SAGIC – *Meeting Minutes*

New: more accessible format!

Date	Wednesday, September 2, 2026
Location	Teams
Time	9:00 am – 10:30 am
Facilitator	SAGIC Chair – Alex Krebs (WEM)
Minutes Preparer	SAGIC Secretary – Nina Rihn (DNR)

ACTION ITEMS in red

OFFICERS

Position	Name	Voting Member	Present
Chair	Alex Krebs - WEM	Y	Y
Vice Chair	Bridget Lapham – DOT	N	N
Secretary	Nina Rihn - DNR	Y	Y

VOTING MEMBERS

Organization	Name	Present
BCPL	Chuck Failing	Y
DATCP	Eli Samuelson	N
DCF	vacant	NA
DHS	Andy Swartz	Y
DMA	vacant	NA
DNR	Nina Rihn	Y
DOA	Mike Friis	N
DOJ	Ty Krugman	N
DOR	vacant	NA
DOT	Tony Van Der Wielen	N
DPI	Shelley Witte	Y
DSPS	vacant	NA
DWD	John Willis	N
LTSB	Zach Robinson	Y
PSC	Colter Sikora	Y
SCO	Jim Lacy	Y
SFP	vacant	NA
UWSA	Paul Boehnlein	Y
WEC	Gregory Grube	Y
WEM	Alex Krebs	Y
WHS	Felipe Avila	N

Other attendees

Bohn, Andrea - WHS	Novinska, Tiffany - DOT
Clerkin, David W - DHS	Oyanguren, Juan C - DOT
Jackson, Timothy R - DATCP	Panduranga, Kishan - PSC
Kelm, Kevin D - DWD	Paulson, Alan R - DHS
Koeller, Christine A - DOT	Shelley, Cole - DOT
Laager, Jonathan L - DATCP	Strand, Peter T - DNR
Luedeke, Gretta - DOT	Swartz, Andrew R - DHS
MacFarlane, Theresa - DOT	Veselenak, Davita M - DOA
Nesbit, Scott C - DOT	Wijekoon, Nishanthi - DNR

Introductions and Announcements (All)

Skipped

Minutes Approval

August minutes approved by unanimous consent

2026 GIS Symposium Update Planning (Alex Krebs– WEM)

Agenda Notes

- Agenda mostly ready. Still waiting for one abstract
- Event page https://sagic.wi.gov/Pages/SAGIC_Events.aspx
- Registration link coming soon after agenda is finalized (very soon)
- Informal social event at Café Hollander after symposium (~5pm)

Discussion Notes

Aerial Imagery Updates to GeoData@WI (Jim Lacy)

Agenda Notes

- Geodata@wisc catalogs lots of aerial imagery for everybody to download and use https://geodata.wisc.edu/?f%5Bdct_isPartOf_sm%5D%5B%5D=Aerial+Imagery&per_page=20&search_field=all_fields&range%5Bsolr_year_i%5D%5Bbegin%5D=2023&range%5Bsolr_year_i%5D%5Bend%5D=2025&commit=Limit
- They do not create services; they only make the data available.

- Many partners contributed to WROCs but the high-resolution data is only available to partners.
    - Geodata reached out to all counties to request permission to provide the data.
    - Most said yes as this made it easier for them by reducing their workload for sharing
    - Were able to get data from WisDOT's AWS S3 bucket(s).
    - Some counties that did not participate in WROC also shared their data.
    - Some didn't respond or said no.
- Downloading imagery: can do it either by downloading individual tiles or in bulk, either using CyberDuck, or python: https://geodata.wisc.edu/pages/bulk-downloads
- Geodata has ~318,000 images now available from 1936-present. Gaps in the '70s due to only films being available.
- Can use WHAI Finder app to view historical imagery. Also can use the WHAI Index file to see index of what they have. The index file is also time enabled.

Discussion Notes

- Nina asked if there could potentially be a widget added to WHAI finder app to allow users to add a rest URL or other type of layer to the WHAI Finder app. Jim said potentially
- Alex had a colleague he found out was using WHAI Finder to get imagery for a research project.

Other Business (All)

Agenda Notes

none

Next Meeting

Symposium Oct 7th (no regular meeting in October)

Next regular meeting November 4, 2026 via Teams

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned by unanimous consent.