

Which tool should I use?

If I want to find one or more active or inactive parcels by using only the Canada Lands name

Depending on the input and the type of search, all the tools except Google Earth will work. Google Earth may not work because it shows only the most up-to-date parcels.

See

- the Search example section in the CLSS Map Browser user's guide¹
- Example 1 in the Survey Plan Search user's guide²
- Example 2 in the Survey Project Search user's guide³



CLSS Map Browser – a location-based search tool that illustrates information from Canada Lands Surveys Records in an interactive map



Canada Lands in Google Earth – a digital overlay of current surveyed parcels, plan numbers, project numbers and administrative boundaries of Canada Lands shown in Google Earth



Survey Plan Search – a text-based search tool that allows users to find, view and download survey plans and records from the Canada Lands Surveys Records



Survey Project Search – text-based search tool that allows users to monitor the status of survey projects conducted on Canada Lands

If I have a plan number

Using the Survey Plan Search tool is the easiest way to find a survey plan if you know the plan number. In the Survey Plan Search user's guide,² see Example 2.



If I want to see the most recent parcels over an aerial photograph

Google Earth is the only tool that can outline the parcels over aerial photographs. In the Google Earth user's guide,⁴ see the How to search section.



If I have a project number from the Canada Lands Survey System

If you know the project number, you can use the Survey Project Search tool to find any open and/or closed projects. In the Survey Project Search user's guide,³ see Example 2.



If I am looking for a specific type of document or a specific type of survey plan (condominium, mineral claim, right of way)

You can use the Survey Plan Search tool to filter the results according to the type of documents or the purpose of the survey. In the Survey Plan Search user's guide,² see the How to use Survey Plan Search section.



If I know the lot number I am looking for

The CLSS Map Browser search tool and the keyword search of the Survey Plan Search tool allow searching for a lot or a parcel number. In the CLSS Map Browser user's guide,¹ see the Search example section.



If I know the name of the land surveyor

You can find a survey by using the name of a Canada Lands Surveyor in the Survey Plan Search and the Survey Project Search tools. In the Survey Project Search user's guide,³ see the How to use Survey Project Search section.



If I am looking for a parcel designated for a specific use (road, park, school)

You can use the Survey Plan Search or the Survey Project Search tools to do a keyword search. In the Survey Plan Search user's guide,² see Example 3.



If I know exactly where to look on a map to find the information I need

Google Earth and the CLSS Map Browser enable you to navigate to the parcel or to the area you are looking for. Note that Google Earth shows only the most up-to-date parcels. In the Google Earth user's guide,⁴ see Example 1.



NOTE: The results of searches, including keyword searches, may be incomplete.

¹ CLSS Map Browser 3.0: 1. User's Guide – an interactive, map-based plan and parcel search tool

² Survey Plan Search: 3. User's Guide – a text-based search tool for all current and historical records

³ Survey Project Search: 4. User's Guide – a text-based search tool for in-progress survey projects

⁴ Canada Lands in Google Earth: 2. User's Guide – an overlay providing an integrated view of boundaries and parcels in Google Earth

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