

## **BAAMA President's Message**

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My name is Lysée (lis-say) Moyaert and I have the privilege of serving as your BAAMA President for the 2001 - 2002 year. I have been a member of this organization since 1995 and have been playing an active role in BAAMA activities for the past two years. I graduated from San José State in 1996 and received a BA in Environmental Studies, with a concentration in Geographic Information Systems, and a Minor in Urban & Regional Planning. Presently, I am working for the City of San José, Public Works Department as a Geographic Systems Specialist.

My personal goals as president will be to continue with the high quality education sessions and to bring you more technical tours showcasing our own local professionals. I am also interested in setting up a couple technical workshops on the off months and perhaps have a Holiday Social to encourage networking and build strong friendships with our fellow GIS peers.

I would like to encourage the membership to communicate your thoughts and ideas to the board. After all, we are here for you. I feel that BAAMA is a successful organization because of its rich and diverse membership. I also want to encourage you all to play an active role in your organization. There are so many ways for you to get involved and only require as much time as you want to put in. BAAMA Board meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month and alternate its location from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission offices in Oakland to San José City Hall. Other ways you can participate are:

- Write a short article on current projects you are working on and submitting it to Greg Bazhaw for the BAAMA newsletter
- Host a technical tour
- Help us with the New BAAMA website. We are always looking for new content, pictures, and of course your comments
- Participate in GIS Day or perhaps host your own event... just ask us how
- Speak up if you have an idea of an interesting topic for our general meeting or perhaps a workshop
- Help out with the highly anticipated Holiday Social

The New BAAMA Board is ready to speak to you. I am looking forward to this next year and I hope you are too.

Lysée Moyaert  
President, BAAMA Board of Directors