

**WESTERN FEDERATION OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS**

**RESOLUTION 2017-01**

**Direct Point Position Survey**

**WHEREAS**, the Western Federation of Professional Surveyors (WFPS) is a regional Association representing Land Surveyors in the 13 western states; and

**WHEREAS**, twelve of the thirteen WFPS member states use the Public Land Survey System as the basis for land division; and

**WHEREAS**, WFPS is committed to the protection of the public, which, in part, is accomplished by Land Surveyors monumenting land that is to be parceled or subdivided, including monuments related to the Public Land Survey System; and

**WHEREAS**, the Direct Point Positioning Survey proposed by the Bureau of Land Management, will greatly reduce the monumentation set to memorialize the Public Land Survey System; and

**WHEREAS**, coordinate location used in boundary control is last in the Order of Importance, and original monuments will hold in determining property corner location; and

**WHEREAS**, Direct Point Positioning Survey, will cause dispute between private property owners due to the lack of original monumentation set in the ground; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that WFPS opposes the use of Direct Point Positioning Surveys as a substitute for physical monuments.

**ADOPTED BY THE WESTERN FEDERATION OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS, FEBRUARY 25, 2017**

*Nancy J. Almanzar*  
Chair