Abstract

**Redlands Institute: GIS-Supported Research at the University of Redlands**

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The primary objective of the Redlands Institute within the University of Redlands' Center for Environmental Studies, is to directly support the liberal arts and science teaching and learning focus of the University and the new Master in Science in GIS program. The Institute has grown from a single class project to 15 full-time professionals, 10 to 15 graduate and undergraduate students, and University faculty working together on a variety of projects. This paper will outline the purpose and objectives of the Redlands Institute, current status, and the unique GIS-supported approach that has been used to evolve the unit over time.

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