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Polk's Weisgerber earns certification as GIS Professional

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Polk County's Geographic Information System (GIS) Technician David Weisgerber was recently certified as a GIS Professional.

There are fewer than 1,000 GIS Professionals worldwide.

Weisgerber will be in charge of converting Polk County property data into digital format and getting the county's GIS running. The county plans to begin the process soon and expects to have information fully on-line by the summer of 2007.

Weisgerber received his GISP certification through the GIS Certification Institute. The certification requires achievement in three areas including educational achievement, professional experience and contributions to the profession.

"I finally told myself I could do it and that I wanted to be one of the first thousand to hold the title," says Weisgerber. "I'm honored."

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