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2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
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RE: Florida's 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 wish to offer the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's endorsement of the strategic plan.

Spatial data is critical to environmental management, emergency planning, urban development, and the advancement of conservation needed to sustain our environmental goals in Florida. 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 care and thought that went into the development of the strategic plan and wish you success as you proceed.

Sincerely,

  
Michael W. Sole  
Secretary