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## Press Release

Gloucester County's Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Department has launched a new ESRI ArcGIS website. The website offers improved functionality for searching County properties and finding adjoining parcels. It includes easier zooming and panning, as well as layers that provide information on everything from County limits and magisterial districts to topography and floodplains. The website also provides basic real estate assessment data from the most current assessment cycle. The address for the new site is <http://gloucestergis.timmons.com>. A link can be found on the County website.

This website is viewable on both traditional computers and mobile devices, taking advantage of responsive design to match the application with the screen size. The site also includes search capabilities by address, street, owner, subdivision, parcel or magisterial district. Citizens or businesses will have the ability to download search data and print the map to a pdf document.

This launch of the new GIS website is the first of two phases. The second phase of the project will add more data to the parcels from the real estate assessment system as well as information from the tax system. Phase 2 will also integrate high resolution photography from the County's Pictometry system with the website. The goal is to make the Gloucester County GIS website a one-stop-shop for any County data related to a parcel.

"In the past year, we've made some exciting changes in the GIS office. Obtaining an E911/PSAP grant, with the help of Timmons Group, has made these changes possible. After having our data converted into the industry standard GIS software, ArcGIS, the grant also provided for a much needed upgrade to our new, more user friendly GIS website. This has allowed for faster, easier access to County mapping for our first responders, citizens and business community in Gloucester. Stay tuned, we've just scratched the surface of what can be done with GIS," said Rita Taylor.

"This project is the result of a huge amount of work on the part of Rita Taylor, GIS Coordinator, and her GIS team working with Timmons Group. This project will be on going and ever evolving to better serve our citizens and businesses as well as our internal departments. GIS is pivotal to Gloucester County and we want to make it the best we can," said Scott Varner, Director of Information Technology and GIS.