

Anguilla Launches New Land Information System



The Anguilla Department of Lands and Surveys (DLS) has launched its new Land Information System (LIS) built on the Trimble Landfolio platform. The UK government provided a grant to assist Anguilla, a British overseas territory in the Caribbean, in rebuilding its infrastructure following Hurricane Irma in 2017. Trimble was awarded the implementation of the LIS project and worked with the Government of Anguilla through 2020 and the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic to implement an integrated and sustainable LIS.

Anguilla's LIS had largely remained unchanged since 1974. While the DLS had been working for many years toward a digital system, the near loss and flooding of the DLS's building following Hurricane Irma, made it clear that the existing paper-based system was

at extreme risk and very vulnerable to disasters. The system needed to be updated, digitized and protected. The project's aim was to replace the current paper-based land administration data and systems with a modern, web-enabled LIS to accurately record and facilitate all land-based transactions.

Digitalization of land information

Trimble's Land Administration solutions automate and integrate land registries, cadastral mapping, and the permitting and licensing of land for surveyors, governments, and businesses worldwide. Digitizing land information is one of the pillars the company's solutions offer.

Leslie Hodge, director, <u>Department of Lands and Surveys</u> said: "The Trimble staff associated with the project has brought key best practices and strong technical capacities as well as a wealth of experience from their respective land-related fields for the implementation of the project. The application of <u>Landfolio</u> has met the Anguilla DLS' expectations to deliver a state-of-the-art Land Information System to serve the Government of Anguilla and its people."

Landfolio will help the DLS ensure that Anguilla's land records are standardized, auditable and accessible – increasing government transparency, the ease of doing business, and the efficient collection of stamp duties and fees associated with land transactions.

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