

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska) Application No. 911-024
Public Service Commission, on)
its own motion, seeking to) PROGRESSION ORDER NO. 1
develop policies and process) ADOPTING GIS REPOSITORY
requests for access to GIS data) ACCESS AND USE POLICY
and the GIS Repository.)
) Entered: October 10, 2007

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

On or about August 8, 2006, the Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) opened the above-captioned docket, on its own motion, to develop policies and process requests for access to GIS data and the GIS Repository.

In an order entered on August 30, 2005 in docket No. 911-011/PI-97, the Commission approved the development of proper GIS data and map databases for public safety answering points (PSAPs) or supplementation of existing map databases necessary for Phase II service. The Commission has since approved funding for the development of GIS data for several PSAPs.

On April 4, 2006, the Commission also approved funding for a centralized data repository (Repository) for the GIS data in order to allow for maintenance of the data and access to the data by individual PSAPs and the Commission.

The Repository will be available for PSAP use no later than January 1, 2008. In order to properly manage the repository, the Commission finds that the Interim Policy attached hereto as Appendix A and incorporated herein by this reference should be adopted. Anyone seeking access to the Repository shall complete the form attached hereto as Appendix B and incorporated herein by this reference. Each county or other entity seeking access shall submit one (1) application form for the county or entity.

Furthermore, all requests for access to the central repository shall be docketed and processed under the present docket. Each applicant will be assigned a specific number under this docket (e.g. 911-024.1, 911.024.2, etc.) All filings made by that applicant will be docketed under that number.

The Commission reserves the right to request additional information from any applicant in order to process a request. The Commission further reserves the right to amend this policy

at any time. Nothing herein shall constitute a guarantee of access to the Repository. An application for access submitted pursuant to this docket does not constitute a public document request pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 84-712 through 84-712.09. Such requests shall be submitted as required by statute. The Commission will comply with all applicable laws governing access to public records including but not limited to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 84-712 through 84-712.09.

Submission of an application for access and use of the Repository constitutes the applicant's agreement to abide by the terms of this policy and any future amends thereto. Any approved entity or individual failing to abide by the policy set forth herein, as may be modified in the future, is subject to revocation of access to the Repository by the Commission.

To the extent necessary, the Policy will be incorporated into a future rule and regulation proceeding.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the GIS Repository Access and Use Policy referenced herein and attached hereto as Appendix A is adopted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all requests for access to GIS data and the data repository shall be submitted on the approved form attached hereto as Appendix B and docketed as outlined herein.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 10th day of October, 2007.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Deputy Director

GIS Access and Use Policy

General

Access to the Repository shall be password protected. The Commission will assign passwords to allow access to the Repository to each approved entity.

Data in the Repository shall not be used for commercial purposes.

Only those entities and individuals approved by the Commission will have access to the Repository.

The Commission makes no warranties or guarantees with respect to the accuracy or completeness of the data contained within the Repository.

Request for Access to Repository

All requests for access to the Repository shall be made to the Commission in writing on the Commission approved form.

Requests for access do not constitute requests for public records pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-712 et seq. Such requests shall be made consistent with statutory requirements.

All individuals who will be permitted to use the password shall be listed on the form.

The Commission will grant only those permissions necessary to allow the entity to use the Repository for its approved purpose. Access will be tailored to the needs of the requesting entity or individual.

The Commission reserves the right to deny access to any entity or individual or revoke access from any entity or individual as permitted by state law, Commission rules and regulations or Commission orders.

All approved entities and individuals are required to update the information on file with the Commission with respect to users immediately upon any changes. Failure to do so may result in revocation of access to the Repository.

Updates and Downloads

Upload capabilities enables a user to upload and replace data on the Repository. The ability to upload data onto the Repository requires advanced GIS technical expertise to ensure data are formatted in the correct manner.

The potential exists for damage to the Repository and corrupt the Repository database should incorrectly formatted or poorly constructed GIS data be uploaded onto the system.

The Commission will review upload access requests on a case-by-case basis.

**Nebraska Public Service Commission
GIS Data Repository Access Request**

Name: _____

Name of Agency: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Will more than one person access repository from your agency: _____

Designate names of all persons who will access repository: _____

Count(ies): _____

Please designate which data layers you are requesting access to:

X	Data Layer	Purpose for Access to Layer	Permissions Requested View (V) Download (D) Upload (U)
	Street centerlines		
	Railways		
	Boundaries (Must be attributed with political boundary name (City, Township, County, etc.)		
	Public Areas (Parks, cemeteries, etc.)		
	Water features		
	Fire districts		
	Ambulance service boundaries		
	Law enforcement areas		
	Emergency service boundaries		
	Cell tower locations		
	Cell tower coverage		

Please return request to:

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