PARTICIPATE!

- Attend meetings!

- Volunteer for a Working Group!

- Join the RIGIS-L Listserv!

- Attend the annual Northeast Arc Users Group Conference!
  http://northeastarc.org/2016/index.html

- Attend the annual NEURISA Day!
  http://www.neurisa.org/

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RIGIS

The
Rhode Island
Geographic Information System

Mission
To monitor, coordinate, and provide leadership for activities related to the use of GIS technology within Rhode Island. To support initiatives to implement or use the technology, and to manage and provide access to a common database of geographically referenced information.

http://www.rigis.org

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About

The Rhode Island Geographic Information System (RIGIS) is a consortium of government and private organizations employing computer and communications technology to manage and use a collective database of comprehensive geographically related information. RIGIS also provides an extensive set of maps on a variety of topics, as well as links to GIS portals for state, municipal, non-profit, and federal agencies.

The RIGIS web site is hosted by the University of Rhode Island Environmental Data Center, and is maintained by the URI Geospatial Extension Program.

Database holdings can be accessed freely via http://www.rigis.org/data

The list of maps and links to portals can be reached via http://www.rigis.org/maps

What Is GIS?

A geographic information system (GIS) integrates hardware, software, and data for capturing, managing, analyzing, and displaying all forms of geographically referenced information.

GIS allows us to view, understand, question, interpret, and visualize data in many ways that reveal relationships, patterns, and trends in the form of maps, globes, reports, and charts.

RIGIS Executive Committee

The RIGIS Executive Committee provides policy guidance, oversight, and coordination of the collective efforts of organizations in Rhode Island using GIS technology. It seeks to coordinate data development, adopt technical standards, set distribution policy for GIS products, promote the use of GIS, and provide information and assistance to users. The Committee does not have authority over RIGIS participants but reaches decisions by consensus.

Working Groups

The RIGIS Executive Committee has quarterly meetings which are open to the public.

In addition, members of the Executive Committee participate in one or more of five working groups, each of which endeavor to address specific goals and action items specified in the Strategic Plan:

Database Management: Improve the RIGIS database by developing and implementing procedures and methods for examining database contents, locating other data available, and soliciting high-quality geospatial data contributions.

Technical Standards: Improve existing and adopt new standards and best practices, and develop templates for standard key components.

Database Access and Distribution: Provide GIS users with free, user friendly, efficient access to RIGIS data and relevant derived products. Review and improve how RIGIS distributes data to both outside organizations and internal State agencies.

Education & Training: Support and promote geospatial curriculum and the use of geospatial technologies to teach and learn in existing curriculum areas within Rhode Island educational institutions.

Outreach: Promote the use of geospatial technologies in Rhode Island by maintaining a RIGIS Community Directory, publicizing GIS and related geospatial technology training, workshops, and events.

Executive Committee Members
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RI Department of Health
RI Department of Transportation
RI Department of Environmental Management
RI Emergency Management Agency
RI E911 Uniform Emergency Telephone System
City of Cranston
Town of Charlestown
Town of East Greenwich
Town of Smithfield
Town of South Kingstown
USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service
USDOI - US Geological Survey
DataSpark
The Nature Conservancy
Rhode Island College
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Applied Geographics, Inc.
Applied Science Associates, Inc.
BETA Group, Inc.
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Mapping and Planning Services
RI Society of Professional Land Surveyors
Kent County Water Authority
Providence Water Supply Board
Quonset Development Corporation
New England Urban & Regional Information
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