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Failing Fast: Leveraging Geospatial Data for Land Pilot Projects





What I think about when I hear someone say, 'it's a small world...'

Land projects typically involve system, process, and people changes that span large geographies

- Digitization of paper systems
- Multi-Purpose, or Fit-for-Purpose
 Cadastre
- Census, demographic and statistics review
- As-Built validations
- Property valuation
- Community Participation and Involvement





My experience with 'it's a small world'

in 2011



2001-2004	2007-2011	2015	2016-2018
Lived abroad as a	Completed my	Joined the	USAID funded
teenager in	Geomatics	Trimble Land	Land Pilot project
Ecuador	Engineering	Administration	in Ovejas,
Learned Spanish and	degree	division	Colombia
became interested in	Volunteering with	Focusing on expanding	Lead technology design,
international	Engineers without	our involvement in land	development, execution
development	Borders, joined Trimble	projects in Latin	and capacity building.

America



Failed fast to succeed

In Ovejas, Colombia, Trimble delivered a 10 crew solution to map rural land parcels to assist with the restitution process post civil war



10 Field Crews



R2 + Kenai + Penmap, R6 base + radio kits,



Background Imagery and Parcel information for 6000 parcels

Had to scope additional equipment due to project challenges Trimble solved the following challenges for the Ovejas project:

- Speed of data collection in the field
- Digitizing paper forms
- Conducting owner interviews and cadastral survey in the same visit
- Collecting geospatial data in remote areas

Trimble did not solve:

 Data import/export into backend system



Failing fast, and often, was critical to moving the project forward and obtaining success

- Only 2 base stations purchased instead of 4?
 - Re-organize project crews
 - Log raw GNSS data for post processing later in office
 - Configure office computers with post processing software
- Software bug doesn't allow base station IDs greater than 9?
 - Test locally to isolate hardware vs software issue
 - Feed data to engineering teams for hot-fix, roll out locally
- Satellite based correction sources not 'officially' approved?
 - Provide demo license and run data capture in parallel
 - Prepare evaluation report for new method approval





What is the role of Young Surveyors in these ongoing land development challenges?

- To think critically and differently, even in an unfamiliar application or industry
- To be curious and investigate the root causes of why something doesn't work
- To provide experienced opinion and share knowledge
- To make complex technology useful and accessible
- To be willing to try something new, and lead innovation





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A little about me



Trimble.

Rotational Development Program

Mapping and GIS, Survey, Ag, Imaging July 2011- July 2013



Research Assistant

GNSS Software Design

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Technical Solutions Manager

Agriculture- On Tractor Solutions July 2013- October 2015

Business Development for Latin America Land Administration October 2015- September 2017

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