

1.3.1 VDOT Strategic Planning -Revisiting the Mission

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The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) has consistently been a leader in the integration of Geospatial technology with the business functions. VDOT desires to extend this by providing deeper integration into business data, improving decision support through spatial technologies and leveraging new technology resources. To accomplish this, and insure their direction is on course, they have revisited their strategic plan. The original 10-year strategic plan was developed in 1996. The revised plan will take a shorter, more directed, vision - looking out 1, 3, and 5 years. VDOT contracted with Timmons Group to assist in this planning process. The plan assesses the current status of GIS usage within VDOT'S business units and develops strategic and tactical goals focused on increased efficiency and technology adoption. Special attention was given to the adoption of Service Oriented Architecture (SOA) and Enterprise Service Bus (ESB) technologies into core VDOT Information Technology and data warehousing frameworks.