GIS in the Field: A Path to Increasing Efficiency

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Agenda

- 1. Define GIS and GPS
- 2. What are ArcGIS and ArcCollector?
- 3. I-69 Section 6 Data Collection Example
- 4. Standardize Typical Field Data Collection
- 5. Beyond These Examples





GIS – Geographic Information Systems Geographic representation of data

System used to view, store, manipulate, analyze, manage, and query spatially located <u>data</u>.



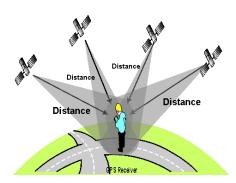
Not Just a Map!!





1. GIS and GPS

GPS – Global Positioning System Way to determine location in the world



System used to record and display Iocation data.

What is ArcGIS?

- Software created by ESRI, Inc.
- Used by the state
- Used by some counties
- Used by many consultants

Desktop version

Works offline with locally stored information but allows access to information published on servers available through the internet







What is ArcGIS?

Online version

- Work through a web portal with files published online
- Internet connection required
- Create, use and/or share data
- Work stored on ESRI's server or on local ArcGIS servers
- Requires organization login





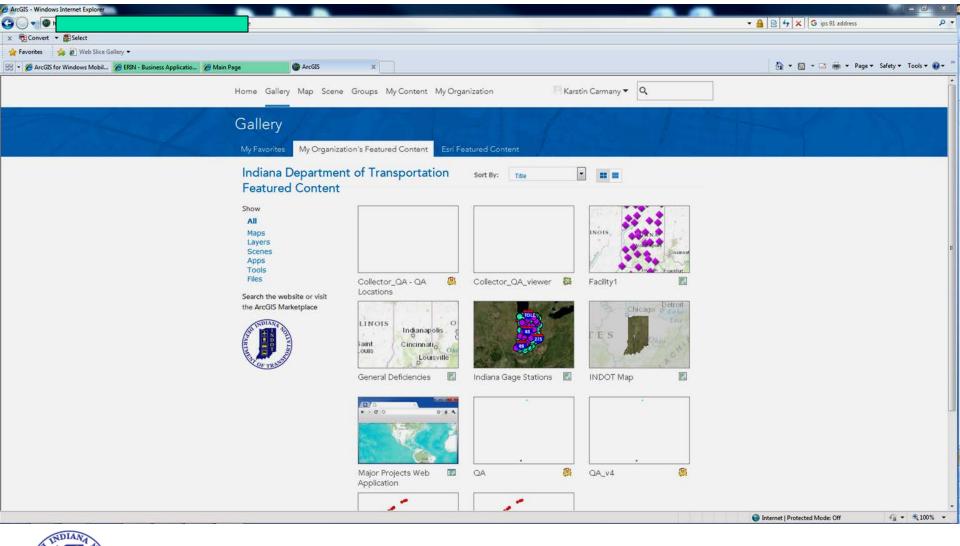


Organizational Accounts

- Purchase of ArcGIS Desktop
 - Administered by Organizational Administrator
- Purchase Online Account







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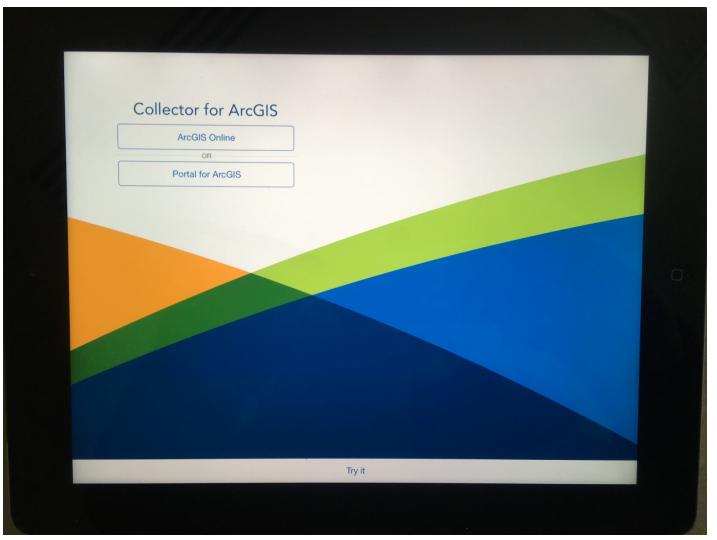


- What is ArcCollector?
 - Extends ArcGIS to the field for data collection
 - Free App available for IOS[®], Android[®], and Windows[®]
 - Use ArcGIS online login to access organizations map projects













