

**GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS OFFICE (472)**

**FISCAL YEAR 2018**

**As Enacted by Act 82 of 2017**

**I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES**

**MISSION**

The Arkansas Geographic Information Office is responsible for coordinating the development and maintenance of geographic information systems (GIS) data through the state. The office coordinates with all levels of government, private and non-profit sectors to reduce duplication of effort, operating GeoStor, Arkansas' GIS clearinghouse which provides parcel mapping for assessors, aerial photography, land surveying of facilities, utilities and natural resources (land, water, oil, wildlife, gas, forestry). The road centerline file program is used to locate people, places and events along the roads by correlating them to a physical address and is used to assist with education, E9-1-1 offices/disaster and emergency response, economic development opportunities, digital flood mapping, and other statewide geographically linked information such as school boundaries and political districts. The system is also used to drive the state's Streamlined Sales Tax database that supports distribution of county and city sales tax. The Arkansas Geographic Information Office was created by Act 1250 of the 83<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly. The 87th General Assembly established the office as a standalone agency.

The authorized appropriation includes the appropriation and the positions transferred from the Division of Land Surveys within the Agriculture Department to the Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Office by Type 2 transfer effective in FY2016.

**TOTAL APPROPRIATION**

The total appropriation for FY2018 is \$3,459,076.

**FUNDING SOURCE**

The appropriations for the Arkansas Geographic Information Office are funded with general revenue, federal revenue, and trust funds generated by payments/transfers from local governments and state agencies.

**II) CHANGE LEVEL REQUESTS**

**OPERATIONS (APPROPRIATION 56Y)**

This appropriation provides for the operations of the agency and is funded by general revenue. The total appropriation is \$1,275,776 in FY2018, an increase of \$127,907 over base level with the following changes:

- Regular Salaries** increases by \$90,754 for two (2) new Senior GIS Analysts.
- Extra Help** increases by \$6,463 for data entry on corner records from information gathered by the State Surveyor of the Division of Land Surveys.
- Personal Services Matching** increases by \$30,690 for two (2) new Senior GIS Analysts and extra help.

**III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS (Total Authorized Positions FY2017: 10)**

Total Authorized Positions FY2018: 12

Total Base Level Positions: 10

Increase/(Decrease) from Base Level: 2

Extra Help Positions FY2018: 1 (Base Level Extra Help: 0)

[Agency adds two Senior GIS positions (C124) that are currently performing work under contract that is paid by DFA for staff augmentation]

**IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE**

**\*LANGUAGE TO BE DELETED\* TRANSFER OF CARRY FORWARD:** Agency may carry forward balance in Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account to the next fiscal year. Funds will be transferred to the Geographic Information Systems Fund to support operations of the Arkansas Spatial Data Infrastructure. Agency shall submit written statement to DFA Office of Budget to justify need of keeping funds.

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