# Illinois Department of Transportation, District 4, McDonough County LiDAR Acqusition

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Description: Abstract:

This task order is for planning, acquisition, processing, and derivative products of LiDAR data to be collected for areas of Illinois. LiDAR data, and derivative products produced in compliance with this task order are part of the data to be obtained under Job Number P-94-025-10. Specifications listed below are based on the U.S. Geological Survey National Geospatial Program Base LiDAR Specification, Version 13.

Purpose:

LiDAR data was collected for the Illinois Department of Transportation. The Illinois Department of Transportation LiDAR Acquisition project is to acquire high accuracy bare-earth processed LiDAR data; to produce vector collection of water and drainage features, DAT files and Triangulated Integrated Network (TIN) files.

The data referenced is part of Illinois District 4 and refers to McDonough County in Illinois. McDonough County is 1525 square kilometers (590 square miles).

The project consisted of airborne acquisition, post-processing, classification of LiDAR data, collection of water and drainage and creation of final deliverable products. All areas

are collected at a nominal pulse spacing (NPS) of 1.0 meters based on UTM16, related to the North American Datum of 1983 HARN. Vertical accuracy was to achieve a RMSE Z of 0.6 feet or better in the "Open Terrain" land cover category.

Time\_Period\_of\_Content: Time\_Period\_Information: Range\_of\_Dates/Times: Beginning\_Date: 20110405 Ending\_Date: 20120212

Currentness Reference: ground condition

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance\_and\_Update\_Frequency: As needed

Spatial\_Domain:
Bounding Coordinates:

West\_Bounding\_Coordinate: -90.91 East\_Bounding\_Coordinate: -90.442 North\_Bounding\_Coordinate: 40.63 South Bounding Coordinate: 40.278

Keywords: Theme:

Theme Keyword Thesaurus: None

Theme\_Keyword: Light Detection and Ranging

Theme\_Keyword: LiDAR
Theme\_Keyword: Breaklines
Theme\_Keyword: Shapefiles
Theme Keyword: Survey Control

Theme\_Keyword: Lift Theme\_Keyword: LAS Theme\_Keyword: Swath Theme\_Keyword: Project Theme\_Keyword: DAT Theme Keyword: TIN

Place:

Place Keyword Thesaurus: None

Place\_Keyword: US
Place\_Keyword: State
Place\_Keyword: IL
Place\_Keyword: Illinois
Place\_Keyword: McDonough

Place\_Keyword: McDonough County

Access Constraints: None.

*Use\_Constraints:* 

None. However, users should be aware that temporal changes may have occurred since this data set was collected and that some parts of this data may no longer represent actual surface conditions. Users should not use this data for critical applications without a full awareness of its limitations.

Acknowledgment of the Illinois Department of Transportation, Bureau of Design and Environment, would be appreciated for products derived from these data.

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- 2. Processing Programs and versions Applanix POSGPS and POSProc, versions 4.4, MMS version 5.2
- 3. Program and version Optech ASDA
- 4. Processing Programs and versions TerraSolid TerraScan (version 012.019), TerraModeler (version 012.008) and TerraMatch (version 012.011), Geopak (version 08.01.00.07), Intergraph MicroStation (version 08.05.02.70), and GeoCue (version 2012.1.27.4)
- 5. Viewing Program Global Mapper V12.00

# Data Quality Information:

Attribute\_Accuracy:

Attribute Accuracy Report:

Project data was collected as one project including all counties of Illinois District 4. LiDAR data was placed into a tile layout and later divided by county boundaries. Ground survey check points were collected on a county basis by Lin Engineering, Inc for use in vertical accuracy evaluation. In vertical accuracy assessments the ground survey check points of the various ground cover categories are compared to a TIN of the LiDAR points, differences are measured to establish an RMSE.

Logical\_Consistency\_Report: None.

Completeness Report: Complete

Positional Accuracy:

Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy:

Horizontal Positional Accuracy Report:

All data were acquired at or below 1600 meters above mean terrain (AMT) and have a horizontal accuracy of 0.30 meters (per manufacturers system specifications), with a nominal point spacing of 1.0 meters.

