Changes Made in April 1988

That Good Practice Resolution 19 be amended by deleting 5.10 and replacing it with: place a note on the plan containing the copyright symbol, the name of the practitioner holding the copyright and the current year.

Changes Made in April 1987

That Good Practice Resolution #2 be deleted and that the following be substituted therefore:

It shall be considered good practice when surveying across sections in which either quarter line has been run to make an intersection with the surveyed quarter line and to place an iron post to define said point of intersection.

That Good Practice Resolution Number 19 be repealed and replaced with the following effective September 1, 1987.

1. In this standard
   (a) "Alberta Land Surveyors' Real Property Report" means the survey and plan prepared in respect of a survey performed for the purposes of certifying the location of an improvement relative to the boundaries of a parcel of land;
   (b) "improvement" includes any visible thing constructed or placed on, in or over land;
   (c) "Parcel" means a unit of land described in an Alberta Land Surveyors' Real Property Report.
   (d) "Surveyor" means an Alberta land surveyor.

2. A Surveyor performing a survey for the purpose of identifying, locating and illustrating improvements together with the extent of the parcel and encumbrances thereon, shall prepare an Alberta Land Surveyors' Real Property Report in accordance with this standard.

3. A Surveyor performing a survey for the purpose of preparing an Alberta Land Surveyors' Real Property Report shall locate and confirm sufficient survey monuments in order to define the boundaries of the parcel in accordance with the Surveys Act.

4. When conducting a field survey for an Alberta Land Surveyors' Real Property Report, a surveyor shall:
   firstly perform research adequate to identify the parcel boundaries and encumbrances thereon, including obtaining a copy of the current Certificate of Title which shall be retained in his file.
locate and confirm sufficient monuments in order to define the perimeter boundaries of the parcel in accordance with the Surveys Act.
locate the main walls of all buildings located on the parcel relative to the boundaries thereof whether entirely or partially within the parcel together with any visible portions of the buildings which may extend beyond the main walls.
locate relative to the boundaries of the parcel any other improvements situated on the parcel or adjacent lands which, in the opinion of the surveyor have a significant impact on the value, use or enjoyment of the parcel.

5. When preparing a plan for an Alberta Land Surveyors' Real Property Report, a surveyor shall:
indicate the legal description, municipality, and where available the municipal address of the parcel,
designate the legal description of all lands adjoining the parcel.

indicate prominently that the plan is an "Alberta Land Surveyors' Real Property Report".
illustrate all improvements located pursuant to Section 4 hereof, with their dimensions and minimum distances from the boundaries of the subject parcel.
indicate the nature of each improvement illustrated and where incomplete, the stage of construction of same.
clearly and prominently identify any encroachment which may exist together with the amount of such encroachment.
indicate the length and bearing of each boundary of the subject parcel.

indicate the survey monuments used to define the perimeter boundaries in accordance with Section 4.2, together with the relationship of the said survey monuments to the perimeter boundaries of the parcel.
illustrate, identify and dimension all easements which affect the parcel.

place a note on the plan stating, "This plan is protected by copyright and no person may copy, reproduce, distribute, alter or otherwise make use of this plan in whole or in part without the written permission of __________, Alberta Land Surveyor.

Good Practice Resolution Number 19 is hereby repealed and this standard shall be effective as of September 1, 1987.

Changes Made in April 1986

Sections renumbered as a result of deleting old section 10.

That the following be added to section 20 (old section 21):

"A notation indicating the number stamped should be placed in the legend of the plan of survey,"

That the following be deleted from section 19 (old section 20):
"(under new Land Surveyors Act. etc.).

That Section 17 (old section 18) deleted and replaced with the following:

17. It shall be considered good practice; to reference statutory iron posts by at least three bearing trees or with a marker post where the marker post does not interfere with the general public usage of the land or present a hazard.

(a) A marker post shall be placed 0.3 m from the iron post and shall be situated within a surveyed right-of-way or road allowance.

(b) Where (a) does not apply or is prevented by other circumstances the distance and direction from the iron post to the marker post shall be shown on the plan of survey, e.g.: "M: 1.5 m N."

(c) On control or W/S traverses, it is preferable that the iron post be referenced by at least three bearing trees. Marker posts to be used only in areas where suitable trees are not available.

Changes Approved April 1983

That the Association adopt a standard surveyor’s certificate:

20. It shall be considered good practice; to observe the following minimum requirements for Building Location Certificates:

(a) The correct legal description of the property as confirmed by title search.

(b) A site plan showing the land boundary and the location of all buildings (permanent buildings/foundations).

(c) Dimensions of all permanent buildings/foundations the lot or lots, as per registered plans and the distances between the permanent buildings/foundations, and the side yards, set back and rear yard.

(d) A statement to the effect that there are no visible encroachments, that is the permanent buildings/foundation are entirely within the boundaries of the said lands and that there are no encroachments thereon by adjacent permanent buildings "except as shown".

