Leveraging New Analytic Capabilities for Gas Utilities

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A hallmark of the highest-performing gas utilities is the ability

- to connect all data about their *entire* network from disparate sources on a common geographic basis,
- to visualize that integrated data,
- and to work with it through an intuitive map interface to perform spatial analysis that effectively reveals trends, patterns, and answers that are not as easily detected.
GIS Turns Data into Insight
Providing a “vocabulary” for examining how geography intersects with your business

understanding
WHERE
1. Understanding where things are (location maps).
2. Understanding where the variations and patterns in values are (comparative maps).
3. Understanding where and when things change.

measuring
SIZE, SHAPE, AND DISTRIBUTION
4. Calculating individual feature geometries.
5. Calculating geometries and distributions of feature collections.

determining
HOW PLACES ARE RELATED
6. Determining what is nearby or coincident.
7. Determining and summarizing what is within an area(s).
8. Determining what is closest.
9. Determining what is visible from a given location(s).
10. Determining overlapping relationships in space and time.

finding
THE BEST LOCATIONS AND PATHS
11. Finding the best locations that satisfy a set of criteria.
12. Finding the best allocation of resources to geographic areas.
13. Finding the best route, path, or flow along a network.
14. Finding the best route, path, or corridor across open terrain.
15. Finding the best supply locations given known demand and a travel network.

detecting & quantifying
PATTERNS
16. Where are the significant hot spots, anomalies, and outliers?
17. What are the local, regional, and global spatial trends?
18. Which features/pixels are similar, and how can they be grouped together?
19. Are spatial patterns changing over time?
20. Given a success case, identifying, ranking, and predicting similar locations.
21. Finding the factors that explain observed spatial patterns and making predictions.
22. Interpolating a continuous surface and trends from discrete sample observations.
23. Predicting how and where objects spatially interact (attraction and decay).
24. Predicting how and where objects affect wave propagation.
25. Predicting where phenomena will move, flow, or spread.
ArcGIS Toolboxes for Analytics

- Analysis
- 3D Analyst
- Feature Analysis
- GeoAnalytics
- Geostatistical Analyst
- Linear Referencing
- Location Referencing
- Network Analyst
- Raster Analysis
- Spatial Analyst
- Spatial Statistics