Trimble Access - Stakeout EFT Waterway Alignment

<u>Overview:</u> Stakeout the alignment of a waterway that was designed in the NRCS Engineering Field Tools (EFT) v3.4.1.2 software.

- The waterway surface is exported from EFT.
- Iowa NRCS uses survey units of *International Foot* but EFT v3.4.1.2 labels the units as *US Survey Foot* so the surface file must be updated before importing into Trimble Access.
- Determine the details of any Control Points that you will need. They can be linked from the original survey or a coordinate text file of control points can be uploaded to the Trimble unit.
- The waterway profile cut sheet can be printed to provide profile grade breaks for manual input.
- The alignment is staked from the Roading component of Trimble Access.

Exporting WW Information from NRCS EFT

In NRCS Engineering Field Tools: Export Surfaces

- 1. File...Export... Surfaces...
- 2. Input a unique filename {e.g. Smith WW} and click Save. Click Ok.

Print Cut-Sheet Report at grade breaks only.

- 3. File... Print Reports...
- 4. Uncheck all reports and checkmark Waterway Reports
- 5. Select all of the waterway reaches needed. <u>Click Next</u>
- 6. Checkmark Cut-Sheet Report and input a Sample Interval of 10000. Click Finish
- 7. Click Ok.
- 8. <u>Click</u> Open to view the pdf report.
- 9. Print the report to obtain the Station and Design Elevation of the WW profile.

	DESIGN														
						Offset 1		Offset 2		Offset 3					
	Station (ft)	Design Bottom Elevatio (ft)	Centerli Existing Elevatio (ft)	Centerli Cut + or Fill - (ft)	Grade	Distanc (ft)	Elevatio (ft)	Distanc (ft)	Elevatio (ft)	Distanc (ft)	Elevatio (ft)	Design Depth X (ft)	Design Top Width (ft)	Seeding Width (ft)	
Γ	25.0	87.30	89.78	2.48	1.27%	0.0	87.3	0.0	87.3	0.0	87.3	2.14	45.55	65.6	
	350.0	91.43	93.98	2.55	0.88%	0.0	91.4	0.0	91.4	0.0	91.4	2.21	47.16	67.2	
	750.0	94.97	97.48	2.51		0.0	95.0	0.0	95.0	0.0	95.0	2.09	44.11	64.1	

Using Microsoft Excel:

Prepare Exported Surface file so that International Foot is correctly used as units.

- 10. Open the Update EFT Surface Export units.xlsm spreadsheet.
- 11. Follow the spreadsheet instructions to open the EFT exported surface. {e.g. Smith WW}

12. Save the converted surface file. {e.g. Smith WW IFoot.xml} Close the spreadsheet.

Use the **Trimble Access Upload** steps to transfer the converted Surface file to the controller. Note: Place the .xml file in the same folder that your .job file will be in.

Setting up Job for Stakeout of WW CL only

Link Uploaded text file to Job

On TSC3/2 controller

- 13. Power on TSC3 and press the Trimble button to launch Trimble Access.
- 14. Roads...Jobs... New Job....
- 15. Input a job name for this waterway stakeout survey.
- 16. <u>Select</u> the template for either GPS or Total station.
- 17. Click Linked Files...
- 18. <u>Select</u> the file or job with your control points. E.g. *Smith Control.txt*.
- 19. Click Accept.
- 20. <u>Click</u> Accept.

Define Waterway Alignment with Elevations

- 21. Click Define...
- 22. <u>Select the EFT surface file with your waterway. E.g.</u> *Smith WW IFoot.xml*.
- 23. Click Edit...Edit...
- 24. <u>Highlight Horizontal Alignment... Click</u> Edit...
- 25. To review the highlighted starting point coordinates Click Edit
- 26. Press Next to see more horizontal positions or Press ESC
- 27. Press ESC to stop reviewing the horizontal elements
- 28. <u>Highlight Vertical Alignment... Click Edit...</u>
- 29. <u>Click</u> New...
- 30. Input the Station and the Elevation for the starting point of the waterway.
- 31. Click Store...
- 32. For the rest of the reaches
 - a. <u>Click</u> New...
 - b. *Entry Method* = **VPI**, <u>Click</u> Ok
 - c. *Element* = **Point**, <u>Input</u> the Station & Elevation
 - d. <u>Click</u> Store
 - e. Repeat
- 33. <u>Click</u> *Accept* when all grade break points have been entered.
- 34. Templates can be created if more than the CL elevation is wanted.
- 35. Click Store...
- 36. Input a name for the road E.g. Smith WW1. Click Ok
- 37. Press ESC to return to the Roads menu

Stakeout the Waterway CL

Set up Instrument

- 38. Set up total station or GPS for surveying as normal.
- 39. In Trimble Access click Roads...

Open the Job (From Roads Program)

- 40. <u>Click</u> on Jobs... Open Job
- 41. Highlight the waterway job
- 42. Click Select.

Backsight for Orientation of Survey (From Roads Program)

- 43. <u>Click</u> on *Survey*...
 - a. For total station click VX & S Series...
 - b. For GPS click IaRTN...
- 44. Continue with normal setup of survey.

Stakeout Waterway in Roads

- 45. <u>Click</u> Survey...Survey Roads...
- 46. Highlight the Road from the list. E.g. Smith WW1.rxl. Click Next
- 47. <u>Pulldown</u> *Stake* = *Station* & *offset*.
- 48. <u>Right Arrow Click</u> on the *Station* to select stationing that you are wanting to stake from the *List* option.
- 49. Screen 2 of 2 shows the planned elevation. The station interval can also be changed.
- 50. <u>Click Start</u> and Move the target to the correct staking location
- 51. Once Target is at acceptable location <u>click</u> accept.
- 52. Input As-staked Name E.g {*SO1004* } for StakeOut and a Code (e.g. CL WW).
- 53. Click Enter
- 54. Click Store
- 55. <u>Select next station or offset from list and repeat.</u>
- 56. When done with Stakeout Press ESC.

Quit out of Survey

- 57. Switch to General Survey to take a topo shot on a known benchmark or turning point as a final check.
- 58. When survey is completed, Escape to main menu, & click Survey... End Survey
- 59. Click Yes to Powerdown Instrument. Click Ok & Disconnect the power.
- 60. Click Exit. Click Yes to Power Off.