

Processing
Will



4020 Technology
Parkway
Sheboygan, WI 53083
P: 920.457.3631
F: 920.457.0410
quantumspatial.com

February 26, 2014

CLIENT CONTACT: Mr. Matt Edmonson
UIUC Facilities & Services, Planning Division
Physical Plant Service Building
1501 S Oak Street
Champaign, IL 61820

RE: PSSU14R19 Photogrammetry and LiDAR Services – Retainer Agreement 2014-0446

Quantum Spatial Preliminary Project Number ____ Processing of Airborne LiDAR Data for Will County in Illinois

Dear Mr. Edmonson:

The following responds to the request for Retainer Services from Quantum Spatial, Inc. for the Illinois Height Modernization Program (ILHMP), which is managed by the Illinois State Geological Survey (ISGS). The Photogrammetry service activities response has been broken down into two separate project proposals. This submittal is for;

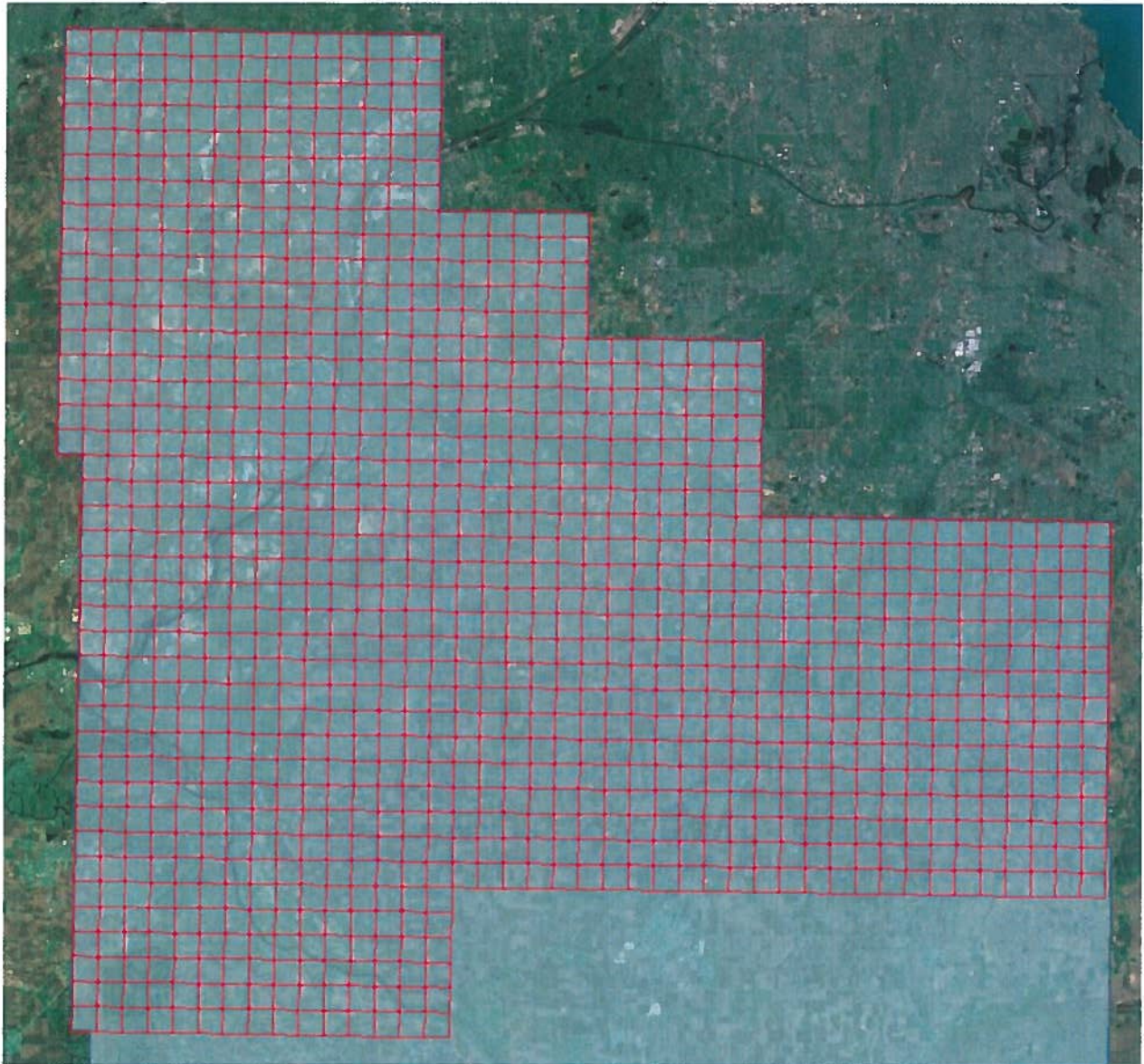
2) Will Data Processing: for all data processing to create contract deliverables including las classification, generation of data derivative products, creation of metadata and reports, and final delivery of all data.

