DELAWARE VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
INFORMATION RESOURCE EXCHANGE GROUP
Minutes of June 9, 2004

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

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The 51st meeting of the Information Resource Exchange Group was called to order at 10:05 am. The Chairperson asked attendees to introduce themselves.

1.   Minutes of the meeting of March 10, 2004

The minutes were approved without corrections or changes.

2.   Presentations

Dave Williams, Web Administrator for Chester County, gave a presentation on the evolution of Chester County's website. Starting from a static HTML website in 1998, Dave has been working with the County to redesign their website and to overhaul their website publishing process by switching to a content management solution. As a result, multiple departments in multiple locations across the county can seamlessly work on a unified site. http://dsf.chesco.org/ Questions regarding Chester County website can be addressed to Dave Williams at dwilliams@chesco.org

Harry Druck is a State and Local eGovernment consultant with Peripherals Plus Technologies, Inc. (PPT) in Lancaster, PA.   He gave a presentation on the Online Local Government Subdivision and Land Development Application. With this application, land development plans can be managed efficiently through the use of a central web-based repository. This streamlines the permitting process, and provides a higher level of service to both developers and county officials by creating a single location for all project information, available online 24/7. Harry also demonstrated the online land use permitting project developed by PPT for Lancaster County.

Matthew Gates, a Senior Transportation Engineer at DVRPC, gave a presentation on the 2000 Data Bank for Transportation Planning.   DVRPC published the Data Bank in May 2004 and it contains 1990 and 2000 demographic and employment data by Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZs) and municipality. The zonal data is drawn from the Census Transportation Planning Package (CTPP). Contact Matt Gates at 215-238-2911 for more information, or to obtain a copy of this report.

3.   Potential FY 2006 Work Program Projects

Five potential FY 2006 Work program projects were presented to the group. Members in attendance were given three green dots to place on the project or projects they would most like to see the DVRPC support. Votes were tallied up after the meeting. The project receiving the most votes will go on to the DVRPC's Work Program committee.

4.   Census Update

a.   **American Community Survey (ACS).** The 2002 ACS data has been released on the Census website: www.census.gov/acs/www/Products/Profiles/Single/2002/ACS/index.htm. The Census Bureau is currently recruiting people to help with the ACS collection effort. For more information call 215-656-7607.

b.   **CTPP/Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZ).** The Census Bureau completed the release of Part 3 Journey-to-Work in April 2004. Data can be downloaded from: www.bts.gov.   The CTPP Access Tool for CTPP200 Part 3 is coming soon. Questions regarding the CTPP should be directed to Taghi Ozbeki (tozbeki@dvrpc.org).

c. **2003 Residential Building Permits.** The 2003 Annual Housing Units Authorized by Building Permits data is now available for download from the census website: www.census.gov/const/www/permitsindex.html. DVRPC has compiled Data Bulletin #79 for 2000-2003 Building Permits by Permit-Issuing Places for the 28-county Extended Data Service Area. www.dvrpc.org/data/databull/rdb/db79.htm

5. DVRPC Work Program Updates

a. **Regional Online Information Network.** The new DVRPC website was launched on April 3, 2004. Any comments or suggestions about the new site should be forwarded to Joe Fazekas (jfazekas@dvrpc.org).

b. **Census Transportation Planning Package (CTPP).** DVRPC is in the process of correcting/compiling the CTPP2000 Part 3 Journey to Work data. CTPP data will be available for download on the DVRPC website in near future.

c. **Year 2005 Aerial Imagery Acquisition.** Staff has completed the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the 2005 imagery. A pre-proposal meeting will be held in July for respondents. The vendor selection process will begin in August.

d. **Region-Wide Transportation GIS Development.** On April 20th there was a full committee meeting here at DVRPC. Three counties have nearly completed the Sate Route LRS implementation. DVRPC has developed and is testing the local road LRS methodology. DVRPC has received approval from PennDOT to carry over unspent money from FY '02 and '04. New PA contracts are going out in June. Four weeks of training classes are scheduled for this summer – one week of Intro to ArcGIS I and II; and three weeks of customized geodatabase and linear referencing systems.

e. **Year 2000 Land Use File.** The digitizing and post-production work is complete for the Year 2000 Land Use file. The CD with 2000 Land Use data for the nine-county DVRPC region is available for $100. A complementary "Land Use by MCD" Data Bulletin has also been released and can be download from our website: www.dvrpc.org/data/dbs/db78.htm

f. **2000 Databank for Transportation Planning.** DVRPC has published the 2000 Databank for Transportation Planning Report discussed earlier in the presentation. Contact Matt Gates (mgates@dvrpc.org) for more information or to obtain this report.

g. **Land Use and Transportation Models.** DVRPC is currently working with staff at the University of California to customize a model they developed for use in the DVRPC region. Staff from California will be at DVRPC to give a presentation to the Regional Transportation Committee (RTC) on July 13 and to conduct a demonstration and training session on July 14. Contact Tom Walker (twalker@dvrpc.org) for more information regarding this project.

6. Information Items

The IREG Webmasters Meeting will begin following the IREG meeting at 12:45pm.

7.   Old Business

No old business was presented at this time.

8.   New Business

a. Members are asked to go online to provide up-to-date information for themselves and their agencies so that DVRPC can produce an updated IREG Membership Directory. www.dvrpc.org/asp-files/ireg/Iregindex.asp

b. MAC URISA will hold it's fall meeting on September 30, 2004 at the EcoComplex in Bordentown, NJ. The highlight of the meeting will be a GIS Certification workshop presented by Scott Grams. Please contact Angela Witcher at angela.witcher@dep.state.nj.us or (619) 633-2196 for more information about this meeting.

c. Bob Parfet, assistant director at Research & Planning Department from Archdiocese of Philadelphia, is leaving the organization in October 2004. Archdiocese of Philadelphia is currently looking for a person to fill Bob's position. Contact Bob at rparfet@aophila.org if anyone interesting in this position.

d. Ken Sipos suggests having an IREG meeting offsite at New Jersey.

9.   Adjournment

The IREG meeting was adjourned at 12:20pm. The Webmasters Subcommittee met 12:45pm