

OLC Four Rivers: Delivery 1





Trimble R8 (left) positioned over the GPS Monument Cap QB1364 (above).

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Snowfall in the project area.

Project Overview

WSI has completed the acquisition and processing of Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) data and Four-Band Radiometric Image Enhanced Survey (FRIES) of the Oregon LiDAR Consortium's (OLC) Four Rivers Delivery Area One, for the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DoGAMI). The OLC's Four Rivers project area of interest (AOI) encompasses 183,941 acres. Delivery Area One encompasses 77,936 acres.

The collection of high resolution geographic data is part of an ongoing pursuit to amass a library of information accessible to government agencies as well as the general public.

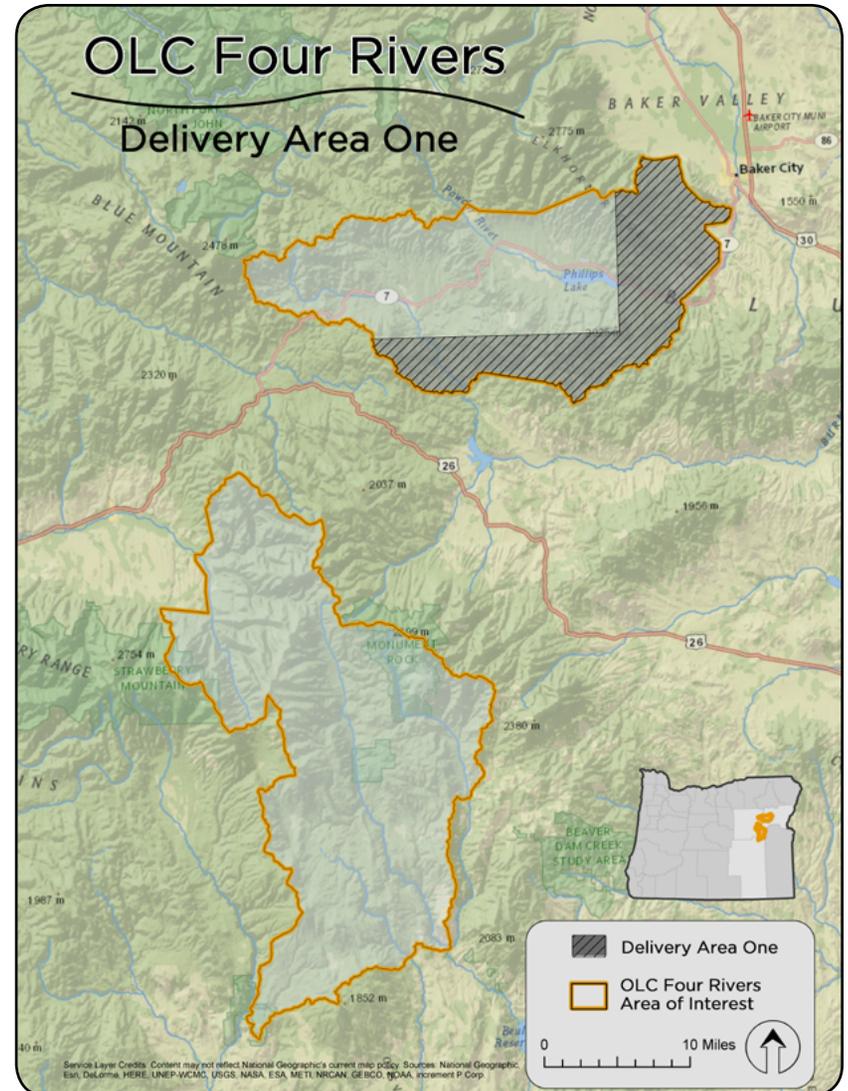
LiDAR data collection began on September 10, 2014 and completed acquisition on October 28, 2014. Delivery Area One LiDAR was acquired between September 9, 2014 and October 10, 2014. Settings for LiDAR data capture produced an average resolution of at least eight pulses per square meter. Orthophoto acquisition occurred between August 28, 2014 and September 4, 2014.

