





Survey Aspects of Automated Machine Control



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Facing the AMC Contractor



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Benefits of AMC:

Cost Reductions

Surveys

Backfill/Earthwork Errors

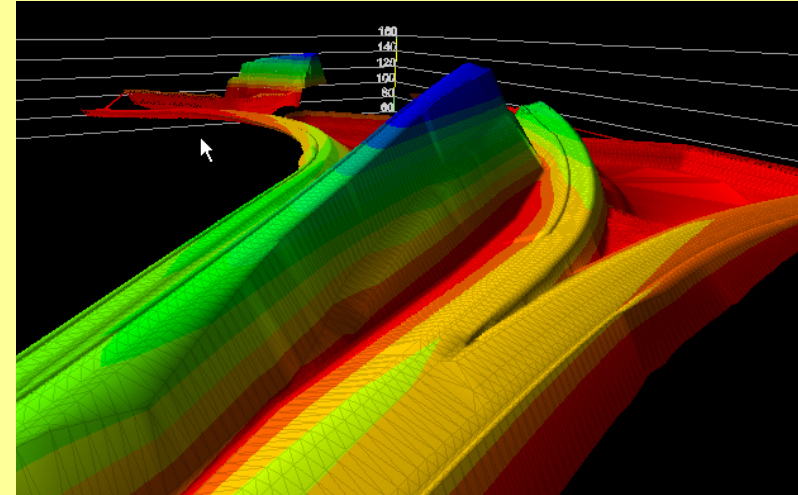
Schedules

No waiting on surveyors

24/7 Operations

More Accurate Construction

Better Product

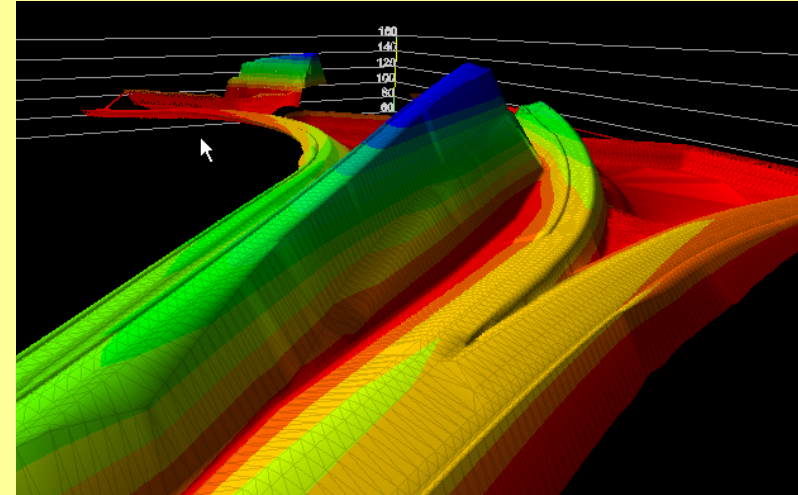




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Problems:
The Survey
The Design Data
Construction Preparation





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The Survey Updates and Revisions

How old is the data?

Has there been new construction, widening
or resurfacing of pavement, etc.?

How thorough was the survey?



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Accuracy – Then and Now

Equipment Accuracy may influence Survey
Accuracy

Procedures

Total stations vs GPS

Photogrammetry



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What State? What Datum?

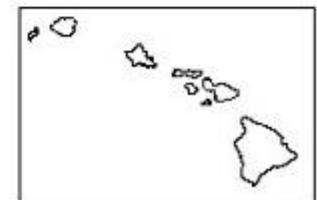
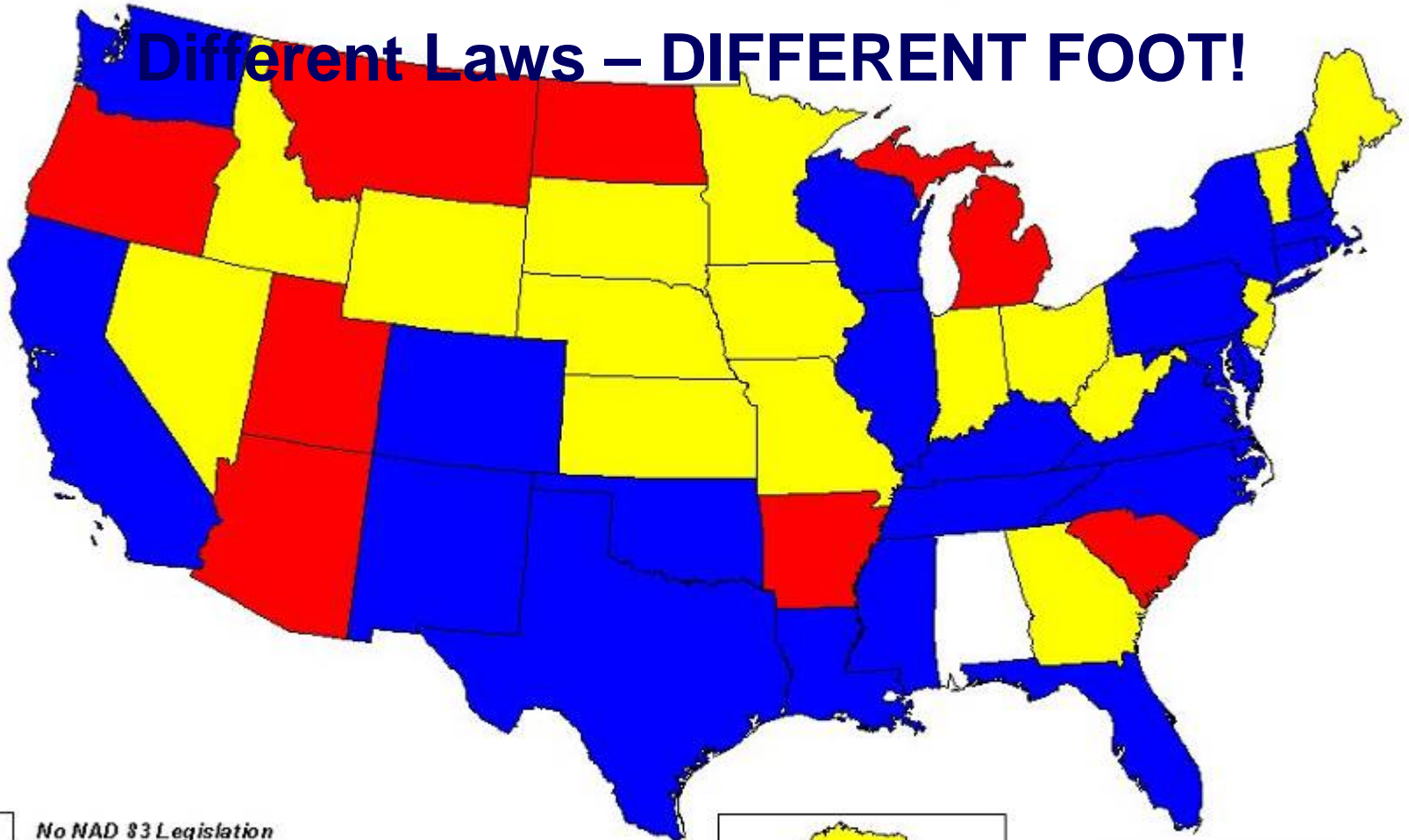
Different States





