## Program Overview Data-Entry Options for Site Modeling and Takeoff (Cont.)

The following table summarizes page 28's data-entry options, their suitability for earthwork takeoff and construction modeling applications, and their associated errors . . .

| Plan Line Work<br>Data-Entry Method  | Accuracy for<br>Quantity Takeoff<br>and Analysis   | Accuracy for<br>Staking and Machine<br>Control  | Potential Errors  |
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| Manually Digitized<br>Raster PDF Plans<br>(page 52)                                    | Acceptable (ability to zoom helps with small-scale plan source)  | Unacceptable  (might be used to check existing topography or roughly locate points of interest—not for high-accuracy staking or control)            | Plan scale distortion,<br>plan scaling error,<br>digitizing errors,<br>elevation-entry errors,<br>omission of break lines,<br>drafting errors |
| Manually Digitized<br>Paper Plans (see<br><i>Appendix F</i> and<br><i>Appendix G</i> ) | Acceptable  (horizontal error is higher with small-scale plan sheets and lower with large-scale plan sheets) | Unacceptable  (might be used on site to check existing topography or to roughly locate points of interest—not for high-accuracy staking or control) | Plan scale distortion,<br>plan scaling error,<br>digitizing errors,<br>elevation-entry errors,<br>omission of break lines,<br>drafting errors |
| Imported from<br>Vector PDF Files ( <i>Day 2</i> )                                     | Much Better (plan scale distortion and digitizing errors are eliminated)                                     | Potentially Acceptable  (check sample of point coordinates to verify acceptable horizontal accuracy across model)                                   | Plan scaling error,<br>elevation-entry errors,<br>omission of break lines,<br>drafting errors   |
| Imported from<br>CAD or LandXML Files<br>( <i>Day 2</i> )                              | Best (CAD/LandXML files offer best horizontal accuracy)  | Best (CAD/LandXML files offer best horizontal accuracy)   | Bad imported elevations,<br>elevation-assignment<br>errors, omission of break<br>lines, drafting errors                                       |