ALTA-Plot CAD Bridge

PDF and DWG exports

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Use the native CAD Bridge to open ALTA-Plot tools from supported CAD hosts, transfer a complete arranged commitment sheet to a separate drawing, or place one selected text section directly into an existing paperspace layout. The commands open ALTA-Plot tools; they do not run an export or change a drawing by themselves.

Open CAD Bridge page

Support: admin@title-plot.com

Install and connect

1. Sign in to ALTA-Plot, open a project, and make sure its saved commitment, subject descriptions, Table A facts, and any real vicinity-map source are ready. CAD Bridge controls live in Project > CAD.

2. For a new installation, download and run the base Windows installer. The base installer is an older paperspace-sections build; apply the separate ALTA-Plot update ZIP afterward to receive the refreshed binaries and menu. The update ZIP is not a complete installer.

3. Before applying the update, close all CAD processes and back up the existing plugin DLLs. Keep the existing installation, private FIPS catalog, configuration, and other resources. Copy only the matching host build files into the existing plugin DLL directory; do not overwrite unrelated resources or install multiple host builds together.

4. Choose the matching update folder: Modern-net8 for AutoCAD/Civil 3D .NET 8 hosts; Legacy-net472 for legacy .NET Framework AutoCAD/Civil 3D hosts; Carlson-IntelliCAD-net48 for Carlson 2025 / IntelliCAD 12.1. Carlson running on AutoCAD uses the matching AutoCAD build. AutoCAD 2027 .NET 10 is source-only; no prebuilt .NET 10 DLL is included.

5. Copy the supplied menu/LegalPlotBridge.cuix over the existing installed CUIX, then reload the partial menu with CUILOAD or MENULOAD as appropriate. Start CAD using the existing installation/loading method. Ensure the Windows WebView2 Runtime is available.

6. Launch the site using LEGALPLOTAPPALTA or an ALTA-Plot menu/ribbon command. This opens https://alta-plot.com and uses the ALTA-Plot browser profile, not Title-Plot. On AutoCAD/Civil 3D, the ALTA-Plot tools appear in the native ribbon and menu; Carlson/IntelliCAD provides the pull-down menu and command line, not Autodesk's runtime ribbon.

PDF and DWG exports

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Produce a PDF or DWG package from the reviewed 36 x 24 inch commitment sheet, or transfer the complete sheet to the native CAD host.

Where to find it in the SaaS

Project > CAD > PDF / DWG exports, then Combined commitment sheet exports: Download PDF, Download DWG package, or Send sheet to CAD. The legacy export controls are in the File Downloads card.

Open this tool in ALTA-Plot

Steps

1. Choose PDF / DWG exports in the ALTA-Plot tools to jump to Combined commitment sheet exports.

2. Review full source wording, the sheet preview, map, template selection, and any placement/source warnings.

3. Choose Download PDF or Download DWG package for a browser download; these file downloads do not require the CAD bridge.

4. Choose Send sheet to CAD to use the installed native bridge. Inspect the separate drawing and companion images, then save it in CAD.

Output and CAD behavior

PDF and DWG ZIP/package downloads are available without the bridge. Native send opens a separate DWG with its companion images rather than modifying the current layout.

Before using this function

- The complete sheet is 36 x 24 inches landscape. Full source wording is preserved; output is paused on missing source, overflow, or incompatible template conditions instead of truncating text.

- The map must be an actual project map; Table A reflects saved facts and research and is not survey certification.

- Keep downloaded DWG and companion images together. Inspect CAD if a native send result is uncertain; no automatic retry occurs.

Host support and transfer details

- The base installer at /api/cad-bridge/installer and base ZIP at /api/cad-bridge/package are older paperspace-sections builds. Apply the separate refreshed ALTA-Plot update ZIP at /api/cad-bridge/update to an existing installation; it is an update, not a complete installer.

- The update ZIP contains refreshed Modern (.NET 8), Legacy (.NET Framework 4.7.2), and Carlson (.NET Framework 4.8) host binaries and the menu CUIX. Preserve the existing installation and its supporting resources, back up old DLLs, close CAD first, and copy only the matching host files. Do not overwrite unrelated resources or combine host builds.

- The .NET 10 AutoCAD 2027 target is source-only. No prebuilt AutoCAD 2027 DLL is provided. No Windows CAD host acceptance or runtime testing is claimed.

- AutoCAD and Civil 3D use the native ALTA-Plot ribbon and menu. Carlson on IntelliCAD uses the ALTA-Plot pull-down menu and command line; its adapter does not implement Autodesk's managed runtime ribbon API. Carlson running on AutoCAD uses the matching AutoCAD build.

- Direct selected-linework insertion into the active drawing is supported by the AutoCAD-based bridge only. Carlson/IntelliCAD can receive transferred DWG output instead.

- Direct selected-section MTEXT inserts one selected source section as editable MTEXT in a selected layout of the active existing drawing. The matching updated Carlson/IntelliCAD host advertises the paperspace and paperspace-sections capabilities and includes the Teigha/IntelliCAD drawing adapter for MTEXT. This support is based on the source capability/adapter; Windows CAD host execution has not been verified. MTEXT does not generate a DWG or merge plotted linework. Its default text height is 0.10 inches and can be adjusted; placement uses the selected layout's paper units. It does not automatically shrink text to fit.

- The complete commitment sheet transfer opens a separate drawing, not the active layout. It includes editable text plus the positioned vicinity image and supplied template companion images when available. Preserve the extracted/downloaded DWG and image companions together.

- Direct MTEXT does not silently omit missing exception or subject wording; the app blocks insertion if required saved source wording is missing. It also stops above its explicit 500,000-character limit and directs the user to the paperspace DWG export. The complete-sheet output validates full source wording and fit rather than silently truncating it.

- The arranged sheet is ARCH D, 36 x 24 inches landscape. Its optional template must be a user-supplied compatible 36 x 24 inch layout. Table A includes saved facts and available research, but is not a completed survey certification. A vicinity map requires an actual project map/source; the bridge does not invent one.

- Bridge transfer health/capability checks are required before native operations. If a native send times out or its result is uncertain, inspect the CAD host before acknowledging another send; operations are not automatically retried.

Download locations

Sign in to ALTA-Plot before downloading packages. These downloads do not grant access to project data.

Base Windows installer (apply the update afterward)

Base ZIP (earlier paperspace-sections release)

Current ALTA-Plot DLL/menu update ZIP

The update ZIP is not a complete installer. The .NET 10 target is source-only. Windows CAD host execution has not been verified.

If a native result is uncertain, inspect CAD before another send. Do not replay an unconfirmed insertion.