

# DIS Program Office Update

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# DIS Updates

- WWW and Configuration Mgmt Units assigned to DIS Office effective 10/1/02, including management of:
  - NATWEB project
  - Water.usgs.gov
  - Mobile computing project
  - OI Cyber Seminars

# DIS Updates

- Responsibility for bureau-wide IT services shifting to GIO
- Discipline-specific IT services remain with the disciplines
- Regional offices to serve as operational arm of the GIO for bureau-wide IT services
- Eastern Region to establish IT operations organization

# DIS Updates

- WRD Network (B. Wakelee, J. Yost) and WRD IT Security (M. McNally) personnel reassigned from DIS to GIO, effective 5/02
  - Primarily serve WRD (SLA in place)
  - Funded by WRD through FY03

# DIS Updates

- Preparation for ITEM 2002, Denver, 11/4-11/7:

<http://www.qvarsa.er.usgs.gov/ITEM2002/>

- Inhouse S-Plus Training available
- Electronic Form Templates
  - Templates developed in FrameMaker and Acrobat (PDF), Lotus Notes®, Microsoft® Word, and Excel
  - [http://www.qvarsa.er.usgs.gov/forms/form\\_listing.html](http://www.qvarsa.er.usgs.gov/forms/form_listing.html)

# DIS Updates

- DOI and the Special Master for the Cobell vs. Norton case directed USGS to improve IT security
- Bureau CTO leading this effort
  - Implemented Port blocks for known weakness at internet gateways
  - Will establish requirements for Firewalls and separation of private and public services

# DIS Updates

- DOI working on a plan to purchase an Enterprise license from Microsoft
  - Office Suite, Operating System, SMS, Exchange and several other products
  - Cost to be assessed to the Bureaus ?
- DOI planning for a Department-wide Active Directory Service

# DIS Updates

- DIS leading a GIO Tiger Team to design a USGS IT Help Desk System
  - Single point of contact for all IT questions
  - Single call-tracking system for all questions
  - Coordinated by GIO, operated by Regions

# DIS Updates

- DOI Adobe Software Contract
  - Frame 7, InDesign 2, Acrobat 5, Illustrator, etc.
  - [http://capp.water.usgs.gov/adobe\\_clp/](http://capp.water.usgs.gov/adobe_clp/)
- DIS Office Web Page:  
<http://www.qvarsa.er.usgs.gov/>