Different Laws

Different Zones

NAD 83 State Plane Coordinate Legislation

Different Laws – DIFFERENT FOOT!



-  No NAD 83 Legislation
-  NAD 83 Legislation, no foot conversion specified
-  NAD 83 Legislation, U.S. Survey Foot defined
-  NAD 83 Legislation, International Foot defined

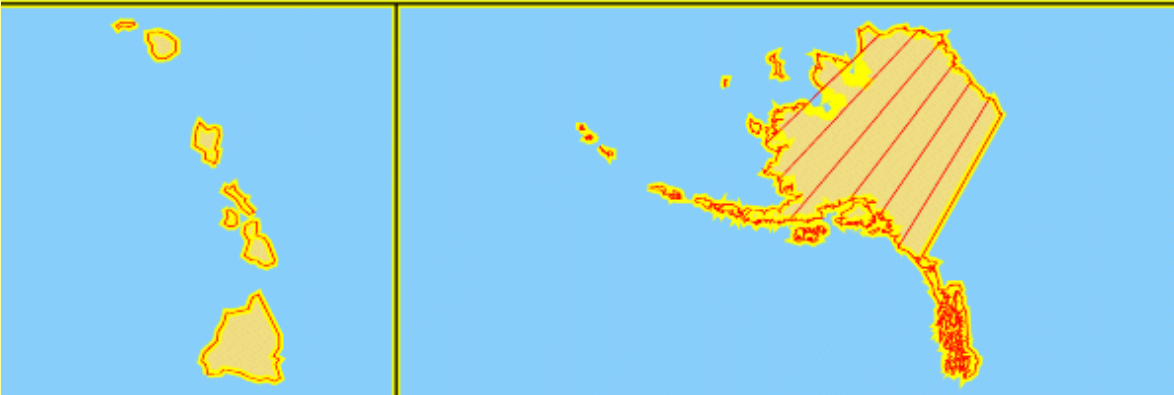


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Different
Zones

Which Zone
Are We In
Today?





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What State? What Datum?

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Different Datums – Coordinate Shifts

NAD 27 to NAD 83 – Horizontal

HARN

NGVD 29 to NAVD 88

Local or assumed coordinates for the project



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Horizontal Datums

Adindan/Afgooye/Ain el Abd/American Samoa/Anna 1 Astro/Antigua Island Astro /Arc 1950 / Arc 1960 / Ascension Island/Astro Beacon/Astro DOS Astro Tern Island /Astronomical Station /Australian Geodetic / Ayabelle / Bellevue (IGN)/Bermuda/Bissau/Bogota Observatory/Bukit Rimpah /Camp Area Astro / Campo Inchauspe / Canton Astro/Cape/Carthage/Chatham Island Astro/Chua Astro/Corrego Alegre//CORS/Dabola / Deception Island /Djakarta (Batavia/DOS /Easter Island 1967/Estonia /European 1950 /European 197/Fort /Gan 1970/Geodetic Datum 1949/Graciosa Base SW 1948 /Guam/Gunung Segara /GUX 1 Astro / HARN/ Herat / Hermanskogel Datum/Hjorsey/Hong Kong 1963/Hu-Tzu-Shan/Indian/Indian 1954/Indian 1960 / Indian 1975/Indonesian 1974/Ireland 196 /ISTS 061 Astr /ISTS 073 Astr /Johnston Island /Kandawala / Kerguelen Island/Kertau 1948/Kusaie Astro 1951/Korean Geodetic/L. C. 5 Astro 1961/ Liberia M'Poraloko /Mahe 1971/Midway Astro/Montserrat Island Astro 1958 /Nahrwan/Naparima BWI /North American 1927 / North American 1983/North Sahara/Observatorio Meteorologico/Egyptian 1907/Old Hawaiian/Ordnance Survey Great Britain 1936/Pico de las Nieves/Pitcairn Astro 1967/Point 58/Pointe Noire 1948/Porto Santo 1936/Provisional South American 1956 /Provisional South Chilean/Puerto Ric /Pulkovo 1942/Qatar National / Qornoq/ Reunion /Rome 1940 /S-42 (Pulkovo 1942/S-JTSK /Santo (DOS) 1965/Sao Braz/Sapper Hill 1943 / elvagem Grande/Sierra Leone 1960/South American 1969 /South Asia /Tananarive Observatory/ Timbalai 1948/Tokyo/Tristan Astro 1968 /Viti Levu 191 /Voirol 1960/Wake Island Astro 1952 /Wake-Eniwetok 1960 / WGS 72/ WGS 84 /Zanderij International



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Horizontal Datums

North American Datum of 1927 (NAD 27)

North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83)

