

Spring 2009 Update



Regional GIS Update

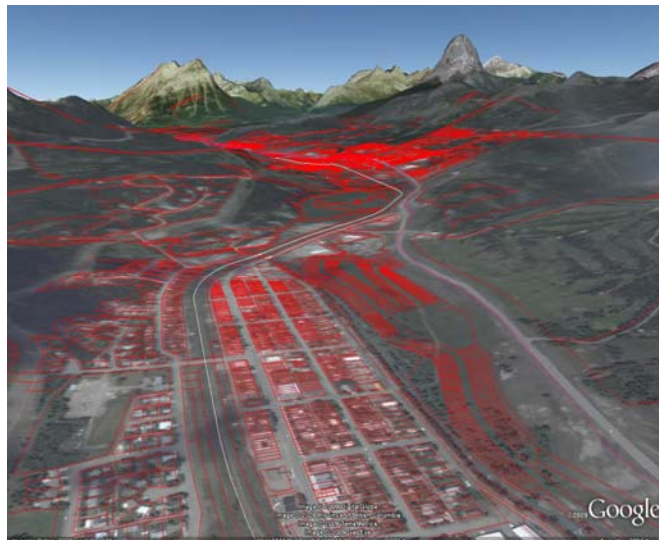
With the beginning of a new year, the Oldman River Region Urban GIS Project would like to welcome the Village of Rosemary to the project. With the addition of Rosemary, current membership now sits at 32 municipalities. In the coming weeks, ORRSC staff will travel to Rosemary to provide municipal staff with the necessary skill set to operate the GIS. As a reminder, this service is available to every municipality as ORRSC staff wants to ensure that every prospective user is comfortable with the GIS.

The 2009 Oldman River Region Orthophotography Project contract has been awarded to Land Data Technologies Inc. (LDT) of Edmonton. LDT will subcontract the firm of Stewart Weir and Company to conduct the ground surveys, and Foto Flight Survey to carry out the aerial operations. The quotation that LDT provided was very close to our initial estimates and we anticipate that the project will commence on schedule and will fall within the available budget.

A reminder to those municipalities who plan to, or have recently

completed an Infrastructure Master Plan (IMP), that the information provided can be viewed in the GIS. ORRSC staff have been successful in linking some of the costing information to relevant infrastructure features and in turn generating reports outlining the same.

As you may know, ORRSC staff carry out on-the-fly parcel mapping with information coming in the form of registered plans, and bi-weekly title updates using the information supplied by each municipality's land title access. When in fact new parcels are created via subdivisions, consolidations, or separations, it is required that the municipal office supply new roll numbers and civic addresses. Initially, the parcels will show up green only until we receive new roll numbers. Additionally, ORRSC staff needs to be made aware of any mailing address errors within the GIS. In some instances a title document will show a civic address instead of the actual mailing address.



Partnering Municipalities

- Village of Arrowwood
- Village of Barnwell
- Village of Barons
- Village of Carmangay
- Village of Champion
- Village of Coutts
- Village of Cowley
- Village of Hill Spring
- Village of Lomond
- Village of Milo
- Village of Nobleford
- Village of Rosemary
- Village of Stirling
- Village of Warner

- Town of Cardston
- Town of Claresholm
- Town of Coaldale
- Town of Coalhurst
- Town of Fort Macleod
- Town of Granum
- Town of High River
- Town of Magrath
- Town of Milk River
- Town of Nanton
- Town of Picture Butte
- Town of Pincher Creek
- Town of Raymond
- Town of Stavelly
- Town of Taber
- Town of Vauxhall
- Town of Vulcan
- Municipality of Crowsnest

Did You Know?

- ORRSC staff have the ability to take control of your computer using a software package called GoToMeeting. With this an ORRSC staff member can actually see you working on your own computer, or vice-versa.
- Parkland Community Planning Services (PCPS) are seeking the aid of ORRSC GIS staff members for the possibility of creating their own regional GIS for the Red Deer region similar to what we have here in southern Alberta.

GIS TIPS

- For your computer to remember your GIS password, do the following:
Tools-Internet Options-Content-AutoComplete Settings-Check Prompt Me To Save Passwords.

(Left) ORRSC title mapping overlay for Crowsnest Pass as viewed in Google Earth.

Check out some more interesting GIS sites:

Microsoft Virtual Earth
www.mywonderfulworld.com
www.gisdaily.com