DELAWARE VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
INFORMATION RESOURCE EXCHANGE GROUP
Minutes of December 10, 2003

Location: DVRPC, Bourse Building, 111 S. Independence Mall East, 8th Floor

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The IREG Meeting started at 10:10 am.

1.   Minutes of the meeting of September 3, 2003

The minutes were approved without corrections or changes.

2.   Presentations

Gates Rhodes, the director of Penn Video Network*,* and **Christopher Cook**, the producer of Penn Video Network at University of Pennsylvania led off the meeting with a presentation on "Streaming Video Strategies for Today's College Campus"*.* With the streaming video technology, students in campus can watch live or recorded video on-line as it is being downloaded to their computers. This technology allows viewers to watch video anytime and anywhere as long as they have access to Internet and a streaming video/audio software (eg. real player). Streaming Video technology supports 200 simultaneously viewers and varies connections such as 56kmodel or DSL. It is a great ideal for a conferences or training workshop when bringing people together is a challenge.

Frank DeSendi, the manager of Transportation Planning at PennDot, made a presentation on "Pennsylvania State Highway Video Inventory". Mr. DeSendi launched up a web page http://164.156.5.83/ividlog/video_locate.asp and demoed how to query a PennDot Route video log from Internet. This web-based application contains street-level video of the state highways and PennDot route. With this online video log, user can pick a segment on a GIS map and view the pavement condition for that segment without going to the site. The video logs are updated for every 2 years. When a new log is developed, the old log will be archived for planning study usage.

3.   Census Update

a. **American Community Survey (ACS).** The 2000 ACS data is released on the website http://www.census.gov/acs/www/Products/Profiles/Single/2002/ACS/index.htm

b. **Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS).** All the states data for PUMS 5% is available for download. www.census.gov/Press-Release/www/2003/PUMS5.html).

c. **Structural & Occupancy Characteristics of Housing.** This is an analyst report that examines the number of units in a structure, the year the structure was built, the year the householder moved into the unit, and the number of people per room. The report shows how these measures vary over time by geography (eg. regions, states, counties, and large cities), by various household and housing characteristics. (http://www.census.gov/prod/2003pubs/c2kbr-32.pdf)

d. **Migration Data.** Census Bureau has released the Migration Data in DVD for $70 in October 2003. More information can be found at census website. http://www.census.gov/population/www/cen2000/mig_dvd.html

e. **Recent DVRPC Data Bulletins.**
DVRPC has published a new Analyzing the Regions' Manufacturing Base data report. This report can be viewed at http://www.dvrpc.org/data/adrs/adr11.pdf

4. DVRPC Work Program Updates

a. **Regional Online Information Network.** The DVRPC website redesign project is at the final state. DVRPC is planning to launch the new website at February 2004. DVRPC is also enhancing the mailing list database system.

b. **Census Transportation Planning Package (CTPP).** DVRPC is in the process of correcting the Census Bureau's CTPP file for this region. The adjusted CTPP files will be available for download on the DVRPC website sometime Feb 2004.

c. **Year 2005 Aerial Imagery Acquisition.** DVRPC Staff submitted initial cost estimates for the 2005 imagery program to appropriate administrative staff and managers, for budgetary purposes. Staff also met with a representative from Pictometry Corporation who outlined the products and services that they offer with regard to ortho imagery. Currently, staff is beginning the process of formulating an RFP for the 2005 imagery acquisition project.

d. **Region-Wide Transportation GIS Development.** VRPC staff has developed a "hands on" methodology for transferring DOT linear referencing measures onto county road centerline files. We have been performing internal testing and will be using Philadelphia as a pilot. Ten project participants from Bucks and Mercer counties and the City of Trenton have just completed a one-week training session covering the ESRI classes "Introduction to ArcGIS I" and "Introduction to ArcGIS II". Two additional weeks are scheduled in January at the Montgomery County Planning Commission where 30 more people will receive GIS training.

e. **Year 2000 Land Use File.** The digitizing and post-production is complete for the Year 2000 Land Use file. DVRPC stuff is waiting the completion of the "Land Use by MCD" Data Bulletin before releasing the Land Use files. The Date Bulletin will be completed in January and the Land Use file (for all 9-counties combined) will sell for $100.

5. Information Items

a. IREG Meeting will take place on the second Wednesday of March, June, September and December CY 2004. The next IREG Meeting will be March 10 2004.

b. October 30 2003, New Jersey State Date Center 24th Annual Conference was held at Trenton Marriott at Lafayette Yard. This year's topic was "the Aging of the Baby Boomers Implications for Healthcare, Housing and Workforce".

c. IREG Committee survey project is on final phase. DVRPC will be sending out the survey to all the members sometime in February 2004. The purpose of the survey is to publish an update of the IREG Membership Directory.

d. Webmaster Planning Meeting will be held on DVRPC Dec.11 2003

e. URISA 12th Regional GIS Conference will be held at Rutgers University, Busch Campus Center on March 17 2004. See http://quantifactus.wcupa.edu/macurisa for more detail.

6. Old Business

No old business was presented at this time.

7.   New Business

The CY 2004 election for the chair and vice-chair of IREG Committee will be held in March. Please contact Mr. Fazekas at 215.592.2823 if you are interesting been a volunteer.

8.   Adjournment

The IREG meeting was adjourned at 12:00 pm. The Webmasters Subcommittee met immediately after the meeting adjourned.