

# 2013 Quality Initiative:

## LTSA Standard Plan Prefix Data Cleanse

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### Summary

The Plan field in BC Assessment's Parcel/Legal data is defined as being a combination of the Land Title and Survey Authority (LTSA) Plan *Prefix* and Plan *Number*. Plan Numbers alone are unique only within current and former Land Title Offices. Theoretically, the same Plan Number can occur in several geographically separate areas of the province.

In order for BC Assessment and our various clients to correctly access information by Plan, we will be ensuring valid Plan Prefixes are present in the Plan field. Valid LTSA Strata and Standard Plan Prefix information is listed on the LTSA website at <http://help.ltsa.ca/cms/additional-prefix-information>.

### Timing

Our *Strata* Plans have been consistent since 2005. Data cleansing work on our *Standard* Plans began as a low priority task in 2009; however, work on this audit is still ongoing.

As a result, there may be a relatively small increase in the volume of changes in your 2014 Roll Year weekly and monthly data advice. The majority of changes made in 2013 will appear in your 2014 Assessment Roll data advice (in either your completed or revised files, depending on which product(s) you subscribe to).

### Impact

Weekly/monthly: Increased data advice entries due to changes to existing legal descriptions.  
Completed/Revised: Increased changes from 2012 due to changes to existing legal descriptions.

### Contact Information

If you have any questions about how any of the scheduled projects may affect your jurisdiction or the timing for the activities, please contact your [local BC Assessment office](#).

If you have any Data Advice questions or concerns, please contact our Customer Services department:

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### Previous Related Quality Initiatives or Bulletins

Continuation of 2009 Quality Initiative – LTSA Standard Plan Prefix Data Cleanse