



Press Release

Second Annual GPV User Meeting Hosted by Applied Geographics, Inc.

BOSTON – December 2007 – The second annual GPV User Meeting was convened at Applied Geographics' Boston Office on Monday, December 10th. The GPVSM (i.e., general purpose viewer) toolkit provides a configurable environment for building and deploying GIS web-sites. The meeting was attended by representatives of nine of the ten current GPV installations, including the newest member of the GPV community, the City of New Haven, Connecticut.

The main objective of the annual conference is to get the users together to set the direction for GPV for the next version of the toolkit. "The GPV evolved from a project originally designed by Cambridge and the idea of the users setting the technical agenda has always been part of our approach" said Peter Girard, Vice President and leader in the development of the GPV. "GPV users are a growing community that we support through a Wiki web-site for distributing documentation and technical information and where they can exchange ideas and tips, but the user meeting provides a great opportunity to get this group together in person".

"We are proud of the progress the GPV has made over the past year as we've doubled the user based and released two new versions" said AppGeo Executive Vice President, Michael Turner. "It was very gratifying to see how the users are putting this tool to use on a daily basis and also to recognize that several leading local government GIS implementations are now represented in the GPV community."

About the GPV:

GPV was conceived originally by the City of Cambridge, Massachusetts to fulfill their desire for a database configurable Web GIS technology that would provide a consistent, simple interface and common GIS tools for City staff and the public. It was crucial that the GPV be able to interact with existing IT and database systems so their content could be incorporated into GPV web-sites. The resulting GPV toolkit developed by AppGeo enables GIS managers and IT staff to bring new Web-mapping capabilities on-line rapidly and cost-effectively, and without programming, including savable and shareable map-mark up, and complex query and feature selection methods.

The following government entities are putting GPV to work to present GIS maps and linked data over the Web:

Amherst, MA
Brookline, MA
Cambridge, MA
Capitol Region Council of Governments, CT
Mansfield, MA
Merrimack Valley Planning Commission, MA
New Haven, CT
Waltham, MA

Washington DC
Weymouth, MA

Additional information: <http://www.appgeo.com/> follow link “More about AppGeo’s GPV technology”

About Applied Geographics, Inc.

Applied Geographics, Inc. (AppGeo, www.appgeo.com) has been providing high quality GIS services and innovative solutions to government and private sector clients since 1991. GPV is but one example of how AppGeo empowers its customers to put GIS to work every day through the intelligent use of geographic data and applications that improve work flows and business processes. AppGeo provides a full range of GIS consulting services: GIS planning, data development, custom applications, training, cartography, implementation assistance and technical support. AppGeo services are available through a variety of state blanket contracts and nationwide through its GSA IT Schedule 70.

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