



ILRR Release 3

New functionality and public access

A new version of the map viewer, increased functionality and ongoing data quality improvement efforts make the ILRR more useful than ever.

Guest users (general public) can now access the ILRR using the map viewer and see interest layers, administrative boundaries and other base map information. Guests can also use the map viewer “drill down” tools to access basic interest and survey parcel information. Guests can not produce status reports, query interest records, or save queries. Although guest access is limited to the map viewer, the ILRR still provides a useful tool to determine what interests are on a specific point of land in B.C. Release 3 also introduces over 30 enhancements, some of which were previously scheduled and some introduced in response to recent user requests.

Examples include:

- Ten new interest types have been added bringing the total different interests available to 250.
- Agency/ministry names and the interests they are responsible for have been updated to reflect the recent government reorganization.
- A new version of the map viewer with new tools such as a location marker. A new custom web-based training module for the ILRR map viewer.
- Enhancement to custom query to support query by Petroleum Natural Gas Grid (PNG) and Peace River Block Grid as requested by industry.
- B.C. government users GML export ability (delayed to January pending FME patch).
- New buttons and tips added to screens to improve usability, e.g. large interests have tips on how to view.
- Improved support such as enhanced online help, glossary updates, and easier access to metadata.
- Display report description information on Summary and Detail reports by selecting a display option.

Dave Chater, ILRR Project Director

The ILRR team continues to focus on improving the ILRR to support land management in B.C. The goal of having a legislated integrated land and resource registry remains on track for 2007.



We have 17 data quality improvement projects underway in partnership with resource agencies.

Olga Kopriva, our Manager of Data Quality and Conversion, retired in October after 32 years of exemplary service in the Provincial Government. Her hard work, dedication and innovation were key to making the ILRR a success and the ILRR team wishes her well in her new pursuits.

I am pleased to welcome Scott Macphail as the new ILRR Manager of Data Quality and Conversion. Scott comes to the ILRR with over 20 years of experience in spatial data management.

Team work is what has made the ILRR possible and we were honoured to receive the BC Public Sector Transformation Award for Team Development in October. More recently, the ILRR received an award from the international Urban and Regional Information Systems Association (URISA) for providing an outstanding and working example of using information systems technology in a multi-department environment as part of an integrated process.

ILRR User Hints

If your query results fail to appear, your computer is set to block pop-ups so enable them from the ILRR.

To view large interests in the ILRR set your map scale to 1:300,000.

When using the map viewer, turn off large interests in the map viewer (e.g. guide outfitter areas, mineral reserves) to make it easier to see other tenures and select an area under 100,000 hectares.

User the “custom query” function to save your query, to share it with others, and to create notifications.



Use ILRR online help for more hints

Project Status Report

Rosa Munzer, ILRR Manager Operations and Projects



With this release we have made the ILRR available to everyone. Since we continue to improve functionality, we are still limiting our announcements to newsletters and emails which we send to approximately 550 people and organizations that have had involvement with the ILRR. We continue to rely on the recipients to forward the newsletter to others who may be interested. A broader public announcement will take place in 2006. In 2006, we are also planning presentations in major centres including Fort St. John, Kamloops, Kelowna and Vancouver.

Even with the limited announcements, I have been contacted by many users in the resource sector telling me they are using the ILRR and some have come forward with suggested improvements. I have also received calls from users who have heard about it and want to use it for unexpected uses such as disease control, emergency planning, and assessing compliance with taxation rules.

Feedback from users is helping us to set our priorities and improve usability. We were able to respond to the oil and gas industry's request to add the Petroleum Natural Gas Grid and the Township and Range Grid as search criteria in the Custom Query. The forest industry requested the addition of a cut block identifier. Government users needed GML export capabilities to support spatial data analysis. Although we can not support every request, we encourage you to let us know how we can improve the ILRR for you. We welcome your comments at ilrrhelp@gov.bc.ca.

Data Improvement Status Report

Scott Macphail, Manager Data Quality and Conversion



The ILRR and resource granting agencies are working together on data quality with the current focus on southern B.C., although work is occurring in all parts of the province.

Forest data - All MOF districts are currently involved in cleanup of revenue (cut-blocks, forest service roads, road permits) and non-revenue generating forestry tenures (recreational properties, special use permits and map notation). The ILRR and MOF worked closely together to develop solid methods for identifying issues, dispersing to the appropriate districts and the collection of results.

Archaeology - Cleanup of archaeological sites data is moving forward on schedule.

Crown Lands (Tantalis) data - Integrated Land Management Bureau staff and contractors from 6 different companies are focusing on improving Crown Grants, Survey Parcels and their associated attributes information. The cleanup of business focused interest land tenures is over half done, and is on track in terms of budget and schedule.

Parks - The preliminary data cleanup of park boundaries data has been completed and work continues to place all location data in the Tantalis operational data base.

Oil and Gas - During the fall, the Oil and Gas Commission (OGC) started converting their old PIMS data into the new IRIS system with great success. This, combined with the OGC's introduction of the E-Pass system for receiving spatial data, means that both attribute and spatial oil and gas interests data will become available in the ILRR.

THE LAST WORD Comments about the ILRR

"The ILRR provides improved access to land information to support oil and gas exploration and I encourage the upstream industry and their service providers to work with the Oil and Gas Commission in using it".

Steve Spalding, Manager BC and Saskatchewan Operations, Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers.

"The benefits of this new data management system are substantial to the oil & gas industry (companies and their service providers) when preparing applications."

James Gladycz, Executive Director, Oil and Gas Commission

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Help desk phone or 250-952-4557
Or use the feedback button on the ILRR Project website: <http://www.ilrr.ca>

Enhanced "Custom Status" with new search features such as search by PNG grid and Peace River Block.

The screenshot shows the 'Custom Status' page in the ILRR application. It includes a search form with fields for 'Type' (set to 'Petroleum Natural Gas'), 'Map Sheet', 'Map Group', and 'Map Block'. Below the form is a 'Parameter Summary' section with a list of parameters and their status (e.g., 'Interest Type: Default selected', 'Interest Agency: Default selected'). A 'Submit' button is visible at the bottom of the parameter list.

Click on
Help
for more details

