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SURVEYING AND MAPPING COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE NEWS BULLETIN

2011 USACE Geospatial Community of Practice Technical Meeting:

Come join us in the Big Easy for the 2011 Geospatial Community of Practice Technical Meeting

When: October 18-20, 2011

Where: New Orleans Marriott - 555 Canal Street · New Orleans, Louisiana 70130 · Phone: 504-581-1000

Cost: The registration fee (\$185/person) is needed to pay for the meeting rooms, A/V equipment, etc.
(Registration fee: \$200 after Oct 8th)

Contact Joe Scolari at 609-374-0263 or cop-jvs3@comcast.net to register. Visa, Master Card, or Discover can be used. JVS3 is also CCR registered so purchase orders can be accepted. Please make contact early if a PO is used. For additional information contact Joe Scolari at 609-374-0263

Per Diem:

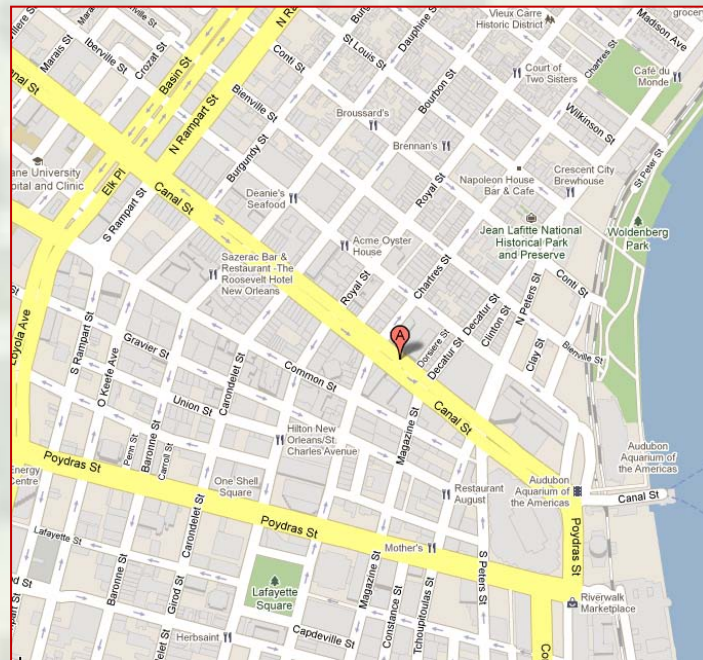
- Max Lodging: \$TBD* (JTR FY11 rate is \$131)
- M&I: \$TBD* (JTR FY11 rate is \$71)

* The hotel will adjust the room rate to match the lodging rate effective during the event. The Government rate is available to all attendees. The room rate is available from October 16 to 22 for those who require additional travel time or wish to enjoy the New Orleans atmosphere.

You can use the web link www.marriott.com to make your reservations online or call the hotel reservation office at 888-364-1200 and indicate that you are attending the "US Army Corps of Engineers Meeting" to receive the group rate. The cutoff date for the group rate is Monday, September 26, 2011 at 5pm Central time. We have 54 rooms on Sunday, 125 rooms Monday to Thursday and 44 rooms on Friday night.

The hotel does not provide shuttle service

- Alternate transportation: Airport Shuttle; fee: \$20.00 (one way) ; reservation required
- Estimated taxi fare: 33.00 USD (one way)
- They will charge you to park your suburban! CoP members should receive a 25% discount.



**Our Partners:**

When sponsored by a district, our partners (contractors) are invited to attend. Please have your district's DDC or GD&S POC contact [Huber, Mark W AGC](#) to submit the name, email address, firm, and justification.

Papers/Reports/Discussions will only be accepted from USACE personnel; however contributions or co-authored items by our partners are acceptable. Please, no content that may be deemed as advertising. This is a technical meeting, not a conference.

General Meeting Agenda

Monday 0800 - 1200: Optional Bus tour of New Orleans or a trip to the Stennis Space Center – Home of the Naval Oceanographic office. The bus tour and Stennis visit costs are in addition to the standard registration fee and will be based upon interest. So please contact [Joe](#) if you are interesting in attending.

Tuesday 0800-1700: Geospatial CoP general meeting

Wednesday 0800-1700: breakout meetings for GIS, Hydrographic Surveying, and Topographic Surveying.

Thursday 0800-1500: breakout meetings for GIS, Hydrographic Surveying, and Topographic Surveying cont.

Thursday 1530-1630: Meeting wrap-up meeting

Detailed information will be distributed by e-mail once the technical committee finalizes the specific meeting agenda.

Meetings scheduled for three sub-CoPs:

- Geographic Information Systems
- Hydrographic Surveying
- Topographic Surveying

These groups will be holding their breakout meetings on Wed and Thursday.

Creating a new LiDAR sub-CoP

Join up if you're interested in sharing experiences, knowledge, and keeping up with this rapidly evolving technology. Contact [Finnegan, David ERDC-CRREL-NH](#) for additional information.

Facilitators Needed For Discussions:

Are you willing to host a topic of discussion? Please complete the [CoP Meeting Form](#) and indicate your Topic and description/agenda. This will help us to structure the meeting in the most efficient manner.