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To: AFO
Attn: GIS Staff

From: Deputy State Director, Support Services

Subject: BLM California GIS Workshop

The California State Office will be hosting a statewide GIS workshop March 4 through March 6, 2003. Sessions will start at 8:00 AM each day, and last all day. Monday, March 3rd, and Friday, March 7th, 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 draft of the Workshop Agenda is attached (Attachment 1). Presentations from Field Office staff are encouraged. A GIS Field User's Group meeting will also be incorporated into the third day of the workshop.

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-XE-059B in making travel arrangements and in filing a travel voucher. Report all travel expenses charged against this code to Jim Scrivner by COB April 4, 2003.

Rooms have been blocked at the Vagabond / Executive Inn under "BLM GIS". Reservations must be made by February 4, 2003. The Vagabond / Executive Inn may be reached at 800-793-2030, and is located at 2030 Arden Way. An seven passenger government 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, Workshop agenda (1pp)

DRAFT AGENDA

CA BLM GIS Workshop FY 2003

March 4 - 6, 2003
California State Office, Sacramento, CA
Conference Rooms 1 and 2, Cafeteria, 2800 Cottage Way

Day 1- Technical

- Review of Assignments from last year's Workshop.
- Review of CA BLM GIS standards.
- Review of progress in moving to ArcGIS 8.x.
- ArdSDE and ArcIMS data instances.
- GPS and Pathfinder Software, training and licensing update.
- A review of the new Raster Data sets and Tools from the Raster Data Project.

Day 2- Resources

- ArcGIS v. 8 applications demonstrations.
- Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs) for GIS.
- The ArcIMS Cultural data site.
- Watershed delineation efforts in 2002 and 2003.
- A progress report on the OHV data standard for CA BLM.

Day 3- Interaction with Management, Wrap up, Discussions

- A report from the EGIS Utah Pilot project.
- National GIS organizational issues: DSD's of Support Services.
- Action Items, Assignments, and Goals for the next year.
- Field User's Group Meeting, including:
 - The Field Users Group - an annual report, and discussion.
 - Proposal to the FUG: funding of new DOQQs by Bakersfield.
 - Proposal to the FUG: funding of new DOQQs by Hollister.