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MEMORANDUM

TO: George Bakolia, SCIO
Dempsey Benton, GICC Chair
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FROM: David McCoy 

SUBJECT: Geographic Information System (GIS) Study—House Bill 1473 Section 6.13.

The Office of State Budget and Management will be conducting a study on North Carolina's Geographic Information Systems as mandated by the General Assembly (attached). Highlights of the study are as follows:

Participants:

OSBM consulting with:
Center for Geographic Information & Analysis,
State Chief Information Officer,
Geographic Information Coordinating Council Chairman

Objectives:

- **Identify the development & use of Geographical Information Systems (GIS) in NC by State agencies.**
- **Identify the purpose of each system**
- **Determine if any duplication of effort across agencies including local/federal**
- **Assess completeness, timeliness & accessibility of the data available**
- **Determine the cost and staffing per system**
- **Determine the organizational location of each system**
- **Determine the hardware & software inventories associated with each system**
- **Assess current & potential benefits that GIS investments provide to the State**
- **Identify opportunities for the State to leverage federal / local support**

Recommendation:

- **Address governance, organization, & staffing of GIS across State agencies**
- **Address coherent & cost effective State investment strategy for GIS that leverages local & federal support and eliminates duplication of capabilities.**

To assist in the study and to ensure that your area's interests and views are represented, please provide Jim Dolan (jim.dolan@ncmail.net) with your key contact point(s) name, email address and phone number by August 31st, 2007. If you have any questions, you can reach Jim at 919-807-4775.

We look forward to working with your areas to complete this study. Thank you.

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