(e) Affidavit:

"This is to certify that: The survey represented by this plan was done under my superintendence, that all dimensions are as shown and were obtained in accordance with good survey practices, that the survey was completed on (date), that the building(s) situated on (Lot) (Block) (Plan) in the (Municipality) is/are entirely within the boundaries of the said lands and there are no visible encroachments thereon by the adjacent buildings",

Footnote: (1) The description of the lands in question must be based on a title search which should be kept on file. (2) The certification refers to buildings as opposed to permanent building/foundations, It will therefore be assumed that the surveyor's certificate will not show buildings that are not of a permanent nature, and the sketch should indicate the stage of construction. (3) The certification could be expanded to include "except as shown" if there are any encroachments. (4) A permit stamp may be
required (under new Land Surveyors Act. etc.).

(f) The location of registered easements and restriction areas covered by registered restrictive covenants that contain restrictions on only part of the parcel (for example, a municipal restriction contained in a registered restrictive covenant preventing the erection of any structure over a portion of the parcel sloping to a ravine).

(g) The signature of the Alberta Land Surveyor in original form.

(h) Designation on the certificate of the adjoining streets, lanes, walkways, etc.

That the Association adopt the following as a Good Practice Resolution:

21. It shall be considered good practice; that all statutory iron posts placed be marked with the surveyor's corporation or partnership permit number or the membership number of individual surveyors not affiliated with a surveyor's partnership or limited company.

Changes Approved April 1982

That Good Practice Resolution 20 be deleted and that Good Practice Resolution be amended to read:

18. It shall be considered good practice; to reference all statutory iron posts with marker posts or in the unsettled or forested areas of the province with at least three bearing trees or a combination of both.

(a) Marker posts, shall be placed 0.3 m from the iron post and shall be situated within a surveyed right-of-way or road allowance and at right angles thereto.

(b) Where the above does not apply or is prevented by other circumstances the distance and direction from the iron post to the marker post shall be shown on the plan of survey, e.g.:

"Mp. 0.3 m N."

(c) The marker post shall be placed so that the plaque faces directly away from the iron post.

(d) Marker posts should not be placed in locations where they would be impractical and constitute a hazard to the public,

(e) The position of marker posts used to reference iron posts on control or W/S traverses shall be clearly shown on the plan of survey.

Changes Approved April 1981

That the following be adopted as a Good Practice Resolution

20. (a) Marker posts, shall be placed 0.3 m from the iron post and shall be situated within a surveyed right-of-way or road allowance and at right angles thereto.

(b) Where the above does not apply or is prevented by other circumstances the distance and direction from the iron post to the marker post shall be shown on the plan of survey, e.g.:

"Mp. 0.3 m N."

(c) The marker post shall be placed so that the plaque faces directly away from the iron post. (d) Marker posts should not be placed in locations where they would be impractical and constitute a hazard to the public.
Changes Approved April 1980

That the following be adopted as a Good Practice Resolution

19. It shall be considered good practice; when engaged to prepare a condominium plan to perform the perimeter survey in accordance with the Surveys Act and to complete the following affidavit as the certification required by Section 80 of the Condominium Property Act:

AFFIDAVIT

I, ___________ of _________________, Alberta Land Surveyor, make oath and say:
That the survey represented by this plan was made under my personal supervision:
That the survey was made in accordance with good surveying practices and in accordance with the provisions of the Surveys Act;
That the survey was performed between the dates of ___________ and ___________, 19__ and that this plan is true and correct, and is prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Condominium Property Act and the Land Titles Act;
That the building(s) situated on the parcel that is (are) the subject of this plan is (are) wholly within the external boundaries thereof; (in case of encroachment, this statement will be varied accordingly);

SWORN before me at
the ______________ in the Province
of Alberta this __________ day of __________, 19__.

____________________________________
Alberta Land Surveyor

A Commissioner for Oaths in
and for the Province of Alberta

Changes Approved April 1977

1. That Good Practice Resolutions 3a and 3b be amended by deleting the words “100 feet” and substituting therefore the figure ”30 metres.”
2. That Good Practice Resolution 4 be amended by deleting the figures ½” and 18” and substitute therefore the figures 1 cm and 45 cm respectively.
3. That Good Practice Resolution 13 be amended by deleting the words “three thousand feet (3000’)” and substituting therefore the figure “1000 metres.”
4. That Good Practice Resolution 14 be amended by deleting the words “100 feet” and substituting therefore the figure “30 metres.”
Changes Approved April 1973

1. That Good Practice Resolutions 3a be amended to read:
   If the limit of the right of way being posted is more than 100 feet from the posted boundary of the road allowance, then it shall be necessary to make an actual intersection with each surveyed line crossed.
2. That Good Practice Resolutions 3b be amended to read:
   Where the limit of the right of way is 100 feet or less from the surveyed section line, said intersection may be made by an offset from the section line being paralleled. The bearing of the offset may be left to the discretion of the surveyor, but it is to be shown on the plan.

