

Fast Track to Carlson Civil Suite & CADnet – Session #1-2

This session of the Fast Track Carlson Civil Suite & CADnet training provides a detailed walkthrough of GIS data handling, surface modeling, and field-to-finish workflows in Carlson 2023–2024. Participants learned how to import, label, and export GIS data, overlay imagery, create surfaces, and generate legal descriptions and contours.

Key Topics:

- Importing and labeling GIS shapefiles
- Working with Google Earth and Esri imagery
- Creating and editing surfaces from points and breaklines
- Using field-to-finish automation
- Generating legal descriptions and exporting to Google Earth

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This session was presented by Jennifer DiBona on 03/12/2024.

Fast Track to Carlson Civil

Suite & CADnet – Session #1-1

This introductory Fast Track training session guides users through the fundamentals of Carlson Civil Suite 2024 and CADnet, including software setup, configuration, interface navigation, and GIS data handling. Participants learn best practices for managing projects, defaults, and data files while exploring key differences between Carlson versions 2023 and 2024.

Key Topics:

- Carlson Civil Suite overview and module structure
- Interface setup, menus, ribbons, and configuration defaults
- Project folder organization and data management
- GIS import workflows and known 2024 issues
- File associations, linking, and coordinate system setup

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Fast Track to Carlson Survey – Session #2-3

Recorded 5/16/2024

This final Fast Track to Carlson Survey session provided a detailed walkthrough of Carlson Survey's Lot Network, Surface Modeling, and Profile tools. Participants learned how to subdivide land, build and refine surfaces, manage breaklines, and create road and utility profiles using Carlson's survey and civil features.

Key Topics:

- Carlson Lot Network setup and editing
- Surface creation, validation, and breakline management
- Field-to-Finish workflows and shrink-wrap entities
- Contour generation, labeling, and line-type settings
- Importing and merging Google Earth surfaces
- Profile creation for roads, sewers, and pipe crossings

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This session was presented by Jennifer DiBona on 05/16/2024.

Fast Track to Carlson Survey – Session #2-2

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This training session from *That CAD Girl's Fast Track to Carlson Survey* series demonstrates advanced Carlson Survey workflows for entering deed descriptions, processing deed files, correlating field and deed data, and automating legal descriptions and lot labeling. The instructor provides live demonstrations of commands, error correction, and annotation customization to improve survey drafting efficiency.

Key Topics:

- Enter Deed Description and Process Deed File commands
- Deed Correlation and alignment of survey vs. deed points
- Legal Description Writer configuration and customization
- Lot File Manager and Lot Network setup for subdivisions
- Labeling and annotation defaults for areas and bearings
- Text masking, Mtext usage, and draw order management

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Fast Track to Carlson Survey-

Session #2-1

Recorded 05/16/2024

This training session continued the *Fast Track to Carlson Survey* series, focusing on the Field to Finish process within Carlson Survey. Participants learned how to define field codes, manage layers, automate symbol and linework generation, and apply special codes for efficient drafting and surface modeling.

Key Topics:

- Field to Finish setup and FLD/FCL file management
- Layer and symbol configuration for points and linework
- Special codes for descriptions, sizes, and linework (PC/PT, BEG/END)
- Handling default and unrecognized field codes
- Creating legends and automating plan presentation

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Fast Track to Carlson Survey – Session #1-3

Recorded 5/14/2024

This Fast Track Carlson Survey training session focused on managing points, annotation settings, and the Field-to-Finish workflow in Carlson Survey. Participants learned how to configure drawing settings, edit coordinate files, and automate linework creation using field codes.

Key Topics:

- Managing and syncing Carlson points and CRD files
- Annotation defaults and text scaling in drawings
- Using `Field-to-Finish` for automated linework and symbol placement

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This session was presented by Jennifer DiBona on 05/14/2024.

Fast Track to Carlson Survey – Session #1-2 Recorded 5/14/24

This session from the *Fast Track to Carlson Survey* series provides a detailed walkthrough of configuring Carlson Survey defaults

, managing drawings, setting up templates, and handling point data. Participants learn how to optimize their user interface, organize project folders, and prepare templates for efficient field-to-finish workflows.

Key Topics:

- Carlson Configure and Default Settings
- Project and Data Folder Management
- Drawing Templates and Layer Standards
- Point Import, Display, and Annotation
- Field-to-Finish Preparation

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Fast Track to Carlson Survey – Session #1-1 Recorded 5/14/24

Data workflow, RW5 file handling, and compass-rule and least-squares adjustments for field-to-finish survey data.

Key Topics:

- Using *Edit Process Raw Data* and RW5 file structure
- Import/export of raw data from various instruments

- Compass-rule and least-squares (SNET) adjustments
- Managing control points, side shots, and checkpoints
- Integrating GPS and total-station data
- File management and Carlson Cloud Link for field coordination

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This session was presented by Doug Aaberg on 05/14/2024.

Getting Started in Carlson Session #3-3

Learn how to streamline your surveying workflow with Carlson Survey's deed entry, correlation, and field-to-finish tools. This session covers practical CAD automation techniques for accurate boundary creation, point management, and efficient drafting.

Key Topics:

- Entering and processing deed descriptions
- Correcting closure errors and editing PDD files
- Translating and correlating deed points with field data
- Creating and customizing Field-to-Finish (FLD) files
- Managing point groups, layers, and attributes
- Using 3D Drawing Viewer and Layer Inspector for QA
- Snapping and drafting best practices

- Drawing tangent and non-tangent curves
- Generating legends and using full-name descriptions
- Carlson Survey tips, automation, and workflow optimization

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This session was presented by Jennifer DiBona on 9/18/2025.

Getting Started in Carlson Session #3-2

Learn how to create and customize Carlson drawing templates, manage coordinate and point files, and streamline your CAD workflow. This session covers practical steps for building standards, importing survey data, and preparing for field-to-finish automation.

Key Topics:

- Carlson DWT template creation and customization
- Layer, line type, and text style management
- Importing and editing CRD (coordinate) and point files
- Using IntelliCAD Explorer for layer and block control
- Point groups and description-based organization
- Maintaining data integrity between drawings and CRD files
- Coordinate systems and real-world datum setup
- Field-to-Finish introduction and automation overview

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