

# The Regional Training Workshop on Methodologies for Coastal Inventories & Information Management

## Appendix IX

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# **APPLICATIONS OF GIS IN COASTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT: Database design and management issues**

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- **Background**
- **Application Areas Relevant to CRM**
- **Database Design Issues**
- **Database Management Requirements**
- **Risks Factors to be Considered**
- **Pilot Project**
- **Gulf of Paria Database**

## **DATABASE DESIGN ISSUES**

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➤ **Corporate view**

➤ **Integrated view**

**Formats**

**Scales**

**Currency**

**Projection**

➤ **Spatial integration**

➤ **Data classification and codification**

➤ **Temporal consideration**

## **DATA MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS**

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➤ **Data Collection and Data Entry Strategies**

➤ **Storage, Retrieval and Distribution Processes**

➤ **Data Updating and Maintenance Strategies**

➤ **Security & Confidentiality**

➤ **Usage Evaluation**

➤ **Creation and Maintenance of Metadata**

➤ **Financial Consideration**

➤ **Capacity building**

## **DATA AUTOMATION TECHNIQUES**

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### **TYPES OF DIGITAL DATA USED BY GIS**

- vector based files
- raster images
- records in a database
- text files
- Video images

### **DATA CONVERSION METHODS**

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- Map digitizing
  - Scanning
  - Keyboard data entry
  - Digital Photogrammetry
  - Automated conversion between software
  - Automated Field Survey
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### ***CRITERIA FOR CHOOSING MODES OF INPUT***

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- Type of data source
  - images favor scanning
  - maps can be scanned or digitized
- The database Model required
  - scanning easier for raster
  - digitizing for vector
- Density of data
  - dense linework makes for difficult digitizing
- Expected applications of the GIS implementation

## **DATABASE DESIGN & MANAGEMENT QUESTIONS**

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**What storage media to use?**

**How large is the database?**

**What data should be stored on-line?**

**What is the likely growth-rate of the database?**

**Will new attributes be added?**

**How should the data be partitioned? By:**

**Is data source partitioned?**

**What security is needed?**

**Who should be able to redefine the data schema?**

**Who should be able to edit/update the data?**

**Should database be distributed or centralized?**

**What standards and formats are required?**

**What are the cost recovery mechanisms?**

**The Basic Database Design Questions?**

- **What data is needed to support the required and planned applications?**
- **What is the positional accuracy required?**
- **What are the database requirements?**
- **What are the required data relationships for a complete database design?**
- **What is the target GIS platform?**
- **What is the target GIS data format and database structure?**

***Sources of Data***

- **From what sources are the data to be obtained?**
- **Are the available data suitable for the GIS?**
- **How well will the data fit the GIS database?**

### ***Techniques of Populating a GIS Database***

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- Does the data conversion approach meets the project requirements, and is it appropriate for the available source data?
- Is the conversion approach cost-effective?
- Should outside expertise and/or resources be used in the design and implementation stages?
- How will the converted data be maintained and by whom?

### ***Making It All Fit Together***

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- Does the implementation plan meet the criteria for success?
- Does the project have executive support?
- Have risks been minimized?
- Have realistic and reasonable budget estimates been established?
- Is the schedule both appropriate and realistic?
- Have roles and responsibilities been clearly defined?
- Is the organization prepared for the challenges brought by a GIS?

## **RISKS FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED**

**Sound conversion practices reduce risks such as:**

- **Data quality**
- **Cost containment**
- **Meeting the schedule**
- **Staffing**
- **Database Maintenance**
- **Satisfied Users**
- **Upper management support**
- **Procedural innovation**

