

Fast Track to Carlson Takeoff

– Session #2-2

Recorded 01/25/2024

This training session provides an in-depth walkthrough of Carlson Takeoff's Trench and CADNet modules, demonstrating how to input trench networks, create templates, calculate quantities, and import or process PDFs for takeoff and modeling. The instructor also covers practical workflows for converting raster and vector data, merging images, and extracting linework from PDFs for construction modeling.

Key Topics:

- Carlson Trench Module setup and workflow
- Creating trench templates and calculating trench quantities
- Understanding raster vs. vector PDFs
- Using CADNet to import, merge, and convert PDFs
- Extracting linework and spot elevations for modeling

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This session was presented by Jennifer DiBona on 1/25/2024.

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– Session #2-1

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This session is the second day of the FastTrack Carlson Takeoff training series led by That CAD Girl. It covers advanced CAD cleanup, elevation management, geotechnical data entry, and coordinate alignment workflows in Carlson Takeoff.

Key Topics:

- Drawing cleanup and layer management
- Elevation correction and contour preparation
- Handling PDF imports and block cleanup
- Converting spot elevations to Carlson points
- Translating and aligning coordinates
- Introduction to Geotech and Trench modules

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– Session #1-3

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This FastTrack Carlson Takeoff training session focuses on creating, cleaning, and preparing a working drawing for takeoffs and surface modeling using Carlson Software. The instructor demonstrates

ates best practices for managing CAD data, cleaning imported files, handling Civil 3D and LandXML data, and preparing accurate 3D models for construction and machine control.

Key Topics:

- Creating and managing a “working drawing” in Carlson
- Cleaning and importing CAD and Civil 3D data
- Using Drawing Cleanup and Layer Inspector
- Managing Xrefs, layouts, and scaling
- Elevating polylines and preparing 3D models

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Fast Track to Carlson Takeoff, Session #1-2 Recorded 1/23/2024

This webinar session from *That CAD Girl's Fast Track Carlson Takeoff* series demonstrates advanced takeoff and modeling workflows in Carlson Takeoff Suite and Carlson Civil. It covers material quantity reporting, topsoil removal and replacement, surface inspection, XML export for machine control, and 2D-to-3D polyline elevation techniques.

Key Topics:

- Material quantity and volume reporting in Carlson Takeoff

- Topsoil removal/replacement setup and surface logic
- Surface Inspector and surface file management (EX, FG, SG)
- Exporting surfaces to LandXML, TIN, and Topcon formats
- Cut/fill color maps, quick profiles, and 3D drive simulations
- Elevate / 3D Data tools for converting 2D to 3D polylines

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Fast Track to Carlson Takeoff, Session #1-1 Recorded 1/23/2024

This introductory FastTrack Carlson Takeoff training session explains the structure of the six-part course, the GoToWebinar controls, and the differences among Carlson Takeoff Suite, Construction, Civil, CAD Net, Trench, and GeoTech. Participants learn how to prepare clean working drawings, organize layers, and build surfaces for quantity takeoffs and earthwork modeling.

Key Topics:

- Overview of Carlson Takeoff Suite modules and platform options
- GoToWebinar controls and class format
- File and layer organization for takeoff projects

- Using IntelliCAD vs. embedded AutoCAD versions
- Creating and cleaning working drawings for quantity takeoffs
- Defining layers, materials, and subgrades for surfaces

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Designing in Steep Terrain with Carlson Civil

A Virtual Webinar Using Carlson Software – Learn to Design Steep Terrain Roads

This webinar, *Designing in Steep Terrain with Carlson Civil*, presented by Travis Maxwell, explores practical techniques for designing roads and grading projects on steep slopes using Carlson Civil's RoadNET tools. It covers terrain modeling, template setup, drainage considerations, and workflow optimizations for mountainous or hilly environments.

Key Topics:

- Road design strategies for steep terrain
- Carlson Civil RoadNET templates and transitions
- Surface modeling and grid optimization
- Drainage and erosion control on steep slopes
- Practical grading and construction considerations

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This session was presented by Travis Maxwell on 01/29/2024.

Deeds of Lots and Lots of Lots in Carlson Software

A Virtual Webinar Using Carlson Software – Learn to Manage Property Deeds

This webinar demonstrates how to create, edit, and manage property deeds and lot layouts using Carlson Survey and Carlson Civil. It covers deed entry, correlation with field data, legal description generation, and automated lot design through the Lot Network module.

Key Topics:

- Entering and processing deed descriptions
- Deed correlation with surveyed points
- Creating and labeling lot files
- Using Lot Network for automated subdivision design

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This session was presented by Jennifer DiBona on 06/11/2024

Creating Slope Maps for Residential Developments

A Virtual Webinar Using Carlson Software – Learn to Create Slope Maps

This webinar, hosted by That CAD Girl and presented by Travis Maxwell, demonstrates how to create slope maps for residential development using Carlson Software. The session covers both TIN and grid-based methods, data preparation, and troubleshooting large terrain datasets for planning and subdivision design.

Key Topics:

- Creating slope maps in Carlson Software
- Comparing TIN vs. grid methods
- Managing large terrain datasets and point clouds
- Using Google Earth and DEM data imports
- Applying slope analysis and color zoning

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This session was presented by Travis Maxwell on 09/12/2024.

Carlson Field to Finish – Perfecting Coding & Creating Linework

A Virtual Webinar Using Carlson Software – Learn to Create Automated Linework

This advanced Carlson Field to Finish webinar, hosted by That CAD Girl, guides users through coding best practices, FLD file creation, and efficient linework generation in Carlson Survey. Jennifer DiBona demonstrates how to streamline field-to-office workflows, manage field codes, and apply special codes for automated drafting.

Key Topics:

- Building and refining Carlson FLD (Field Code) files
- Managing field codes, layers, and symbols
- Using special codes for linework automation (e.g., PC/PT, CLO, RECT, JPN)
- Handling multiple codes, offsets, and curve geometry
- Workflow tips for consistency between field and office

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This session was presented by Jennifer DiBona on 09/10/2024.

Basics of Surface Modeling in Carlson Software

A Virtual Webinar Using Carlson Software – Learn to Build Surface Models

This webinar introduces the fundamentals of surface modeling in Carlson Software, covering how to prepare data, build and refine surfaces, and troubleshoot common issues. Participants learn practical workflows for triangulation, contour generation, breaklines, and integrating external elevation data.

Key Topics:

- Preparing data and checking elevations before surface creation
- Triangulate & Contour workflow and shrink-wrap boundaries
- Using breaklines, non-surface points, and field-to-finish automation
- Importing and merging Google Earth and NASA elevation surfaces
- Contour labeling, line-type generation, and quality-control techniques

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This session was presented by Jennifer DiBona on 02/07/2024.