

Criteria for the Evaluation of Potential Geospatial Governance Models Structures and Operation

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Legitimacy and Voice	Participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensures broad, equitable, inclusive, and balanced representation of stakeholders (e.g., diversity of stakeholders, diversity of expertise, geographic diversity), and allows all members to contribute to decision-making in a substantial way • Encourages (or requires) state agency cooperation and participation
	Consensus Orientation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mediates differing interests to reach a broad consensus • Provides mechanisms for dispute resolution between stakeholders
	Accessibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accessibility of Council to stakeholders through open meetings and availability for direct contact with Council members
Direction	Mandate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enabling mechanism (e.g., Executive Order, Legislation, Administrative policy) provides clearly articulated mandate
	Strategic Vision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearly and cooperatively articulated vision and mission for Council • Clearly and cooperatively articulated statewide strategic plan to which all stakeholders see how they can contribute and from which all can benefit • Clearly defined benefits and risks
Roles and Relationships	Roles and Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearly defined role and responsibilities of Council • Clearly defined role and relationship of Council with respect to other organizations, such as the Wisconsin Land Information Association and its committees, etc. • Clearly defined roles and responsibilities of Geographic Information Office (GIO), and State Cartographer's Office (SCO)
	Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creates and formalizes direct lines of communication between Council and stakeholders (e.g., county boards, associations, etc) • Facilitates face-to-face interaction and relationship building between Council and stakeholders, and among stakeholders • Retention and sharing of institutional knowledge to new comers/succession • Outreach, education and awareness

Performance	Responsiveness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flexibility to access expertise and resources from within and from outside the Council to address and resolve issues • Flexibility to adjust or create committees and working groups as needed • Flexibility to adjust meeting frequency and location as needed
	Political Efficacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimizes the impact of political bias • Minimizes the impact of change in administration • Enables the geospatial community to articulate a united vision to policy makers • Increases awareness and understanding of geospatial-related issues and activities among policy makers at all levels and with the public • Involves the highest level of policy makers in geospatial decision making • Promotes the incorporation of geospatial-related issues into statewide policy and decision making
	Effectiveness and Efficiency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearly defined performance metrics and ongoing assessment • Readily understandable structure and manageable size • Tangible links and reciprocity between Council, Geographic Information Officer, State Cartographer's Office, and stakeholders • Tangible benefits and deliverables accrued widely and at all levels • Utilizes best practices from the private sector • Capacity building at all levels • Staffing levels specifically focused on coordination and other Council goals • Ability to develop and influence adoption of guidelines and standards • Ability to identify funding sources and to influence how funds are expended • Ability to provide incentives for participation (and possible enforcement?)

Accountability	Accountability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clearly defined reporting requirements of the Council to the Geographic Information Officer (GIO), State Cartographer (SCO), Chief Information Officer (CIO), Legislature, and Governor Clearly defined reporting requirements to stakeholders
	Transparency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides transparent and democratic mechanisms for broad participation in policy development, decision-making and recommendations for funding allocations
Fairness	Equity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Broad, equitable and balanced representation , with all members participating in full voice All stakeholders are able to actively participate in the Council and associated committees All stakeholders and the public receive sufficient value from the Council
	Rule of Procedure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clearly defined, open and fair operating and voting procedures
Sustainability	Sustainability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ability to persist under change in administration Ability to persist under budgetary constraints Sufficient funding, administrative support and technical support Ability to encourage state agency participation
<i>Additional Criteria Suggested by Listening Session Participants</i>		
Legal		
Funding		
Data Security & Integrity		
Administrative Capacity		
Authority		