



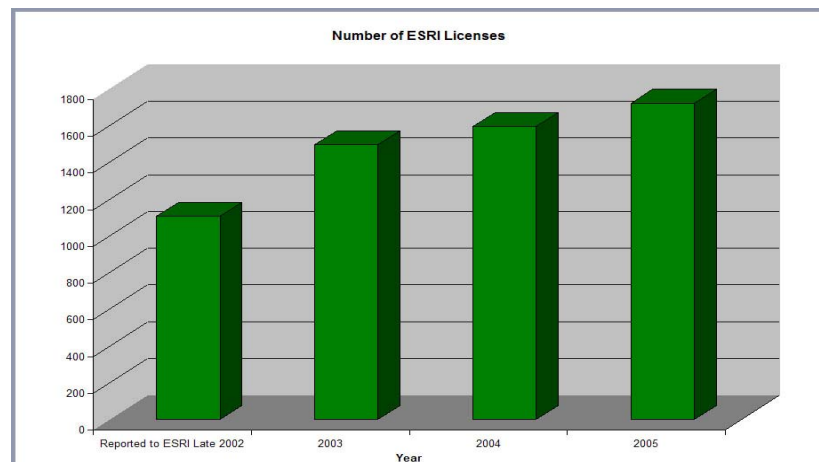
ESRI Enterprise License

Department of the Interior (DOI) – ESRI Enterprise License Agreement and GSA SmartBuy (ELA)

The DOI ESRI BPA and GSA SmartBuy amendment for the Federal Government was renewed in September 2005. This Blanket Purchase Agreement effectively gives DOI true unlimited licensing on all ESRI non-royalty software products. This includes ArcGIS products, especially ArcInfo. The enterprise license agreement provides DOI bureaus the ability to deploy state of the art GIS software for all users and avoid piece-meal software solutions.

The DOI contract for the ESRI BPA is a fixed annually cost through September 30, 2008. The ELA is then open to a re-negotiation. Currently, each participating DOI Bureau contributes a share of the total cost based on Bureau usage. The NPS portion is fixed at \$535,000 remitted annually. The total NPS assessment also includes an added 3% surcharge (\$16,000) for administration and management of the ELA by the DOI (1%) and NPS (2%) to partially offset costs for deployment and management of licenses and media. The NPS costs are covered as part of the general NPS IT assessment approved by the NPS Information Technology Investment Council.

Based on the current GSA schedule, if the NPS were not participating in the DOI, the cost to bring the NPS back to current state (suite of ESRI products including: ArcGIS, ArcView, ArcIMS, and ArcSDE) would cost more than \$9 million. Also, the cost of maintenance for the same suite of products at the current usage level would



Growth of NPS ESRI licenses since inception of the DOI ELA (graphic courtesy of Tennille Williams).

be more than \$3 million annually.

DOI recognizes the ESRI ELA as the sole source for GIS software purchases. The Department also acknowledges geospatial data management as a service in support of each line of business and an integral component in the DOI Enterprise Architecture. The use of GIS benefits virtually every division and unit in the agency. Natural and cultural resource management, planning, maintenance, interpretation, and law enforcement personnel in parks, regions, and WASO, all increasingly rely on GIS for essential components of their work. Geographic information Systems provide integral tools and technologies required to support the National Park Service mission.

The onset of the ELA three years ago brought forth tremendous growth in the use GIS, which has been a boon to the

NPS's ability to manage its resources. This growth complements the goals of the GIS program to make geospatial data and technologies available NPS-wide to support NPS management.

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USDOI BPA in a Nutshell

- Department-wide Agreement for software and maintenance.
- 5 Year Term (through FY'08)
- Covers 8 Bureaus, Interior Staff Offices and Federally Recognized Tribal Governments.
- Structure includes 8 Bureau Central Support entities for software distribution and first line technical support.