

Midwest County Auditor uses MYRIAD® for Public Access to Maps

A Midwest County Auditor's office began digitizing county engineer's maps in 1986 for appraisal purposes. In the 1994, those digitized files were converted to the AutoCAD DWG format for maintenance. In 1997, the engineering maps were retired and scanned into the raster TIFF format for storage and reference purposes.

Now the County Auditor needed a way to provide easy, public access to both current and historical electronic maps through their four public stations. This meant the County Auditor needed to provide access to both the vector DWG and raster TIFF formats with just one, simple software application. With 25 percent of their public users being first time visitors, they also wanted the application to be easy enough to use with little or no assistance from the office's support staff.

Myriad, by Informative Graphics, was the answer.

Myriad, which natively supports both raster and vector formats, was installed on the public stations. It has been very well received by the public and is credited with saving both users and employees valuable time. Myriad allows users simply to browse to and select the desired map, which then opens in Myriad automatically. Myriad's easy-to-use interface makes navigating the maps so simple, the users are able to retrieve the necessary information quickly and without assistance.

Although the support staff is still available to the public, the Auditor's office has virtually eliminated time spent finding, re-filing and maintaining paper maps.