This proposal includes a detailed scope of work for the services required for acquisition, timeline for acquisition project completion, proposed staff breakdown, and proposed service fee with detailed pricing justification.

STATEMENT OF WORK:

Project Area Description

LiDAR data will be processed for Will County in Illinois. Approximately 922 square miles of LiDAR will be processed; this includes a 1 tile buffer around the project area. **Project data will be collected at a nominal pulse spacing (NPS) of 0.94 meters, or 1 point per square meter. The data will be accurate to 9.25 RMSEz and meet USGS QL3.**



The approximate project boundary was defined by the GIS data layer provided by Janet Holden of ISGS. The tile scheme was provided by Will County. The intention for this project is to extend beyond the county boundary by a single index tile. The project has been designed to acquire LiDAR coverage to provide complete tile coverage of the 1661 square mile AOI.

Quantum Spatial will perform all tasks related to the processing of Airborne Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) data for a project area encompassing approximately 922 square miles of Will County in Illinois. The task list includes, but will not be limited to: complete LiDAR data point cloud classification and data processing to generate hydro-flattened digital elevation models, spot elevations, perform data QA/QC, and compile related metadata, FOCUS report, and GIS tile index data.

Processing of LiDAR data deliverables will be in conformance with the project scope of work defined by ISGS for Will County. The ISGS requested data and derivative data deliverables will be compliant with U.S. Geological Survey National Geospatial Program LiDAR Base Specification, Version 1.0. Data deliverables will be in conformance with recent IDOT data deliveries in las, dgn, dat, and tin formats from previous Quantum Spatial contracts for airborne LiDAR for IDOT District 4 and IDOT District 5. Data will meet USGS QL 3.

LIDAR PROCESSING SCOPE OF WORK:

The LiDAR data will be processed following the steps outlined in our original Statement of Qualifications. All processing will be compliant with U.S. Geological Survey National Geospatial Program LiDAR Base Specification, Version 1.0 (see <http://pubs.er.usgs.gov/publication/tm11B3>). LiDAR data will be processed once data has been verified after data collection.

Data Classification

The LiDAR filtering process encompasses a series of automated and manual steps to classify the point cloud data set. Our team works closely with USGS and uses the USGS NGP LiDAR Base Specifications v1.0-based LiDAR data classification scheme requested by ISGS. LAS data will be provided in ASPRS version 1.2 or 1.3 per USGS specifications.

The LiDAR classification process encompasses a series of automated and manual steps to classify the point cloud data set. Every Illinois County will be reviewed separately due to unique land cover and cultural features. Will County has many urbanized areas and is considered part of the greater Chicago Metropolitan area. In 2000 Will County was one of the fastest growing counties in the US. These characteristics were thoroughly evaluated by Quantum Spatial at the onset of the project to ensure that the cost estimation is correct and appropriate automated filters are applied and that subsequent manual filtering yields correctly classified data. Our filtering process uses finely tuned algorithms to automatically identify and classify features that have an extremely high probability of being non-ground features such as vegetation or structures. In areas that are more urban, additional manual cleanup will be needed to ensure buildings and manmade artifacts have been removed from the bare earth surface. Feature classification codes are listed below.

Classified Point Cloud

Code:	Description:	
0	Created, never classified	
1	Unclassified1	
2	Ground	
3	Low Vegetation	[numeric cutoff values to be provided by INHS]
4	Medium Vegetation	[numeric cutoff values to be provided by INHS]
5	High Vegetation	[numeric cutoff values to be provided by INHS]
6	Building	
7	Low Point (noise)	
8	Model Key-point (mass point)	

Breaklines

All breaklines developed for use in hydro-flattening will be delivered as an ESRI feature class, Polyline Z or Polygon Z format, as appropriate to the type of feature represented. ESRI file geodatabase format is required. Breaklines should be as a continuous layer and must use the same horizontal and vertical coordinate reference system and units as the LiDAR point delivery. Hydroflattening will be in conformance with USGS version 1.0.

Metadata

Project-level metadata shall be delivered that fully comply with Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) Content Standard for Digital Geospatial Metadata (CSDGM) format standard in XML format. Metadata will describe the project, data acquisition methods, system calibration, processing methods, and statistical validation process and results. Project documentation will include control point and flight diagram information from the LiDAR acquisition flight. All metadata will run through the USGS validation services website (<http://geo-nsdi.er.usgs.gov/validation>) prior to delivery.

QA/QC and FOCUS Reporting

Quality Assurance (QA) and Quality Control (QC) steps are incorporated throughout the entire LiDAR process to ensure that project requirements and industry standards are met. The LiDAR FOCUS report is a quality assurance solution that reports on a comprehensive set of testing and reporting tools. A number of the tests provided in these reports are required in Version 1.0 of the USGS Base LiDAR Specifications and FEMA PM 61. The project summary within FOCUS includes a detailed accounting of LAS versioning, projection, datum, units, point formats, return information, point classification, the location of high and low points, and other useful project information on a tile-by-tile basis. There is also a detailed accounting and intuitive graphic for the final calibration of the elevation surface.

