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The annual Geographical Information System (GIS) Day Conference and College Fair at the University of New Hampshire will feature a travel, tourism and recreation cartographic exhibition and a keynote presentation by Tom Patterson, senior cartographer of the U.S. National Park Service. Patterson will speak about the mapping of Alaska's Glacier Bay National Park and how the park is being affected by climate change.

GIS Day 2007 will be held on Wednesday, November 14 at the Institute for the Study of Earth, Oceans, and Space (EOS) on the UNH Durham campus and will feature over 150 global, regional, and local maps as well as satellite images of some of the most beautiful sites around the world.

Visitors will be taken on a cartographic tour of our most spectacular national parks, monuments and recreation areas, including Yosemite, Yellowstone, Arches, and Acadia; and they will also be able to view culturally important UNESCO world heritage sites like Machu Picchu, the Taj Mahal, Chichanitsa, and the Egyptian pyramids via satellite imagery.

In addition to this year's featured exhibition, a professional map and poster exhibit of cartographic works from up to 100 local and regional geo-spatial science professionals from planning, education, emergency management, resource management, science, government and industry will be on display.

A professional geo-spatial science vendor hall and a regional geo-spatial science college fair will again be part of the event, and the GIS Day store will feature atlases, globes, compasses, navigational software and GPS units.

Public GIS Day events will be held at the Institute for the Study of Earth, Oceans, and Space in Morse Hall between 12:00 noon and 5:00 p.m. with the keynote presentation at 12:30. Admission is free for all.

Major funding for this year's GIS Day 2007 is provided by NASA's New Hampshire Space Grant Consortium, the EOS Complex Systems Research Center, and the Institute for the Study of Earth, Oceans, and Space. Major product contributions for this year's GIS Day 2007 Cartographic Exhibition are from the United States National Park Service.

For more details visit: <http://gisday.sr.unh.edu>.

