What is a Land Survey?

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ABSTRACT

The role of the Board of Surveying and Spatial Information (BOSSI) is to ensure that only appropriately qualified persons undertake land surveys and that the integrity of the NSW cadastre is maintained. BOSSI has recently published a document to provide a uniform understanding across the surveying and allied professions of the definition of a land survey. The document was prepared in response to the increased number of surveys showing property boundaries being performed by non-registered surveyors in NSW and is available at http://www.bossi.nsw.gov.aw/publications. This presentation covers the history of land surveying in Australia, cadastral surveying, related definitions, and the penalties applicable to unregistered persons undertaking land surveys or advertising that they can undertake land surveys.

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