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To: AFO
Attn: GIS Coordinators

From: Deputy State Director, Support Services

Subject:: BLM California GIS Workshop

The California State Office will be hosting a statewide GIS workshop **March 27 through March 29, 2001**. Sessions will be held all day each day. Monday, March 26th, and Friday, March 30st, may be used as travel days. The workshop will be held in Conference Rooms 1 and 2 of the 2800 Cottage Way Building cafeteria.

Field Office Managers are encouraged to carefully consider the number and type of participants from their office. It is expected that at least one GIS staff from each office will attend. The attendance of resource specialists and managers is also strongly desired. Sections of the workshop focus on topical areas for these groups in the second and third days of the schedule. A generalized copy of the Workshop Agenda is attached (Attachment 1). Presentations from Field Office staff are encouraged.

The Branch of IRM, CASO, will pay per diem, lodging, and commercial travel costs, excluding rental cars, for one attendee from each office. Each office will identify the individual to the GIS Coordinator, Jim Scrivner. Use the charge code CA-990-0777-059B-XE in making travel arrangements and in filing a travel voucher. Report all travel expenses charged against this code to Jim Scrivner by COB April 13, 2001.

Most Workshop attendees will be staying at the Vagabond / Executive Inn during the Workshop. The Vagabond / Executive Inn may be reached at 916-929-5600. An eight passenger van has been reserved for use by attendees during the workshop. Call Jim Scrivner (916-978-4559) with questions and comments.

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Attachment: 1
Attach #1 - Workshop Agenda (1pp)

CA BLM GIS Workshop FY 2001
March 27 - 29, 2001
California State Office, Sacramento, CA
Conference Rooms A and B, Cafeteria, 2800 Cottage Way

Day 1- Technical

Review of Assignments from last year's Workshop.
Fire History Perimeters, standards and guidelines.
Field Office Hardware Priorities: storage devices, plotters, etc.
Arc8 Update
Spatial Data Engine and ArcIMS, and their Implications
GPS and Pathfinder Software, training and licensing update.
Volume groups, File Systems, Data Structure, etc.
The Geodatabase object-oriented data model in Arc8.
New data standards since the last workshop,
Review and demonstration of data replication.

Day 2- Resources

Vegetation and riparian data, and data standards, for Planning starts.
Algodones Dunes Transect Modeling.
Upcoming Fire Projects.
Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs) for GIS.
Upcoming Planning Starts and Data Standards.
Archeology, CHRIS update.
Digital Orthophoto Quad integration with ArcView projects.
Working with GIS contractors on a major planning effort - Headwaters.
Sage Grouse and Archeological field studies support.
Watershed delineation standards & PFC points.
Annual Workplace directives: 5th level watersheds, and PFC data.

Day 3- Interaction with Management, Wrap up, Discussions

Review and Update, Where have we come since the 2000 GIS Workshop.
The Field Users Group - what it is, and what it will do.
FUG discussion: questions, and agenda suggestions for the FUG.
The FUG vision statement.
Action Items, Assignments, and Goals for the next year.
The future of GIS and GIS software - speaker from ESRI.
Enterprise GIS Implementation Plan.
Short courses: Cartographic Design
Map products from GIS to web
Xtools for ArcView