

Review of: "Analyzing the nexus between Spatial Data Infrastructure Development and e-Government"

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The proposed research presents an important initiative towards developing a National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI) for Zimbabwe. However, it lacks comprehensive coverage in several key areas:

- 1- Insufficient detailing of the technical components necessary to establish these systems effectively.
- 2- Failure to address how this initiative could integrate with and serve e-government objectives.
- 3- Lack of emphasis on the pivotal role such systems play in the economic and infrastructural development of the state. This could include:
- a. Facilitating agricultural development by identifying areas suitable for specific types of agriculture based on characteristics like water availability, soil types, and crops suitable for cultivation.
- b. Supporting energy investments by identifying locations with various mineral and energy resources, thereby streamlining investment opportunities in these sectors.
- c. Promoting tourism activities by pinpointing attractions and potential tourist hotspots, thereby attracting both tourists and investors to the sector.

Addressing these areas would significantly strengthen the proposal and underscore the comprehensive impact an NSDI could have on Zimbabwe's development across multiple sectors.

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