

Cooperative Projects

Based on initial discussions, we are confident we will secure enough funding from regional partners, local governments, and private companies to capture aerial photography for all 16 counties in the [NCTCOG region](#) in 2007.

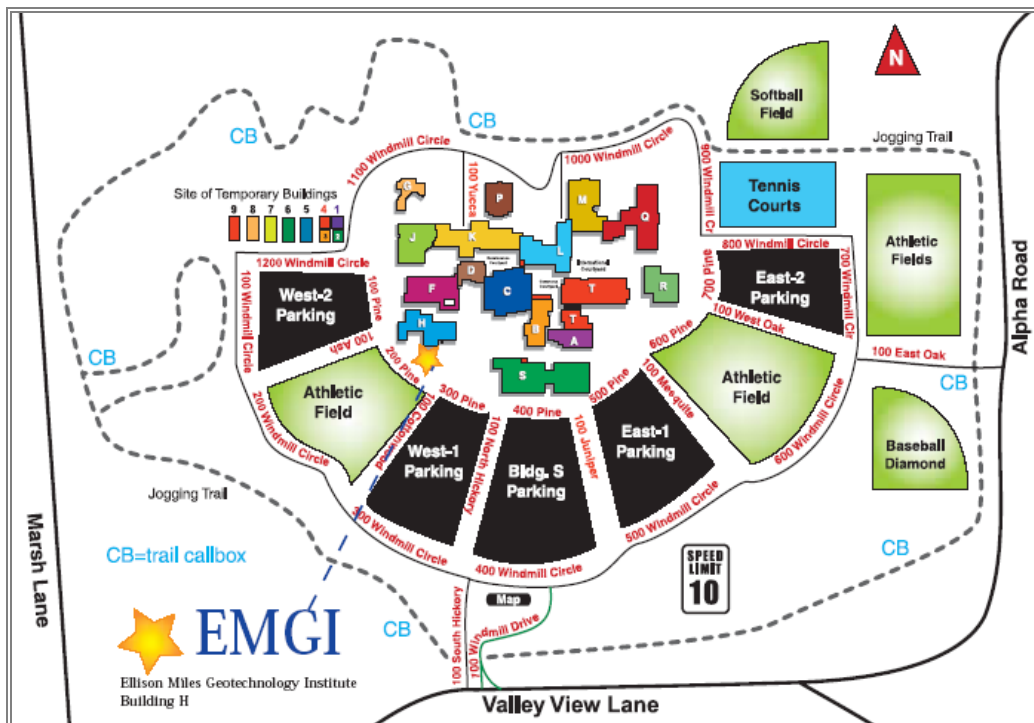
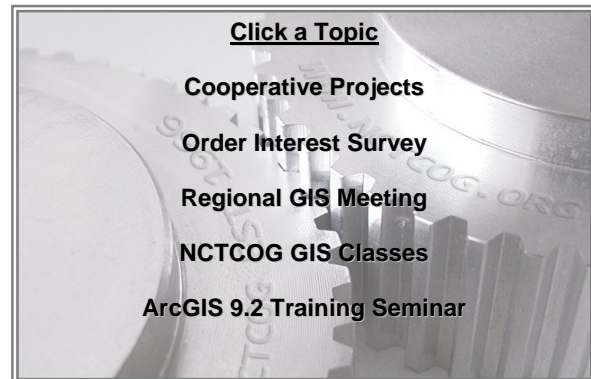
The coverage area for elevation contours and planimetrics will be dependent upon how many local governments are able to secure the initial cost estimate in their FY 2007 budget.

Order Interest Survey

On Monday, October 2 GIS Managers for local governments will be provided an online survey to order orthos, elevation contours, and planimetrics. The results of the survey will be used to gauge how much funding is available and determine the final pricing for all three products. It is very important you respond immediately so we can begin planning flight plans and delivery schedules.

Regional GIS Meeting

Compliments of Scott Sires, the next regional meeting will be held at Brookhaven College on Thursday, October 12. The meeting will begin at 9:00 am and is scheduled to end around 3:30 pm. Brookhaven College is located just north of LBJ Freeway (Interstate 635) at 3939 Valley View Lane between Midway Road and Marsh Lane in Farmers Branch. The meeting will be located in Building H at the Ellison Miles Geotechnology Institute. Please go to <http://gis.nctcog.org/meetings.asp> to register. If you are in our contact database, all you will need to do is enter your email address.



