

FEDERAL AID INTERIM PERFORMANCE REPORT

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PROJECT TITLE: Information Management

PROJECT DURATION: July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017

REPORT DUE DATE: September 28, 2017

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COOPERATORS:

WORK LOCATION: Statewide

Briefly describe how Federal Aid funds were spent on each active job, listing the results achieved during this segment period. If a job was not accomplished as planned, explain briefly why.

I. PROGRESS ON PROJECT OBJECTIVES DURING LAST SEGMENT

OBJECTIVE 1: Administration and Support

OBJECTIVE 2: Data Processing Services: Harvest Monitoring

OBJECTIVE 3: Data Processing Services: User Support

OBJECTIVE 4: Research and Analysis: Technical Services

OBJECTIVE 5: Research and Analysis: Geographic Information Systems

OBJECTIVE 6: Training

II. SUMMARY OF WORK COMPLETED ON JOBS IDENTIFIED IN ANNUAL PLAN THIS PERIOD

ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORT:

- Participated in divisional management team meetings;
- Processed personnel evaluations for IM staff;
- Prepared program budgets and allocations for the statewide

- program of Information Management;
- Recorded and monitored expenditures;
- Produced budget projections and reallocated resources to meet program goals;
- Processed purchase requests for the equipment needs of the IM program;
- Generate big game harvest ticket distribution figures for vendors to determine their payment amount for harvest tickets distributed for the department; and
- Generated sealing information to determine payments to 58 fur sealers for sealing pelts for the department.

HARVEST MONITORING:

- Key punched approximately 108,195 general season overlay records for big game harvest tickets for the reporting period;
- Entered hunt locations for over 57,072 hunt reports for Drawing, Tier II, registration and general season big game hunts for the reporting period; Printed and mailed over 38,900 reminder letters to big game hunters this reporting period;
- Sent letters to vendors regarding return of unused harvest tickets;
- Completed location coding for over 2,900 bear sealing records;
- Completed keypunching of over 2,900 bear sealing records;
- Posted over 168,000 preliminary harvest records for the regulatory year to our central server;
- Generated letters to vendors, requesting the return of all and unused harvest tickets for the regulatory year;
- Posted the preliminary big game (registration, drawing and tier II hunts) harvest summary reports on our Intranet web site;
- Catalogued and shipped 1,080 brown/grizzly teeth to Matson's lab for aging;
- Completed location coding for approximately 7,700 sealing records for furbearers;
- Completed keypunching of approximately 7,800 sealing records for furbearers;
- Produced the fur export and fur acquisition reports for Headquarters; and
- Received, cataloged and distributed approximately 139,000 general season big game harvest tickets to offices and vendors. An additional 18,800 were distributed electronically.

USER SUPPORT:

- Continuing development and maintenance of an Intranet server housing information management shared files to provide user access and support.
- IM has enhanced and maintained direct access to harvest data to DWC staff using the division's Intranet site. Staff are able to produce ad hoc reports, federal aid reports and summary statistics using a series of reporting tools developed by our programming staff.

- IM staff responded to software and hardware purchase/install requests.
- IM staff provided geographic information systems (GIS)/software technical support for individual DWC staff projects.
- IM provided increased access to historic images of data entered documents by linking Fur Sealing Certificates, Harvest Reports, Harvest Overlays, and Bear Sealing Certificates.
- IM continued working projects to provide better customer service and provide better reporting of hunter activity changing to a customer centric model of storing harvest reports
- IM continued to expand the use of Imaging/Data Capture to more efficiently capture and archive harvest and management records.

GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS:

- Adding and updating content of static and interactive map products for staff and the public through our intranet and the Internet;
- Provided GIS programming, training, analysis and technical support to division and cooperative projects;
- Maintain and continue to improve integrated Geodatabase for DWC master GIS data. Developed python scripts and workflow for updating file geodatabases for distribution and use with web pages;
- Continue develop and evolve editing, updating and deployment strategy.
- Provided maps for the hunt supplement papers and hunt regulation books;
- Process new imagery data acquired thru the Alaska Geospatial Council and provide ArcGIS Server services for Department staff and our GIS web pages.
- Continued upgrade of GMU and Uniform Coding System (UCU) data;
- Worked with other agencies and entities to establish standards and limit duplicate efforts. Shared information on procedural enhancements using GIS software and applications; (SDMI/Alaska Geospatial Council, technical advisory group and technical working groups).
- Purchased, upgraded, maintained and administered the server-based GIS and related software including ArcGIS Enterprise (ArcGIS Server, Image Server, Portal, SDE, ArcGIS Online, OpenData) and the ArcInfo/ArcView concurrent (floating) licenses; Training other Department staff to assist and/or assume responsibility for some of these tasks;
- Maintained and updated GIS portion of IIS, and ArcGIS Server web environment to accommodate multi-divisional development and to comply with Department IT requirements;
- ArcGIS Server service and web development. Created and maintained a number of web applications to provide common services for the department and public. Continued conversion from Flex to JavaScript web pages. Continued development for mobile apps;
- Updating and expanding a department GIS Information web site (SharePoint) to provide staff information on software installation, troubleshooting, available data, training, FAQs, etc.;

- Trained other GIS staff on access and use of ArcGIS Server software;
- Updated ArcPad programs as needed to meet specifications for various field data collection projects. Provide technical support. Participate and provide programming, geoprocessing, data and field support for “aerial, double-blind line transect” bear survey;
- Continued to convert both historic and new data, including remote sensed data, into ArcSDE;
- Continued to update all hunt maps, special area maps and associated web pages, as needed, and improve quality as new source files become available;
- Tested GIS workflow and conversion with new GIS software. Worked with ESRI staff to resolve issues;
- Responded to requests for information, data and maps from staff, public and other state and federal agencies;

TRAINING:

- .NET training for 5 staff

III. SIGNIFICANT DEVIATIONS AND/OR ADDITIONAL FEDERAL AID-FUNDED WORK NOT DESCRIBED ABOVE THAT WAS ACCOMPLISHED ON THIS PROJECT DURING THIS SEGMENT PERIOD

IV. PUBLICATIONS *(List project-related publications prepared or published during this reporting period.)*

V. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THIS PROJECT *(optional)*

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