Changes Approved March 1971

1. That Good Practice Resolution 10 be deleted.
2. Resolution 18 be amended by adding "The position of the marker posts or bearing trees with respect to the iron posts shall be clearly shown on the plan of survey."

Changes Approved October 1968

Report of the Legislation and Publications Committee

The 'Good Practice Resolutions' are being reprinted with the following changes:

1. 'Good Practice Resolution 4' has been amended to insert words "prior to registration of subdivision plan" immediately after the words "good practice".
2. Resolution 18 has been deleted and now comes under the Well Location Survey Regulations.
3. A new resolution 18 has been added with regard to referencing iron posts on right-of-way surveys with bearing trees or marker posts.

Between 1963 and 1968, Good Practice Resolutions 16 and 17 were re-worded as follows:

4. That Resolution #16 be deleted and replaced with "It shall be considered good practice, when planting statutory iron posts in cultivated fields, to counter sink these posts below the depth of normal cultivation. When this is done or if posts are not planted in the ordinary way, a notation should be a notation on the plan of survey to that effect."
5. That Resolution #17 be deleted and replaced with "It shall be considered good practice; when conducting road or right-of-way surveys that intersect surveyed section or quarter section lines, to make the intersection by using the nearest section or quarter section corners on each side of the point of intersection. If the monuments at these corners are lost, they should be re-established giving due consideration to all available evidence."
Changes Made January 21, 1963

Mr. Holmberg presented the report of the Committee on Practice. It was agreed that the Good Practice Resolutions proposed in the report be considered separately. After these resolutions had been individually explained and discussed, the report and the resolutions were adopted on motion of Messrs. Holmberg and Hedinger. (See December 1962, ALS News).

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRACTICE

The Committee on Practice has held numerous meetings throughout the year both in Edmonton and Calgary. It is worth noting at this point, that the monthly meeting held by the Edmonton and District, and the Calgary and District Land Surveyors have contributed in no small measure to the interest and success of this particular Committee. Information gleaned from these meetings besides the fellowship offered, has been a constant guide to this Committee and doubtless other Committees. The Committee puts forth the following resolutions for your consideration and approval.

1. Good practice rule 13 as printed in the A. L. S. Manual of Instructions be amended by inserting the words "any two consecutive points be intervisible and" following the word "That" in the second last line.

2. A new good practice rule to be known as Good Practice Resolution No. 16. "It shall be considered good practice in the case of cultivated fields, that Statutory Iron Posts be planted below cultivated depth, and further that if iron posts are counter sunk below ground level or planted out of the ordinary way, there should be a notation on the plan of survey to that effect."

3. A new good practice rule to be known as Good Practice Resolution No. 17. "It shall be considered good practice; when conducting road or right-of-way surveys that intersect surveyed section or quarter section lines, the said intersection will be made by using the nearest section or quarter section corners on each side of the point of intersection. If the monuments at these corners are lost, it will be necessary to re-establish them, with due consideration given to other monuments and then carry out the necessary intersection."

4. Good Practice Resolution No. 4 be deleted and substitute the following: "It shall be considered good practice to plant 1/2" square iron bars not less than 18" long at the corners of each lot in a subdivision, excepting those lot corners which must be posted with Statutory Iron Posts under the provisions of the Alberta Surveys Act. The plan of survey shall have included in the legend a note stating that these iron bars have been established at all lot corners.

5. A new good practice rule to be known as Good Practice Resolution No. 18. 1/ "It shall be considered good practice on well site surveys: in unsurveyed territory to adopt the following symbols as set forth by the Oil Field and Northern Surveys Committee: Regulation Post found Regulation Post placed
Traverse Station found Traverse Station placed
Bearing Tree found Bearing Tree established
2/ Co-ordinates of regulation posts, referred to the monument of origin, should be shown on the plan.
3/ Any course checked by an astronomical observation should be so designated and the true azimuth, corrected to the reference meridian, should also be shown on the plan.
Changes Approved January 18, 1960

That Good Practice Resolutions 13, 14, and 15 be adopted.
13. It shall be considered good practice, when conducting a right of way survey, to place iron posts in addition to those required by the Alberta Surveys Act, at intermediate points (preferably hilltops) such that the distance between any two does not exceed three thousand feet (3,000').
14. It shall be considered good practice, when conducting a survey which requires the establishment of a boundary of an unposted railway right of way by accepting centre line of tracks at an end of curve or at a section line, to place an iron post on that tangent about 100 feet away from the end of curve or section line and -to tie the said iron post or posts to the survey being conducted so that the position accepted may be ascertained during subsequent surveys.
15. It shall be considered good practice, when establishing a boundary of an unposted railway right of way, the centre line of which is shown on the filed plan to be a spiraled curve, to replace the spiral with a compound curve in accordance with the following data:

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