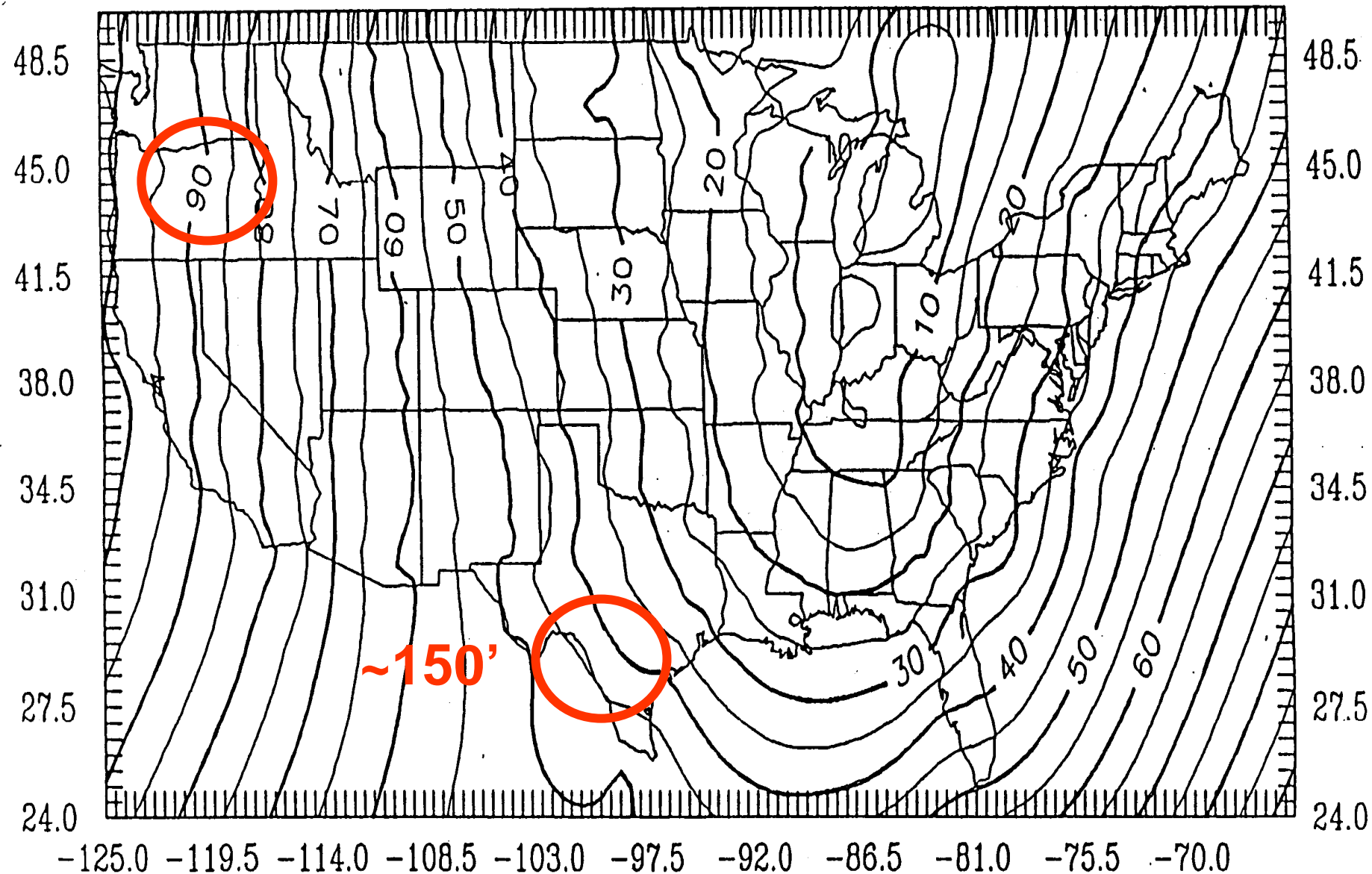
International Terrestrial Reference Frame

High Accuracy Reference Network (HARN)

HARN 1995, 2001, 2007 Adjustments

MAGNITUDE OF DATUM SHIFT (METERS)

-125.0 -119.5 -114.0 -108.5 -103.0 -97.5 -92.0 -86.5 -81.0 -75.5 -70.0





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HARN Adjustments 1995, 2001, 2007

Station: SMITHPORT (EZ5525)					
Difference Northing (m)					
Adjustment		83/86	83/95	83/2001	83/(NSRS2007)
	Northing (m)	199354.569	199354.397	199354.384	199354.377
83/86	199354.569	0.000			
83/95	199354.397	0.172	0.000		
83/2001	199354.384	0.185	0.013	0.000	
83 (NSRS2007)	199354.377	0.192	0.020	0.007	0.000
Difference Easting (m)					
Adjustment		83/86	83/95	83/2001	83/(NSRS2007)
	Easting (m)	665067.183	665067.513	665067.503	
83/86	665067.183	0.000			
83/95	665067.513	-0.330	0.000		
83/2001	665067.503	-0.320	0.010	0.000	
83 (NSRS2007)	665067.499	-0.316	0.014	0.004	0.000

