

# SIXTH ANNUAL MONTANA GIS CONFERENCE

## EXPANDING HORIZONS THROUGH GIS

April 5 - 8, 1994  
Cavanaugh's, Kalispell, Montana

The **Montana GIS conference** will allow Montana GIS users to share details of many of the complex and interesting projects undertaken in our state. With more than 1200 GIS users receiving the Montana GIS Users Newsletter, this forum will provide valuable and interesting information to all levels of GIS users. GIS users who are just starting will find significant information to promote their GIS use and understanding. Experienced users will find interesting subjects from across the state and northwest area.

The 1994 conference is being sponsored by the Montana GIS Users Group and coordinated by the following GIS users in Kalispell, Mt: Positive Systems, Flathead National Forest, MT Dept. of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, and Flathead County Surveyor's Office.

### CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS:

**PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS:** Participants may select from 8 workshops that discuss topics of interest to GIS specialists and to novices. See attached information sheet about the workshops. Note that one workshop is on Thursday.

**PLENARY SESSIONS:** Several experts in GIS or related fields will address the conference on Wednesday the 6th. On Friday the 8th there will be a Montana GIS Users Group meeting followed by a meeting of the Montana GIS Interagency Technical Working Group with a panel discussion open to all attendees.

**CONCURRENT SESSIONS:** Attendees may select from three concurrent tracks, depending on their area of interest, to listen to papers on different aspects of GIS applications. They are: Natural Resources, Urban, and New Technology.

**COMMERCIAL EXHIBITS:** Major vendors of GIS/GPS hardware, software, and services will host exhibits during the conference.

**GIS PUBLIC NIGHT:** On Wednesday evening the 6th, the conference will be open to the general public at no charge. A short talk on GIS concepts will be presented. Poster presenters and vendors will be available to answer questions.

**POSTER SESSION:** Posters and exhibits will be on display throughout the conference and will be judged Wednesday evening at 6pm. Presenters should be available for the judging Wednesday and for questions and answers during GIS public night.

**LUNCHESES:** With full conference registration, a light lunch will be provided on Wednesday the 6th and Thursday the 7th. NOTE for all meals: Special diet requirements need to be coordinated at registration.

**VIP DINNER:** With full conference registration only, a ticket will be provided to the VIP dinner, which will begin at 7pm Thursday evening at Cavanaugh's. Other attendees and the general public will be able to buy a limited number of tickets at the conference registration desk for a fee of \$20.

**MONTANA GIS USERS GROUP MEETING:** The Montana GIS Users Group Board Meeting will be held Friday the 8th.

**MONTANA GIS INTERAGENCY TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP:** A panel discussion for all attendees will follow the business meeting on Friday the 8th.

**PROGRAM INFORMATION:**

**DATES                      SESSIONS**

Tues, 5th                      Early Registration, Workshops  
 Wed, 6th                      Registration, Plenary, Concurrent, Poster, Public Night  
 Thur, 7th                      Registration, Concurrent, One Workshop, VIP Dinner  
 Fri, 8th                      Montana GIS Users Group Board Meeting, Panel discussion with Montana Technical Working Group

**LOCATION:** There has been a change in the conference location! The conference will be held at **Cavanaugh's**, in Kalispell, Mt. One workshop will be held at the Flathead National Forest.

**FEES:** Full conference registration, all plenary and concurrent sessions, 2 lunches and VIP dinner.

Payment received before 10 Mar 1994 \$ 85

After 10 Mar 1994 \$110

One day conference registration, includes one lunch, but no dinner \$ 50

Student full conference registration, includes 2 lunches, but no dinner \$ 45 Some scholarships are available.

See attached workshop information sheet for fees for individual workshops

**REFUNDS:** Full refunds will be made for confirmed cancellations received by 15 March, 1994. Half refunds if received by 30 March, 1994. No refunds for cancellations after 30 March, 1994, but substitutions are permitted. Please register early!

**LODGINGS:** A block of rooms at special rates have been reserved for conference participants at **Cavanaugh's**. Reserve with Cavanaugh's directly at 406-752-6660, or 800-843-4667. Federal or state rates are available on a limited number of rooms. For other motels in Kalispell, call the Kalispell Chamber of Commerce at 406-752-6166.

Transportation from the County airport can be arranged with Kalispell Taxi on the airport shuttle for \$7. The shuttle normally meets incoming flights. The Kalispell Taxi telephone number is 406-752-4022.

	Tuesday, Apr 5			Wednesday, Apr 6			Thursday, Apr 7			Friday, Apr 8	
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PUBLIC NIGHT						XXX					
POSTER SESSION						XXX					
VIP DINNER									XXX		
USERS GP MEET										XXX	

**MONTANA GIS CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ STATE or PROVINCE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

**PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS**

- \_\_\_ Geographic Information Systems: Basic Concepts \$30
- \_\_\_ Project Management: Foundation for Success (Thurs) \$80
- \_\_\_ Arc/Info Techniques, Tips and Tricks \$25
- \_\_\_ Principles of Thematic Mapping for GIS Users \$40
- \_\_\_ Land Management Planning - Natural Resource Apps \$100
- \_\_\_ Local Government Applications \$50
- \_\_\_ GPS #1, Intro \$35 / \_\_\_ GPS #2 Field \$85/ \_\_\_ GPS 1+2 \$100
- \_\_\_ Integration of remote Sensing with GIS \$50

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**

- Payment received before 10 March 1994 - After
- FULL REGISTRATION \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 85 - \_\_\_\_\_ \$110
  - ONE DAY REGISTRATION \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 50
  - STUDENT REGISTRATION (with ID) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 45
  - VIP DINNER (Only) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 20

Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in the following concurrent track:

- \_\_\_ Natural Resources    \_\_\_ Urban    \_\_\_ New Tech

Make checks payable to "Montana GIS Users Group", and send to 'GIS Conference', 1935 3rd Ave East, Kalispell Mt 59901. (406-758-5223).