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Re: **2019 Esri Gulf Coast User Conference Proposal**

I would like to attend the Esri Gulf Coast UC, November 7-8, in New Orleans, Louisiana. It’s the best way to ensure we’re getting the most from our investment in GIS software and data.

For two full days this conference provides a unique opportunity to network with 300 attendees from across industries who are using GIS technology to create location strategies in their organizations. This abundance of user‐to‐user communication and collaboration is essential to learning about real-life GIS experiences, best practices, tips and tricks, and more. Focused presentations on workflows and specific challenges, as well as user presentations that share best practices will be available. The conference also includes an expo full of vendor exhibits featuring innovative GIS solutions.

This is an especially important year for me to keep up with changes in technology. Geospatial technology is advancing rapidly, providing more real-time operational solutions and powerful integration capabilities than ever, and I need to know how we can leverage its capabilities to make the most of our resources and keep up with our peers. A few projects that stand to directly benefit from our presence at the summit include these:

I’m also looking at ways to reduce my attendance expenses through special hotel and airfare rates. Here is an approximate breakdown of the cost of attending the conference:

Registration:

Airfare:

Transportation: (round-trip taxi from airport to hotel)

Hotel: ($XX per night)

Meals: ($XX per day)

Total:

I will submit a trip report post-event that will include a brief summit summary, including a set of recommended actions to further our GIS work. I’d also be more than happy to share relevant information with other staff members and departments.

Thank you for any consideration you give this, and I look forward to your reply.