Height Differences Between NAVD 88 and NGVD 29

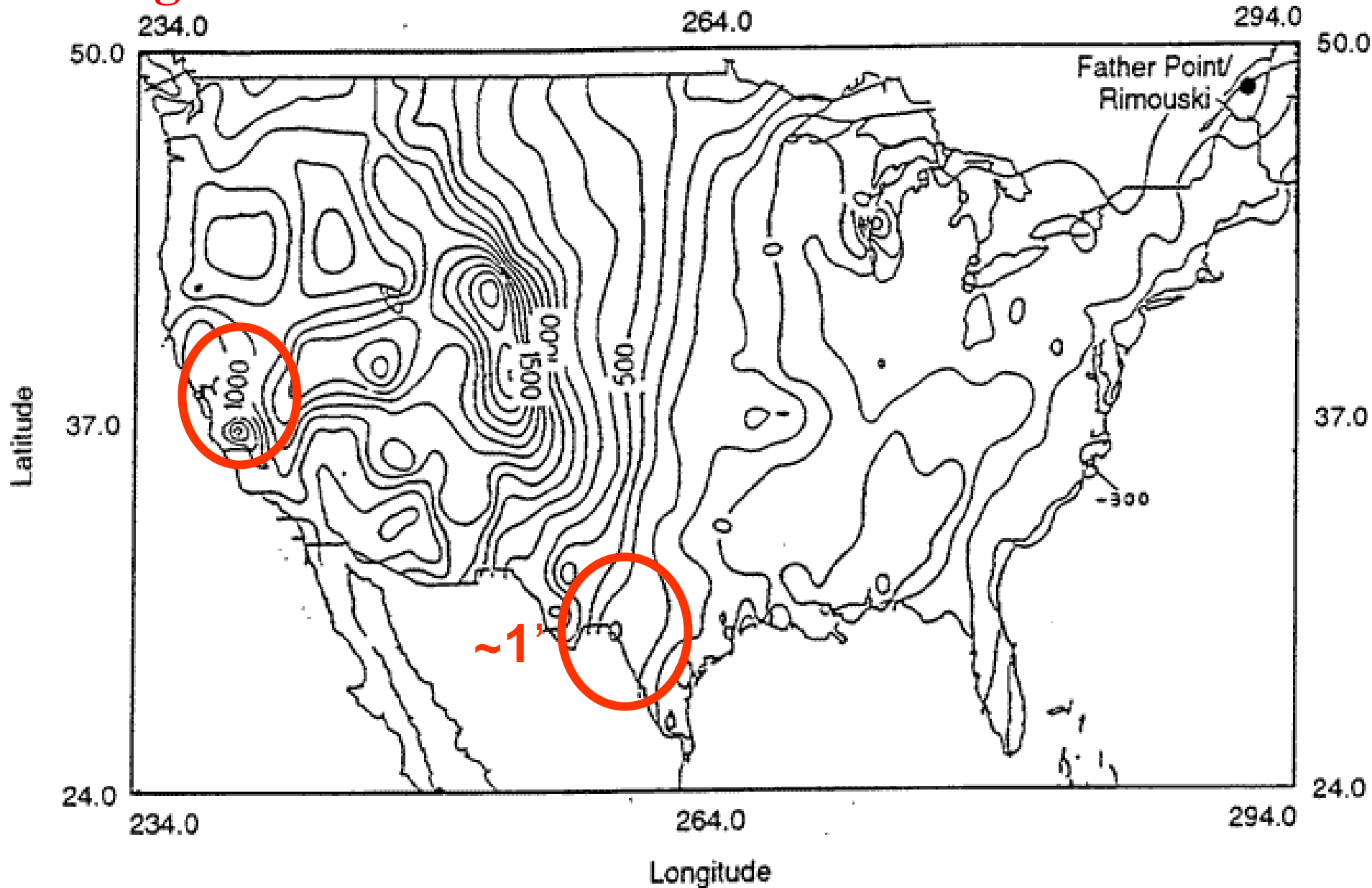


Figure 4. Contour map depicting height differences between NAVD 88 and NGVD 29 (units = mm).



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Local or assumed coordinates for the project –

● N 10,000
E 10,000

● N 10,000
E 10,000

● N 10,000
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N 10,000
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Who Knows Where We Are?



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The Design Data - How Good?

How was it developed?

3D Modeling?

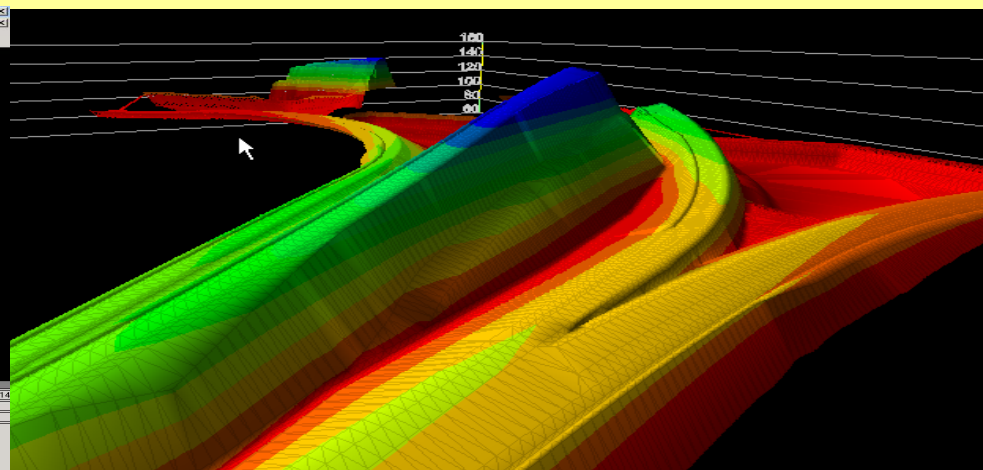
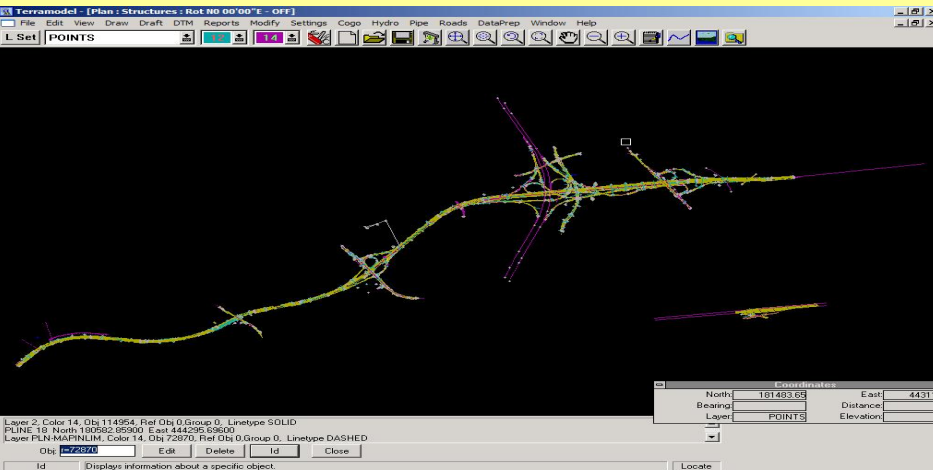
Are there Spikes or Holes?

