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The Year in Summary

This past year of 2008 was a dynamic and accomplished-filled period for SanGIS, as evidenced through governance changes and a host of project initiatives. In addition to the appointment of a new City of San Diego representative for the [SanGIS Board of Directors](#) and the establishment of a [SanGIS Management Committee](#), the agency focused on the following projects:

1. Gap Analysis detailing and comparing SanGIS services, operations and administration to the County's proposal to take over the agency
2. Remote editing of SanGIS Roads by San Diego Fire and County Sheriff
3. Public Safety layers enhancement
4. Weekly status reporting of landbase and data warehouse changes
5. Outreach with San Diego Water/Wastewater with resulting landbase and ROW improvements
6. IT Upgrade Plan and formation of STAB IT Architecture subcommittee
7. IT service life extension efforts
8. Upgraded NAS data storage device
9. MPRDATA integrity notifications
10. Parcel data model update
11. Enhanced XML metadata standards
12. Updated Emergency GIS Data CD

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13. New Mapping Fee Schedule
14. FY07 Audit
15. Revenue through Eagle Imagery sublicensing
16. Consistent user notifications
17. SLA scope of work and formation of STAB subcommittee
18. Line/polygon overlay tool
19. Labor costs savings
20. Data warehouse export scripting
21. ARJIS data extract improvement
22. Annotation edit tool conversion
23. Landbase editor tools enhancements
24. Landbase field identifier standardization
25. VB and other script conversions
26. Staffing the City's EOC
27. Improved STAB involvement

The latter of these accomplishments - STAB involvement - remains important to the agencies continued success. In addition the expertise of SanGIS staff, STAB involvement and participation in many of the above projects has proven very improvement in helping understand user needs, the best solution to meeting those needs, and the review of and approval of those solutions. Oftentimes our users have also provided valuable input and participation in those projects, as well.

SanGIS thanks its users and the technical advisory board for helping ensure that the agency continues to operate as efficiently and reliably as possible.

Reminder

SanGIS Maintenance Layers to Receive Spatial Column Name Change to 'SHAPE' on Friday, January 2, 2009

SanGIS will be changing the name to 'SHAPE' of the three fields containing 'SHP_ID' in the landbase and other layers that the agency maintains. Recently, SanGIS made the same name change in the layers PARCEL, PARCELS_ALL and RIGHT_OF_WAY. SHAPE is the standard, default column for ESRI data, whereas 'SHP_ID' is an older spatial column name that was used in shapefiles.

The name changes will be as follows:

Let Us Know

SanGIS's mission of ensuring data currency, quality and related enhancements will of course remain important in 2009. Your input in the mission will also continue to be essential. Therefore, SanGIS is requesting that you please let us know if you have any data issues or needs. We are compiling a list of potential projects for the coming year so

Current Name	New Name
SHP_ID	SHAPE
SHP_ID.AREA	SHAPE.AREA
SHP_ID.LEN	SHAPE.LEN

The 18 maintenance layers to receive the 'SHAPE' name change are:

ADDRAPN
 ESMT_OPEN_SPACE
 INDIAN_RESERVATIONS
 JUR_PUBLIC_SAFETY
 LANDBASE_BOUNDARIES
 LAW_BEATS
 LOTS
 ROADS_ALL
 ROADS_COLLECTOR
 ROADS_FREEWAY_RAMP
 ROADS_HIGHWAY
 ROADS_INTERSECTION
 ROADS_MAJOR
 ROADS_TRANSITION_RAMP
 SDFD_INTERSECTION
 SDFD_ROAD
 SUBDIVISION
 SUBDIVISION_LINE

We hope that the changes, - which go into after 3PM on January 2, 2009 - will not present any problems in your applications or processes.

Thank you.



that we can keep the agency moving forward in providing you with the best data for your business process. Please send your requests to Andrew Abouna at AAbouna@SanGIS.org.

New Weekly Services and Feature Report

Available online is a new [weekly services and feature update report](#). This report provides weekly details of data errors reported to SanGIS and the status of the fixes, as well as details of ongoing maintenance, feature and layer updates. The report also contains a monthly summary of Landbase, Data Warehouse, Mapping, and website activity.

New Custom Mapping Fees

A new, Board-approved public [mapping fee schedule](#) goes into effect on January 1, 2009. The new fees are based upon a more accurate cost analysis of SanGIS public mapping services costs. It is anticipated that the revenue generated based upon these fees will help the agency fully offset the costs for the service.

As always, the agency will continue to offer **FREE** custom maps and data extracts to staff of its member agencies of the City and County. Note, we also offer lamination and mounting for a nominal cost of materials only, and response time is always fast. For more information please contact Erma (EBarnett@sandis.org) or Peg (PGodden@sangis.org).

Reminders

Report Data Errors

Web Links

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[City of San Diego](#)

[County of San Diego](#)

For landbase errors please contact Frank Jessie, Operations Manager, at FJessie@sangis.org or 858-874-7010. For other data errors please contact Peg Godden, Data Services Manager, at PGodden@sangis.org or 858-874-7005. *Or you may use the SanGIS Online Forum to report errors.*

SDE/Oracle Accounts

New SDE/Oracle accounts can be obtained by contacting Peg Godden at PGodden@sangis.org or 858-874-7005. She can also change your password or delete accounts.

Online Forum

The SanGIS [Online Forum](#) is a resource for announcements, data lists, newsletter, reporting data errors, and other information. We encourage you to post your questions or requests using the forum. Thank you to those who have been providing us information for landbase corrections.

Suggestions and Website

The [SanGIS website](#) has undergone some changes recently, with more to follow. Let us know if it still provides what you need. As you continue to use SanGIS as a resource for obtaining regional GIS information, but discover you have questions or comments, please contact Andrew Abouna, Executive Director, AAbouna@sangis.org, or 858-874-7020. Thank you.

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