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Re: Alaska Geospatial Council Letter of Support

Dear Mr. Mastrodicasa:

Resource Data, Inc. (RDI) is pleased to present this letter in support of the Alaska Geospatial Council (AGC) and its mission.

GIS is core to RDI's 28 years of project success. We started in 1986 building GIS systems and have continued to evolve with the technology and industry trends. With 190 staff and over 75 GIS professionals, we have supported public and private industry projects from Alaska to the Gulf of Mexico, as well as internationally in Japan, Chile, and the United Kingdom.

This breadth of experience has allowed RDI to identify first-hand the necessity of geospatial frameworks to support collaboration and informed decision-making. We have experienced the benefits a statewide geospatial framework effort has afforded other states as well as experienced the limitations of inconsistent and poor quality data in Alaska.

Therefore, we strongly support the AGC's efforts to develop policies and data standards to improve the sustainability, quality, and availability of geospatial information for the benefit of all Alaskans.

Sincerely,

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