Cross-Sections ?

What Interval?

Are there CADD conflicts

(Crossing Breaklines)?





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The Design Data – Experience & Liability?

Who developed the data?

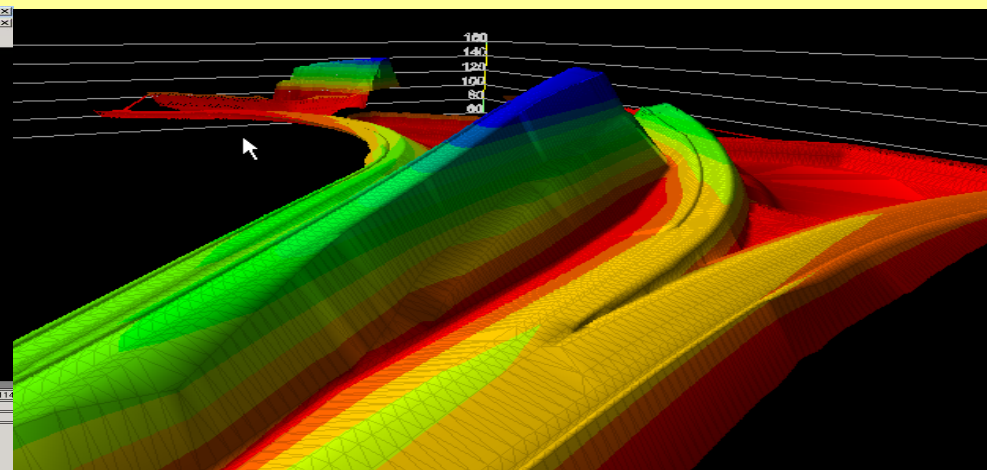
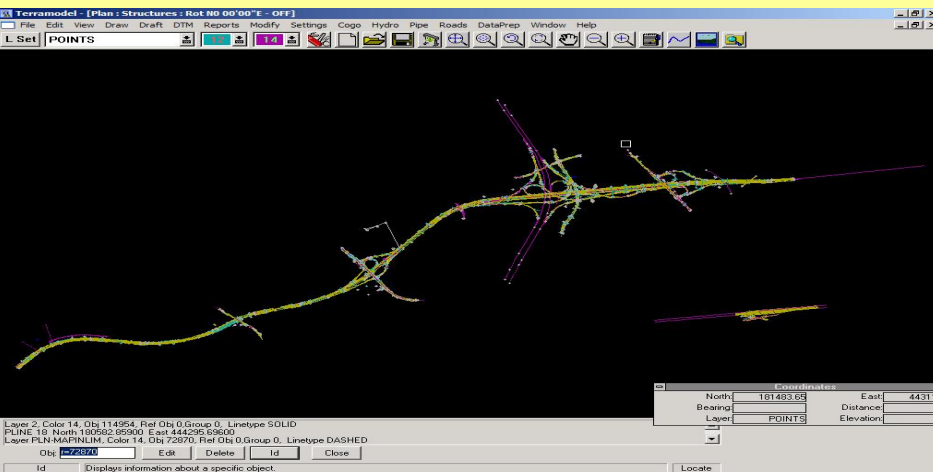
The DOT

The Contractor

3rd Party

Professional Certification?

Does it match DOT model?





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Construction Preparation

Clarify Points 1 and 2 (Survey and Design)

How good is that GPS?

How good is that surface model?

Where's the control?





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Construction Preparation

How good is that GPS?

Is Survey Grade Accuracy really
millimeter?

What happens to the blade on
that Dozer?





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Construction Preparation

How good is that surface model?

Resurvey the bare earth for new tie
points?

Adjust the model?