Vertical Positional Accuracy:

Vertical\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Report:

The vertical accuracy of the data has a requirement to achieve a Fundamental Vertical Accuracy (FVA) of 18.2 ft at 95% confidence level based on an RSMEz x 1.960 in "open terrain" as defined by National Standards for Spatial Data Accuracy (NSSDA); assessed and reported using National Digital Elevation Program (NDEP)/ASPRS Guidelines. Further, the data requires a Consolidated Vertical Accuracy (CVA) of 1.19 ft at 95th Percentile and a target value for Supplemental Vertical Accuracy (SVA) of 1.19 ft at 95th Percentile.

The ground survey data included many points categorized as 'Cross Section'. These points were used in evaluation against the TIN. The results are included in graphs in the Vertical Accuracy Assessment Report.

Quantitative Vertical Positional Accuracy Assessment:

Vertical Positional Accuracy Value: 0.185 ft RMSEz.

Vertical Positional Accuracy Explanation:

Tested RMSE of the Classified Points = 0.185 ft in open terrain as tested against the TIN.

Quantitative Vertical Positional Accuracy Assessment:

Vertical\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Value: 0.362 ft FVA.

Vertical\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Explanation:

Tested FVA of 0.362 ft at the 95% confidence level in open terrain as tested against the TIN.

Quantitative Vertical Positional Accuracy Assessment:

Vertical Positional Accuracy Value: 0.334 ft

Vertical Positional Accuracy Explanation:

Tested 0.334 ft SVA at the 95th Percentile in the Hard Ground category against the TIN.

Quantitative\_Vertical\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Assessment:

Vertical\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Value: 0.611 ft.

Vertical Positional Accuracy Explanation:

Tested 0.611 ft SVA at the 95th Percentile in the Short Grass category against the TIN.

Ouantitative Vertical Positional Accuracy Assessment:

Vertical Positional Accuracy Value: 0.636 ft.

Vertical\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Explanation:

Tested 0.636 ft SVA at the 95th Percentile in the Tall Grass category against the TIN.

Quantitative\_Vertical\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Assessment:

Vertical\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Value: 1.826 ft.

Vertical Positional Accuracy Explanation:

Tested 1.826 ft SVA at the 95th Percentile in the Brush category against the TIN.

Quantitative Vertical Positional Accuracy Assessment:

Vertical\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Value: 0.894 ft.

Vertical Positional Accuracy Explanation:

Tested 0.894 ft SVA at the 95th Percentile in the Woods category against the TIN.

Quantitative Vertical Positional Accuracy Assessment:

Vertical Positional Accuracy Value: 0.768 ft.

Vertical Positional Accuracy Explanation:

Tested 0.768 ft CVA at the 95th Percentile in all ground categories against the TIN. *Lineage:* 

Process Step:

Process\_Description:

The LiDAR data was acquired using AeroMetric's or a vendor's twin engine fixed wing aircraft equipped with a LiDAR system. The LiDAR systems include a differential GPS unit and inertial measurement system to provide superior accuracy.

#### Acquisition parameters:

- 1. Flight Height 1600 meters above mean terrain (AMT)
- 2. Swath Width 40 degrees
- 3. Sidelap 50%
- 4. Nominal Post Spacing 1.0 meters

#### GPS and IMU processing parameters:

- 1. Maximum baseline length Not greater than 100 kilometers.
- 2. Number of base stations during LiDAR collection A minimum of 1.
- 3. Maximum positional RMS of trajectory during LiDAR collection 0.10 meters
- 4. IMU processing monitored for consistency and smoothness Yes.

## Point Cloud Processing:

- 1. Horizontal Datum North American 1983/HARN
- 2. Horizontal Coordinates NAD 1983 HARN StatePlane Illinois West FIPS 1202 in feet.
- 3. Vertical Datum North American Vertical Datum of 1988
- 4. Geoid Model used to reduce satellite derived elevations to orthometric heights NGS Geoid09.

