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### **New Braunfels GIS Team Launches Public Portal**

**New Braunfels, TX** — The City of New Braunfels GIS team (Geographic Information Systems) is excited to make its interactive portal, called **Open Data New Braunfels**, available to the public. This portal is a centralized location for GIS data, map applications, local government resources, and PDF maps. Anyone can view these maps and download this data at no cost. The portal is mobile-friendly so users can bring up maps on their mobile device as well.

Citizens and visitors alike can use the portal to download PDF versions of commonly used maps, such as City Council Districts, Watersheds, Zoning, Solid Waste Collection Zones, and more.

Interactive Maps provide more real-time data and view functions, covering a variety of topics like Road Closures, Flood Zones, Permitting, Parks, and Government Services.

Advanced users will enjoy utilizing the portal to directly download GIS data or integrate the data into their apps using developer APIs (application protocol interface.)

"When most people hear GIS, they think of maps." says Neil Rose, GIS Manager. Instead, Neil suggests citizens "think of GIS as a tool that supports decision making for many of the functions and services provided by the City."

"We are continually improving our available public data. Our goal is for this portal to become a one-stop-shop for all things geospatial."

For more information or to access to the portal visit: [www.nbtexas.org/GIS](http://www.nbtexas.org/GIS)

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