A Summary of State DOT GIS Activities

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Information Sources

E-mail survey of state DOT GIS managers

- All 51 State DOTs (and DC) responded in 2004
- First time 100 % response
- Results compared with prior year surveys
- Two new questions added:
 - Use of spatial data manager middleware
 - Questions you would like to see in future surveys



Stage of Development





GIS Deployment in the DOT

33%



Individual Units
Single GIS Unit
Core GIS Unit & End Users
Enterprise GIS



GIS Budgets



GIS Organization: Summary

- All but one State DOT have a recognized GIS unit.
- Continuing trend to locate GIS core staff in Information Services.
- GIS deployment strategies split between core GIS unit and enterprise GIS
- GIS budgets in many states impacted somewhat by State fiscal cutbacks.

GIS Core Unit Staffing



GIS Staff Classifications



GIS End Users



GIS Staff & Users: Summary

GIS core staff has stayed relatively constant in size

- Rapid growth in GIS use throughout the DOT
- Decentralization of GIS applications among end-users

Core staff activities focus on database maintenance and integration, support and training for end users.

Operating Systems



GIS Software in State DOTs



Current GIS Software Mix



DBMS Software



GIS Software: Summary

Continued migration toward Windows operating system.

Some growth in DOTs using both OS

Use of multiple GIS software packages and vendors

 Increased market penetration for most major software packages

 Major growth in desktop end user, and web-based software

Base Map Scales





Road Network Coverage



GIS Core Functions



Current GIS Staff Activities

Core Functions Web application development (35) Attribute data integration (12) Base map enhancement (19) LRS development (15)

Other Activities

- Videolog/Photolog integration (8)
- Migration to new DBMS (6)
- Data sharing and coordination (5)
- Migration to new GIS platform (5)

Current GIS Applications

Road feature inventory (10) Highway asset management (7) Safety management / crash analysis (6) Highway project locations (6) Traffic incident monitoring (5)

- Road conditions / weather (5)
- State highway map / atlas (4)
- Road construction / detours (4)
- Truck permitting / routing (4)
- Environmental impact analysis (3)

GIS Activities: Summary

Significant growth in web-based GIS Continued emphasis on base map enhancement and attribute data **Broad range of applications identified:** Asset management and inventory Visualization of features and events Few complex spatial analysis applications