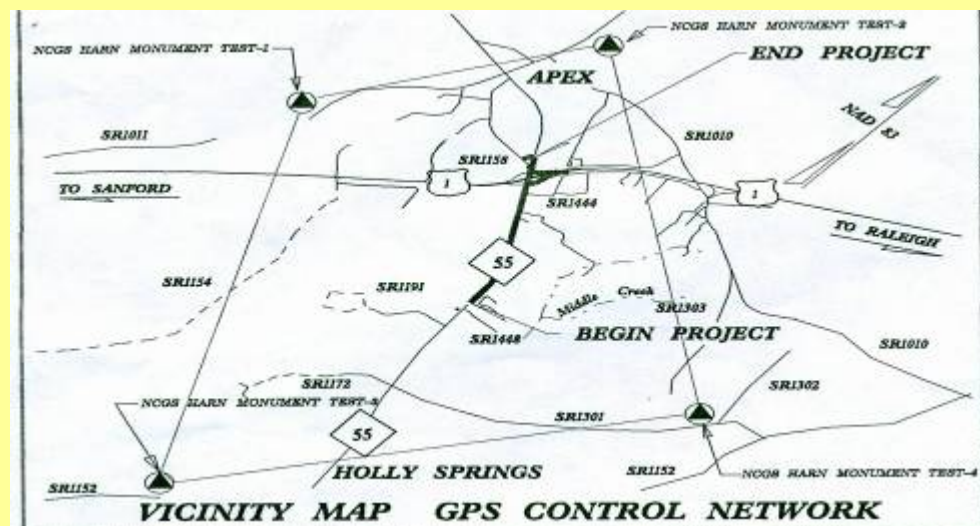
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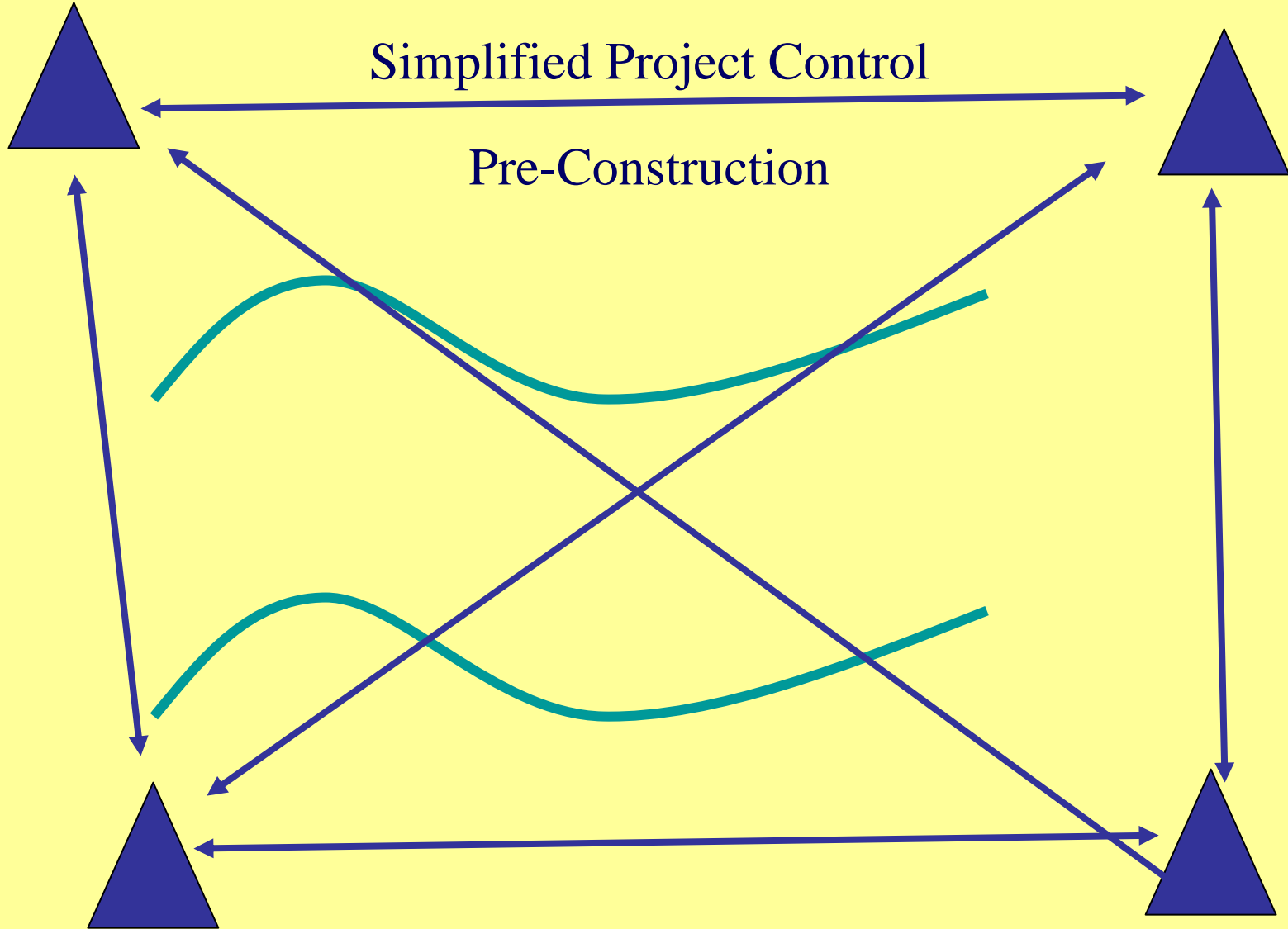
Where's the control?

No Centerline staked any more
Calibration Points surround project
Tied to original surveys
RTK Network or local base station?



