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What are we going to talk about today?

- Governor's Agenda for GIS
- Current state of GIS in California
- GIS in California's future
- Actions towards the future

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What does the Governor expect?

- Value of GIS is visual data
- Transform information into interactive mapping
- Improve decision making
- Make data public and accessible

What are California's current GIS abilities…

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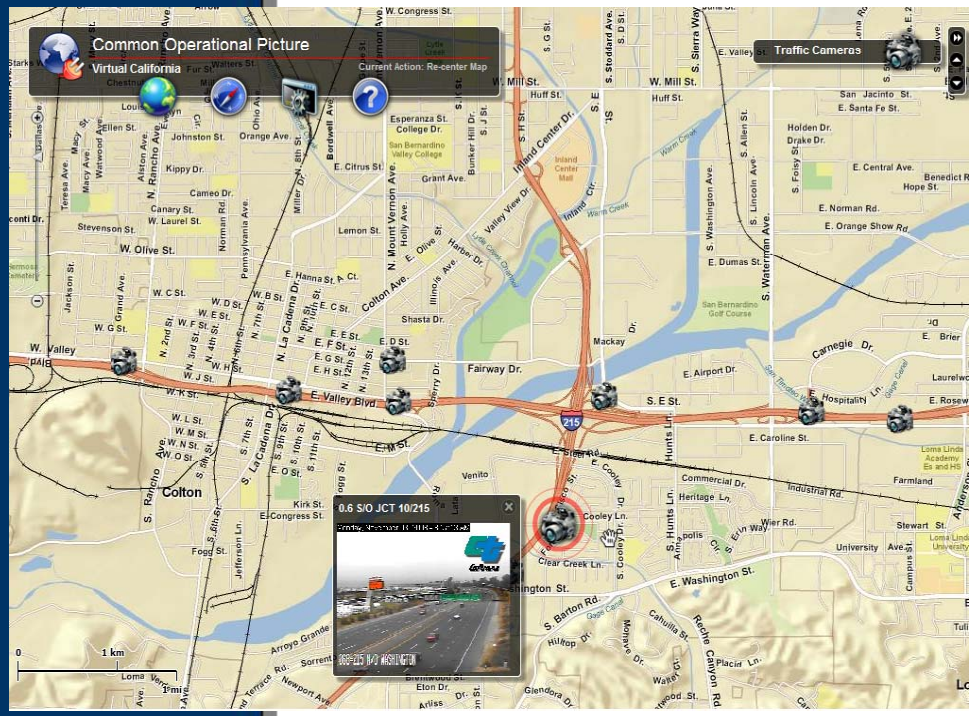
California's GIS landscape



- 200 Terabytes
- More than 11,000 GIS databases or projects
- At least 40 state agencies and departments currently use GIS

We needed a plan to meet the Governor's expectations…

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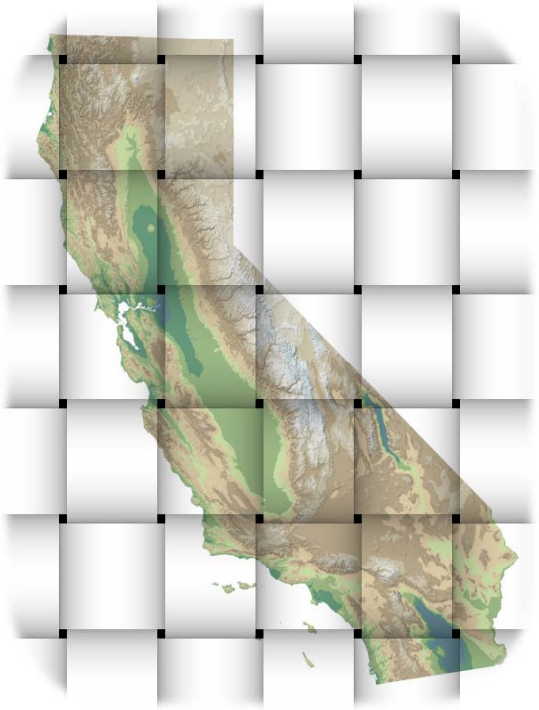
We called on experts in the state to create the GIS Task Force

Recommendations

- Geospatial Information Office
- GIS leads at agencies
- GIS matching grant program
- Outreach program



Our new organization needed a leader…

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Role of the Geospatial Information Officer

- Coordinate state's GIS activities
- Lead collaboration
- Demonstrate value of GIS
- Facilitate Interoperability
- Develop program authority, policy, and standards
- Create sharing agreements

