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What effect will electronic cadastral survey plans in Australia have on surveyor's intellectual property?

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The Plan

What intellectual property to Australian Cadastral Survyors hold?

Why is it at risk?

Can the risk be mitigated?



















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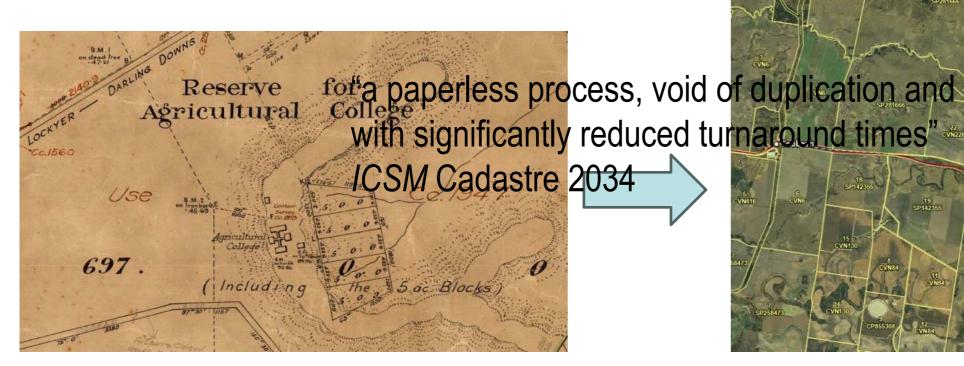




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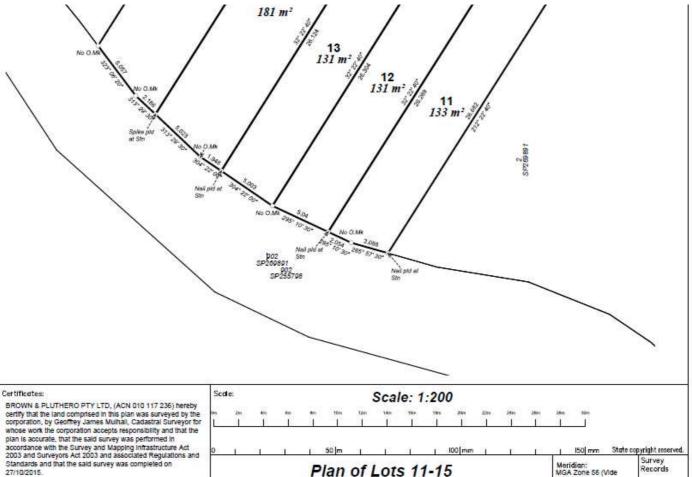




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Copyright Act

Material Form – experession of ideas not ideas themselves

Paper and image file are suitable (StatusCard)

Dynamic display – too ephemeral

Code vs Output - limited choices for display

Spatial data vs output??

Authorship – only produced by humans

"independent intellectual effort"

cf US & Europe



















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Artistic

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Survey plan



















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Is copyright the best mechanism?

- Does copyright necessarily limit free-riding?
- Unfair competition?
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