

WGGL Workshop Description

REGISTRATION

All too often city and county GIS leaders have to make decisions in isolation, with no peers in their organization with the relevant experience to advise them. The purpose of this session is to break down the silos between GIS managers and leaders as a way to help them address issues and work more effectively to meet their goals. The Washington local Government GIS Leaders (WGGL) group has been created as a Special Interest Group (SIG) under the auspices of the Washington chapter of URISA (WAURISA). The WGGL group was formed to provide a forum specifically for GIS leaders in local government to share ideas.



This full day session will have discussions and presentations geared toward issues facing GIS managers.

5/21/2019 Morning Session with a panel discussion:

Best Management Practices in GIS across organizations of different sizes:

Panelists with Intro by Greg Babinski – King County

- *Stephen Beimborn* - City of Seattle, Manager of Departmental GIS / GIS Coordinator.
- *Katie Heim* - City of Arlington, GIS Manager
- *Geoff Almvig* – Skagit County, GIS Manager
- *Jason Eklund* – Kittitas County, GIS Coordinator

5/21/2019 Afternoon session will have 3 presentations:

- *Debra Hentz*, BSME, MPA. Lean Specialist, Washington State Auditor’s Office
 - Practicing Lean techniques for the GIS Manager
- *Adam Carnow*, ESRI Community Evangelist
 - GIS for Managers – The Seven Elements of a Successful Enterprise GIS
- *Joanne Markert*, State GIS Coordinator
 - State Activities that can benefit local government GIS departments

Intended Audience

GIS Supervisors (Managers, Coordinators, Directors, and Department Heads) working at City and County organizations in Washington State. If not part of the intended audience please check with the organizer before signing up at: workshops@waurisa.org

WGGL Goals

Increase communication between local government GIS leaders;
Increase accessibility and sharing of management skills and knowledge;
Increase the representation of County and City GIS interests to state officials;
Increase opportunities to provide education/training for City and County GIS managers on roles, responsibilities, and requirements of GIS departments

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