

The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the science of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) has a growing importance in technology and connects our state's people, regions, natural resources, and systems; and

WHEREAS, geography is a common language that strengthens decision-making for governments, communities, and businesses across our entire state; and

WHEREAS, geographic information technology is used to manage and protect our forests, croplands, and watersheds, as well as identify geologic hazards and dangerous landslides, and plan for the potential effects of climate change to our coastline and shorelines; and

WHEREAS, GIS plays a crucial role in managing, preserving, and protecting public safety, natural resources, and fisheries while planning for our vibrant future; and

WHEREAS, GIS helps people collaborate, share knowledge, and better understand our state and the systems we rely on every day;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim November 13, 2019, as

GIS Day

in Washington, and I encourage all people in our state to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 21st day of October, 2019

Handwritten signature of Jay Inslee in blue ink.

Governor Jay Inslee

