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Released in February of 2014, this free mobile application is designed as a single point of access for locating and retrieving land surveys and Public Land Survey System (PLSS) Certified Land Corner sheets done in Brown County and on file with the Survey Division. A June 2011 LEAN Kaizen event provided the direction to create this application. Survey Division staff entered most of the information and the Wisconsin Land Information Program provided funding for back entering surveys using contract help. Conversions of AutoCAD data were performed by and facilitated by Land Information Officer. The web application was set up by GIS Technician.

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Data Dictionary

Certified Survey Map (CSM): is defined in s.s. 236 as a document used to create 4 or fewer lots and is filed with the Register of Deeds. Access to images from this application is provided through Tapestry which is a fee based service.

Corner Name: unique corner name

Corner Type: corner classification (meander corner, section corner, claim corner, etc.)

Fort Howard Military Reserve: tract of land established in 1829 to support Fort Howard. Subdivided in 1864.

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Mortgage Inspection shows the apparent existing location of principal buildings. Most requirements of A-E 7 are waived.

Indian Claim: land grant in the Oneida Indian Reservation. Surveyed in 1889.

Plat of Survey (POS): is defined in A-E 7 as a property survey and is filed with the County Surveyor. Image access is provided through a hyperlink to a PDF file.

Private Claim: a land grant that had been settled along the Fox River prior to the Public Land Survey System survey whose ownership was confirmed to the claimant. The Private Claims were surveyed and confirmed in 1828. They are also referred to as a French Long Lots.

Public Land Survey System (PLSS): a system of 6 square mile congressional townships that is divided into 36 one square mile sections. The sections are further divided into quarter sections and quarter-quarter sections.

Range Number: number of congressional ranges east or west of the 4th Principal Meridian (all of Brown County is east of the 4th PM).

Right of Way Plat: map showing existing road or railroad features or planned changes to roads.

Section Number: 1 of 36 section numbers within a township.

Subdivision: is defined in s.s. 236 as a document to create lots and is filed with the Register of Deeds. . Access to images from this application is provided through Tapestry which is a fee based service.

Township Number: number of congressional townships north of the base line.

Transportation Project Plat (TPP): is defined in s.s. 84 as a document to create parcels to be acquired or disposed of for a project and is filed with the Register of Deed. Access to images from this application is provided through Tapestry which is a fee based service.

Williams Grant: a land grant to Eleazor Williams, surveyed in 1838 and subdivided in 1856.

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