

Goals and Recommendations		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Ongoing?	Timeline Notes
1. Improve GIS Coordination within the Library																							
1.1	Clarify roles and responsibilities for MSL Work Group Areas as they pertain to geospatial activities.																						Other process and policy activities would help to make clear how roles and responsibilities should be structured. Should revisit this annually.
2. Improve Communication with Geospatial Stakeholders																							
2.1	Create and execute on a formal communications plan for GIS activities within the Library.																						
2.2	Reorganize the Library GIS web content to make it easier to discover and use.																						May be included in current rebranding effort.
2.3	Define incoming communication pathways for support requests and public inquiries.																						
3. Develop policies and best practices for geospatial data																							
3.1	Lead the creation of formal data governance policies for state geospatial data.																						
3.2	Publicize GIS best practices and educate the geospatial community on them.																					Y	Will follow working group tasks and data governance policies, since these will define best practices.
3.3	Coalesce policy and practice-specific working groups with partners and peers.																						Can start fairly quickly, because several areas of concern / interest are already defined
3.4	Promote policies that foster the use of authoritative datasets to ensure efficiencies and cost savings.																					Y	Will need to follow initial policy efforts from 3.1 and 3.3
4. Continue to improve the collection, maintenance, and																							
4.1	Define and implement a state agency archive for geospatial data.																						Dependent on 3.1 defining archive policy as part of governance
4.2	Improve data collection by defining and/or documenting existing update processes.																						
4.3	Improve data maintenance by making it easy for users to report issues with services and data.																						
4.4	Improve data dissemination.																						
5. Create and strengthen partnerships																							
5.1	Create a business plan to define how to assist other government entities (local, state agencies, tribal) to become GIS-enabled through enhanced coordination activities.																						Might like to start sooner, but already have communications plan starting in Y1, Q1.
5.2	Explore models for regional collaboration.																						The timing of this might change depending on what a business plan (see 5.1) states about assisting other government entities.
5.3	Use national and statewide initiatives (e.g., NG9-1-1, Broadband) to strengthen relationships with counties																					Y	Input to the communication plan and also taking advantage of favorable funding opportunities in near-term; Ongoing work in later quarters continues building strong relationships
5.4	Demonstrate leadership and expertise to national peers to build new and strengthen existing partnerships.																					Y	Initial year is used to build relationships, then ongoing effort is staying in communication with them.
5.5	Define partnership structures that are easy for the Library to maintain, including regular communication between partners.																						Comes out of the communication plan

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