



2017 Nebraska  
GIS Symposium  
*"Location Matters"*



Embassy Suites Conference Center – La Vista, NE

April 25-27, 2017

For complete Symposium information and updates, visit us online at [www.gislis.org](http://www.gislis.org)

# An Invitation to Participate

The Nebraska GIS/LIS Association and the GIS Symposium Planning Committee cordially invite you to participate in the 2017 Nebraska GIS Symposium. The 10th Biennial Symposium will take place at the Embassy Suites Conference Center in La Vista, Nebraska from April 25th – 27th, 2017.

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 heads back to La Vista. This symposium offers a unique opportunity to assemble the many diverse users of GIS within the state of Nebraska. We hope to beat the expectations stemming from Symposium 2015 and ask that you help us provide a highly enriching experience for the Nebraska GIS user. Volunteer and make *YOUR* Symposium the best yet!

-Symposium Planning Committee

## 2017 Symposium Planning Committee

Conference Chair – Eric Herbert – Sarpy County GIS

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# Call for Sponsors

We invite your organization to become a sponsor of the 2017 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, listing in conference materials, link to your website on Symposium site, placement in program, and marketing material in registration kit
- **\$350 – Basic level**
  - Includes 1 registration, listing 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:**

Jeff McReynolds  
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## **Past sponsors include:**

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# Call for Presenters

You are invited to participate as a speaker at the 2017 Nebraska GIS Symposium. The conference program will include 40+ 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 60 minute sessions will have one or two speakers with each presenter being allotted 30 or 60 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, 2017; however, presentations will be accepted for consideration until April 7th, 2017.

**Early Deadline: February 1st, 2017**

**Final Deadline: April 7th, 2017**

Send submissions to:

Travis Talbitzer

HDR Engineering

Phone: (402) 926-7165

[Travis.Talbitzer@hdrinc.com](mailto:Travis.Talbitzer@hdrinc.com)

# Call for Posters

## “Digital Project Showcase”

GIS users – you are invited to exhibit your work at the Project Showcase held during the 2017 Nebraska GIS Symposium. This is an opportunity for you to present a demonstration of your GIS projects and findings. All selected entries will be presented on an overhead screen for all to see.

Participants will be given the opportunity on Wednesday morning to present their work and to answer any questions. Projects will also be displayed at other times during the Symposium. Special recognition will be given for the best presentations at the awards session during Lunch Wednesday.

Participants must be registered for the 2017 Nebraska GIS Symposium.

### Abstracts regarding your entry must include:

- 1) Title and description of presentation
- 2) Presenter's name, title, organization, address, e-mail and/or URL and telephone/ fax number
- 3) Image of the map (.jpg format)

The deadline for abstracts is April 9th, 2017.

Please submit abstracts to:

Paul Hunt  
UNO – Geography Dept  
6001 Dodge St  
Omaha, NE 68182  
Phone: (402) 554-3876  
[phunt@unomaha.edu](mailto:phunt@unomaha.edu)

### ***CONTINUED THIS YEAR –***

#### Digital Project Showcase Presentation Session

Participants will be given the opportunity to present their submission in a “lightning round” format breakout session (see Wednesday’s schedule). Participants wishing to submit an entry for review will submit the work in digital format, preferably as “JPG” images, together with submission info and email them to Paul Hunt. *Due to size restrictions email attachments should be less than 25 MB in size.*

Contact Paul for larger file sizes and any other questions.

**Complete showcase information can be found at [www.gislis.org/posters.html](http://www.gislis.org/posters.html)**

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# Call for Commercial Exhibitors

The 2017 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 2017 Symposium are \$600 on or before March 24th, 2017 and \$800 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 2017 Nebraska GIS Symposium, April 25th – 27th, 2017 at the Embassy Suites Conference Center in La Vista, Nebraska.

Non-commercial exhibits are \$400 on or before March 24th, 2017 and \$525 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 9th, 2017

**Individual Registration Available By January 9th, 2017**

*Early Registration Ends March 24th, 2017*

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	\$800
Non-Commercial Exhibitor (includes one registration)	\$400	\$525
Exhibitor – Extra Person	\$150	\$200
Individual	\$200	\$275
Individual – One Day	\$100	\$125
<b><i>Full-Time</i></b> Student (Undergrad/MA level)	\$30	\$30

\*Early registration ends March 24th

### **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, 4/25

7:30am - 8:30am	Registration & Breakfast					
8:30am - 10:00am	Booth Set-Up	Plenary Session				
15 min		Morning Break				
10:15am - 11:15am		Breakout 1a	Breakout 1b	Breakout 1c	Breakout 1d	
11:30am - 1:00pm	Exhibitor Move-In	Lunch - Keynote Speaker				
1:00pm - 2:00pm		Breakout 2a	Breakout 2b	Breakout 2c	Breakout 2d	
15 min		Break				
2:15pm - 3:15pm		Technical Session	Breakout 3a	Breakout 3b	Breakout 3c	Breakout 3d
15 min			Break			
3:30pm - 4:30pm			Breakout 4a	Breakout 4b	Breakout 4c	Breakout 4d
4:30pm - 6:30pm	Vendor Reception: Exhibit Area					

