GIS & Land Survey

Introduction

Personal information

Background information

Overview

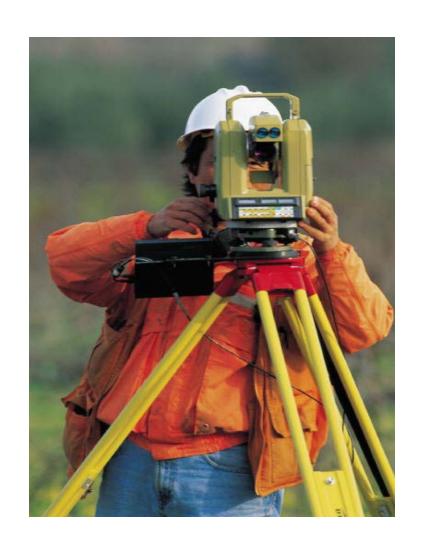
Lots of survey data is used in GIS, unfortunately surveyors

don't utilize GIS



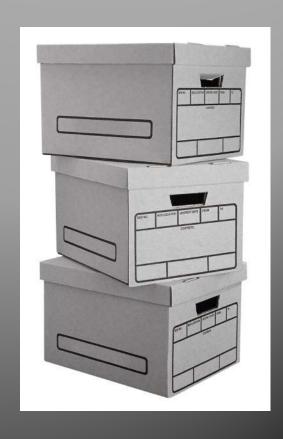
Land Surveying

- Basic Survey
 - Property Line
 - Topographic
- Survey Concepts
 - Measurements
- Techniques
 - Research
 - Field Data Collection
 - Data Processing
 - Property Line S/O



Current Project Data Storage System

- Project info stored in boxes or file folders on network
- Project info and data not being reused
- Example: Beach St. Survey
 - Same survey
 - Same client



Flaws of the Current Project Data Storage System

- Research Costs
 - Town Hall, Registry, Engineering Department, Utilities and Public Works
- Recon/Project Setup Costs
 - Locate physical monumentation
 - Establish control network

Proposed Solution

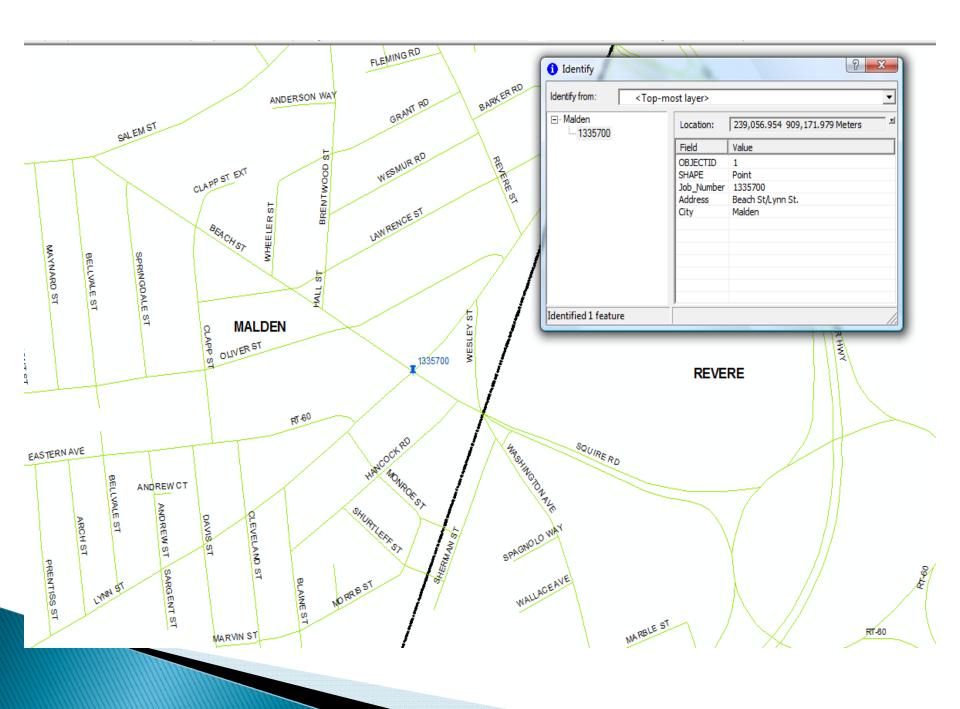
- Spatially reference survey projects to one another within a GIS database.
- Info and data from completed survey projects could be used to assist in completing current projects.
- Reference job # to locate parcel, deed, property line and street layout information.
- Reference AutoCAD drawings to locate monuments and retrieve coordinates of control points.
- Examples
 - Cost and budgets
 - Time consumption
 - Proximity of jobs

