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# NOTICE OF A MEETING

## REGIONAL DATA COACHES WORKING GROUP MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

# REMOTE MEETING May 15, 2025, 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

#### Welcome

#### **Discuss Outcome of Last Meeting**

The group had discussed how to utilize their time effectively, strategies for communication and engagement, and updates on the Office 365 groups for Data Coaches and GIS Coaches. Members and staff also discussed promoting future pop-up events and evaluating the current meeting cadence.

## O365 Groups Update

The GIS and Data listservs have 46 participants. The listserv information was shared at the RIDG meeting on May 14. Member Wilson confirmed his attendance at that event. An email was sent to all listserv participants on April 25 with a word cloud of titles and organizations, which some recipients did not notice due to it being an attachment.

Raj Roy reported that two new participants joined following the RIDG meeting, bringing the total to 48 participants. However, there has been minimal activity in the groups aside from a few emails. Members and staff discussed the purpose and future of these groups. Members agreed that while the groups were created to foster engagement, most participants were not active. Member Wilson shared his experience on other existing active Discord communities like OGRIP and the County Geospatial Association of Ohio, which have daily activity and over 100 members each. Members and staff acknowledged that more promotion and possibly social events might be needed to build familiarity and encourage participation.

#### **Outreach Update**

Raj reported that the Outreach Goal of sending a welcome email and sharing the groups at RIDG was completed. Members discussed the effectiveness of this outreach and considered it a positive step. They also reviewed the need to continue promoting the groups and planning for the next popup event.

#### **Meeting Cadence & Schedule**

Members and staff discussed the frequency of meetings, noting that the current three-week cadence may no longer be necessary. Members suggested moving to a monthly or bi-monthly schedule, as the urgency tied to launching the listserv groups had passed. Members and staff agreed to cancel the June 5 meeting due to scheduling conflicts and tentatively proposed July 10 as the next meeting date, pending confirmation from other Members.

William Murdock, AICP Executive Director Chris Amorose Groomes Chair Michelle Crandall Vice Chair **Ben Kessler** Secretary



Adjourn

Please notify Lynn Kaufman at 614-233-4189 or LKaufman@morpc.org to confirm your attendance for this meeting or if you require special assistance.

The next meeting of the Regional Data Coaches Working Group will be Thursday, June 5, 2025, 1.30 pm.

Please contact Raj Roy (rroy@morpc.org) with questions.

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission Remote Meeting

Regional Data Coaches Working Group Meeting

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<u>Members Present</u> Kristy Wedel, AlignAl Andrew Wilson, City of Hilliard <u>Staff Present</u> Lynn Kaufman Raj Roy