Final products created include LiDAR point cloud data, three-foot digital elevation models of bare earth ground model and highest-hit returns, 1.5 foot intensity rasters, 6-inch orthophotos, ground density rasters, study area vector shapes, and corresponding statistical data.

WSI acquires and processes data in the most current, NGS-approved datums and geoid. For OLC Four Rivers, all final deliverables are projected in Oregon Lambert, endorsed by the Oregon Geographic Information Council (OGIC),¹ using the NAD83(2011) horizontal datum and the NAVD88 (Geoid 12A) vertical datum, with units in International feet.

OLC Four Rivers AOI Data Delivered April 10, 2015	
Acquisition Dates	September 10 - 16, 2014 October 28, 2014
Delivery Area One Area of Interest	77,936 acres
Projection	Oregon Statewide Lambert (OGIC)
Datum: horizontal & vertical	NAD83 (2011) NAVD88 (Geoid 12A)
Units	International Feet

Right: map of Four Rivers AOI and Delivery One Area.



¹ <http://www.oregon.gov/DAS/EISPD/GEO/pages/coordination/projections/projections.aspx>



Cessna Caravan

Aerial Acquisition

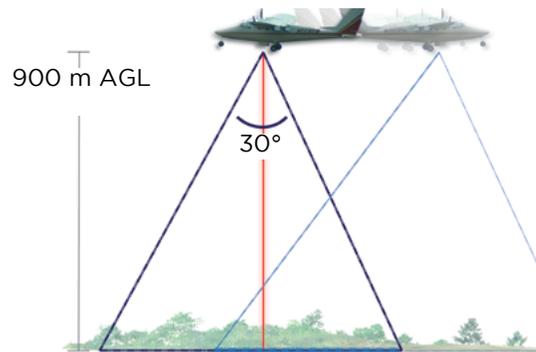
LiDAR Survey

The LiDAR survey utilized a Leica ALS60 sensor mounted in a Partenavia P68 aircraft. The systems were programmed to emit single pulses at a rate of 105 kilohertz and flown at 900 meters above ground level (AGL), capturing a scan angle of +/-15 degrees from nadir (field of view equal to 30 degrees). These settings are developed to yield points with an average native density of greater than eight pulses per square meter over terrestrial surfaces.

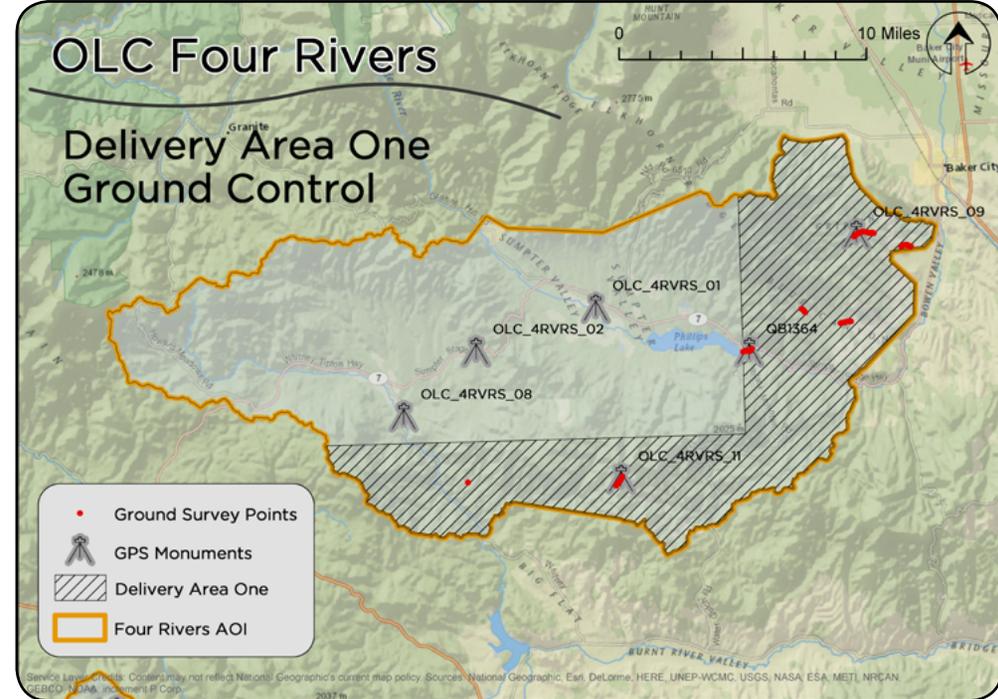
The native pulse density is the number of pulses emitted by the LiDAR system. Some types of surfaces such as dense vegetation or water may return fewer pulses than the laser originally emitted. Therefore, the delivered density can be less than the native density and lightly vary according to distributions of terrain, land cover, and water bodies. The study area

