

Attendees

New Zealand	Don Grant	<i>ICSM Chair</i>
Australia – civilian.....	Gary Johnston	
Australia – civilian.....	Gail Hill	
Australia – Defence (AHO).....	Rod Nairn	
Australia – Defence (AHO).....	Doug White	
Australia – Defence (DIGO)	Graham Johnston	
New South Wales	Paul Harcombe	
Northern Territory.....	Garry West	
Queensland.....	Russell Priebbenow	
South Australia	Peter Kentish	
Tasmania.....	Peter Murphy	
Victoria	John Gallagher	
Victoria	John Tulloch	
WA	Lesley Arnold	

ICSM Administration

The next meeting of ICSM will be held in Sydney, 30 May to 1 June 2012.

Stakeholder Relations

ANZLIC

Ms Liz Marchant sent a report to the meeting outlining the new strategic direction of ANZLIC. ANZLIC's current focus was on the national dataset themes – which are still to be finalised. ANZLIC are to develop a new governance charter, strategic plan and review of their projects.

PSMA

Dan Paull sent a report on the successful completion of the European cadastral pilot for EuroGeographics, how G-NAF supported the Australian Bureau of Statistics in planning the census collectors' workloads and on the redevelopment of LYNX to create a more powerful and flexible automated information management environment through the PSMA Systems framework. He also noted that this year marks the 10th anniversary of PSMA.

CRCSI-2

The report submitted by CRCSI was tabled and its contents noted and discussed. Items that were particularly noted were the collaboration with Geoscience Australia regarding the Digital Elevation Data Distribution Portal and the Australian Strategic Plan for GNSS.

ICSM Working Groups

Bathymetry Working Group (BWG)

Planning is underway for a National bathymetry data audit and to collaborate through the GOVDX portal. Work is now required to coordinate this effort and consolidate any information and metadata in a central repository.

Geographic Names (CGNA)

CGNA was represented at the International Council for Onomastic Sciences (ICOS) Triennial conference convened in September 2011 by Dr Laura Kostanski (Victoria). During this conference, she presented a report on CGNA policies and activities as part of an UNGEGN panel discussion/debate.

Digital Cadastre Database Special Interest Group (DCDB)

No report for this meeting due to changes in the group leadership.

ePlan

A face to face meeting for all 22 members planned for December 2011. The Governance framework is working well and provides a level of transparency and rigour

Geodesy (GTSC)

The AuScope program is officially completed although some work on project still continues. The review of SP1 document continues. Planning is underway for a new Datum.

Imagery (ISIG)

Face to face joint meeting with ESIG held in Perth in August 2011. Discussions covered Work Programs, technical discussions and jurisdictional reports. ISIG working group has decided not to include satellite imagery in its TOR for reasons previously reported. Whilst jurisdictions use satellite imagery, the users within this group suggested that they do not have the knowledge at a technical level to include this in the ISIG.

Cadastral Reform (PCCR)

Two new items have been added to the work program. One will examine the implications of proposed amendments to SP1 as this standard is referenced in various jurisdictional legislation. The second work program item relates to how GNSS should be used by surveyors engaged in cadastral work.

Gus Donnelly has been awarded a consultancy to prepare words and diagrams which can be used to develop a cadastral equivalent of 'Fundamentals of Mapping' entitled "Fundamentals of Land Boundaries". Gus has reported that progress has been good and he is very pleased with the outcomes so far. The final report is due in December this year.

Topographic Information (PCTI)

The PCTI strategic plan 2011 -2015 was created in collaboration and consultation with all jurisdictions and provides the basis for addressing PCTI's responsibilities under the terms of reference. The strategic plan will provide the foundation to review and evaluate progress against key activities and actions to be undertaken over the next 3 years.

Permanent Committee on Tides and Mean Sea Level (PCTMSL)

The master document of SP-9 is now being maintained offline in the Australian Hydrographic Service (AHS) Documents Recording Management System (DRMS). The .html version has now been removed from the website and only the .pdf version of the document will be maintained on the website.

Points of Interest Working Group (POIWG)

An audit of the current status of POI datasets in each jurisdiction was conducted and the results tabulated, analysed and circulated for comment.

Roads Working Group (RWG)

PSMA Australia completed the implementation of the RWG model for its August release. The final implemented model can be found at http://www.pdma.com.au/products/documents/Trans_Topo%20Prod%20Descr.pdf.

Street Addressing Standard Review (SASIG)

The Street addressing standard is to be published later this week and a guideline will be developed for publication as soon as possible. Promotion of the Standard will be managed by the ICSM members in each jurisdiction, as they already maintain relationships with the councils who are the target of the Standard. However SASIG intends to develop a brochure about that Standard that will include information on the importance of addressing and the benefits of adopting the Standard. Now that the Standard is completed, work will begin on publication of Addressing Guidelines.

Australian Standard for the Location and Mapping of Underground Utilities

The Standards Australia Kick-off Meeting was held on 17 August 2011. The Drafting Committee has met 3 times since that date. The deadline for a draft Standard, ready for public comment, is June 2012. The Standard should be released in March 2013