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GISCorps helped build a new tool to improve access to vital information in emergency response

The map filter project is a new technique being developed to help decision makers find the right information at the right time during emergency response. More information can be found [here](#).

GISCorps volunteers (names are listed at the end of the report) provided support during the response to Hurricane Matthew in Haiti to assign additional metadata to maps that were made available on ReliefWeb to enable the creation of the Haiti Hurricane Matthew Map Filter.

The metadata that was produced by GISCorps was also used to develop a prototype real-time monitoring tool that could be used to see which datasets and which key questions of Decision Makers were available through map-based products throughout the response timeline.

Investigations are now in progress to see how this project can be integrated into key information tools used in emergency response.

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