

PMBC Adoption Working Group - Working Session #6 Summary Notes Feb 20, 2018 – 10:30am to 2:30pm - In Person Sessions

Summary of Key Session Findings / Outcomes:

1. ParcelMap BC "Ambassadors": Looking to have one representative nominated from each AWG organisation to act as primary contact for matters/inquiries related to PMBC.
2. Adoption Status Update: Total of 9 organisations now fully adopted. Newly adopted organisations since the last AWG meeting are Village of Lions Bay and the District of Tofino. Total includes 7 ICF->PMBC and 2 Self Maintained LG->PMBC.
3. Adoption Status Reporting: LTSA/ICI Society have completed development of "Phase 1" of the adoption tracking and reporting approach. Accurate adoption statistics and graphics (charts, etc.) will now be available on an ongoing basis.
4. Esri Canada Presentation: Esri Canada an example of integrating differing views of cadastre (survey parcels, assessment features, zoning) via a common user interface. They also presented a suite of tools they have developed to assist organisations to interpret and integrate PMBC Change Vectors into workflows around reflecting these changes to other dependent layers in the GIS such as roads, zoning and assets. The presentation also included a discussion of leading practices for assessing parcel accuracy and making informed decisions around when and how to address accuracy issues and adjust parcel geometry. Esri Canada expressed an interest in working with PMBC Adopters to assist them in applying these practices, tools and techniques within their organisation.
5. ParcelMap BC Product Specifications and Contents: There appeared to be a gap in terms of some AWG members' knowledge of the specific contents of the PMBC updates – particularly with regard to Change Vectors and meta data associated with these features to determine how/why/where things have changed. Some Adopters are having difficulty explaining changes to the dataset in business terms that would be suitable for dealing with stakeholders (e.g. citizens at the front counter). Additional outreach is likely required to effectively communicate the contents of these updates and the most effective way to utilize this information to assess impacts to other Adopter data sets.
6. Harterra / City of Penticton Presentation: The City of Penticton has almost completed its Transitioning phase of adoption. Among the key challenges during the transition were integration with Tempest, address management and effectively incorporating non-surveyed features (e.g. mobile home lots).
7. DataBC Presentation: DataBC provided an overview of the organisation and mandate of the various units within the Integrated Data Division. One of DataBC's key functions related to PMBC is creating value add data products that are based on a "vanilla" PMBC data set. These derivative products may have additional features, custom symbology, or a modified data structure but all will be based on the concept of "baseline solidarity" with the core PMBC data set from LTSA.

8. Planned / Pre-registration Parcels: The benefits of access to planned or pre-registration parcels was discussed. While LTSA is examining how to deliver supporting functionality as part of a broader Survey Plan Services Modernization initiative, this is largely a policy issue and Stakeholder consultation will be required. One challenge is there are many ways and formats across jurisdictions for applicants to apply for a plan of subdivision. Consequently, the first phase (12-18 months) may get to a “zero-day” turnaround in ParcelMap BC prior to the policy and practice changes needed to realize the concept of “proposed parcels”.
9. Activity Areas / Work Extents: LTSA is looking at the idea of maintaining data around areas of planned/current/historical activity related to parcel improvements. These could potentially be made available to PMBC consumers along with the Change Vectors.
10. Role of Additional Vendors: The idea of engaging additional vendors (e.g. Tempest, Vadim) to participate in AWG activities was discussed. The original PMBC Adoption Strategy recommended such vendor involvement, but the timing of this was not known. Need to understand the needs of the AWG members (and other Adopters) better before formally engaging with additional vendors.
11. Importance of Tempest Integration: AWG members report that Tempest integration is potentially a major hurdle to adoption. Adopters need to be able to track changes in Tempest when there is a change in the parcel fabric via some sort of trigger or flag when changes are made. Many jurisdictions have custom Tempest installs/tweaks so that a solution is not a “one size fits all”. BCA recently worked with Tempest when introducing the new format for the Data Advice files and may be able to provide insights regarding challenges and solutions associated with Tempest integration.
12. Focus of Next AWG Session: The next AWG working session will focus on following up on outstanding action items from previous AWG sessions such as:
 - a. Cataloguing and access to Adoption related resources
 - b. 3rd party data dependencies
 - c. AWG membership profile
13. Next AWG Session timing: Timing is confirmed for the next AWG Working meeting: Wed, Mar 13, 2019 - 10:00am to 2:00pm – Web meeting.

Summary of Action Items:

1. Each AWG organisation to identify a primary contact (ambassador) and inform LTSA (Brian Greening) who their representative is. – **All AWG member organisations**
2. Make presentation slides from Esri Canada, Harterra and DataBC available to AWG members via Basecamp. – **LTSA**
3. Complete specification development and investigate feasibility of including Activity Areas/Work Extents as part of the PMBC Product Specification. – **LTSA**

4. Outreach to AWG and other Adopters to better understand the requirements for additional vendor engagement to support adoption. – **ICI Society / LTSA**