Advantage to ArcCollector

- Mobility
- Secure
- Real-time data storage on the cloud
- Attach photos to points on a map
- Seamless tie into ArcGIS

Disadvantage

 Requires advanced version of ArcGIS to manipulate collected data on the desktop, can still be viewed as read-only data with basic and standard versions





Windshield Surveys

Goals:

- Determine type and number of buildings within/near each reasonable alternative of I-69 Section 6
- Identify other features of interest
 Unmapped waterways, wetlands, utilities, haz mat issues

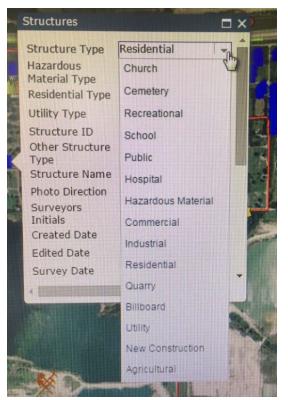




Process

1. Create data in ArcGIS Desktop

Standardization – Data was input using pre-set domains (drop-down menus).



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Process

1. Create data in ArcGIS Desktop

- 1. Agricultural
- 2. Commercial
- 3. Industrial
- 4. Public
- 5. Residential
- 6. Church
- 7. Hospital
 - Recreational

- 9. New Construction
- 10. Billboard
- 11. Cemetery
- 12. Hazardous Material
- 13. Quarry
- 14. School
- 15. Utility



Process

1. Create data in ArcGIS Desktop

Pre-populated information:

Structure type

- Commercial Name of Business
- Hazardous Materials Recorded hazard





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2. Identify Other Files to View in Field

- Streams
- Wetlands
- Notice of Survey Mailing Areas





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3. Publish Layers to ArcGIS Online

- Publish out of Desktop to local server
- Add layers to ArcGIS Online via web URL to local server's feature services

4. Download ArcCollector apps

Access ArcGIS On-line Gallery from ArcCollector
 Run app on-line or off-line





Process

5. Test Run

Identify other needs:

A. Point and line files needed for utilities

B. Business Rules

- Take pictures of commercial, industrial, recreational properties
- No pictures of residential properties, utilities or billboards





