## HOW TO CONVERT A MAPINFO FILE TO AN ARCVIEW FILE AND AN ARCVIEW FILE TO A MAPINFO FILE

## A. MapInfo To ArcView

1. Open MapInfo

2. From the Main Menu Bar select Tools > Universal Translator > Universal Translator.

3. A **Universal Translator** window should open. From the **Source** menu, for the **Format** *scroll down* and *select* **MapInfo.TAB**. For the **File(s)** *selec t* the button on the end with the 3 dots, and then *locate* the **MapInfo \*.TAB file**.

4. From the **Destination** menu, for the **Format** *scroll down* and *select* **ESRI Shape**. For the **Directory** *select* the button on the end with the 3 dots, and then *choose* the location where you want the output (Newly created ArcView file) file.

5. Now select OK. After the Translation successful message appears, select OK.

6. Now quit the Universal Translator window, then quit MapInfo.

7. Open **ArcView** and *locate* the directory where **output file** (\***shp**) was placed. The file will have the same name that it had as a **MapInfo file**, except for the extension, which will now end with \***.shp**. *Select* the **file** then *click* **OK**.

8. Now *select* the **theme**, by *clicking* on the **little grey box** beside the theme name.

## B. ArcView To MapInfo

1. Open MapInfo

2. From the Main Menu Bar select Tools > Universal Translator > Universal Translator.

3. A **Universal Translator** window should open. From the **Source** menu, for the **Format** scroll down and select **ESRI Shape**. For the **File(s)** select the button on the end with the 3 dots, and then *locate* the **ArcView Shapefile (\*.shp)**.

4. From the **Destination** menu, for the **Format** *scroll down* and *select* **MapInfo TAB**. For the **Directory** *select* the button on the end with the 3 dots, and then *choose* the location where you want the output (Newly created MapInfo file) file.

5. Now select OK. After the Translation successful message appears, select OK.

6. Now *quit* the **Universal Translator** window.

7. From the **Main Menu Bar** select **File > Open Table** and *locate* the directory where **output file** (\*tab) was placed. The file will have the same name that it had as a **ArcView file**, except for the extension, which will now end with \*.tab. Select the file then click **Open**.

8. Now *select* the **theme**, by *clicking* on the **little grey box** beside the theme name.