

EWG Plan 2012

Top Ten Tasks

The “top ten tasks” http://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Top_Ten_Tasks wiki page collects the ten highest priority tasks currently outstanding. We will support and encourage the completion of these tasks by developers in the community by giving limited-edition awards and recognition via CWG. As tasks are completed they will be replaced by others, but we aim to have all ten up as of 1 Jan 2012 complete by 31 Dec 2012. As tasks fall behind, this will involve promotion, bounties and, if all else fails, contracting work.

Goals: Complete the current Top Ten Tasks by end of year.

Actions: Support the completion of these tasks, promote their existence, reward their completion. If completion looks unlikely, take mitigating action.

Budget: 20x prize award (£2,000), contract budget - 2 weeks (~£3,000).

Site redesign

This is a more time-constrained action than above, which is why it isn't part of the Top Ten Tasks. It is likely that the design work will need integration, testing and changes to make it operationally feasible. EWG will support this action and, if necessary, contract it out. Note that there is a longer-term effort looking at the design of the site (e.g: design mailing list), which may also need support.

Goals: The new site design will go live on 1 May 2012, or before.

Actions: Whatever necessary to support the above.

Budget: Emergency contract work: 4 weeks (~£6,000)

License change

The License change is going ahead by April 1st and is likely to require development support. Although the hardest part of the problem is defining the rules as to what is, and what isn't, tainted by those withholding their agreement, the development work will still be non-trivial.

Goals: License change goes ahead on or before April 1st.

Actions: Identify development goals and support them.

Budget: N/A (covered above in TTTs)

Developer meetings

While developer meetings are not a panacea to development growth, there has been a lack of worldwide events focused on OSM development. In order to make the hosting of these events easier, we propose to support the running of these events by providing for reimbursement of expenses incurred as a direct result of the meeting. Past experience has shown that the catering for these events is generally around £100 per two-day event.

Goals: More, worldwide, developer events.

Actions: Reimburse organiser expenses up to £100 per event, post-hoc.

Budget: Variable, but assuming 10 events, £1000.