



Washington State Geographic Information Council

WHAT DOES YOUR MEMBERSHIP TO WAGIC PROVIDE TO YOUR ORGANIZATION?

Your contribution along with the other volunteer donations helps fund the operations and outreach that WAGIC does with the counties, federal and state governmental entities. This coordination helps further our cross coordination and access to valuable data that we need to do our jobs and perform major business functions within our organizations. Without these ties then coordinating access to valuable, federal, state and county data (imagery, parcels, address files etc.) would be that much more difficult.

- How is the money spent - what kind of things does it cover?
It covers:
 - *WebEx monthly subscription* - used during GIT & WAGIC quarterly meetings & special meetings like Statewide Imagery Acquisition
 - *Kerika collaboration tool* – used during projects like WAMAS, NE County Aggregation Project, Standards adoption (see list on OCIO Geospatial website)
 - *Secure Box storage*– provided unlimited data hosting capacity. Data provided by the counties that help make it easier for the agencies to access their data in one shared location. The data is also aggregated into statewide coverages that agencies like yours use e.g. parcels, city/uga, trails which are processed and assembled by ECY, OFM & OCIO
 - *National States Geographic Information Council (NSGIC)* - attendance at the NSGIC mid-year and annual meetings by the WAGIC Chair
 - *Special Projects* - funds help with special projects that the committee chooses to undertake on behalf of the state --the last two special projects included the State GIS Strategic Plan and review of all the state GIS standards and policies

- Do all other state agencies that use the Geospatial Portal pay the annual WAGIC fee?
No, this is voluntary and the number of agency contributions received has changed over time. There are 11 or 12 core GIS agencies that contribute.

- Is it the same amount for each agency?
No, this is up to the agencies. Typically the larger agencies have contributed more than the smaller ones. We have some contributing at \$4000/year while others are at \$500/year.