# Wednesday, 4/26

7:30am - 8:30am	Registration & Breakfast					
8:30am - 9:30am	Exhibit Hall Open	Technical Session	Breakout 5a	Breakout 5b	Breakout 5c	Breakout 5d
15 min			Break			
9:45am - 10:45am			Breakout 6a	Breakout 6b	Project Showcase Presentations	
15 min			Break			
11:00am - 12:00pm			Breakout 7a	Breakout 7b	Project Showcase Presentations	
12:00pm - 1:30pm		Lunch - GIS/LIS Business Meeting & Awards				
1:30pm - 2:30pm		Technical Session	Breakout 8a	Breakout 8b	Breakout 8c	Breakout 8d
15 min			Break			
2:45pm - 3:45pm			Breakout 9a	Breakout 9b	Breakout 9c	Breakout 9d
15 min			Break			
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Breakout 10a		Breakout 10b	Breakout 10c	Breakout 10d	
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Move-Out					

Thursday, 4/27

7:30am - 8:30am	Registration & Breakfast					
8:30am - 9:30am	Exhibit Hall Closed	Technical Session	Breakout 11a	Breakout 11b	Breakout 11c	Breakout 11d
15 min			Break			
9:45am - 10:45am			Breakout 12a	Breakout 12b	Breakout 12c	Breakout 12d
15 min			Break			
11:00am - 12:00pm			Breakout 13a	Breakout 13b	Breakout 13c	Breakout 13d

**\*\*\* 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

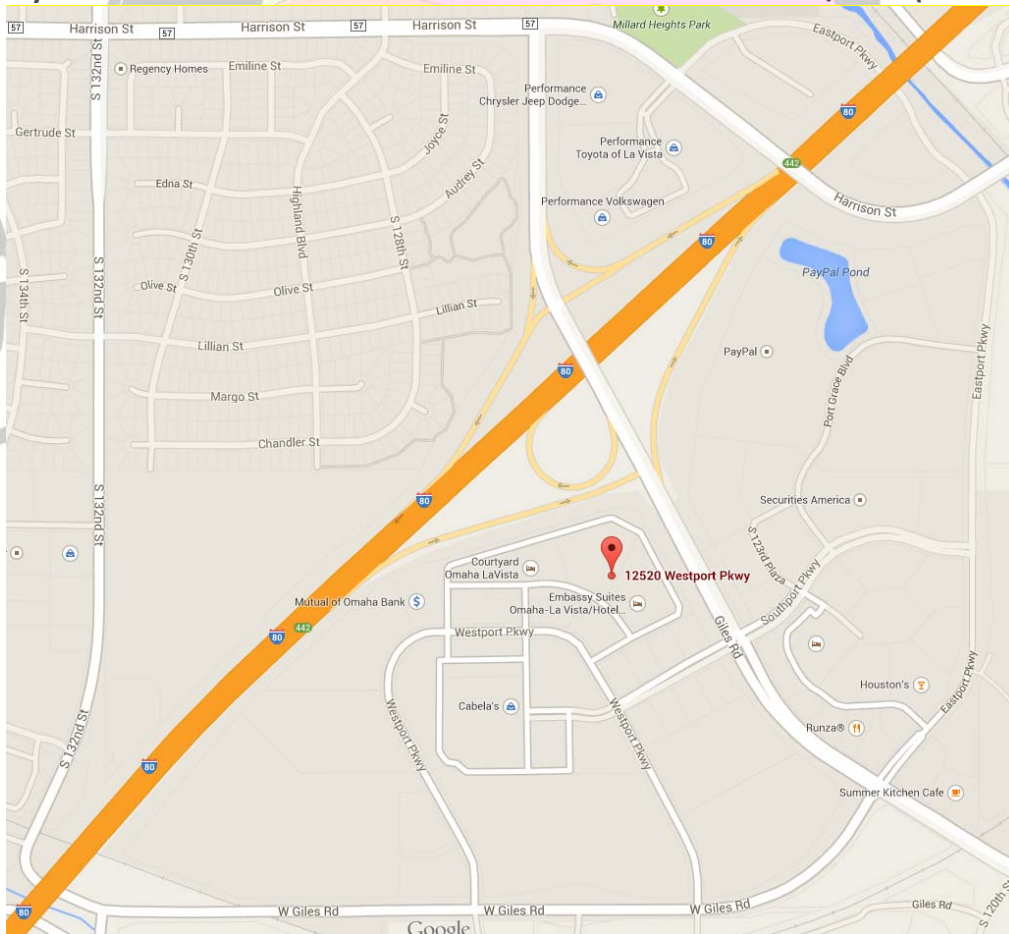
Conference rates are available on hotel rooms at the Embassy Suites  
***Be sure to mention the Nebraska GIS Symposium when making reservations***

Embassy Suites  
12520 Westport Parkway  
La Vista, NE 68128  
Phone: (402) 331-7400

NE GIS/LIS has a block of rooms held at **\$139 per night** (excl. taxes)  
Book here: [http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/O/OMAESES-GIS-20170424/index.jhtml?WT.mc\\_id=POG](http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/O/OMAESES-GIS-20170424/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG)

**\*\*\* Our room block will be released on March 25, 2017 - Book Early! \*\*\***

Embassy Suites is located on the Southwest corner of I-80 and 126<sup>th</sup>/Giles (I-80 Exit 442)



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