I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES

MISSION

The Arkansas Geographic Information Office was created by Act 1250 of the 83rd General Assembly. The 87th General Assembly established the office as a standalone agency responsible for coordinating the development and maintenance of geographic information systems (GIS) data throughout the state. The office coordinates with all levels of government, private and non-profit sectors to reduce duplication of effort. The office operates GeoStor, Arkansas' GIS clearinghouse which provides such services as: parcel mapping for assessors, aerial photography, land surveying of facilities, utilities and natural resources (land, water, oil, wildlife, gas, forestry). The Office's road centerline file program is used to locate people, places and events along the roads by correlating them to a physical address. This program is widely 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 boundaries and districts (schools, political). The system is also used to drive the state's Streamlined Sales Tax database that supports distribution of county and city sales tax.

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

The total appropriation for the Arkansas Geographic Information Office for FY2013 is $1,190,836.

FUNDING SOURCE

The appropriations for the Arkansas Geographic Information Office are funded with general revenue, federal and trust funds.

II) SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

None. There are no significant changes in appropriation levels from FY2012 to FY2013.

III) POSITIONS

Total positions for FY 2012: 6

Total positions for FY 2013: 6

IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

1. States Department of Finance and Administration may assist the Arkansas Geographic Information Office with accounting, payroll processing, personnel related actions, budgeting and procurement to ensure all accounting and budgetary procedures are complied with.