

Top 25+ Ways Cartegraph can help you work more efficiently and effectively

1. Set up automated Preventative Maintenance schedules. Use this function to set conditional and/or chronological triggers that, when activated, automatically create the necessary follow-up tasks. PMs can be shared across parks, districts, regions or statewide.
2. Stop losing/forgetting work assignments or repair notes. Your task list goes everywhere your phone/tablet goes and new tasks can be created, seen, shared or reassigned with your team in real-time. Tasks can also be prioritized so you can quickly see what actions you need to take first.
3. Did you get a lemon for an asset? Track how much time and money gets spent on maintenance of an asset and use Cartegraph to provide concrete evidence on whether you should keep putting time and money into a declining asset or replace it, even if it's relatively new.
4. Get work done in a timely and orderly manner, be proactive on maintenance instead of reactive once repair costs significantly increase.
5. Shorten or replace morning meetings so your team can get to work faster. Able to export and print task lists for those that don't have phones/tablets to track work.
6. Understand the financial and labor resource impacts special events and expansions have on your budget and team. Set up tasks lists to prep for an event and repeat task lists year after year.
7. Better communication – clearly show how much work gets done in a park (and how much needs to get done that you don't have time for); present to Admin, Commission and public to show where fee increases are going and/or justify new FTEs.
8. Track work getting done as it gets done (includes notes, photos and costs); no end of shift/week paperwork – saves you time, money and memory space.
9. Clearly see your (and your team's) to-do list a week or month out. Quickly drag/drop tasks when life throws you a curve ball or help distribute workloads between team members.
10. Quickly pull up work history on an asset while you are in the field to make better, data driven decisions.
11. Use cost analysis on routine or specialized work to see if some work assignments are better contracted out, rather than using limited parks staff to complete.
12. Reduce litigation – prove when an inspection or work request was submitted and completed and when repairs were made.
13. Use Scenario Builder to provide concrete evidence for setting aside funds for upcoming projects or spending more money to get assets up to satisfactory conditions. If we do nothing, how do our asset conditions change and what is the new cost to get them up to a satisfactory condition?
Scenario Builder can also be used to plan budgets for any time interval and help determine asset replacement schedules.
14. Instant access to real-time data: Stop sweating when someone asks for a report. Be confident in your numbers, because you know your crews are entering their info as they work—not guessing at the end of the week, month, or year.
15. Easier employee transitions – You know your park like the back of your hand. You may even have every asset and its maintenance history memorized. But what happens when you go on vacation, need to train a new employee, or plan to retire? Relying on memory to run your operations is never a good idea. Set your team up for success by giving them a digital archive of your park's maintenance history.

16. FEMA expenditure tracking – don't waste hundreds of hours scrambling to provide FEMA with activity plans, time records, material usage and photos for reimbursement. Export the info straight from Cartograph, including scanned invoices attached directly to tasks/assets, quantity/type of debris removal and other FEMA requests.

17. Data at your fingertips, day or night: Receive an emergency call in the middle of the night? With mobile workflows, you can head straight to the scene with all the info you need in your back pocket. Not only will you have instant access to vital maintenance history, you'll be able to make more informed decisions right from the field.

18. How many assets do you need to replace in your district or region? What's the condition of these assets? Cartograph allows you to build a replacement schedule for any asset or piece of equipment. In turn, that data can help you justify the replacement of anything from playgrounds, facilities, and septic tanks to mowers, trucks, and trailers. This requires two simple steps: Input background info such as the asset's purchase date and perform a simple 3-5 minute inspection on each asset.

Cartograph can generate a real-time replacement schedule and save you from hours of trying to sort through shared Excel sheets, paper notes, or other databases. You can quickly generate the list and send a professional report to the planning team or your supervisor in a matter of minutes.

19. If GFP is proposing a new park or facility, what will be the future maintenance impact of the investment? In the past, this has been hard to determine. Sure, electric and water costs are easy to predict, but what about all the other maintenance related activities? This age-old question can be answered with Cartograph. You can aggregate the total costs and labor hours associated with a specific asset or event. Comparing the mowing, cleaning, repairs, utilities, and contracts of a park of similar size and amenities gives you an advantage when proposing additional maintenance resources to the directors or Commission.

20. Once your budget proposals and reports are prepared, it's time to share that data. Build dashboards and interactive story maps for your decision makers and public. Not a geospatial whiz? No worries: you don't need to be a GIS expert to work within these data tools. Once the information is entered in Cartograph and integrated to ArcGIS, the dashboard will update in real time. All you need to do is share the dashboard's URL and anyone can view the data at any time from a PC.

21. Replace old vehicle or equipment usage logs with data you are tracking through Cartograph while in the field. Reports are automatically generated and can be sent to Fleet & Travel quickly.

22. Attach user manuals, standard operating procedures, complex workflow videos, etc to your equipment so that its at your fingertips when you need them in the field.

23. Track issues reported by the public and internal staff in a central location. This is a great way to pinpoint repeat problems along roads, trails, etc or for tracking issues that you can't get to right away, but still want to keep track of.

24. Consolidate asset details into a centralized location. Add blue print designs, warranty documents, model and part numbers, measurements, etc directly to the asset. Now you have access to the data when you need it; no need to dig through files or check out the asset every time you need something.

25. Complete risk management and safety inspections on your mobile device. If a deficiency is found, Cartograph can automatically create a follow-up task for you.

26. Use the Task map on your phone/tablet to quickly see if there are any tasks in your area that need to be completed to save on travel times.

27. Maintain a spatial inventory of all of your assets. Never replace a buried utility feature again! The inventory is tied to GIS and can be shared with neighbors or partnering agencies as well as being mobile-friendly for GPS tracking.