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Project Narrative

The State of Ohio sent the project leader to attend the 2010 Fifty States Initiative Strategic Planning workshop at the 2010 NSGIC mid-year conference in Annapolis, MD. Since that time we have been working through what has become a lengthy procurement process to obtain services from an independent contractor to help facilitate outreach meetings with stakeholder organizations, survey the user community and draft a preliminary strategic plan. The project lead has attended meetings with stakeholder groups including the OGRIP Council and the OGRIP Forum to provide information regarding the development process and provided a project update at the annual Ohio GIS conference explaining the planning effort and encouraging participation in the upcoming outreach meetings.

Next Steps

Once we are assured that the contracted services are in place we will be scheduling a series of outreach meetings with stakeholder groups identified by our collaborating partners. These meetings will be used to assess the needs and concerns of stakeholder groups regarding data sharing and development of the Ohio Spatial Data Infrastructure. We believe we will have the resources necessary to complete the planning process once our contracted services are in place.

Revised Timeline

Due to the protracted procurement process and resource availability we are behind our original timeline. With an estimated Oct 1st start date for the contractor we realize our timeline will likely need to be adjusted. A revised completion date will be determined once we have our contractor onboard and while every effort will be made to meet the original completion date there is a good chance we will need to request additional time in order to fully develop a comprehensive strategic plan.

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