R-2582A Robinson 2 Borrow Pit Summary of Project Area, Survey, & Flight

Project

 Description: CON - US 158/NC 46 FROM I-95/NC 46 IN ROANOKE RAPIDS TO SR 1312 (ST. JOHN CHURCH ROAD) IN NORTHAMPTON COUNTY. ROBINSON 2 PIT ORIGINAL FLIGHT

Image Acquisition

- ucs-744r2p, DOP 02/04/20, DJI Inspire 2 Drone, DGI Zenmuse X4s camera, FL 8.8 mm, flying height 400ft AMGL
- flown short axis with a south/north direction of flight with nominal 0.11 ft GSD
- weather conditions were slightly overcast and windy
- manned aircraft flight cs-744, DOP 01/28/20, Vexcel UltraCam Eagle M3 camera

Survey/Control

- GNSS exposure station data available via GeoCue Loki ASP system
- horizontal datum NAD 1983 (Conus), vertical datum NAVD 88, geoid G09NC, centroid localization point
- no control issues

Project Graphic with Image Background



- February 04, 2020 UAS Flight (UCS-744R2P)
- Short axis (south/north) oriented nadir flight lines
- 498 images (planned 80% forward and side overlap)

Ground Control Points and Checkpoints Locations



• Orthophoto with 6 field surveyed ground control points, 29 independent checkpoints consisting of Aeropoints and field surveyed checkpoints, exposure stations, & original project boundary

Classified Ground Boundary

(from 02-04-20 UAS Flight)



Classified Ground Boundary = 38.6 Acres

UAS Project with Non-Metric Camera for Earthwork Volumes

Image Alignment Results

Independent Checkpoint Accuracy 6 6 GCP Only

Independent Checkpoint Accuracy 6 GCP + Exposure Stations

	Point ID	X error (ft)	Y error (ft)	Z error (ft)
No. Points =		29	29	29
Min (ft) =		-0.071	-0.090	-0.177
Max (ft) =		0.154	0.090	0.193
Mean (ft) =		0.042	0.004	0.009
Std Dev (ft) =		0.061	0.048	0.090
RMSE (ft) =		0.073	0.047	0.089
FVA (ft) =				0.174
RMSE R (ft) =		0.087		
Case 1 95% CE(ft) =		0.150		
Case 2 ~ CE(ft) =		0.147		

	Point ID	X error (ft)	Y error (ft)	Z error (ft)
No. Points =		29	29	29
Min (ft) =		-0.051	-0.076	0.028
Max (ft) =		0.137	0.067	0.118
Mean (ft) =		0.026	0.002	-0.027
Std Dev (ft) =		0.051	0.039	0.080
RMSE (ft) =		0.056	0.038	0.084
FVA (ft) =				0.164
RMSE R (ft) =		0.068		
Case 1 95% CE(ft) =		0.118		
Case 2 ~ CE	(ft) =	0.116		

No GNSS Block Shift applied

Dense Point Cloud Accuracy Results

Vertical RMS Summary Statistics for Check Points using Classified Point Cloud

The following table provides a summary of the vertical RMS statistics for all Check point measurements taken from the classified Point Cloud data.

Check Point RMS Statistics					
Parameter	X residual	Y residual	Z residual		
Number of Points			29		
Maximum (ft.)			0.062		
Minimum (ft.)			-0.227		
Mean (ft.)			-0.063		
Standard Deviation (ft.)			0.083		
RMSE (ft.)			0.103		
95% Accuracy (ft)			0.203		
99.74% Accuracy (ft)			0.310		

126,092,484 points for 38.6 acres

Classified Point Cloud Boundary from 02-04-20 UAS Flight

Point Cloud Generation Process is fully automated so whatever is shown in imagery is captured

1-Foot DEM Accuracy Results

Vertical RMS Summary Statistics for Check Points using 1-foot DEM

The following table provides a summary of the vertical RMS statistics for all Check point measurements taken from the 1-foot DEM data.

Check Point RMS Statistics					
Parameter	X residual	Y residual	Z residual		
Number of Points			29		
Maximum (ft.)			0.076		
Minimum (ft.)			-0.235		
Mean (ft.)			-0.057		
Standard Deviation (ft.)			0.083		
RMSE (ft.)			0.102		
95% Accuracy (ft)			0.200		
99.74% Accuracy (ft)			0.306		

3,225,486 points for 38.6 acres

Classified Point Cloud Boundary from 02-04-20 UAS Flight

Point Cloud Generation Process is fully automated so whatever is shown in imagery is captured

2.5-Foot DEM Accuracy Results

Vertical RMS Summary Statistics for Check Points using 2.5-foot DEM

The following table provides a summary of the vertical RMS statistics for all Check point measurements taken from the 2.5-foot DEM data.

Check Point RMS Statistics					
Parameter	X residual	Y residual	Z residual		
Number of Points			29		
Maximum (ft.)			0.094		
Minimum (ft.)			-0.267		
Mean (ft.)			-0.049		
Standard Deviation (ft.)			0.096		
RMSE (ft.)			0.106		
95% Accuracy (ft)			0.208		
99.74% Accuracy (ft)			0.318		

528,548 points for 38.6 acres

Classified Point Cloud Boundary from 02-04-20 UAS Flight

Point Cloud Generation Process is fully automated so whatever is shown in imagery is captured

Vertical RMS Summary Statistics for Check Points using UASMaster Stereo View at Nadir

The following table provides a summary of the vertical RMS statistics for all check point measurements captured in stereo models using same strip adjacent image pairs (angle set to 80 degrees). The narrow 8.5° incident angle between same strip adjacent images with a base to height ratio of 0.15 likely will not yield the best elevation accuracy results.

