

## CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 486

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### TO ALL BRITISH COLUMBIA LAND SURVEYORS

#### Re: **Integrated Survey Area Boundaries and Listings**

The Office of the Surveyor General has completed a boundary review of all 52 Integrated Survey Areas (ISAs) across British Columbia. Many of these ISA boundaries were originally delineated many years ago and no longer corresponded in a logical way to the current cadastral fabric and/or municipal boundaries. As a result of the review, under the authority of section 12(1)(b) of the *Land Survey Act*, the official boundaries of all ISAs listed in Table 1 are redefined and readjusted by order of the Surveyor General effective May 19, 2021.

Table 1.

ISA Number	ISA Name
1	Surrey
2	Dawson Creek
3	Nelson
4	Kelowna
6	Granisle
7	Logan Lake
8	Mackenzie
9	Cranbrook
10	North Cowichan
11	Duncan
12	Penticton
13	Delta
14	Coquitlam
16	North Vancouver District
17	Victoria
18	Richmond
19	Vernon
20	Nanaimo
21	Central Saanich
22	North Saanich
23	Kamloops
24	Abbotsford
25	Burnaby
26	Powell River
27	Rosland
28	Campbell River

ISA Number	ISA Name
29	Sidney
30	Saanich
31	Vancouver
32	Parksville
33	Tumbler Ridge
34	Oak Bay
35	Port Moody
36	Maple Ridge
37	Port Alberni
38	Esquimalt
39	Prince George
40	Colwood
41	Langley Township
42	White Rock
43	Ladysmith
44	North Vancouver City
45	Langley City
49	New Westminster
50	Fort St. John
51	Langford
52	Gibsons
54	City of Williams Lake
55	Terrace
68	Kitimat
79	Sechelt
84	Trail

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In order to simplify ISA boundaries, parts of some ISAs have been redefined to more closely follow the municipal boundaries in areas where monuments are currently within a reasonable distance to the municipal boundary. To ensure you know when integration of legal surveys is required please closely review the updated boundaries for those ISAs that you regularly work in to take note of areas that have been expanded and were previously not included within the ISA.

The official definition for all ISAs to be used by land surveyors to determine if a survey requires integration is now the ISA boundary as displayed in "ParcelMap BC Search for Land Surveyors" and viewable through myLTSA. The digital definition of all ISA boundaries will also be made available for download from the [Geographic Data Warehouse maintained by Data BC](#) should you wish to add it to your own mapping applications. All previous definitions of the ISA boundaries are superseded. This includes historic mylar plans housed in the Surveyor General Vault, copies of which may have been deposited in the various land title offices, and the PDF maps previously published on the LTSA.ca website.

The amended electronic map of the location and extent of all ISA boundaries is published in the *ParcelMap BC Search for Land Surveyors* view on myLTSA under the authority of section 13(3) of the *Land Survey Act*. Indian Reserves are excluded from the ISA even if they are shown mapped within an ISA boundary; any surveys conducted within an Indian Reserve pursuant to federal legislation are not required to be integrated. ParcelMap BC shows the location and designation of the coordinate control monuments on the 'Survey Features' → 'Survey Control' layer and the boundary of the Integrated Survey Areas on the 'Survey Features' → 'Integrated Survey Areas' layer.

A fulsome review of the official integrated survey area coordinate listings found that there were discrepancies in several listings: in some cases monuments needed to be added as a result of the updates made to the ISA boundaries; in some cases the listing no longer reflected the current monument condition as reported in MASCOT; and in some cases monuments were missing from the listing. To account for these issues, all integrated survey area coordinate listings have been updated.

No changes have been made to horizontal or vertical coordinate values for any point as a result of the new ISA boundaries, the new listings simply include all points within the current ISA boundaries.

The official new coordinate listings supersede the previous listings. Coordinate listings are available for all 52 ISAs in PDF format for viewing or download from the Surveyor General section of the LTSA website under [Integrated Survey Area Program](#). This web page displays a table of all Integrated Survey Areas in numerical order. The ISA number provides a link to the respective coordinate control monument listing.

The listings are published in an electronic format under the authority of section 13(5) of the *Land Survey Act*. Legal surveys within Integrated Survey Areas must be completed in compliance with the requirements under Rule 2-3 of the Survey and Plan Rules and Section 14 of the *Land Survey Act*.

Yours sincerely,

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