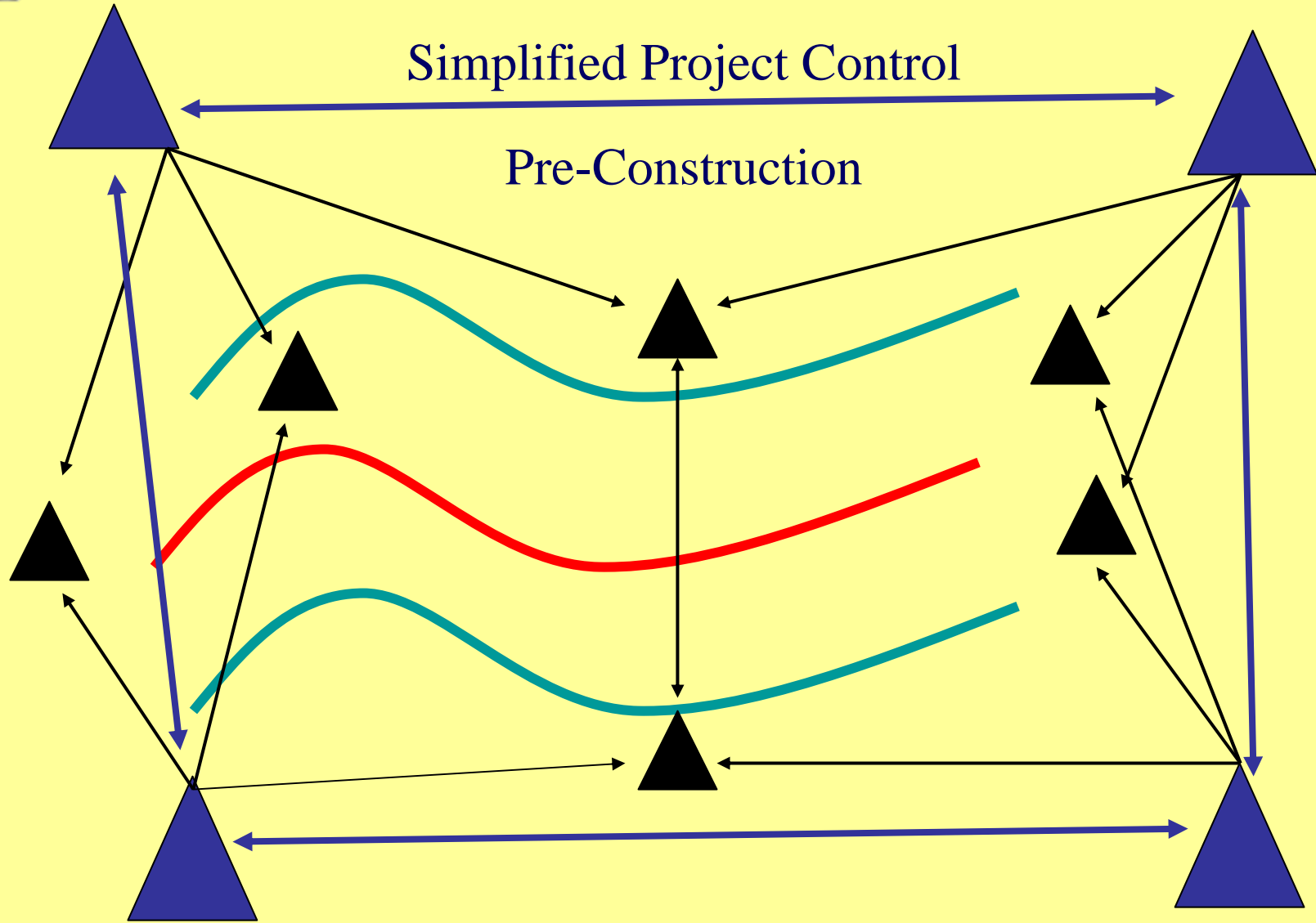


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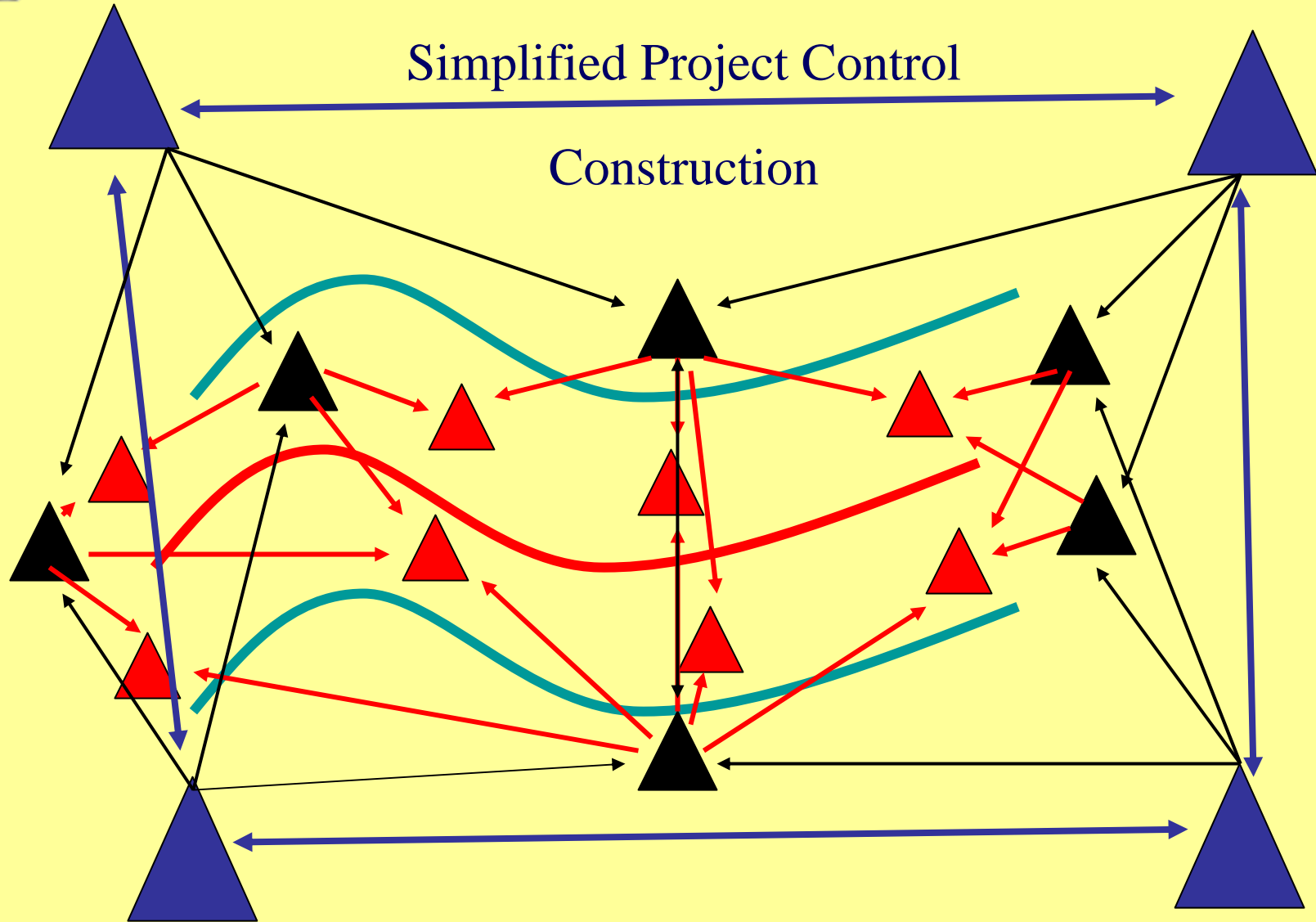


