

**PUBLIC LAND GEOGRAPHIC DATA AMENDMENTS**

2023 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill makes changes to the State Geographic Information Database.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

► requires the Utah Geospatial Resource Center to make available online certain information about publicly owned land.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**63A-16-506**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 333 and renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 344

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **63A-16-506** is amended to read:

**63A-16-506. State Geographic Information Database.**

(1) There is created a State Geographic Information Database to be managed by the center.



- 28 (2) The database shall:
- 29 (a) serve as the central reference for all information contained in any GIS database by
- 30 any state agency;
- 31 (b) serve as a clearing house and repository for all data layers required by multiple
- 32 users;
- 33 (c) serve as a standard format for geographic information acquired, purchased, or
- 34 produced by any state agency;
- 35 (d) include an accurate representation of all civil subdivision boundaries of the state;
- 36 and
- 37 (e) for each public highway, as defined in Section 72-1-102, in the state, include an
- 38 accurate representation of the highway's centerline, physical characteristics, and associated
- 39 street address ranges.

40 (3) The center shall, in coordination with municipalities, counties, emergency  
 41 communications centers, and the Department of Transportation:

- 42 (a) develop the information described in Subsection (2)(e); and
- 43 (b) update the information described in Subsection (2)(e) in a timely manner after a
- 44 county recorder records a final plat.

45 (4) The center, in coordination with county assessors and metropolitan planning  
 46 organizations:

- 47 (a) shall inventory existing housing units and their general characteristics within each
- 48 county of the first or second class to support infrastructure planning and economic
- 49 development in each of those counties; and
- 50 (b) may inventory existing housing units and their general characteristics within one or
- 51 more counties of the third, fourth, fifth, or sixth class to support infrastructure planning and
- 52 economic development in one or more of those counties.

53 (5) (a) The center shall, in coordination with the Governor's Office of Planning and  
 54 Budget and county assessors, annually compile a statewide GIS database of all  
 55 government-owned property parcels in internet-accessible, searchable, and map format.

56 (b) The database described in Subsection (5)(a) shall include a parcel's:

- 57 (i) ~~number;~~ number, if available; ~~owner;~~
- 58 (ii) owner;

59            (iii) location; and

60            (iv) size.

61            [~~5~~] (6) Each state agency that acquires, purchases, or produces digital geographic  
62 information data shall:

63            (a) inform the center of the existence of the data layers and their geographic extent;

64            (b) allow the center access to all data classified public; and

65            (c) comply with any database requirements established by the center.

66            [~~6~~] (7) At least annually, the State Tax Commission shall deliver to the center  
67 information the State Tax Commission receives under Section [67-1a-6.5](#) relating to the creation  
68 or modification of the boundaries of political subdivisions.

69            [~~7~~] (8) The boundary of a political subdivision within the State Geographic  
70 Information Database is the official boundary of the political subdivision for purposes of  
71 meeting the needs of the United States Bureau of the Census in identifying the boundary of the  
72 political subdivision.