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ASPRS Survey Finds Hiring in the Geospatial Industry Continues Despite High U.S. Unemployment Rates

Despite an 8.6% unemployment rate in the U.S., it has been determined that at least 57% of the Sustaining Member organizations of the American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ASPRS) are currently hiring for jobs within the geospatial industry.

ASPRS recently conducted a survey of 129 ASPRS Sustaining Member career websites, and determined that in the month of November, at least 73 ASPRS Sustaining Member companies/agencies had job postings on their websites that consisted of positions ranging from entry-level jobs to high-level executive positions.

“We are very excited with these statistics,” said Brian Murphy, Vice Chair of the ASPRS Sustaining Members Council. “While the national and local media continue to saturate the airwaves with reports on high unemployment, we feel that these survey results provide a particularly positive outlook for students and individuals who might be seeking jobs within the geospatial industry.”

ASPRS Sustaining Members consist of private and publically-traded firms, academic institutions, non-profit organizations and government agencies ranging in size from a few individuals to hundreds of thousands of employees. Many of these organizations provide services that include sensor and software development, aerial mapping, photogrammetry, GIS consulting, data processing, photointerpretation, lidar surveys, research and development, topographic mapping, teaching, and more.

A list consisting of ASPRS Sustaining Member organizations that are currently hiring and hyperlinks to their respective career websites is accessible to ASPRS members through the website at <http://www.asprs.org/Classified-Ads/> and click on Virtual Career Expo. For more information on becoming an ASPRS individual member, visit <http://www.asprs.org/Join-Now/>. For firms or organizations interested in becoming an ASPRS Sustaining Member, please visit <http://www.asprs.org/Join-Now/Corporate-Sustaining-Membership.html>. ASPRS currently offers complimentary membership for individuals experiencing economic hardships. For more information, contact members@asprs.org.

Founded in 1934, ASPRS is an international professional organization of 6,000 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.

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