We are moving in the right direction…

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Moving forward with GIS

$1.3 million from the Homeland Security Grant Program in the next year

We need to better coordinate existing resources…

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Cal-Atlas

- Catalogue
- Library
- Gallery
- Portal

http://www.atlas.ca.gov/

And one of the Governor's favorite GIS applications…

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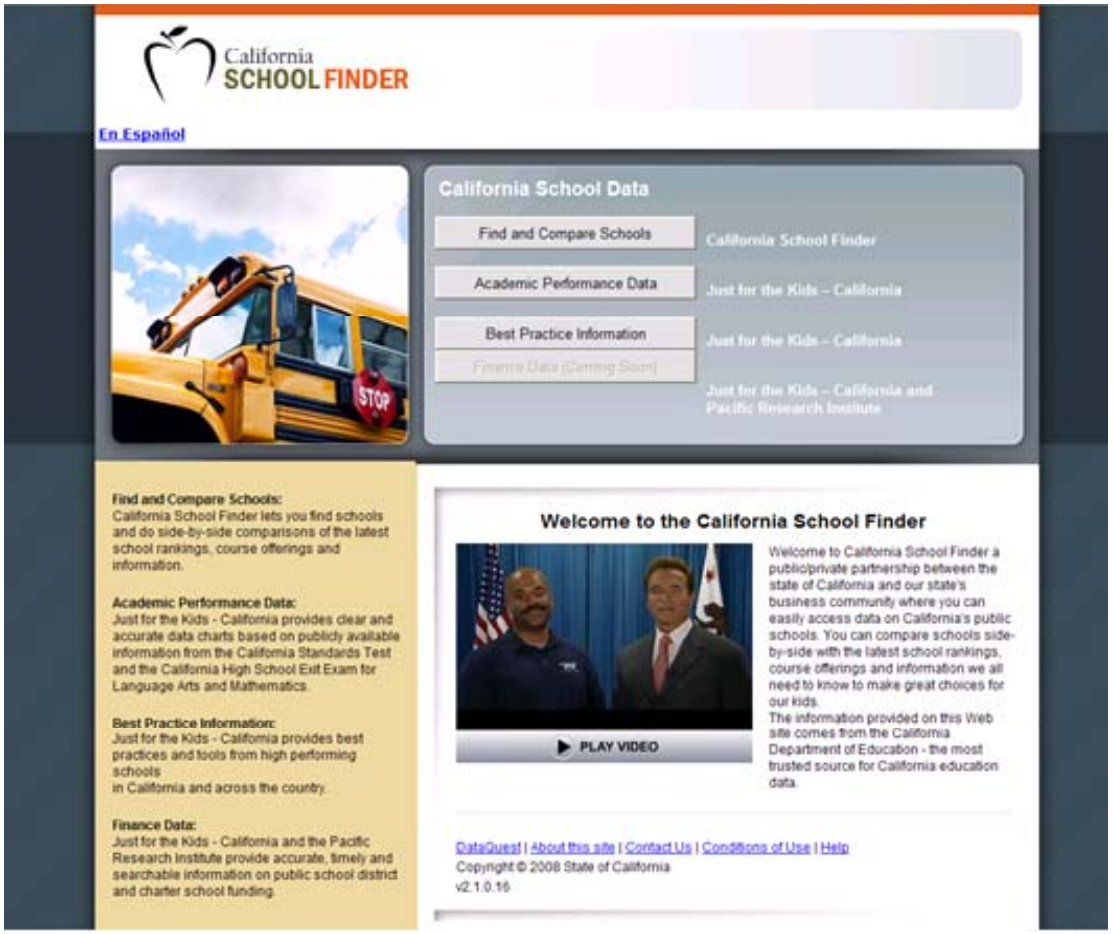
School Finder



