

The 2014 Eastern Regional TNGIC Meeting is Recruiting Presenters, Map Gallery Participation and Attendees

The 2014 Eastern Regional TNGIC Meeting will be held on the University of Tennessee Agricultural Campus, October 16 & 17. The main conference will be on Thursday the 16th and two training sessions will be held on Friday the 17th. There is no charge to attend the conference on Thursday but pre-registration via the TNGIC website is requested so that we may plan meals. Please note, requests for special needs services at the conference should be made to David McMillan at david.mcmillen@tn.usda.gov by August 21, 2014.

We will have a map gallery competition and approximately fifteen, 20-minute breakout sessions and one panel session on *Careers in GIS* aimed at students and young professionals. A number of local and regional vendors will be present. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided.

The keynote will be Dr. Brian Cullis, VP, Spatial Enterprise Services at Critigen.

On Friday, October 17th there will be two training sessions offered. The morning half-day session will be *Introduction to Geoprocessing with Model Builder* taught by Gerardo Bouquin, GIS Professional with Critigen. The afternoon half-day session will be *An Introduction to Free and Open Source GIS Software* taught by Dr. Bruce Ralston, Professor of Geography, Emeritus and Dr. Mike Meyers, GIS Consultant for the County Technical Assistance Service. Cost for each course is \$50.

Exhibitors should contact Blake Sartin at blake.sartin@tys.org

Links to registration, presentation proposals, training, and map gallery submissions are on the TNGIC website at: <u>http://tngic.org/2014-regionals.htm#East2014</u>

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