Process

6. Collect Data

Run app online or offline

Online = Leave on cellular data

Live updates to ArcGIS server

Don't need to download AOI

Sucks battery life—2-3 hrs on full charge

Slows down the collection process

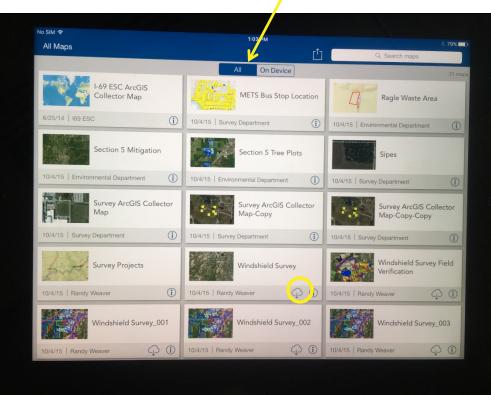
Offline = Turn off cellular data

Save battery life (relative term)—4-5.5 hours on full charge



Limited to pre-downloaded AOI

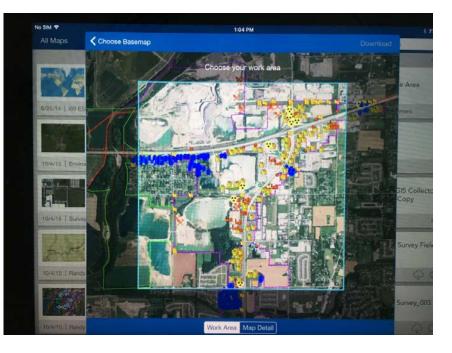






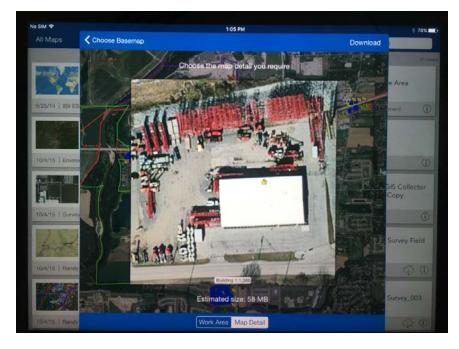


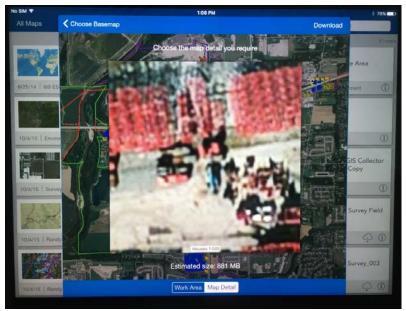
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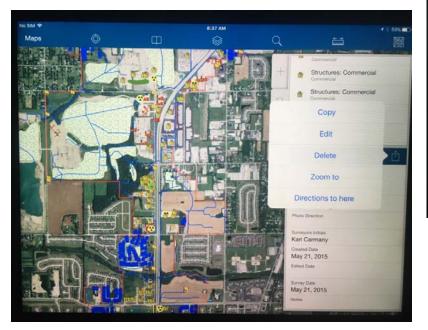


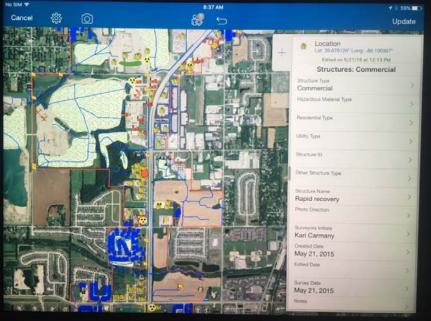
















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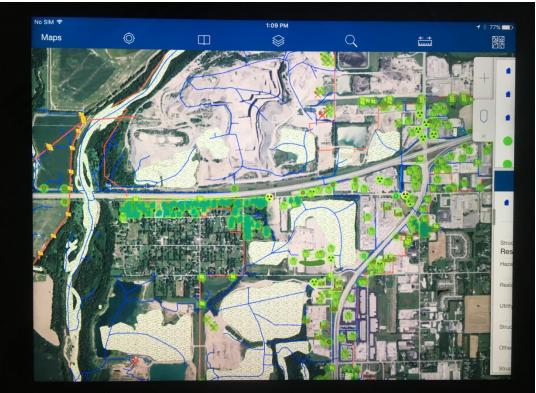
Visual way to indicate points have been field verified





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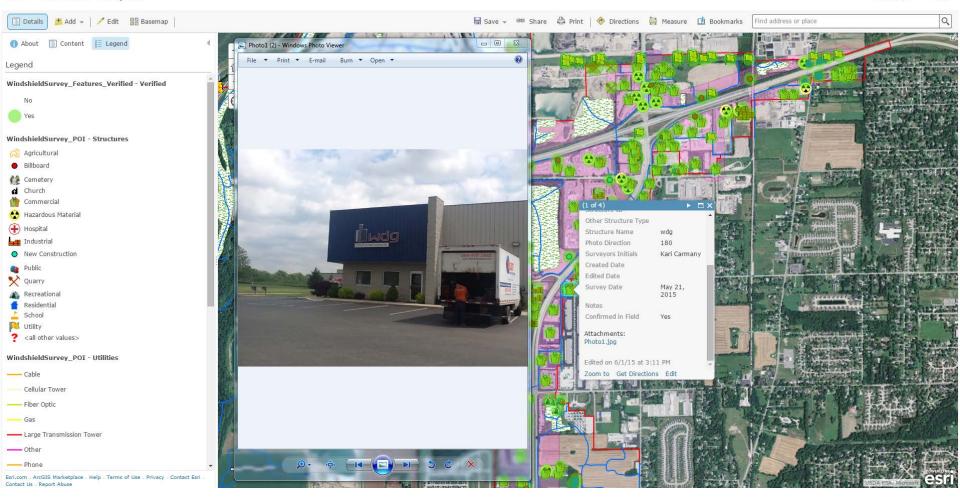




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6. Collect Data

Additional Needs:

Stand alone picture point file

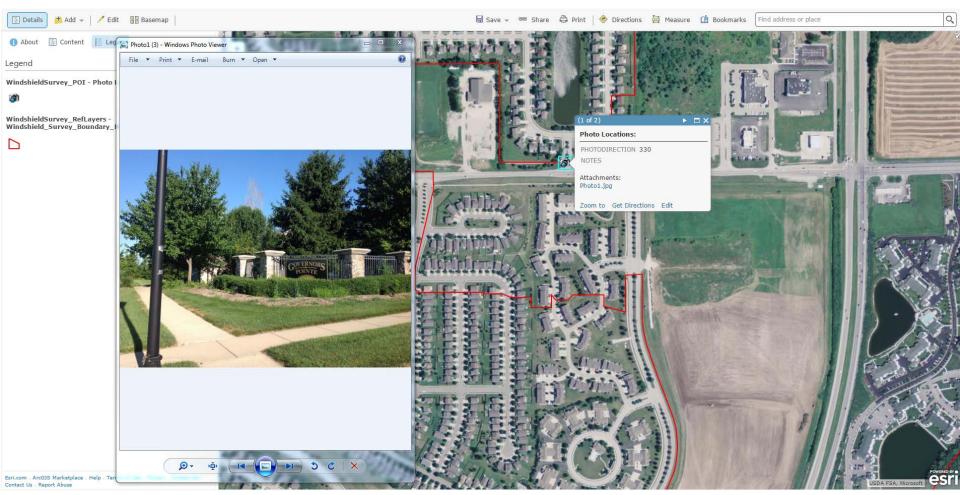




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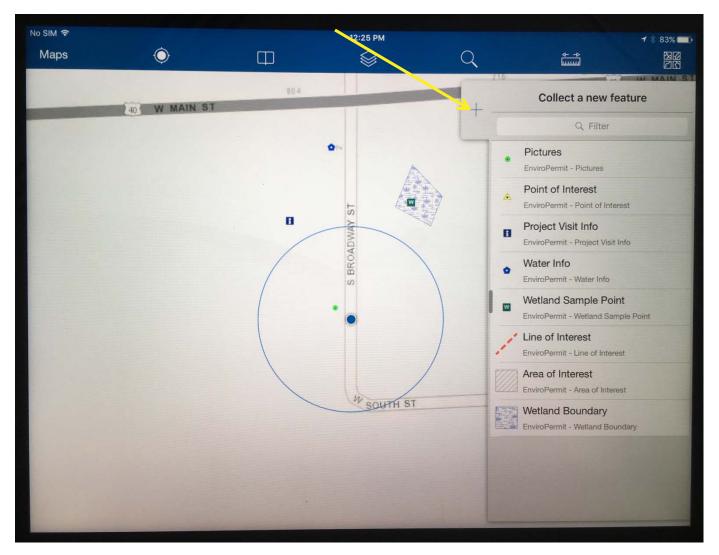
Why?:

- Standardize method, type, and storage of data collection
- Real-time server back-up
- Share data real-time
- Paperless, readable, organized notes
- Ensure collection of all relevant data



