

# Forfeiture Data Collection

Mobile App with Collector for ArcGIS

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## 0.1 Forfeiture Data Collection

### 0.1.1 Problem and Analysis

**Background** Treasurer department has an annual responsibility to properly document the tax forfeiture process. The LIS Department built an application in MS Access and MapInfo that consumed a daily export from BSA and was deployed to the field on a laptop. A digital camera was used for site photos and later imported into the laptop.

**Statement of Problem** Current Tax Forfeiture workflow is built on MapInfo software which has been replaced by ESRI software. The Forfeiture data collection application must be recreated in the ESRI framework.

**Analysis** Tax Forfeiture Application will facilitate:

- Mobile data collection on handheld device via Collector for ArcGIS configured with Allegan County GIS Portal (**device app**)
  - Device app will:
    - \* Synchronize with data in the office (online)
    - \* Navigate to forfeiture sites (offline)
    - \* Collect data and photos of forfeiture sites (offline)
    - \* Synchronize the collected data with data in the office (online)
- Daily form production and printing for each site visited with required data and images.

### 0.1.2 Design

**Overview** Application uses BSA, ArcGIS Desktop, ArcGIS Collector for Android, and ArcGIS Portal to enable forfeiture data collection.

**BSA data export** Details of parcels in the forfeiture process are managed in BSA Delinquent Tax.net. The Treasurer office has a BSA export the parcels that need a site visit. Export of the updated list is the beginning of the daily .

**Forfeiture Data Collection** Three parts of the daily routine:

1. Pre-processing (in the office):
  - Export current forfeiture list from BSA
  - Update webmap layers with results from BSA export
  - Synchronize from webmap layers to field collection device (**device app**)
2. Field data collection with device app:
  - Support navigation to forfeiture sites
  - Provide a checklist of data points about the site
  - Attach photos to the site
  - Save results for synchronization in post-processing
3. Post-processing (in the office)
  - Synchronize data and images collected in device app to webmap layers

**Backend data details**

**Location of production data**

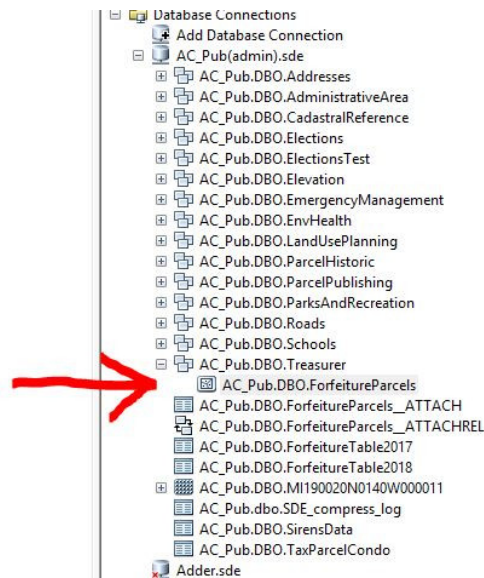


Figure 1: live data

## ForfeitureParcels feature class

## Collector Setup Details

**Install Collector for ArcGIS** Available from the Google Play Store

## App setup

- Connect to Allegan County GIS
  - Sign In : enter this website address

[https://gis.allegancounty.org/portal\\_webadaptor](https://gis.allegancounty.org/portal_webadaptor)

to connect to:

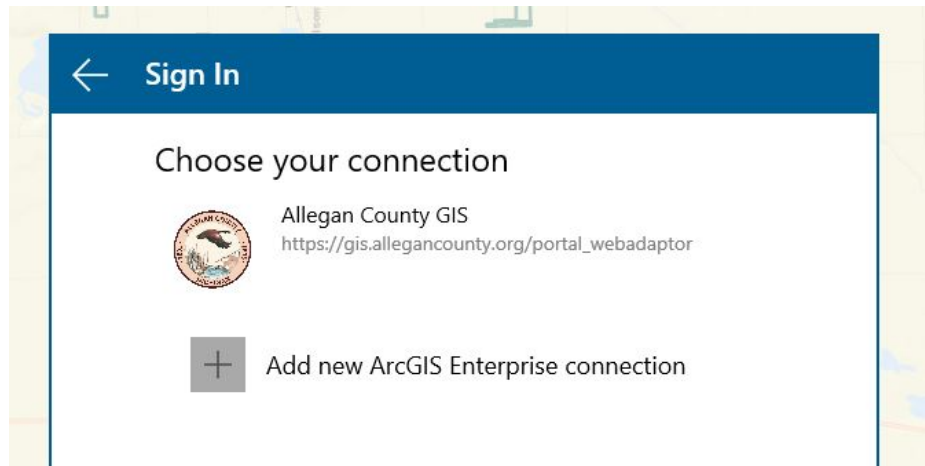


Figure 2: Connect to AC GIS

- Username is JMorris or CAndress
- Password: (enter password)
- Find the map Forfeiture Field Map under Treasury Services
- Download the field map
- Select area needed and detail needed

### **Synchronize app**

### **Webmap details**

### **0.1.3 Hard Copy Record**

#### **0.1.4 User Manual**

##### **Preprocessing**

fieldwork

postprocessing

Sync Edits

reconcile Versions

print forms for sites visited

update BSA



### 0.1.5 Software