Western Connecticut
COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Meeting of the
Western Connecticut Council of Governments Regional IT Working Group
April 18, 2017 – 1:30 p.m.
Teleconference & WestCOG Office,
1 Riverside Rd. Sandy Hook, CT

Notes

1. FEATURED SPEAKERS: Carl Zimmerman, WestCOG

   Carl provided an overview of the WestCOG Regional CAMA Feasibility Study. Preliminary results have shown that efficiencies may be limited through regionalizing CAMA service due to differences in size, price models, and assessment schedules.

   However, there are other opportunities to explore. There may be opportunities in inter-municipal sharing and COG services such as GIS mapping and data editing.

   Next steps include investigating efficiencies regarding automation.

   The final report will be available this August.

2. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

   • Jamie Dawson, WestCOG, has received information from 11 towns about their ArcGIS licensing. There are about 200 licenses in those towns adding up to over $1 million. He needs information from the remaining 7 towns to estimate buying power with ESRI. Regional licenses and a COG hosted server are possibilities in the future.

   • Regional GIS will go live Summer 2017.

   • The group discussed the Nutmeg Network and uncertainty regarding future rates. They also discussed its limitations regarding potential single points of failure.

3. INFORMATION ITEMS:

   • Next Meeting: 6/28, Bentley Solutions, WestCOG Offices and Teleconference