

## ***Announcement***

### **Lidar Survey Specifications Summit Meeting Bay St. Louis, MS, January 14 & 15, 2009**

The Lidar Survey Specifications Summit Meeting will be held on January 14 & 15, 2009 at the Hollywood Casino in Bay St. Louis Mississippi. The summit meeting is organized by the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), National Ocean and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), US Geological Survey (USGS), and the Naval Oceanographic Office (NAVO). The Joint Airborne Lidar Bathymetry Technical Center of Expertise (JALBTCX) is sponsoring the meeting.

**PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES:** The summit meeting will bring together key individuals from federal agencies to build consensus on and agree to use a set of common lidar specifications for ocean and coastal mapping. Workshop objectives include:

- Validate problems or challenges of the status quo.
- Provide an overview of current agency specifications and requirements.
- Identify priority areas for developing common survey specifications and discuss their impact.
- Build consensus on priorities on which to develop common specifications.
- Identify other priority areas for future development of common specifications.

**FORMAT:** The summit meeting will include discussions about current agency requirements and specifications for lidar collection and mapping activities. Small group tasks will focus on identifying priority areas and building consensus on common requirements or specifications. Action teams will frame requirements and specifications for priority areas. Large group activities and discussions will focus on addressing issues that may be potential barriers to success. The meeting will be professionally facilitated.

**PARTICIPATION:** 20 - 30 workshop participants will be invited, including:

- Federal agency representatives who have knowledge and experience that would contribute to the development of common specifications for lidar collection for ocean and coastal mapping.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Contact one of the Summit Meeting Planning Team Members

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