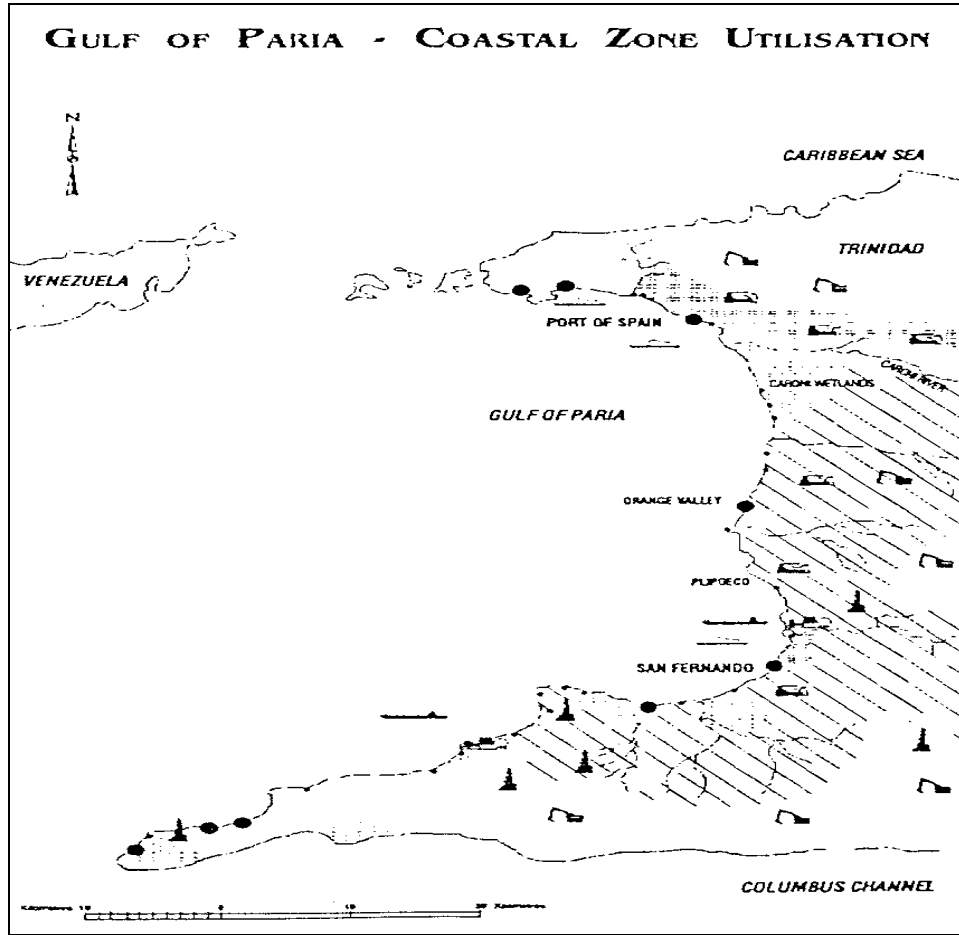
## **PILOT PROJECT**

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**Pilot Projects can be design to:**

- **Test database content**
- **Test suitability of sources**
- **Test database structure**
- **Test document preparation and scrub activities**
- **Test data conversion procedures**
- **Confirm project-specific symbology**
- **Test quality assurance procedures**
- **Test data acceptance procedures**
- **Test pilot applications**
- **Confirm data conversion cost estimates/ budget**

**Gulf of Paria Database**  
INTEGRATED COASTAL FISHERIES MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (ICFMS)



## **SECTORAL ACTIVITIES AND THEIR IMPACTS**

- **Human Settlement and Commercial Activities**
- **Agricultural Activities**
- **Industrial Activities**
- **Shipping Activities**
- **Fishing Activities**

## **RATIONALE FOR INTEGRATED COASTAL FISHERIES MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

- **Information Gathering and Research**
- **Awareness Building**
- **Integrated Planning, Co-ordination and Management**

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR INTEGRATED COASTAL FISHERIES MANAGEMENT**

**ICFM entails a number of activities that must be undertaken concurrently. These activities include:**

- a. **Control of over-exploitation of the fisheries stock.**
- b. **Control of the water quality against:**
  - **Oil & fuel pollution from exploration & transportation activities**
  - **Effluent from industrial, residential, & agricultural activities**
  - **Sediment and flooding from inland waters**
- c. **Improvement of fishing practices and facilities**
- d. **Control & monitoring of coastal activities**
- e. **Protection of marine habitat and ecosystem.**

**In order to perform these activities an understanding of the following features as well as the relationship are important:**

- a. **Coastal/Inland settlement patterns**
- b. **Land use patterns**
- c. **Land cover with special reference to the wetlands**
- d. **Hydrology and its dynamics**
- e. **Topography of the land**
- f. **Bathymetry of the sea**
- g. **Urban infrastructure e.g. drainage and sewerage**
- h. **Off-shore activities e.g. oil, ports, and cabling**
- i. **Physical and Chemical properties of the Gulf**
- j. **Fisheries oceanography.**

**This Information Reside in different agencies:**

- a. **Ministry of Agriculture**
- b. **Hydrographic Unit**
- c. **Ministry of Energy**
- d. **Town and Country Planning Division**
- e. **Water and Sewerage Authorities**
- f. **Drainage Division**
- g. **Ports Authority**
- h. **Point Lisas Industrial Company**
- i. **Forestry Division**
- j. **Water Resources Agency**
- k. **Lands and Surveys Division**
- l. **Institute of Marine Affairs**
- m. **Ministry of Industries**

