



# 2011 Nebraska GIS Symposium

*“Choose Your Path...”*



Embassy Suites Hotel & Conv. Center: La Vista, NE

April 19-21, 2011

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# An Invitation to Participate

The Nebraska GIS/LIS Association and the GIS Symposium Planning Committee cordially invite you to participate in the 2011 Nebraska GIS Symposium. The 7th Biennial Symposium will take place at the Embassy Suites Hotel & Convention Center in La Vista, NE from April 19th – 21st, 2011.

The Symposium Planning Committee is seeking breakout session presenters, breakout moderators, poster submissions, commercial and non-commercial exhibitors, and sponsors. Please visit our website for more info.

The Nebraska GIS Symposium makes its return to the Omaha area. Since it will be held in a well-placed, easy to access venue, we anticipate strong attendance from a broad array of GIS users. This symposium offers a unique opportunity to assemble the many diverse users of GIS within the state of Nebraska. We hope to build on the momentum gained from Symposium 2009 and ask that you help us provide a highly enriching GIS experience for the Nebraska GIS user.

-Symposium Planning Committee

## 2011 Symposium Planning Committee

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# Call for Sponsors

We invite your organization to become a co-sponsor of the 2011 Nebraska GIS Symposium. Sponsoring organizations have always helped to provide the foundation to assure that these Nebraska GIS Symposiums are quality educational events that attract GIS practitioners from throughout this region.

Sponsorship levels are as follows:

- **\$1000 – Premium level**
  - Includes 2 registrations, logo & blurb in conference materials, link to your website on Symposium site, 1/4 page ad in program, and marketing material in registration kit
- **\$350 – Basic level**
  - Includes 1 registration, logo & blurb in conference materials and website
- **\$400 – T-Shirt**
  - Places your logo on the T-Shirt given to all Symposium attendees

**For additional information or to become a sponsor, contact:**

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# Call for Papers

You are invited to participate as a speaker at the 2011 Nebraska GIS Symposium. The conference program will include 30+ sessions devoted to discussions of GIS applications and issues. Preliminary session topics include, but are not limited to: government applications, natural resources, agriculture, data and technology issues, private sector applications, education, social science applications, health, public safety, and homeland security. These 90 minute sessions will have one, two, or three speakers with each presenter being allotted 90, 45, or 30 minutes.

## Submission Guidelines

- If your company or department within an organization is submitting more than one presentation, please note the order of preference for consideration.
- People interested in making a presentation should submit the following information (preferably by e-mail):
  - Presentation Title (maximum 10 words)
  - Abstract (maximum 150 words)
  - Presenter name
  - Presenter title
  - Presenter organization
  - Presenter contact information (email and phone)

It is recommended that submissions be made by February 1st, 2011; however, presentations will be accepted for consideration until April 1st, 2011.

**Early Deadline: February 1st, 2011**

**Final Deadline: April 1st, 2011**

Send submissions to:

Randy Critzer

City of Bellevue

210 West Mission Ave

Bellevue, NE 68005

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# Call for Posters

## “Poster Pavilion/Map Gallery”

GIS users – you are invited to exhibit your work at the Poster Session held during the 2011 Nebraska GIS Symposium. This is an opportunity for you to present a poster demonstration of your GIS accomplishments. All selected entries will be provided with 4' x 8' poster boards for mounting hard copy maps.

Participants are encouraged to be available at the Poster Session on Wednesday afternoon to describe their work and to answer any questions. Participants must be registered for the 2011 Nebraska GIS Symposium. Special recognition will be given for the best poster presentations at the closing luncheon on Thursday.

### Abstracts regarding your entry must include:

- 1) Title of presentation
- 2) Presenter's name, title, organization, address, e-mail and/or URL and telephone/ fax number
- 3) Description of the topic. The deadline for abstracts is April 8th, 2011. You will be notified if your proposal has been selected for a presentation.

Please submit abstracts to:

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Nebraska Dept. of Roads  
1400 Hwy. 2  
Lincoln, NE 68509  
Phone: (402) 479-3871  
Fax: (402) 479-3884  
[ed.kelley@nebraska.gov](mailto:ed.kelley@nebraska.gov)

*NEW THIS YEAR – We are contemplating a move to a 'digital map gallery'. This allows for submissions of online maps, involves less overhead for space and set up time, and provides the potential for an 'unlimited' number of maps to be submitted. – Stay Tuned For Details*

# Call for Commercial Exhibitors

The 2011 Nebraska GIS Symposium will feature state-of-the-art exhibits where vendors of GIS related technologies will display the latest in GIS hardware, software, analytical techniques, and services. The vendor exhibition will provide Symposium participants with an excellent opportunity to discover new innovations in GIS technology and to ask specific questions related to hardware, software and services.

