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To: CCGISC Policy Committee
From: Leanne Brehob-Riley, GIS Director
Date: April 19, 2024
Re: Policies & Rules of Engagement for Third Party Access

Member agencies are entering into contractual agreements with third party consultants to act as their agency's GIS professional. Currently, the Consortium does not have any specific policies or "rules of engagement" to allow third parties direct access to CCGISC data and/or infrastructure. There are risks associated to such access. In addition, the County has concerns since the CCGISC infrastructure is hosted on its network.

Primary concerns are infrastructure load specifically related to the consumption of publicly shared services and database overloads, CCGISC data policy violations, network security, and the access and release of proprietary data. Negative ramifications resulting from these items could impact all the member agencies.

It is proposed CCGISC staff will work with County IT and legal counsel to draft policies and "rules of engagement" to be presented for approval at the July 19th CCGISC Policy Committee meeting. The policies and rules need to protect the interests of the Consortium, limit the risk to the County yet allow a *reasonable* level of access. Any adopted polices/rule would be incorporated into subsequent agreements between CCGISC, the member agency, and the consultant. Based on the level of risk, it seems reasonable to develop policies that include monetary penalties of violation.

Due to the aggressive timeframe, it may be necessary to hold a special CCGISC Policy Committee meeting in early to mid-June to receive additional input and direction.