So far we have three confirmed speakers. Both private and public sector are welcome to present at the Regional GIS meetings. If you are interested in presenting, or have an item/topic you think should be discussed, please contact Justin Cure, GIS Administrator for the City of Longview, at (903) 237-2700 or jcure@ci.longview.tx.us.



Preliminary Agenda:

Time	Name	Company	Topic
9:00am - 9:10am	Mike Sudac & Justin Cure	NCTCOG & SCAUG	Introduction
9:10am - 9:40am			
9:45am - 10:15am			
10:15am - 10:25am			Break
10:25am - 10:55am		PBS&J	
11:00am - 11:30am	Mike Sudac	NCTCOG	Cooperative Projects
11:30am - 1:00pm			Lunch
1:00pm - 1:30pm			
1:35pm - 2:05pm	Linda Stone	Bentley	AEC-GIS Interoperability
2:05pm - 2:15 pm			Break
2:15pm - 2:45pm	Nirav Shah	EI Technologies	Enterprise Integration at the City of Longview
2:50pm - 3:20pm	Justin Cure	SCAUG	Benefits of SCAUG

NCTCOG GIS Classes

In order to better serve the training needs of ESRI users in North Central Texas, NCTCOG and ESRI have restructured the class schedule and guidelines. Starting in September, ESRI will handle the logistics and administration of all courses, including registration, billing and payments (including purchase orders). NCTCOG will continue to provide the classroom facilities and computers. This setup will decrease the chances of classes being cancelled.

The list price for any course is \$450 per day. Discounts are available for state and local Texas governmental agencies, federal agencies, and educational institutions as well as organizations sending multiple students to a single class. The class schedule is located at <http://gis.nctcog.org/classes.asp>. You may also enroll by contacting Stacia Canaday, ESRI Training Coordinator, at (210) 499-1044 or scanaday@esri.com.

Upcoming Class Schedule:

Class	Date	Cost
Advanced Analysis with ArcGIS	October 3-5, 2006	\$1,350
Building Geodatabases 1	October 30-November 1, 2006	\$1,350
Introduction to ArcGIS 1	September 18-19, 2006	\$900
Introduction to ArcGIS 1	November 6-7, 2006	\$900
Introduction to ArcGIS 1	February 12-13, 2007	\$900
Introduction to ArcGIS 2	September 20-22, 2006	\$1,350
Introduction to ArcGIS 2	November 8-10, 2006	\$1,350
Introduction to ArcGIS 2	February 14-16, 2007	\$1,350
Introduction to ArcGIS Business Analyst	March 28-29, 2007	\$900
Introduction to ArcGIS for the Defense, Intelligence, Homeland Security and Law Enforcement Communities	December 6-8, 2006	\$900
Introduction to the Multiuser Geodatabase	November 2-3, 2006	\$900
Learning GIS using ArcGIS Desktop	March 26-27, 2007	\$900

The ESRI training schedule beyond March 2007 is currently being developed. We are also looking at possibly securing a permanent training center on the NCTCOG campus.



ArcGIS 9.2 Seminar

On Thursday, October 5th, ESRI will conduct a no-cost seminar for ArcGIS 9.2 in Austin, Texas. This is a significant release that focuses on improved usability, stability, performance, and documentation; user-requested quality improvements; and enhancements across all products. Please go to <http://www.esri.com/events/introducing-arcgis92/texas.html> to register in advance and get directions.

J.J. Pickle Research Campus, UT- Austin
The Commons Center, Bldg 137
10100 Burnett Road
Austin, TX 78758
8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

John Hunt, ESRI Senior Marketing Representative, is attempting to get an ArcGIS 9.2 seminar in the Dallas/Fort Worth area. Please contact him at (817) 905-9005 or jhunt@esri.com if you are interested in attending a session locally.

Contact Information

We thank you for your continued support and look forward to working with you in the future. If you have any questions, or are interested in participating in any of the projects listed above, please contact me via phone or e-mail.

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