Exhibit charges for the 2011 Symposium are \$600 on or before March 18th, 2011 and \$750 thereafter. These fees include one 8' x 10' booth with a sign, table and chair, one complimentary symposium registration, and listings in the conference material.

Please note that space will be limited, so reserve your booth early. The vendor information sheet, exhibitor space application, and contract form are available online at <http://www.gislis.org>, or can be mailed to you.

We encourage exhibitors to become a sponsor of the symposium as well.

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# Call for Non-Commercial Exhibitors

Non-commercial organizations are invited to exhibit at the 2011 Nebraska GIS Symposium, April 19th – 21st, 2011 at the Embassy Suites Hotel & Convention Center in La Vista, Nebraska.

Noncommercial exhibits are \$400 on or before March 18th, 2011 and \$500 thereafter. These fees include one 8' x 10' booth with a sign, table and chair, one complimentary symposium registration, and listings in the conference material.

Please note that space will be limited, so reserve your booth early. The vendor information sheet, exhibitor space application, and contract form are available online at <http://www.gislis.org>, or can be mailed to you.

We welcome all interested groups and encourage exhibitors to become a sponsor of the symposium as well.

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# Registration Information

## Exhibitor Registration Available Now!

Online Exhibitor Registration will be available By January 3rd, 2011

**Individual Registration Available By January 3rd, 2011**

*Early Registration Ends March 18th, 2011*

Please visit [www.gislis.org](http://www.gislis.org) for more registration information. Online registration will be available, and we will be able to accept credit cards. The website registration process will enable you to register for the Symposium and produce a printable invoice for the registration fees. The registration fees are shown below:

Registration Type	Early*	Standard
Commercial Exhibitor (includes one registration)	\$600	\$750
Non-Commercial Exhibitor (includes one registration)	\$400	\$500
Exhibitor - Extra Person	\$200	\$250
Individual	\$200	\$250
Individual – One Day	\$100	\$125
Active Duty Military Personnel – Full Reg.	\$100	\$125
<u>Full-Time Student</u>	\$30	\$30

\*Early registration ends March 18th

### Past Exhibitors include:

Aerial Services, Inc.  
CALMIT  
Data Mapping Solutions  
Midland GIS Solutions  
ESRI  
Kucera International  
CompassTools  
Cornerstone Mapping  
Nebraska View  
GIS Workshop

FugroHorizons  
Pictometry  
Merrick & Company  
Latitude Geographics  
Azteca Systems  
Horizons, Inc.  
Western Air Mapping  
Applied Data Consultants  
USGS  
Nebraska Dept. Of Natural Resources

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# Preliminary Agenda

Tuesday, 4/19

7:30 AM	<b>Registration &amp; Breakfast</b>								
8:00 AM									
8:30 AM	<b>Booth Set-Up</b>	<b>Plenary Session: Gatsby Room</b>							
9:00 AM		<b>Keynote Speaker: TBD</b>							
9:30 AM		<b>Topic: TBD</b>							
10:00 AM		<b>Morning Break</b>							
10:30 AM			Breakout 1a	Breakout 1b	Breakout 1c				
11:00 AM									
11:30 AM									
12:00 PM	<b>Lunch - On Your Own</b>								
12:30 PM	<b>Exhibitor Move-In</b>								
1:00 PM		<b>Technical Session</b>	<b>Technical Session</b>	Breakout 2a	Breakout 2b	Breakout 2c			
1:30 PM									
2:00 PM									
2:30 PM		<b>Afternoon Break</b>							
3:00 PM				Breakout 3a	Breakout 3b	Breakout 3c			
3:30 PM									
4:00 PM									
4:30 PM									
5:00 PM	<b>Exhibit Hall Open</b>	<b>Vendor Reception: Exhibit Area</b>							
5:30 PM									
6:00 PM									
6:30 PM									
7:00 PM									
7:30 PM									

