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--- MEETING AGENDA ---

1. **Welcome & Introductions** (Ryan Cooper / Peter Bonsall/Kerry Shakarjian) 5 min.
 - a. **Please use the WebEx chat to enter:**
 - i. Your First/Last Name
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 - iii. Select send to: EVERYONE
 - iv. Your Answer to: **What should be our network focus for the upcoming meeting topics and presentations? Will you present or help locate presenters? Are there any topics you'd like to see this group discuss or cover in 2019?**
 - b. Meeting agendas, presentations, and notes are uploaded to the PNTS website. Please feel free to contact Ryan Cooper, Peter Bonsall, or Kerry Shakarjian and we would be happy to share these items with you.
2. **Announcements & Information from Audience** 5 min.
 - a. Partnership for the National Trails System has a new address: 306 E Wilson, Suite 2E, Madison, WI 53703
 - b. Other announcements?
3. **Discussion Topic** 45 min.

Presenters: Greg Matthews, COU Coordinator, User Engagement, US Geological Survey

Increase Access and Expand Recreational Opportunities on the Nation's Public Lands by Connecting Trail Systems

Our Nation is home to a vast network of recreational trails traveled by millions of citizens. This trail network varies in age from hundreds of years old to brand new and varies in purpose from recreation to providing critical transportation routes. The trails also vary by managing organization. Because of this varied legacy, existing trails do not form a coherent, connected network. The overall objective of this project is to increase the connectivity within this network.
4. **Future Meeting Dates & Topics** 5 min.
 - a. **June 18, 2019** – Matt Able, US Forest Service, Survey 123 Application for Trail Maintenance.
 - b. **July 16, 2019** – Ryan Branciforte, Cofounder & CEO at www.OuterSpatial.com, and Jeremy Wimpey, Ph.D. of appliedtrailsresearch.com, GIS Support & Analyses Along the Pacific Crest Trail and Appalachian Trail.
 - c. **August 20, 2019** – Angie Southwold, Acting Alaska Region GIS Coordinator, Gathering and Organizing a GIS Inventory of Trail Assets.

We always welcome suggestions for additional topics for discussion or presentations. Please contact Ryan Cooper, Peter Bonsall, and/or Kerry Shakarjian with your suggestions!

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NTS GIS Network Website: <http://pnts.org/new/national-trails-system-gis-network/>

NTS GIS Network Mission:

We established the NTS GIS Network as a way to connect the diverse array of National Trails System staff and partners who use GIS systems and products in their work. One of our goals is to facilitate the sharing of information and tools that help us do our jobs more efficiently and innovatively. Because the national trails system is managed as a collaboration of agencies and partner organizations, the NTS GIS Network is open to anyone.