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Richard Butgereit, GIS Administrator
Florida Statewide GIS Coordination Committee
Florida Division of Emergency Management
2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-2100

RE: Florida Strategic Plan for Statewide Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Coordination

Dear Mr. Butgereit:

After review of "Florida's Strategic Plan for Statewide Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Coordination," I am offering the Florida Division of Emergency Management's endorsement of the strategic plan.

Spatial data is critical to emergency preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation. This strategic plan offers agencies within the state an avenue to expand GIS coordination efforts for the collection of necessary data.

I wish to congratulate you and the steering committee for the careful thought and thoroughness that went into the development of the strategic plan. I wish you continued success as you proceed with the plan.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. Craig Fugate", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

W. Craig Fugate
Director

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