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**CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE IN SURVEYING**  
**The David Thompson National Geomatics Awards**

**Ottawa, June 12, 2008** – The second annual David Thompson National Geomatics Awards were presented at the Gala Dinner of the National Surveyors' Conference, May 7th at the Royal British Columbia Museum in Victoria, BC.



Winning the “Innovation in Geomatics” category was W.D. McIntosh Land Surveying Ltd. (Bill McIntosh, BCLS) for the Support of the 2007 Vanderhoof Flood Emergency Response Project. Finalists were Bennett Land Surveying Ltd. and the Land Title & Survey Authority of British Columbia.

In the category “Contribution to Society”, the winner was McElhanney Associates (John Blair, ALS (Ret.), BCLS, CLS) for the Land Management and Land Registration in the Tsunami Recovery Program in Aceh, Indonesia. The finalist was Monroe Kinloch, ALS.

The David Thompson National Geomatics Awards Program is open to all commissioned surveyors who are members of a Canadian surveying association, submitting projects that have been completed within the last three years.

The deadline for submissions for next year's awards is **March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009**.

The Association of Canada Lands Surveyors (ACLS) introduced the David Thompson National Geomatics Awards Program in cooperation with all professional surveying associations across Canada through the Canadian Council of Land Surveyors (CCLS).



The ACLS is a national self-regulating professional association. It has 560 members located across Canada (and the world), with expertise in surveying, photogrammetry, remote sensing, geodesy, hydrography and land information systems. For details, please visit: [www.acls-aatc.ca](http://www.acls-aatc.ca)

The CCLS is the national forum of the Canadian surveyors associations, facilitating national consensus-based strategies and providing national and international representation within the geomatics profession. For more information, please visit: [www.ccls-ccag.ca](http://www.ccls-ccag.ca)

For details on the David Thompson National Geomatics Awards Program, please visit: [www.acls-aatc.ca/ENGLISH/awards/award.htm](http://www.acls-aatc.ca/ENGLISH/awards/award.htm)

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