Development Methodologies

- Method 1 Manually create features by town
- Method 2 State plane coordinate system
 - Small percentage of surveys are done this way
- Method 3 Assumed coordinate manipulation
 - Most surveys are on assumed coordinate system

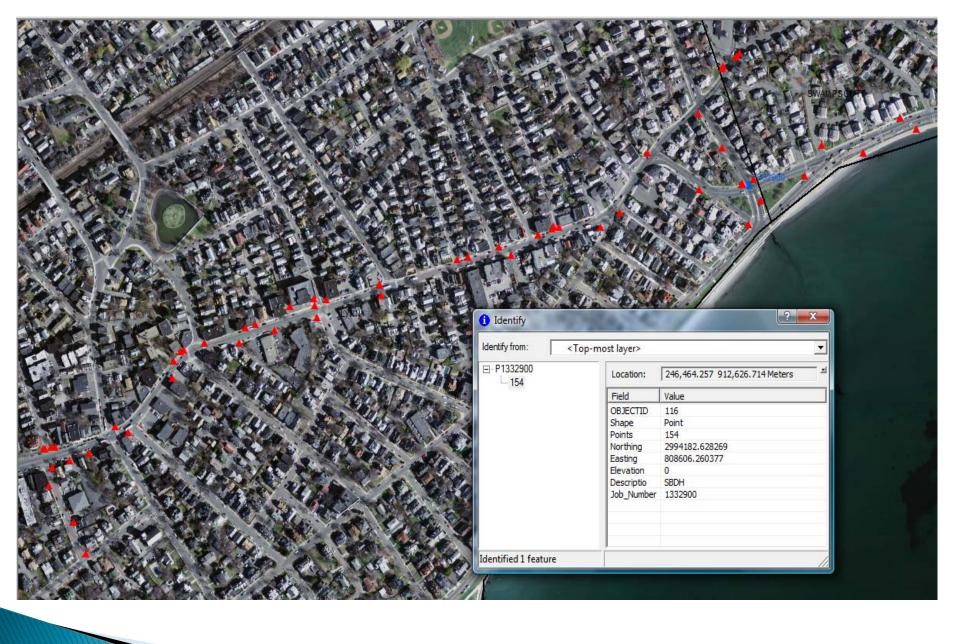
Method 1

- Create features by town
- Include job # in attribute table
- Easiest and quickest method
- Example



Method 2 - State Plane Coordinates

- Option available for jobs completed in a state plane coordinate system.
- Points and descriptions can be brought into GIS application by adding X, Y data from excel file.
- Job numbers must be added to attribute table.
- Example



Method 3 - Assumed Coordinates

- Most survey jobs are performed using assumed coordinates.
- Transformation of assumed coordinates is conducted:
 - Feature points are visually selected on a map.
 - Feature points are moved to correlate to points on the GIS map and then rotated to fit.
- Job numbers must be added to attribute table.
- Drawbacks to this method
 - Scale factor
 - Assumed locations
 - Possibility of creating false data
- Example



Feasibility

- Established company would require significant time and resources to retrieve project info and input data into GIS application.
- Start-up company could do easily and would benefit greatly.