## **DATABASE DESIGN FOR ICRMS**

**The database is designed on three main criteria:**

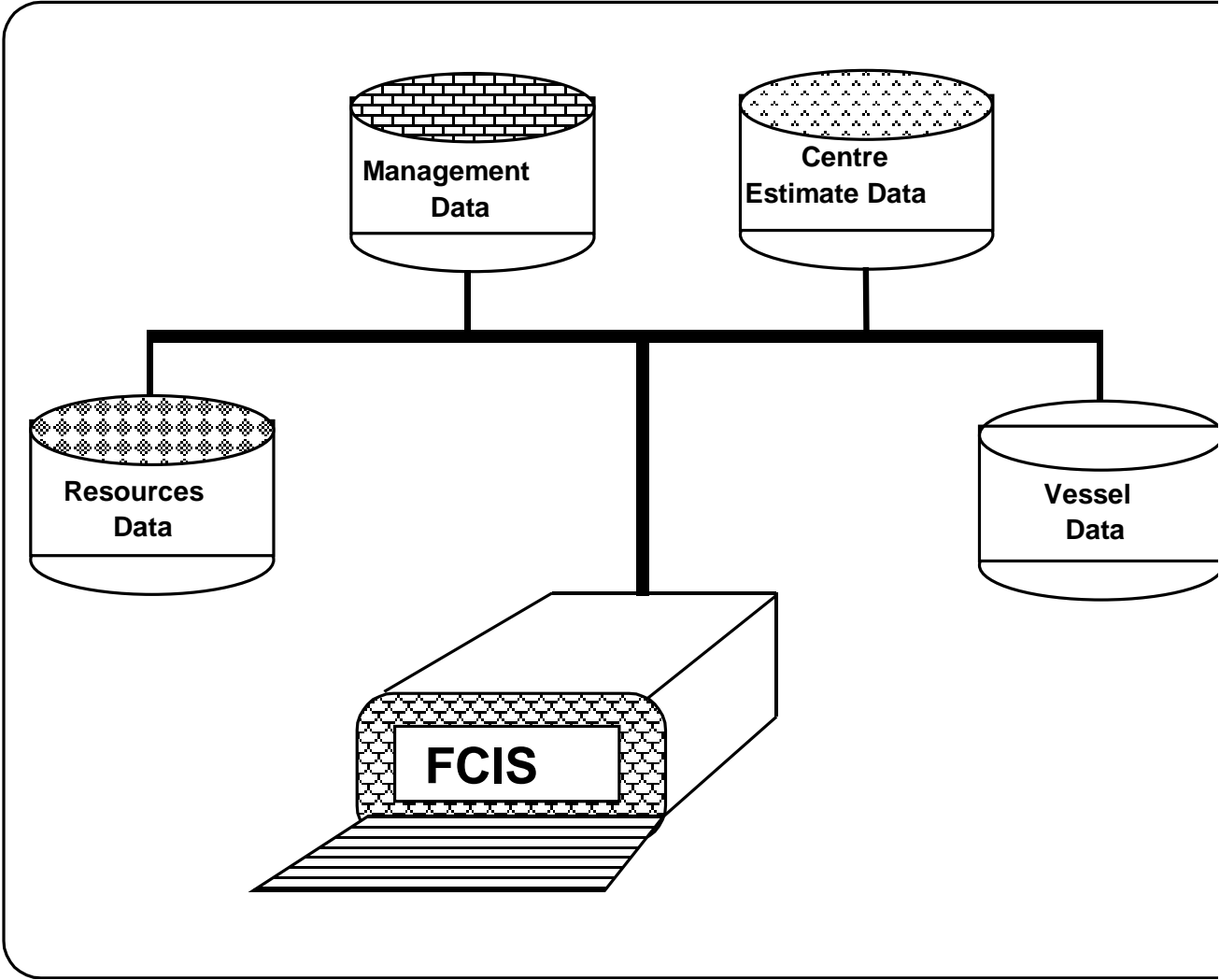
- a. reduction in redundancy and duplication,**
- b. application independence,**
- c. flexibility of use.**

**The following data themes were identified for the project:**

- a. Fishing centre**
- b. Topography and bathymetry**
- c. Off-shore physical features**
- d. Off-shore oil & gas exploration**
- e. Industrial activities**
- f. Agricultural activities**
- g. Human settlement**
- h. Vegetation**
- i. Hydrology.**

**Presently, work has been completed in the design and development of the following databases:**

- a. Fishing Centre Information System (FCIS)**
- b. Special Off-shore Features Database (SOFD)**
- c. Digital Elevation/Bathymetry Database (DEBD)**



Structure of the FCIS  
Attributes of the FCIS

<b>MANAGEMENT DATA</b>
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*Center Name and Number*                      *County Name*

<b>Agency Number</b> <b>Caretaker Name</b>
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**Collector of Statistics**

<b>RESOURCES DATA</b>
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*Number of Vessels*                                      *Engine Wash Trough*

*Number of Fishermen*                                      *Engine Storage Room*

<b>Electricity</b>	<b>Jetty</b>
<b>Floodlights</b>	<b>Slip-way</b>

*Water*    *Ramp*

*Bathroom*    *Office Accommodation*

<b>Stalls</b>	<b>Toilet/latrine</b>	<b>Market/No of</b>
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*Lockers*    *Gas Station*

<b>Netshed</b>		
<b>Cooperatives</b>		
<b>Freezer</b>		
<b>Association</b>		
	<b>CENTRE ESTIMATES DATA</b>	
<b>of Landings</b>	<b>Revenue</b>	<b>Number</b>
<b>Hours</b>	<b>Number of Trips</b>	<b>Number of</b>
	<b>Year</b>	
	<b>VESSEL DATA</b>	
<b>of Fishing</b>	<b>Vessel Number</b>	<b>Vessel Method</b>
	<b>Vessel cost</b>	<b>Vessel owner/Captain</b>

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