## Wednesday, 4/20

7:30 AM	<b>Registration &amp; Breakfast</b>					
8:00 AM						
8:30 AM	<b>Exhibit Hall Open</b>	<b>Technical Session</b>	<b>Technical Session</b>	Breakout 1a	Breakout 1b	Breakout 1c
9:00 AM				<b>Morning Break</b>		
9:30 AM						
10:00 AM				Breakout 2a	Breakout 2b	Breakout 2c
10:30 AM						
11:00 AM		<b>Lunch - Provided</b>				
11:30 AM		<b>GIS/LIS Association Business Meeting &amp; Awards Ceremony</b>				
12:00 PM						
12:30 PM						
1:00 PM						
1:30 PM	<b>Exhibit Hall Open</b>	<b>Technical Session</b>	<b>Technical Session</b>	Breakout 3a	Breakout 3b	Breakout 3c
2:00 PM				<b>Afternoon Break</b>		
2:30 PM						
3:00 PM		Breakout 4a	Breakout 4b	Breakout 4c		
3:30 PM						
4:00 PM						
4:30 PM						
5:00 PM	Move-Out	<b>Poster Session: West Lobby</b>				
5:30 PM						
6:00 PM						
6:30 PM	<b>Booths Removed</b>	<b>Sponsored Event - TBA</b>				
7:00 PM						
7:30 PM						
8:00 PM						
8:30 PM						
9:00 PM						

## Thursday, 4/21

7:30 AM	<b>Registration &amp; Breakfast</b>				
8:00 AM					
8:30 AM	<b>Technical Session</b>	<b>Technical Session</b>	Breakout 1a	Breakout 1b	Breakout 1c
9:00 AM					
9:30 AM			<b>Morning Break</b>		
10:00 AM			Breakout 2a	Breakout 2b	Breakout 2c
10:30 AM					
11:00 AM					
11:30 AM					
12:00 PM	<b>Lunch - Provided</b>				
12:30 PM	<b>Speaker: TBD</b>				
1:00 PM	<b>Topic: TBD</b>				
1:30 PM			Breakout 3a	Breakout 3b	Breakout 3c
2:00 PM					
2:30 PM					
3:00 PM	<b>Symposium Ends</b>				

**\*\*\* All schedule items are subject to change. \*\*\***

**Check the website for the most up to date information and schedule.**

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# Lodging Information

Conference rates are available on hotel rooms at Embassy Suites (mention the Nebraska GIS Symposium when making reservations).

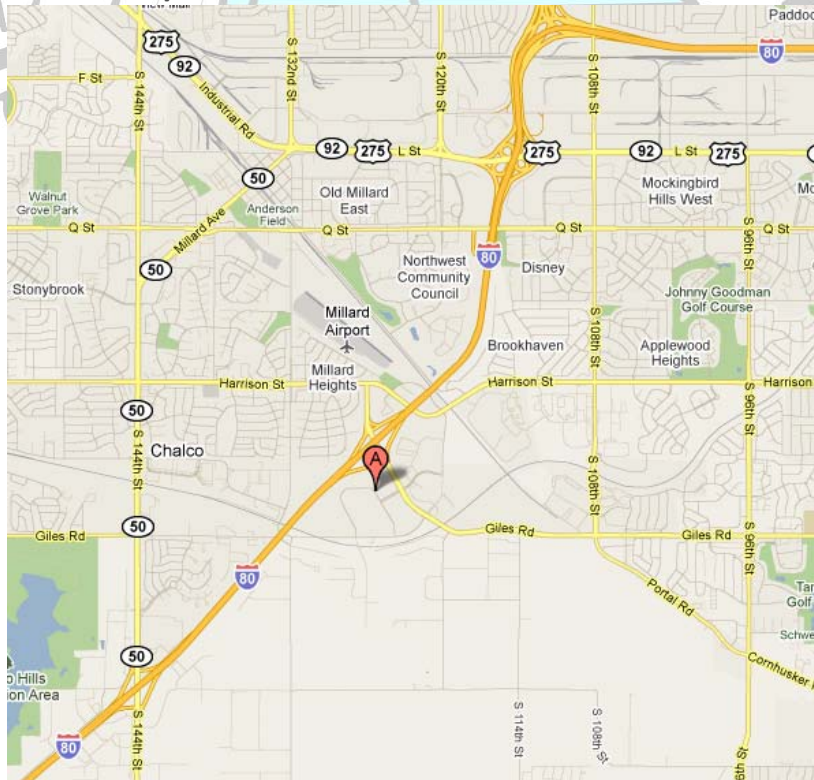
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12520 Westport Parkway  
La Vista, NE 68128  
Phone: (402) 331-7400  
[EmbassySuites.Hilton.com](http://EmbassySuites.Hilton.com)

NE GIS/LIS has a block of rooms held at **\$119/night** (excl. taxes)

***\*\*\*Our room block will be released on March 25, 2011 - Book Early!\*\*\****

There is a dedicated link to reserve your room on the Symposium web site and the Symposium page of [gislis.org](http://gislis.org)

The Embassy Suites is located on the Southwest corner of Interstate 80 and Giles Road (I-80 Exit 422)



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