Check Point RMS Statistics					
Parameter	X residual	Y residual	Z residual		
Number of Points			29		
Maximum (ft.)			0.868		
Minimum (ft.)			-0.588		
Mean (ft.)			0.056		
Standard Deviation (ft.)			0.273		
RMSE (ft.)			0.274		
95% Accuracy (ft)			0.538		
99.74% Accuracy (ft)			0.823		

Vertical RMS Summary Statistics for Check Points using <u>UASMaster</u> Stereo View at 60 Degrees

The following table provides a summary of the vertical RMS statistics for all check point measurements using same strip alternate image pairs (60% forward overlap). A wider 17° incident angle between same strip alternate images with a base to height ratio of 0.30 should yield improved elevation accuracy results.

Check Point RMS Statistics					
Parameter	X residual	Y residual	Z residual		
Number of Points			29		
Maximum (ft.)			0.122		
Minimum (ft.)			-0.400		
Mean (ft.)			-0.079		
Standard Deviation (ft.)			0.119		
RMSE (ft.)			0.141		
95% Accuracy (ft)			0.277		
99.74% Accuracy (ft)			0.424		

Summary of Earthwork Quantities

(Classified Ground Boundary from 02-04-20 UAS Flight)

R-2582A Robinson Pit 2 Cut Quantities for 38.60 Acre Terrain Data Boundary

(as Compared to Original DTM collected from Manned Aircraft Mission)

Comparison DTM	Mission Date	Point Spacing	Voided Areas	Cut
		(ft)	Excluded	(cubic yards)
UAS Mission UCS-744R2P	02/04/2020	2.5	No Void Areas	890.381
UAS Mission UCS-744R2P	02/04/2020	1	No Void Areas	1010.253



Manned Flight DTM Accuracy Results

Vertical RMS Summary Statistics for Check Points using Manned Flight DTM

The following table provides a summary of the vertical RMS statistics for all Check point measurements taken from the Manned Flight DTM data.

Check Point RMS Statistics					
Parameter	X residual	Y residual	Z residual		
Number of Points			29		
Maximum (ft.)			0.410		
Minimum (ft.)			-0.198		
Mean (ft.)			0.066		
Standard Deviation (ft.)			0.153		
RMSE (ft.)			0.164		
95% Accuracy (ft)			0.322		
99.74% Accuracy (ft)			0.493		

Manned flight DTM has break lines and a 10' grid spacing for points

Vertical RMS Summary Statistics for Check Points using ISDM Stereo View at 60 Degrees

The following table provides a summary of the vertical RMS statistics for all check point stereoscopic measurements using a base to height ratio near 0.30 for manned flight stereo pairs with a 60% overlap.

Check Point RMS Statistics					
Parameter	X residual	Y residual	Z residual		
Number of Points			29		
Maximum (ft.)			0.116		
Minimum (ft.)			-0.340		
Mean (ft.)			-0.066		
Standard Deviation (ft.)			0.106		
RMSE (ft.)			0.123		
95% Accuracy (ft)			0.242		
99.74% Accuracy (ft)			0.370		

Summary Table of RMSE & 95% FVA

Platform	Camera Size & Type	No. of Images	Date of Photography	Product	No. of Independent Check Points	RMSE Z (ft)	FVA (ft)
LIAC	20 Mpixel	400	2/4/2020	AT (GCP only)	29	0.089	0.174
UAS	non-metric	498	2/4/2020	AT (GCP+ GNSS)	29	0.084	0.164
LIAC	20 Mpixel	400	2/4/2020	2 Image Stereo Measurement (80% FOL)	29	0.274	0.538
UAS	non-metric	498	2/4/2020	2 Image Stereo Measurement (60% FOL)	29	0.141	0.277
Manned Aircraft	450 Mpixel metric	8	1/28/2020	2 Image Stereo Measurement (60% FOL)	29	0.123	0.242
	20 Maiyal			Dense Point Cloud	29	0.103	0.203
UAS	20 Mipixei	498	2/4/2020	1 feet DEM*	29	0.102	0.200
	non-metric			2.5 foot DEM*	29	0.106	0.208
Manned Aircraft	450 Mpixel metric	8	1/28/2020	DTM* (breaklines & 10 foot spaced points)	29	0.164	0.322

* Standard elevation products offered by the Photogrammetry Unit

R-2582A Robinson 2 Borrow Pit Conclusions

- Target RMSE accuracy values are an X and Y (Easting & Northing) of 0.12 ft and Z (Elevation) of 0.18 ft. The image alignment (aerotriangulation) results using 6 ground control points and GNSS PPK camera station positions yielded RMSE values of 0.056 ft in X, 0.038 ft in Y, and 0.084 ft in Z, all well below the target accuracy values.
- The 2 image stereo measurements at 60% forward overlap on the UAS imagery and the Manned flight imagery have similar RMSE and FVA values on this project, however, that is not always the case. Testing on other UAS project imagery indicates 2 UAS image stereo measurements is not reliably accurate for earthwork determination.
- The 1 ft DEM contains 610% more points than the 2.5 ft DEM, thus making the 2.5 ft DEM file size much smaller and more manageable. With a cut difference of only 119.87 cubic yards between the 1 ft DEM and 2.5 ft DEM over 38.6 acres one can conclude that the 2.5 ft DEM is dense enough data to provide for accurate volumetric calculations and comparisons and the 1 ft DEM is not necessary.
- The 2.5 ft UAS DEM has a lower RMSE Z and FVA than the DTM collected from the Manned flight. The denser 2.5 ft DEM point interval captures the overall terrain better than the break lines and 10 ft point interval of the DTM.
- Since there is a limit to the amount of data that can be input into our CADD software, UAS imagery projects are not ideal for larger mapping areas.
- Projects best suited for utilizing UAS imagery should have cleared ground with little to no vegetation.