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ASPRS and MAPPS to Cosponsor Automated Feature Extraction Conference

ASPRS and MAPPS announced they will cosponsor a specialty conference on automated feature extraction technologies and applications, **November 6-10, 2006** at the Crown Plaza Riverwalk Hotel in San Antonio, Texas. **MEASURING THE EARTH II – *Latest Developments with Digital Surface Modeling and Automated Feature Extraction***, is the third of a series of conferences jointly sponsored by MAPPS and ASPRS.

The conference will feature both invited presentations and those selected from a “Call for Papers.” Papers on Disaster Response/Homeland Security; Research and Development; Standards; Imaging Systems; Image Data Rectification using DEM Technology – LIDAR, IFSAR, SRTM; Natural Resource Management; National Programs; Automated Feature Extraction; Visualization Technologies; and Simulation Systems will be accepted though March 9, 2006. For information go to <http://www.asprs.org/fall2006/index.htm#>.

This is a “must-attend” conference in 2006 for all professionals, geospatial executives, managers and decision makers, as well as security specialists, data users, data providers, resource managers, land-use planners, engineers and GIS experts who are interested in sharing their work and learning more about the state-of-the-art in terrain data applications, technology and automated feature extraction.

The Conference will also include vendor exhibits, education workshops hosted by ASPRS, and a “conference within the conference” sponsored by MAPPS will include its traditional Fall Policy Conference featuring sessions on government policy issues and liaison committee sessions between MAPPS member firm principals and Federal agency officials.

More details will be available soon on both the MAPPS www.mapps.org and ASPRS www.asprs.org websites.

Founded in 1934, ASPRS is an international professional organization of 7,000 geospatial data professionals. ASPRS is devoted to advancing knowledge and improving understanding of the mapping sciences to promote responsible application of photogrammetry, remote sensing, geographic information systems and supporting technologies.

MAPPS is the only U.S. trade and professional association of private geospatial firms. Formed in 1982, MAPPS has more than 150 private sector firms from all aspects of the geospatial profession. Its member firms are in the mapping, spatial data and geographic information systems field engaged in mapping, photogrammetry, satellite and airborne remote sensing, aerial photography, hydrography, aerial and satellite image processing, GPS and GIS data collection, integration and conversion services, as well as hardware, software and supplier firms.