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[Crime Mapping in Ottawa County, MI](#)



Ottawa County recently unveiled their county-wide crime mapping application. The Silverlight-based application displays 10 distinct types of police calls along with general details regarding the calls.

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IMAGIN Conference 2010

Re-Imagining our Future:
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IMAGIN's annual conference will be held May 3-4, 2010 at the Causeway Bay Hotel in Lansing. Mark your calendar and save the date now! Additional [conference details](#) are available at the IMAGIN website. Online registration will also be an option for this year's conference. Look for this feature in the coming months!

IMAGIN Conference 2010

Exciting Speakers in Conference Lineup!

IMAGIN's 2010 Conference welcomes two dynamic presenters, The **State of Indiana's Geographic Information Officer (GIO), Jim Sparks**, and the **Hon. Randy Johnson, County Commissioner from Hennepin County, MN** and member of the **National Geospatial Advisory Committee**.

Jim Sparks has worked with spatial information technologies for over 26 years, and was [appointed Indiana's first Geographic Information Officer in October 2007](#). Much of his expertise comes from hands-on experience working in county and state government environments and while serving as a GIS project manager for a variety of undertakings.

Randy Johnson has served on the Hennepin Minnesota county board since 1978 and has been re-elected eight successive times. In 1997-98 Commissioner Johnson was president of the National Association of Counties (NACo), the national organization that represents the nation's 3,066 counties. He is current chair of NACo's GIS Sub-Committee and a member of Harvard's Policy Group on Strategic Computing. In 2002, Government Technology magazine named Johnson as one of its "GT Top Doers, Dreamers and Drivers of Information Technology." He has been invited to testify before Congress more often and on more issues than any elected county official in history. ESRI named Commissioner Johnson a [GIS Hero in the Spring of 2008](#).

GIS Coordinator: City
of Farmington Hills

Christopher Blough, GIS
Manager: City of Novi

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CURRENT NEWS

[Bird's-Eye Imagery Arrives at Google Maps](#)

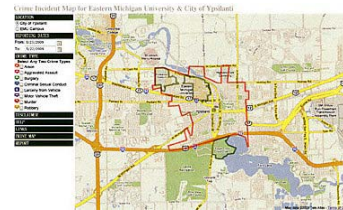


Google Maps introduced oblique aerial imagery in selected cities in late 2009. The photos have been integrated into various real estate websites and developers are being encouraged to incorporate this new product offering.

[State of Michigan Completes Deal for Microsoft "Bing" Imagery](#)

The State of Michigan recently completed a deal with Microsoft for imagery acquisition in 2010. The State's Office of Shared Solutions has several documents relating to the agreement at the above link.

[Eastern Michigan University Introduces Crime Mapping Tools](#)



EMU and the City of Ypsilanti have partnered to create a crime mapping tool for the local community. The application, which uses Google Maps as a basemap, displays crime location via a daily feed from the Department of Public Safety.

[Cartographer Unveils New "Myriahedral Projection"](#)

Computer scientist Jack van Wijk demonstrates his new map projection and its unique characteristics. The research paper introducing the projection recently won the *The Cartographic Journal's* "Henry Johns" award that recognizes excellence in mapmaking research.

[Microsoft Bing Adds "Streetside" Street-Level Imagery](#)

In early December 2009, Microsoft released "Streetside" street-level imagery for several cities across the United States. The product, which is similar to Google's competing StreetView product, allows Bing Maps users

to view interactive panoramic images along selected streets.

EVENTS

- [International LiDAR Mapping Forum](#), March 3-5, 2010: Denver, CO
- [GIS & CAMA Technologies Conference](#), March 8-11, 2010: Little Rock, AR
- [Geospatial Infrastructure Solutions Conference](#), April 25-29, 2010: Phoenix, AZ
- IMAGIN 2010 Conference, May 2010, Lansing, Michigan.

TRAINING

- MSU RS&GIS: "[Introduction to ArcGIS](#)": March 1-2, 2009, East Lansing, MI
- MSU RS&GIS: "[ArcGIS-Introduction to Geodatabases](#)": March 3, 2009, East Lansing, MI
- MSU RS&GIS: "[Getting Your GIS Project Off the Ground](#)": March 4, 2009, East Lansing, MI
- MSU RS&GIS: "[Using ArcToolbox for Vector and Raster Analysis](#)": March 4, 2009, East Lansing, MI

SUPPORTING ORGANIZATIONS SPOTLIGHT

[North Arrow Technologies, Inc.](#)



We are a group of dedicated and innovative individuals with over 20 years of geographic information systems (GIS) experience, including one certified GIS Professional (GISP). Located in Southeastern Michigan, we provide GIS-based solutions to clients throughout the state of Michigan and beyond. Our specialty is local government GIS. We've worked with dozens of cities, townships, and county governments on projects including infrastructure mapping, asset management, emergency response, parcel construction, and many more.



[Land Information Access Association \(LIAA\)](#)

Land Information Access Association is a 501(c)3 non-profit community service organization. Our Mission: Helping people shape better communities through participation, education, information and the effective use of technology.

GIS ON THE WEB SPOTLIGHT

[39° North Indiana County Websites](#)



Bloomington, Indiana GIS developers and consultants, 39° North, have created ArcGIS Server sites for several counties in Indiana. The above link highlights a few of these counties via a highly interactive Adobe Flex-based interface.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- [GIS Specialist](#): Western Land Services, Ludington, Michigan
- [GIS Technician](#): Transmap, Columbus, OH
- [GIS Manager](#): Civil and Environmental Consultants, Inc., Pittsburgh, PA

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