#### LiDAR Processing:

- 1. Point Cloud data is imported to TerraScan in a Microstation V8 (V) CAD environment on a specified 2000 feet by 2000 feet tiling scheme.
- 2. Analyze the data for overall completeness and consistency. This is to ensure that there are no voids in the data collection.
- 3. Inspect for calibration errors in the dataset using the TerraMatch software by sampling the data collected across all flight lines and classifying the individual lines to ground. The software will use the ground-classified lines to compute corrections (Heading, Pitch, Roll, and Scale).
- 4. Orientation corrections (i.e. Calibration corrections) are then applied (if needed) to the entire dataset.
- 5. Automatic ground classification is performed using algorithms with customized parameters to best fit the project area. Several areas of varying relief and planimetric features were inspected to verify the final ground surface.
- 6. AeroMetric, Inc. performed Quality Assurance and Quality Control (QA/QC) for this project by comparing field observed points in 'open terrain' land cover category to LiDAR data set points. TerraScan's Output Control Report (OCR) was used to compare

the QA/QC data to the LiDAR data. This routine searches the LiDAR dataset by X and Y coordinates finding the closest LiDAR point and comparing the vertical (Z) values to the known data collected in the field. Based on the QA/QC data, a bias adjustment was determined, and the results were applied (if necessary) to the LiDAR data.

- 7. After the LiDAR data is finalized for vertical placement, a macro is run via TerraScan to output a dataset generated on a per swath basis as part of the final deliverables. All points of the swath are reclassified to class 0 during this step.
- 8. Each tile is reviewed for accuracy and consistency of the macro ground classification. During this phase, MicroStation is used to generate line work representing water bodies and rivers. Separate line work is also placed in instances where overpasses have blocked enough valid ground returns or water gave too few ground returns to reasonably portray the ground surface. A proprietary in-house software program is then run to drape the river line work in a flowing fashion. Contours are generated on the river breaklines to review monotonicity of the draped line work.
- 9. Once the automatic processing and the testing of LiDAR is complete, AeroMetric meticulously reviews the generated bare-earth surface data to ensure that proper classification was achieved as part of a Quality Control process. Point classification follows the standard established by The American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ASPRS) for LAS data:

Code 1 Processed, but unclassified / non-ground

Code 2 Ground

Code 7 Noise / Low Points

Code 9 Water

Code 10 Ignored Ground (Breakline proximity)

- 10. Final deliverables are generated and output to a client specified 2000 feet by 2000 feet tiling scheme.
- 11. On a per tile basis, data files and Triangulated Integrated Network (TIN) files are generated by processing the finalized line work along with bare earth LiDAR points through a Geopak macro. Subsequent files are reviewed for adherence and completeness to the data and tile layout used during the creation process.

Process\_Date: 201211 Cloud\_Cover: Unknown

*Spatial\_Data\_Organization\_Information:* 

Direct\_Spatial\_Reference\_Method: Point

Spatial Reference Information:

Horizontal Coordinate System Definition:

Planar:

Grid Coordinate System:

Grid Coordinate System Name: State Plane Coordinate System 1983

State Plane Coordinate System:

SPCS Zone Identifier: 1202 Illinois State Plane West

Transverse Mercator:

Scale Factor at Central Meridian: 0.999941

Longitude\_of\_Central\_Meridian: 90.1666 Latitude of Projection Origin: 36.66666

False Easting: 2296583.333

False\_Northing: 0

Planar Coordinate Information:

*Planar\_Coordinate\_Encoding\_Method:* coordinate pair

Coordinate\_Representation: Abscissa\_Resolution: 0.01 Ordinate\_Resolution: 0.01

Planar Distance Units: survey feet

Geodetic Model:

Horizontal\_Datum\_Name: North American Datum of 1983/HARN

Ellipsoid Name: Geodetic Reference System 80

Semi-major\_Axis: 6378137

Denominator of Flattening Ratio: 298.257222101

Vertical Coordinate System Definition:

Altitude System Definition:

Altitude\_Datum\_Name: North American Vertical Datum of 1988

Altitude\_Resolution: 0.1
Altitude\_Distance\_Units: feet
Altitude Encoding Method:

Explicit elevation coordinate included with horizontal coordinates

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