LiDAR Mapping Accuracy

The LiDAR mapping provided under this proposal will meet or exceed accuracies stated below: The vertical accuracy will be less than or equal to 9.25 cm RMSEz and meet USGS QL3 requirements. The surface will be suitable for 2-foot contour generation. Digital elevation data will be suitable for digital mapping, planning studies, and the development of precise topographic maps and digital elevation models. Data will be compliant with U.S Geological Survey National Geospatial Program LiDAR Base Specification, Version 1.0.

Due to the inherent nature of LiDAR technology success of vegetation removal may decrease in leaf-on environments. LIDAR pulses may be naturally absorbed by water bodies or areas recently covered with asphalt or tar. These areas may result in small data voids in the DEM data.

PROJECT TEAM

The Quantum Spatial, Inc. project team will consist of any number of qualified personnel from our pool of corporate wide personnel to fulfill the specialized requirements of the project requirements. The disciplines required to fulfill the Scope of Work are varied, thus a specific listing of personnel other than the project managers will not be known until the process is begun. Key administration, project management and production managers shall be as follows:

Jeffrey B. Stroub, Vice-President – Contract Administration

Jennifer Whitacre – Assistant Contract Administrator

James Young – Wide Area Project Manager

Chris Guy – Assistant Wide Area Project Manager

Rob Merry – Geomatics Project Manager

BUDGET

We have established a budget of **\$216,190** to complete all LiDAR final data processing and QA/QC review, for the 922-square miles of proposed project area in accordance with the Scope of Work set forth by the Work Order assignment.

SCHEDULE, REPORTING, MILESTONE DESCRIPTION, and COMPLETION DATE

Schedule

The intention is to complete data acquisition during the Spring of 2014 during leaf-off vegetative conditions, followed by initial data processing and review by the vendor sufficient to ensure high-quality data have been acquired.

Seasonal and weather conditions dictate when acceptable acquisition can occur. Assuming acceptable weather, and timely acquisition of LiDAR data, all final data and documentation will be submitted to the ISGS no later than October 30, 2014, if feasible.

Project Reporting

Every 2 weeks Quantum Spatial will report the project progress as milestones and show the percentages of each milestone complete. ISGS will provide a 1-page form for reporting once project requirements have been agreed upon.

We will coordinate with ISGS to provide a 15-day opportunity for data quality assurance (QA) and quality control (QC) review within the Will project area.

Milestone Description and Completion Date

922 S.M.
QL3

<i>Approximate Schedule</i>			
Milestone	Start Date	Finish Date	FEE
Data Classification	6/1/14	9/1/14	\$111,003
Breakline Generation	9/1/14	10/1/14	\$ 29,520
DEM Generation	10/2/14	10/9/14	\$ 7,000
Spot Elevations	9/1/14	10/1/14	\$ 47,047
Final Deliverables/ FOCUS Report	10/1/14	10/30/14	\$ 21,620

DELIVERY ITEMS

All products for Will County will be delivered as a stand-alone County delivery. It will include a 1 tile buffer at the separation boundary between Will and Kankakee counties. All deliverables will be delivered in the tile index provided by Will County. Deliverable formats will be verified prior to data delivery.

1. Classified LiDAR Point Cloud in LAS v1.2 file format

- a. LiDAR will be calibrated and georeferenced to NAVD88, NAD83, Illinois State Plane East, US Survey feet
- b. Data will be provided in American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ASPRS) Standards for LAS version 1.2
- c. Data will be provided in the existing tiling index for Illinois.
- d. Classifications as defined in Appendix B

★ 2. Breaklines Provided in .DGN file format

- a. Continuous layer
- b. Same coordinate system as LiDAR delivery

3. TIN Surface Provided in .TIN format

4. Hydroflattened DEM in .DEM format

- a. In compliance with USGS version 1.0

★ 5. Spot Elevation Data in .DGN point format

- a. Created from bare earth LiDAR surface

Matt.

6. Geodatabase of Deliverables in ESRI file format

7. FGDC Compliant Metadata in XML format

8. FOCUS Report Provided in PDF and HTML format

PSSU14R19 Photogrammetry and LiDAR Services – Retainer Agreement 2014-0446

Quantum Spatial Project Number:

February 26, 2014

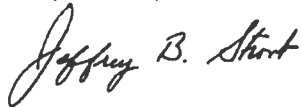
PRICING:

The fee consists of data processing to create contract deliverables including .las classification, generation of data derivative products, creation of metadata and reports, and final delivery of all data for the combined approximate 922-square miles of Will County, Illinois. Neither additional fees nor reimbursable costs are expected. Fees are payable to contract terms and conditions.

TOTAL FEE not to exceed:

\$216,190

Respectfully Submitted,



Jeffrey B. Stroub, CP, RLS, PPS, SP

Vice President Business Development

C: Jennifer Whitacre, GISP – Assistant Contract Administrator

