

Case Study

Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District

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Goals

The Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District has a site with a fairly simple mission, to communicate with the public about its activities. They needed to have a website that could be updated by their office staff in a timely fashion and could manage a small amount of download documents.

Challenges

This was actually a task made very easy with Kentico. The LPGCD was pretty happy with their current website design. It just needed to be cleaned up a bit and ported into Kentico. Also we needed to think about our use of document types and the media library to make it as user friendly as possible. Once done a staff member at the office would be trained to update and manage content.

Solutions

The site was originally built with Microsoft Front Page so using the existing HTML was out of the question. We decided to really clean up and minimize the layout code by going to HTML 5 and CSS 3. We used the HTML 5 boilerplate (<http://html5boilerplate.com/>), which has a javascript shim for older browsers. We weren't sure if we would run in to problems with this and the scripts in Kentico but as it turned out it worked like a charm. We were able to take the site live within two weeks. Once the site was live I did a single one hour training with Peggy Campion in their office and a couple of quick follow up phone calls and she has been managing it on her own ever since.

Key criteria for selecting Kentico CMS

- A user friendly CMS site that would be easy update and would allow for document and download link management.
- Rapid development kept the cost very low – important for a non-profit.
- The ability to easily implement any type of design idea into Kentico using standard HTML/CSS protocols.
- The stability and security of the Asp.NET platform.
- The fact that we will be able to extend the functionality as much as we need to in the future making practically anything possible without having to change platforms, a very future proof site.

