

I just wanted to thank all of you for participating and supporting the County Assessor Mapping Program - Camp. Over the two day period mappers from 36 counties received much needed additional training on the program. In all we had 66 attendees including 13 elected Assessors who took time away from the fall campaign season to attend, learn and contribute. This fact is a good signal to me personally of the importance the counties are starting to place in the program.

Special Thanks to Supporting Organizations:

- The **Mid-America GIS Consortium** for financial backing that made the event possible - You are the BEST, not just in the middle of the country but anywhere!
- The **Arkansas GIS Users Forum** Executive Committee that supported financially and lent your President to get these folks into the Forum culture. A state office simply could not ask for a better advocacy organization. My heart belongs to you.
- The **Arkansas Assessment Coordination Department** - you guys believe! You really do and you make this whole thing work - I can't imagine a better partner.
- **AGIO** all for materials, logistics, registration, lectures, graphics, coaching, labs and supplies - awesome!

Special Thanks to Individuals:

- **Debra Asbury** - for the program Welcome and coming back after work and staying in the hot sun for every single county photo!
- **John Zimpel** - for allowing each participant to receive 9 hours toward their annual continuing education credits!
- **Robert McGee** - for working through the soils layer discussion and helping everyone understand the importance of soils data for valuation and making sure they know to check the valuation codes
- **Rita Rollins** - for working the logistics and working the deals - you know and we know - totally indispensable
- **Nancy Von Meyer** - for writing an awesome book and then providing it to the participating counties - you'll be pleased to know on the second day, Billy Teague from White County asked a question about publication data vs. production data :-) You are right. Leaders in the right places will make this thing work for the entire U.S. - we just gotta replicate more people like Billy.
- **Ed Crane & Steve Kinzy** - for working under, over and through the radar to get the books delivered on-time - the Eagle landed :-)
- **Mary Henthorn** - for helping the counties understand the importance of caring for their hardware and how to safeguard their data.
- **Randy Everett** - for sharing his experience in bringing subdivision data into the First Electric system and then being willing to provide it to all 17 counties in your service area! schweet!
- **Paul Nace** - for sharing his experience in building Potlatch's ownership data into that system and then being willing to provide it to all 13 counties in your area of ownership! schweet!
- **Roger Alabach** - for sharing his experience in building Greenbay Packaging's ownership data into that system and then being willing to provide it to all 18 counties in your area of ownership! schweet!
- **Kristin Furr** - for providing each Camper with a lanyard and running around EarthData and taking lanyards away from employees in order to quickly ship enough to cover all the Campers - above and beyond the call of duty!

- **Jos Bell** - for taking time away from the job to share, encourage and get the county folks excited about the next GIS Users Forum conference in Eureka Springs!
- **Bob Blake & Tony Baker** - the C.A. Vines 4-H Center facility is ideally suited for this training - your staff, the food service, the decked out techno computer lab and everything else was wonderful! We'll be back... :-)
- **Richie Pierce** - for all that you do and the way you go about it making every Camper feel at home no matter their experience level
- **Kimberly Bogart** - for putting together the agenda, bird doggin' all the logistics and the 57 other things I can't remember to list but should have...

We simply could not have put on this event without your much needed involvement and contribution. To each of you a heartfelt and personal thanks.

