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Do You Hate the National CAD Standard?

Do you think it's just too Architecture-y? And not geared enough toward Survey and Civil?

If so, now's your opportunity to have a say and help make it better. I am a member of the **V6 Steering Committee** which oversees development of the **National CAD Standard** and I am also chair of the **Survey/Civil Task Team**. The Task Team has been charged with recommending additions and revisions to the NCS that make it more palatable to surveyors and engineers.

We are currently looking for new members and accepting applications for the Project Committees and Task Teams and would love to have more of you involved.

Here is the announcement and details if you are interested in taking part:

NCS Users Wanted: Get Involved in Development of NCS Version 6

The committee responsible for overseeing the development of

the latest version of the nation's leading computer-aided design (CAD) standard is looking for users to get involved. The United States National CAD Standard (NCS) Version 6 Steering Committee is calling for owners of the NCS Version 5 to participate in development of the next edition by becoming involved in NCS Version 6 committees.

As current users of the NCS you and your colleagues are most familiar with the standard and can provide valuable input to make the next version even better. The people who use the NCS on a daily basis are the ones who are more likely to find the problems, troubleshoot areas for improvements and make suggestions about issues that need further development.

NCS Task Teams, the working groups behind the NCS, are formed to investigate, explore or address matters pertinent to the ongoing development of the NCS and play a key role in managing the ballot process while keeping the NCS current and responsive to industry needs.
Serving on one or more Task Team is an opportunity for users to focus on and participate in the review and update of specific NCS issues.

The new development cycle to produce NCS Version 6 will begin at the end of the year. NCS users who get involved will have the opportunity to participate in the review and approval of Version 6 or submit amendments to modify the standard.

*The time to get involved is now. To volunteer for an NCS Version 6 Task Team, applicants must be an owner of the **NCS Version 5** and be a member of the NCS Project Committee. So don't wait. Become a member of the NCS Versions 6 Project Committee Today! Fill-out the online **NCS Project Committee Application Form** to help develop the next edition of the standard.*

Once you become an NCS Project Committee member, you will receive an announcement in mid-October to volunteer on a Task Team related to your area of interest. Don't miss the opportunity to shape the next edition of the NCS.

Workshops, Technology Days, Breakfast & Training – Oh My!

It's that time of year again… Early registration for our end of year workshops in North Carolina.

This year we will have day-long events in **Statesville** and **Asheville** in November and then in **Raleigh** and **Wilmington** in December. We have several new classes that have been developed in response to requests we received last year. Seats are limited and early registration discounts are available now.

In addition, we are also holding two Technology Days in **Charleston** and **Myrtle Beach**, South Carolina. These October events are 1/2 day sessions that will cover Carlson Software and data collection offerings.

And, for those in **Wilmington NC** on October 10th – join us for a Free **Technology Breakfast** at the Cracker Barrel just off S College Road. The event is FREE but registration is required.

You can register or find out more about all of these events here.