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**TO:** WVAGP Members

**RE:** Allied Membership for WVSPS

Dear WVAGP Members:

I am pleased to inform you that on 31 May 2011 the Board of Directors of the WV Association of Geospatial Professionals (WVAGP) approved a resolution that the WV Society of Professional Surveyors (WVSPS) become an allied member of the association. Consequently, the WVAGP Board is soliciting nominations from its membership to serve as the Liaison Representative between the two professional organizations. Please email me if you would like to nominate yourself or someone else to be the WVAGP Liaison Representative for the WVSPS.

As part of a reciprocal arrangement, the WVSPS has invited WVAGP to become an Institutional Affiliate as defined by their current Constitution. The WVSPS had designated James "Rick" Witte to be the Liaison Representative from WVSPS. Mr. Witte is an instructor at Glenville State College, Chairman of the GIS Committee, and also the WV representative to the National Society of Professional Surveyors.

We are looking forward to continuing our collaboration with the WVSPS on issues of similar interest. For example, presently both professional organizations are working together on LightSquared GPS interference concerns which could adversely impact the surveying and GIS communities in West Virginia.

Sincerely,



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**\* Resolution for Allied Membership \*\***

Whereas, in the past the WV Society of Professional Surveyors (WVSPS) and the WV Association of Geospatial Professionals (WVAGP) have collaborated together on issues of mutual interest such as the Map Disclaimer Policy and the NCEES Model Rules “Inclusions and Exclusions of Surveying Practice;” and

Whereas, the WVAGP wants to collaborate with the WVSPS on training opportunities; and

Whereas, the WVAGP wishes to coordinate with the WVSPS on advocacy issues of similar interest; and

Whereas, the WVAGP desires to have direct communications with the WVSPS and the WV Board of Professionals Surveyors, be it

**RESOLVED** that the WVSPS be granted a WVAGP Allied Membership.

**Further, be it RESOLVED** that the WVSPS leadership identify a member to act as a liaison between the two professional organizations.

**Further, be it RESOLVED** that the liaison receive a non-voting, paid membership as part of the WVAGP Allied Membership.