary	Frequency	Method / Tool	Distributor	Support Materials	Supports Initiatives
GIS Community At-Large	 OGIC Meeting Highlights / Decisions GIS Events Framework Program Grant Opportunities Priority Projects / Updates OGIC Bills / Legislative Concepts Education: data sharing, mgmt, etc. 	Quarterly NewsletterAs Needed	web sitehub sitelist servEIS newsletter	OCC ReviewsGIO	o newsletter template	o All Initiatives
OGIC Member Constituents	 Specific items of interest as they arise. 	o Variable	EmailList servMeetings	Individual OGIC Members		o All Initiatives
OGIC Members & Advisory Committees	Meeting Agenda/MaterialsOGIC Newsletters	Quarterly NewsletterAs Needed	web sitehub sitelist serv	o GIO		o All Initiatives
Legislators	 Bills of interest / concern Funding requests OGIC Intro Benefits of data sharing (need & value) 	o As Needed	MeetingsPresentationsLegislativeDays	Legislative Coordination Committee Members	 Fact Sheets OGIC 101 Priority Projects Framework Program Storymaps 	 Strengthen Communications Legislative Coordination
Events	OGIC Info Benefits & Requirements of Data Sharing Framework Program Info	o Variable		All OGIC Members	Fact SheetsMonitor / Computer	StrengthenCommunicationsImprove DataSharing
Framework Data Custodians & Stewards	 Information specific to data sharing requirement of public bodies 	o As Needed	Email Formal letter via USPS	 OGIC Chair GIO OGIC Members Framework Coordinator 		Strengthen CommunicationsImprove Data Sharing

GIO = Geographic Information Officer - Rachel L. Smith

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List of Events for Possible OGIC Participation

Event Name	Month		
OSACA Conference	January		
Oregon APCO/NENA Conference	April		
GIS In Action	April		
Framework Forum	March/April		
OSACA Conference	August		
NW GIS User Group Conference	September		
Framework Forum	October		
LOC Annual Conference	October		
GIS Day	November		
AOC Annual Conference	November		

Listservs

OGIC currently uses listservs to manage communications to OGIC members and OGIC advisory committees. To deliver information to the GIS community at-large a new listserv will be created. The following listservs will support OGIC communications.

Listserve Name	Message Summary		
OGIC.Info	 OGIC Meetings/Agendas GIS Events (conferences, GIS Day, Framework Forums, etc.) New statewide datasets/data updates Importance/Benefits of data sharing, mgmt, governance Framework Forum Notices Framework Program Grant Opportunities Priority Projects Notices / Updates Legislative bills of interest or concern Legislative funding requests 		
OGIC Members	Listserv used to communicate with OGIC members.		
PAC	Listserv used to communicate with the OGIC Policy Advisory Committee (PAC).		
TAC	Listserv used to communicate with the OGIC Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)		