

Grading Tips & Tricks in Carlson Software

Recorded 5/22/2024

This webinar provides a comprehensive walkthrough of grading workflows in Carlson Software, focusing on site grading, building pads, retaining walls, and surface modeling. Attendees learn practical tips for using Carlson Civil and related modules to efficiently create, edit, and balance grading designs.

Key Topics:

- Building pad creation and elevation methods
- Using 3D Polyline Offset, Design Pad Template, and Surface Inspector
- Volume calculations and cut/fill color maps
- Retaining wall modeling and surface merging
- 2D-to-3D Polyline conversion and labeling techniques

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This session was presented by Jennifer DiBona on 05/22/2024.

Designing in Steep Terrain with Carlson Civil Recorded 1/29/2024

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.

Creating Slope Maps for Residential Developments

Recorded 9/12/2024

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.

Basics of Surface Modeling in Carlson Software

Recorded 2/7/2024

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.

MicroSurvey Surfaciing Operations with MSCAD Recorded 5/22/2025

This webinar, hosted by That CAD Girl and presented by MicroSurvey's Matt McLean, provides a detailed walkthrough of surfacing and contouring operations in MicroSurvey CAD. Attendees learned how to create, configure, and visualize surfaces, contours, and terrain models using real-world data.

Key Topics:

- Introduction to MicroSurvey CAD and product ecosystem
- Creating and managing surfaces and contours
- Configuration settings for modeling and visualization
- Handling boundaries, breaklines, and point data
- Labeling and smoothing contours

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This session was presented by Matt McLean on 05/22/2025.

Fast Track to Carlson Civil Suite & CADnet – Session #2-3

Recorded March 14, 2024

This training session provides an in-depth walkthrough of Carlson Civil Suite's RoadNet, Hydrology, and CADnet modules, demonstrating practical workflows for road design, storm sewer layout, and converting PDF plans into CAD data. The instructor showcases real-world examples, emphasizing dynamic design updates, data management, and interoperability with Civil 3D and LandXML standards.

Key Topics:

- RoadNet dynamic road design and intersection management
- Storm sewer network setup and hydrology drafting
- Exporting and archiving projects with LandXML
- CADnet tools for PDF-to-CAD conversion and digitizing
- Raster vs. vector PDF handling and troubleshooting

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This session was presented by Jennifer DiBona on 03/14/2024.

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

Recorded March 14, 2024

This training session from *That CAD Girl's Fast Track Carlson Civil Suite & CADnet* series covers creating and editing centerlines, profiles, and road networks using Carlson Civil and Survey. I

t demonstrates manual and automated design workflows, including RoadNet, profile editing, and template building for roadway design.

Key Topics:

- Centerline and profile creation in Carlson Survey and Civil
- Manual vs. RoadNet-based design workflows
- Profile editing, labeling, and linking data files
- Road network setup, templates, and intersections
- Troubleshooting and known issues in 2023–2024 builds

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This session was presented by Jennifer DiBona on 03/14/2024.

Fast Track to Carlson Civil Suite & CADnet – Session #2-1 Recorded March 14, 2024

This training session provides an in-depth walkthrough of Carlson Civil Suite's LotNet, grading, and 3D design tools, guiding users through lot subdivision, surface modeling, and site grading workflows. It demonstrates how to transition from 2D drafting to 3D design using Carlson Civil's powerful automation and data management features.

Key Topics:

- Carlson LotNet design and configuration
- Transitioning from 2D to 3D design workflows
- Site grading, surface modeling, and volume calculations
- Integration of Survey, Civil, GIS, Hydrology, and CADnet modules

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This session was presented by Jennifer DiBona on 03/14/2024.

Fast Track to Carlson Civil Suite & CADnet – Session #1-3 Recorded March 12, 2024

This session of the Fast Track Carlson Civil Suite & CADnet training focused on advanced survey and drafting workflows in Carlson Survey and Civil, including Field-to-Finish automation, surface modeling, labeling, and subdivision lot management. Participants learned how to streamline data processing from field collection through surface creation and annotation for professional deliverables.

Key Topics:

- Field-to-Finish (FLD) setup and usage
- Surface modeling and non-surface point management
- Annotation, labeling, and line/curve tables

- Lot file and deed file creation and management
- Carlson Survey text and layout utilities

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

Fast Track to Carlson Civil Suite & CADnet – Session #1-2 Recorded 3/12/2024

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.