

Testimonials from Satisfied Users



Chris Kannan, *former USGS NSDI Liaison for North Carolina*

While working for the U.S. Geological Survey as the NSDI Liaison for North Carolina, I became aware of imagery that was being collected over our coastal counties. This imagery was being collected through a national effort and it could be shared with state and local governments with certain caveats on licensing, usage, etc. Being the North Carolina Liaison for several years, I already had points of contact (POC) for many of the counties, but for some I didn't know the POC. I used the GIS Inventory system to find appropriate POC's for imagery activities in those counties. I was able to inform those individuals about the program and explain how they could receive the new imagery products. In addition, I was able to relay the county requirements for imagery tile schemes, projections, etc. back to the national effort. This increased the opportunity to have the imagery products be in line with existing county products.

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When emergencies strike, I go to the GIS Inventory first to find other GIS experts in the area of the event. It helps me to connect with them so that I can perform my support role for state and local government. The system has been vital for communications and getting local contacts on several different incidents. For example, during a major tornado event in Evansville, IN, we used the GIS Inventory to identify local GIS coordinators and contacts from the National Weather Service. We were able to quickly receive data from them that showed the line of the tornado path, as well as before and after images for use by the Indiana National Guard. This type of coordination means we are able to work with the same data - *high quality local data* - as our counterparts in the field.

