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NOTES ON SURVEYING IN MARIN COUNTY

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The following is some helpful information that land surveyors should consider when surveying in Marin County.

You can use [MarinMap](#) to view copies of recorded maps online. Just zoom into the parcel you are working on, click on it, click on the blue 'Assessors Map' hyperlink in the box that just popped up, and when a new tab opens with the assessor's map in it, above the map will be blue hyperlinks to copies of record maps noted on the assessor's map.

Accounting

<http://www.marinmap.org/Html5Viewer/Index.html?viewer=mmdataviewer>

Administrative Services

Airport

The above method will get you to some older, lower quality scans.

Building Maintenance

If you need to print or save the maps you are viewing, you should contact our recorder and order the library of maps Marin County has recorded (delivered on a USB drive), and that is relatively inexpensive (\$36.75 in person, \$40.40 via mail, \$5.75 for bi-annual updates (in person), \$9.28 by mail). Prices are as of 06/26/2024.

Capital Projects

Certified Unified Program
Agency (CUPA)

<https://www.marincounty.org/depts/ar/divisions/recorder>

Communications
Maintenance

Disability Access

You can search for Corner Records here:

Engineering & Survey

<https://www.marincounty.org/depts/pw/divisions/public-services/surveying>

Fleet Operations

Flood Control &
Water Resources

Also, the Marin Chapter of the CLSA maintains a 'record map index' listing "all" recorded maps in Marin County (the term "all" used very loosely as it is not a guarantee). This is important in that our Assessor does not show or reference all record maps on the AP maps. The list is updated and sent to subscribers on a monthly basis. If you want to subscribe to that index, contact the Marin Chapter of the CLSA: <https://marinclsa.com/>. Initial cost is \$400 for the first year, \$200 per year thereafter.

Land Development

Procurement

Real Estate

Reprographic Services

Road Maintenance

Marin County had a large number of surveyors in the past that did not record all/many of their surveys/maps, and those maps are held privately. See the DPW survey web page for a list of the surveyors and the stewards of their records. Yes, the challenge is knowing who has something in the area you are working in.

Stormwater Program

Transportation &
Traffic Operations

Waste Management

The Marin County Free Library has a LARGE collection of unrecorded private records purchased from William (Bill) Schroeder (which includes records of Oglesby, Voorhies, EFS, and other well-known Marin County Surveyors). They are part of the Anne T. Kent California Room of the Marin County Free Library, and are located at the Los Gamos annex, 1600 Los Gamos, Suite 182, San Rafael, California, 94903. The annex is open Thursdays from 1:00 – 5:00. There is a steward there that can help you get started and guide you through the process of researching the unrecorded records. For more information on how to contact the library, visit <https://marinlibrary.org/survey-requests/>. Note that some of their information is available to view online at <https://cdm17213.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/> . Browse the collections which include various survey categories.

If you visit the survey archives at the library, consider making a donation to assist with records preservation!!

We have moved our DPW historic road survey books to the Los Gamos location noted above, and are working on getting our historic field books over to the Los Gamos location as well.

Lastly, if you are going to survey in Marin County, I suggest joining our local CLSA chapter. We meet the third Wednesday of just about every month, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Las Guitarras Restaurant in Novato. I suggest contacting the Marin County Chapter first before your planned attendance as opposed to just showing up. They can be reached here: <https://marinclsa.com/> .

These notes are a complete list of what you need to know to survey in Marin County, nor should it limit your areas of research.

Thank you,

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