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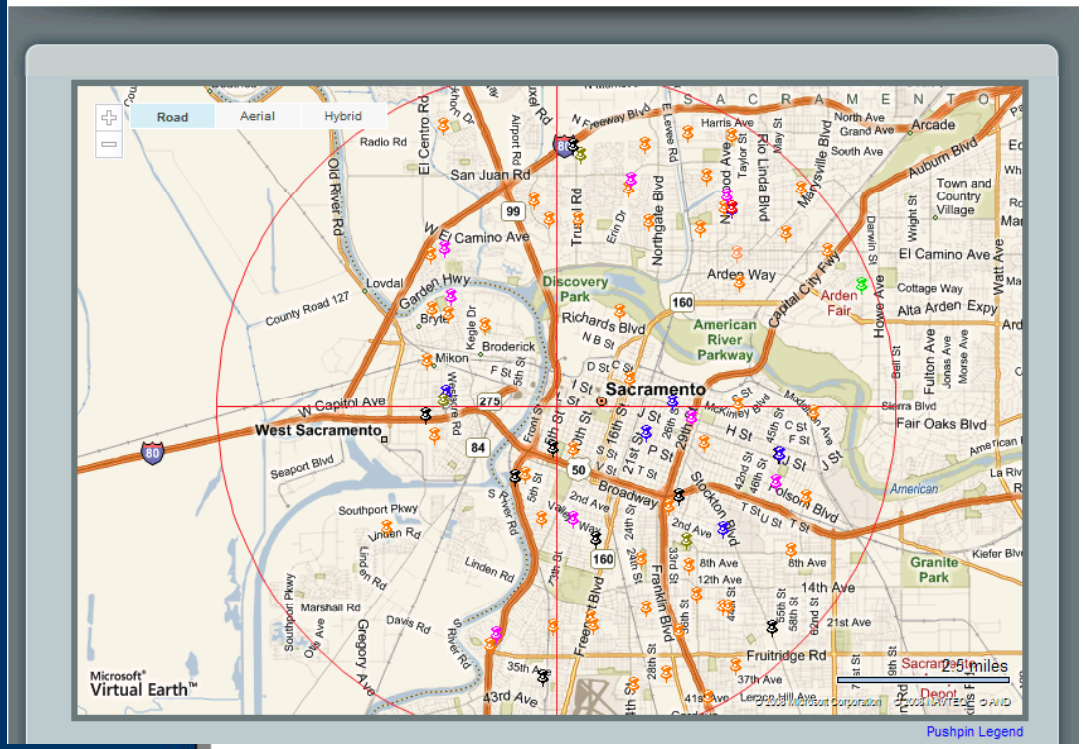
California SCHOOLFINDER



- Transparency
- Accountability
- Comparison
- Parents make the decisions

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We are finding new places where GIS has value…

Being Innovative with GIS

Cal-Atlas

OSHPD
Office of Statewide Health Planning & Development

Health Care Atlas

School Finder

Infant Botulism Treatment and Prevention Program
Division of Communicable Disease Control, California Department of Public Health

CDPH and DCDC

Or as the Governor said at GTC West 2008…

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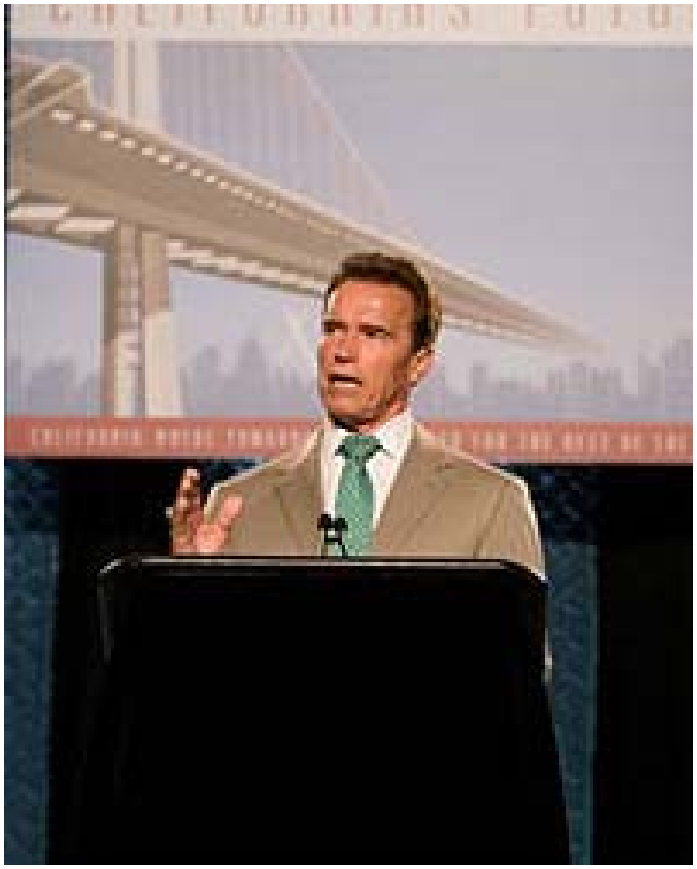
Governor on GIS



"During last year's firestorm it (GIS) allowed firefighters to see through the smoke, giving them a more accurate real-time view of the conditions on the ground. And because of that, many of them told me that saved lives and it saved an endless amount of homes. ***And this is just the start."***

What does that mean for GIS in California…

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In California, GIS is more than a map

Utilizing GIS will improve our public policy decisions. We need the help of the people in the room to continue finding new and innovative ways to use GIS.

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