

This session will provide an introductory overview of the range of lands governance options available to First Nations in Canada, including aboriginal rights and title, treaty rights, self-government over reserve lands, and the older Indian Act lands system. First Nation land management issues that may be relevant to lands surveyors will also be discussed such as additions to reserve, land use planning, and development of lands. Finally, the session will also include discussion, from a non-surveyor's perspective, regarding recommendations on how best to work with First Nations on surveying issues as those First Nations continue to implement their lands governance systems.