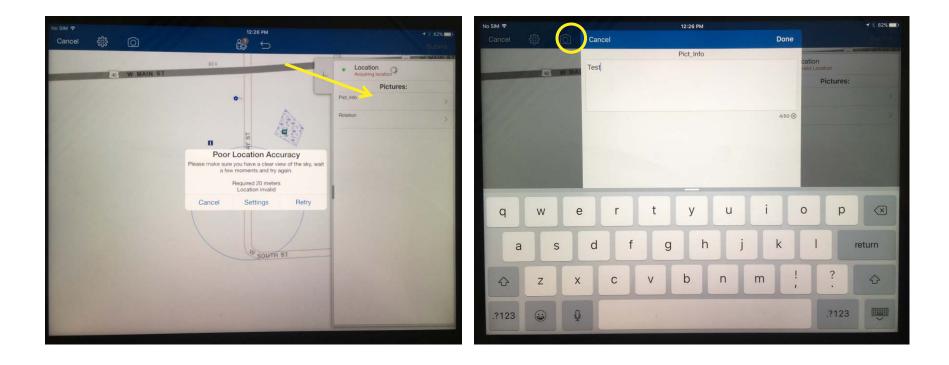






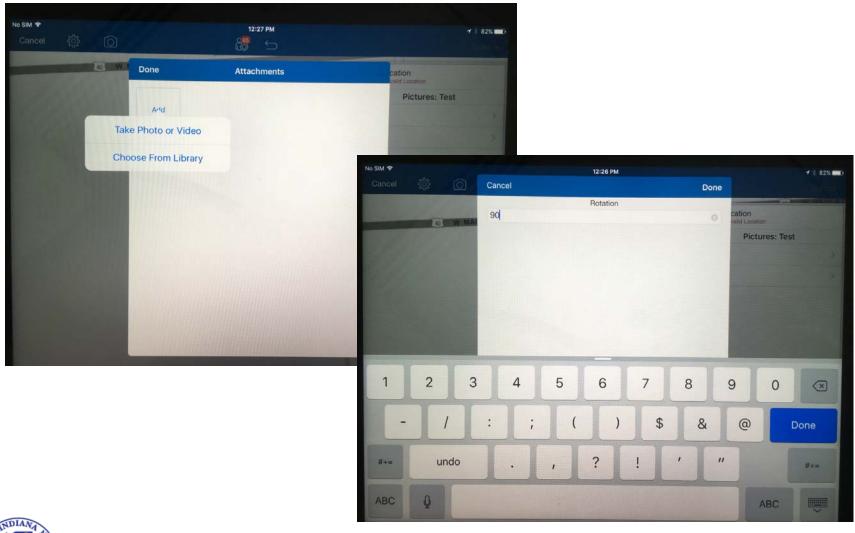






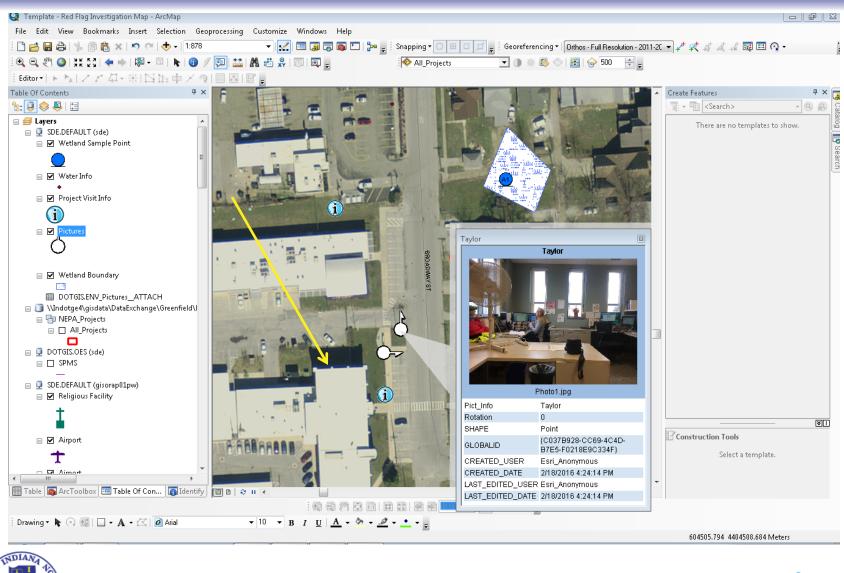






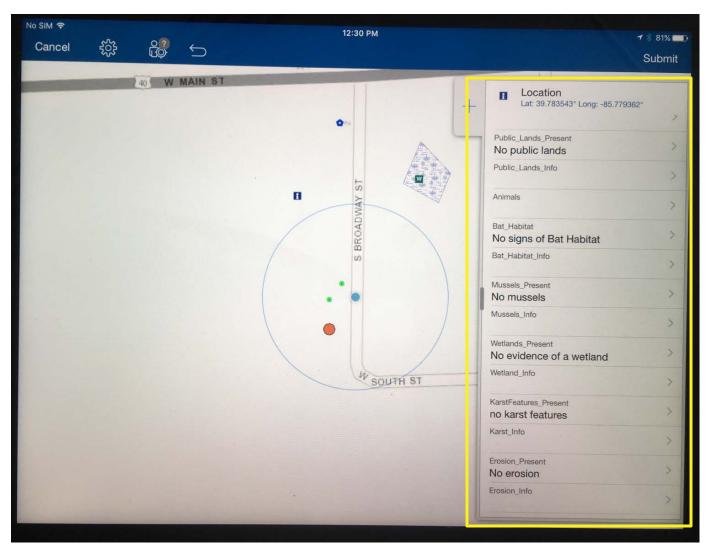
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Types of Environmental Data Collected

- 1. Wetland Sample Points sub-meter
- 2. Wetland Boundaries sub-meter
- 3. Photos Points 3-5 meters
- 4. Stream Information 3-5 meters
- 5. Environmental Project Information 3-5 meters

Site and surrounding property description, flora and fauna in the project area, hazmat, karst, parks, schools, hospitals, unique features, site photos, etc.





Types of Environmental Data

6. Generic Data Collection File Environmental Point of Interest Environmental Line of Interest Environmental Polygon of Interest





5. Beyond These Examples

Other Applications Utilities

- Pictures
- Preliminary Locations of Utilities
- Marking Approx. Locals Field Confirmed Locates

Greenfield Utility Coordinator:

"For the utility side, I can see coordinators using this application for field verification of utilities, placing pole numbers on objects, placing One Call Information on the drawing, placing attributes such as company, size of line, type of line (phone, electric, gas, etc), general notes that will be automatically added to the file. This will eliminate the possibility of losing information between the field and the office."





5. Beyond These Examples

Other Applications Railroads

- Pictures
- Inspection Data Collection for Crossings
- Create layer with data set for this purpose





Questions?





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