

Initial Concepts – Potential Governance Models

DRAFT Governance Model A is a congress model, with three forums (Technology, Agency, User) electing twelve representatives to the Council. The legislature and governor appoint three additional members to the Council. The Council is advisory to the legislature, the governor, and the Wisconsin Department of Administration through the CIO and GIO. The forums conduct the majority of work, and they or the Council create *ad hoc* work groups for specific issues. To the extent possible, the forums conduct business virtually (via Web meetings, blogs, etc.)

Voting Members

- Four members elected from the Technology Forum
- Four members elected from Agency Forum
- Four members elected from User Forum
- One each Governor, Senate, Assembly appointed member
- WDOA Geographic Information Officer (*ex officio*)
- State Cartographer (*ex officio*)

Forum details

Technology Group (geospatial technology and data)

Addresses issues related to geospatial technology, standards, training, technology transfer, and spatial data infrastructure. Membership is open to anyone with professional/technical expertise that wants to participate but should include:

- at least 3 vendors and consultants
- at least 3 professional organization reps (e.g., WLIA, LION, GITA, EWUG)
- at least 3 academic (e.g., UW system, private college, technical college)
- Agency group and User group representatives

Agency Group

Address issues of policy, funding, licensing, coordination, inter-agency collaboration, and state-local relationships. Membership is open to anyone representing a public agency but should include:

- at least 3 state agency representatives
- at least 3 local/regional agency organization reps (e.g., WCA, WTA, League)
- at least 3 local government reps
- at least 3 federal agency reps (e.g., USGS, NGS, NPS, NRCS, FSA)
- at least 3 tribes
- Technology group and User group representatives

User Group

Addresses issues related to services (needs and evaluations), education and awareness, and public/private collaboration. Membership is open to anyone but should include:

- at least 3 quasi-public (e.g., utilities, telecommunications, emergency services)
- at least 3 for profit (e.g., real estate, transportation, marketing)
- at least 3 non-profit (e.g., land trusts, community organizations, lake districts)
- Technology group and Agency group representatives

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