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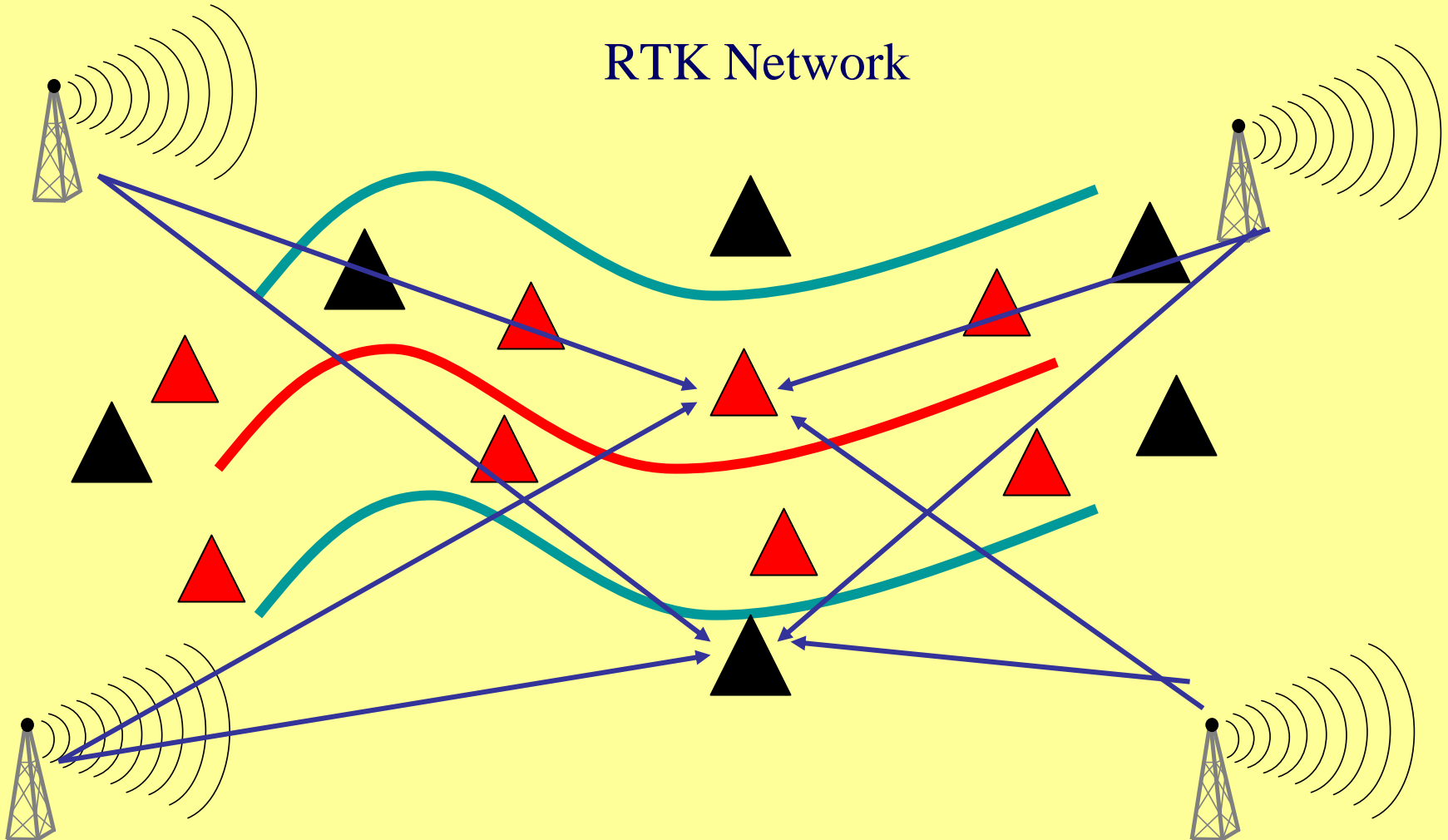


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Simplified Project Control

RTK Network



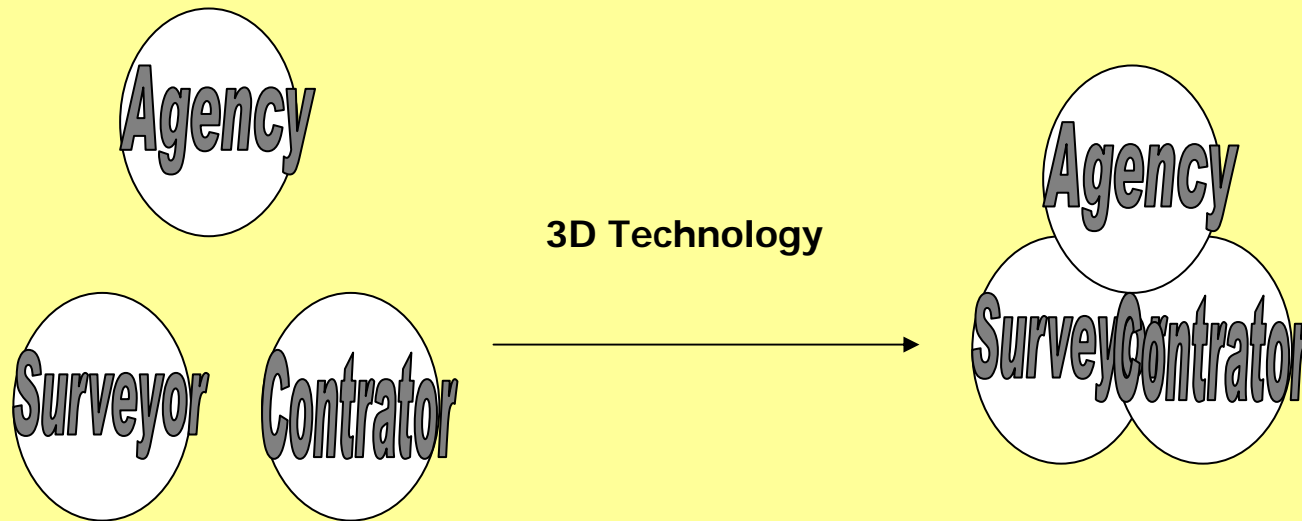


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The Biggest Issue – Good Communication!

We're not 3 Independent Kingdoms anymore





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The Biggest Issue – Good Communication!

- Agencies can encourage (or force) various groups to adopt workable standards (i.e. reduce conflict)
 - *Verify* consistent positioning of the project
 - Adopt 3D technology in verification process
 - Insist on a standard electronic model



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The Biggest Issue – Good Communication!

- Surveyors can help educate and ensure professional standards are being met
 - Manage project *position* (control)
 - Ensure technology being utilized meets professional standards (manage consistency between agency, contractor, and surveyor)
 - Arbitrate grade discrepancies



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The Biggest Issue – Good Communication!

- Contractors can visualize grade and sometimes “see” 3D model problems not obvious to agency/surveyor
 - Work within standards agreed to by surveyor
 - Always “check-in” to surveyor established points
 - Ask all the dumb questions, especially when the 3D model seems unusual



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Questions?



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Thank You!