

Everyone,

South Carolina is in the beginning stages of implementing our 5-year Next Generation 9-1-1 (NG9-1-1) Strategic Plan, recently endorsed by the SC Revenue & Fiscal Affairs Board. The plan strongly recommends South Carolina start building statewide NG9-1-1 infrastructure. Current legislation needs to be updated, since it prohibits the state from providing for or funding a statewide ESInet with NG9-1-1 Core Services functionality, and to allow migration to NG9-1-1 from legacy systems. Legislative and Fiscal subcommittees have been organized in order to address the legislative issues that prevent South Carolina from moving forward; these subcommittees will also help identify the costs and funding concerns of such a move. Membership for both subcommittees are a mixture of SC CMRS Advisory committee members and local 911 officials from across the state.

Since GIS is such an integral component of NG9-1-1 and counties will need assistance preparing local GIS data for NG9-1-1 standards, a GIS subcommittee has been organized as well. This GIS subcommittee will establish a process to integrate local GIS data into a statewide GIS database to be used in statewide NG9-1-1 Core Services. Like the Legislative and Fiscal subcommittees, the GIS subcommittee will be a collaborative effort of the SC CMRS committee, the state GIS coordinator, and local 911 and GIS officials from around the state.

This email is just a notification that a member from the GIS group will be contacting your local 911 and GIS personnel to inquire about the data schema of your 911 database and the types of data layers contained within the database. They will likely inquire as to who you use for a 911 CAD Vendor and to see if you have any questions or concerns about the transition to NG9-1-1. There will be more meetings in the near future. If you are interested in attending the meeting and participating on the subcommittee your help would be greatly appreciated.

We have only just begun on what will be a long, challenging, and very exciting journey!

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** Please forward this message to anyone we may have missed! Thanks! **

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