

PMBC Adoption Working Group - Working Session #18 Summary Notes April 15, 2020, 2020 – 9:00am to 12:00pm – Web Meeting

Summary of Key Session Findings / Outcomes:

1. Housekeeping: COVID-19: Due to the impact of COVID-19 LTSA staff are primarily working from home. Operations continuing despite the logistical challenges. Many AWG members expressed similar challenges adapting to home-based work. Others indicated that it was essentially “business as usual”.
2. Team Province/GeoBC: GeoBC continues to gather input from stakeholders RE the implications of retiring ICF. This process has been delayed somewhat due to C19-related disruptions. As previously identified, “gaps” related to ParcelMap BC adoption are centred around attribution rather than geometry. A tracking document has been developed to record the various considerations identified by stakeholders. LTSA has offered their continued support to resolve any remaining mapping issues between ParcelMap BC and the Province’s version of the ICF.
3. ParcelMap BC Operations: Turnaround time for updates is currently averaging just over 1 day. Higher than average volumes in March, but this is not expect to continue for long. AWG members indicated that activity related to applications and permits has not decreased significantly due to C19 – things still “getting done”, however there is increased demand/expectation for automated/remote service delivery to stakeholders.

Recently completed Spatial Improvement areas include Summerland, Lake Errock and the Harrison area. Targeted areas over the coming months include Lindell Beach, Vedder Mountain, Enderby, Salmon Arm, Grindrod, Grand Forks and Midway.

A high-level overview of the Cadastral Tie submission/intake process was provided, which was developed jointly with AWG members and other local gov’t reps.

4. Adopter Dashboard: Most of the movement among the Adopter community in March was withing local governments using the ICF. As of March 31, there were 53 organisations that had fully Adopted ParcelMap BC.

The “live” map on the LTSA site now includes Adopters that are in the “Transitioning” status. This enhancement to the map was done at the request of various Utilities who wanted to better understand which Adopters were in the transitioning state.

5. Issues Log: An issue was identified related to how the ParcelMap BC schema handles “Owner Type” in a municipal context (e.g. parcels owned by a local government vs. parks boards, school districts or other organisations related to, but distinct from the local government per se). An overview of the “fuzzy logic” applied to assign an Owner Type value was provided – there are known limitations to the approach being deployed.

- a. **Action Item:** LTSA to further investigate the Owner Type issue internally and provide feedback at AWG #19. – **LTSA**

Another issue related to Local Improvements was identified as being at least partially addressed by the current Cadastral Ties initiative.

Both of these issues will be explored further during AWG #19 to assess progress and update related statuses if required.

6. **Team Alignment:** The Data Alignment Workflow package (DAWp) is currently undergoing pre-release testing by a subset of the Adopter community. A debriefing session is planned for April 29th to gather and assess feedback related to users' experiences working with the DAWp on their own data sets.

A presentation of a draft version of the LTSA Adoption Resources and Tools web content was provided by Janice Fraser.

The initial production release of the DAWp will be available on or about April 30th. Video tutorials in the use of the DAWp prepared by Esri Canada are now available via LTSA's Vimeo Channel (links available in the AWG #18 meeting slides). Production access to the DAWp install kit and license agreement will be via ICI Society's FTP site and will require the necessary authentication for access.

7. **Implementation Partners:** A draft version of the Implementation Partners Terms of Reference is almost complete and will be distributed to the initial Implementation Partner organisations for review shortly.

8. **Team Land Records:** The following AWG members presented brief case studies of their respective integrations between ParcelMap BC and their in-house land records systems:

- Vanessa Pocock (Resort Municipality of Whister) – Tempest
- Jason Hart (City of Penticton / Harterra) – Tempest
- Brian Goble (District of Sooke) – Tempest
- Barry McLane (Rossland) – iCity/Vadim

Key points raised during the presentations included:

- Establishing and maintaining a near 100% match between parcels and land records is essential to ensure user confidence and "buy-in" to the system. Dealing with the "last 5%" in terms of linkages often requires some form of manual intervention and is a significant effort.
- Undeveloped parcels and parcels in a state of transition during the development process provide challenges with respect to having consistent IDs to work with.
- An LTSA-generated Unique Parcel Identifier (UPI) would effectively address some of the pervasive issues currently being encountered with a PID/PIN/Jurol approach.
- Multiple addresses on a single assessed parcel can be problematic.

- Some automation (e.g. Penticton’s “widgets”) can be useful in tailoring the presentation of information to suit particular parcel types.
- Parcels that cross jurisdiction boundaries can be problematic (e.g. Galloping Goose Trail).
- Some Adopter organisations are not fully aware of the data products and support services available from BCA to support integration.

During the discussion, BCA was identified as having a key role to play to support Team Land Records with respect to BCA data specific technical considerations.

- a. **Action Item:** Tom O’Brien (BCA) to be added to Team Land Records on Basecamp. – **LTSA**
- b. **Action Item:** Tom O’Brien to coordinate/delegate to BCA SMEs as required to support Team Land Records inquiries. - **BCA**

9. Next AWG Sessions:

Wednesday, May 20 – 10:00 to 12:00 - web meeting.

Wednesday, June 17 – Agenda/time TBD – web meeting.

Proposed focus:

- Team Province – data alignment / ICF retirement
- Review Cad Ties submission process
- Other issues review?

Schedule for July/Aug (summer break?) will be determined at next AWG.
