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FDOTSS4 Design Survey Workflow (2 of 3)

Q: Where can I find the recording, power point and questions & answers for this webinar?
A: All webinars recorded for downloading from the Engineering/CADD Systems Office (ECSO) website, along with any electronic copies of power points, Q&A documents, or other attachments.
http://www.dot.state.fl.us/ecso/downloads/GoToMeetingTraining/PostedWebinars.shtm

Q: Where can I find the ECSO CADD Training Manuals?
A: The CADD training manuals, along with associated training data sets, can be downloaded from the ECSO website: http://www.dot.state.fl.us/ecso/main/FDOTCaddTraining.shtm

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Q: Where can I connect to the on-line FDOT CADD Support Forum?
A: http://communities.bentley.com/communities/user_communities/fdot_cadd_support/

Q: How can I connect with a CADD Support representative?
A: Feel free to send any comments, suggestions, and questions to ECSO: ecso.support@dot.state.fl.us

Q: A follow up question based on what was said last week about the districts deciding what deliverable to accept. If they still want CAiCE, will you be showing us how to export the data to CAiCE?
A: No. Note that CAiCE is not supported anymore by Autodesk therefore there will be no provisions for accommodating other software output. If the district wants CAiCE then go from EFB into CAiCE. Then go from CAiCE to SS3/SS4. As is turns out SS3/SS4 is a wonderful way to QC your CAiCE database.

Q: Bringing points in from CAiCE, if they have multiple lines in Comments, do the comments come in as a single entity or will it be multiple text strings like when converting a CDG file?
A: Comments are not coming across from CAiCE to SS3/SS4. Only the Description field is being imported.

Q: The handling of points: Would they need to be numeric, alphanumeric or can it be either?
A: Either

Q: If the survey field data has been analyzed and adjusted through the Electronic Field Book (EFB) Least squares engine, why would we use the adjustment under the 'Field Book' after we bring the data in to MicroStation?
A: We would not. We would only adjust if we brought in a CTL and then processed an OBS in SS3/SS4.

Q: The templates: if we choose the TOPORD template, will it then Quality Control (QC) to the TOPORD standard or will it still QC by the filename?

A: QC is still done by filename and levels (critical/non-critical) designated for that specific filename.

Q: Can you specify more in the filters, BE1-1000 for example, in case you have another name that starts with BE (i.e. BEZ)?
A: Unfortunately we are limited to the operands in SS3 and SS4. They do not include a way to give a point range. I wish it did, we will push for that in future releases.

Q: Am I correct that the Feature or Ground will not be honored if we process the EFB in MicroStation rather than using the PT4?
A: Yes. It is a defect that Bentley has acknowledged and will fix.

Q: If we change the point to Do Not Include, does the DTM update on the fly?
A: Yes, the terrain will be updated as a result.

Q: Will it accept points that are numeric or would it have issues like CAiCE does if only numeric?
A: It will accept numeric or alpha numeric.

Q: Could the concrete slab chain have been edited by inserting the second comma in the chain list to create the break?
A: Yes, in the OBS file. When SS3/SS4 and Civil 3D for that matter, reads an EFB chain with two commas, (chain gap), it creates two separate chains. One will have the suffix "_1" added with the suffix incrementing if there are multiple chain gaps.