was surveyed with opposing flight line side-lap of greater than 65 percent with at least 100 percent overlap to reduce laser shadowing and increase surface laser painting. The system allows up to four range measurements per pulse, and all discernible laser returns were processed for the output dataset.

To solve for laser point position, it is vital to have an accurate description of aircraft position and attitude. Aircraft position is described as x, y, and z and measured twice per second (two hertz) by an onboard differential GPS unit. Aircraft attitude is measured 200 times per second (200 hertz) as pitch, roll, and yaw (heading) from an onboard inertial measurement unit (IMU). As illustrated in the accompanying map, 228 full and partial flightlines provide coverage of the study area.



Project Flightlines



Four Rivers Acquisition Specifications	
Sensors Deployed	Leica ALS60
Aircraft	Partenavia P68
Survey Altitude (AGL)	900 m
Pulse Rate	105 kHz
Pulse Mode	Single (SPiA)
Field of View (FOV)	30°
Roll Compensated	Yes
Overlap	100% overlap with 65% sidelap
Pulse Emission Density	≥ 8 pulses per square meter

Aerial Acquisition

Photography

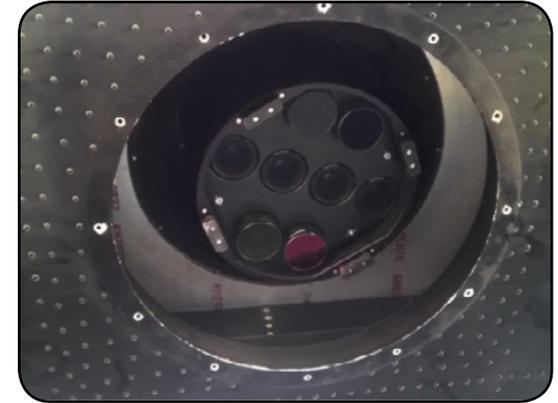
The photography or Four-Band Radiometric Image Enhanced Survey (FRIES) utilized an UltraCam Eagle camera mounted in a Cessna 208B Caravan. The UltraCam Eagle is an 80 mm, 260 megapixel large format digital aerial camera manufactured by the Microsoft Corporation. The system is gyro-stabilized and contains a fully integrated UltraNav flight management system with a POS-AV 510 IMU embedded within the body of the camera unit.

The Eagle was designed with high efficiency, high resolution, and high accuracy in mind. With a physical pixel size of 5.2 microns, the Eagle captures a 6.5 cm ground sample distance (GSD) at a flying height of 1,000 meters AGL. This sensor size of the camera is 20,010 x 13,080 pixels in size, which allows for total ground coverage of 1300 x 850 meters within a single captured image frame at 1,000 meters AGL. This large footprint coupled with a fast frame rate (1.8 seconds per frame) allows for highly efficient acquisition. The precise integrated UltraNav system is accurate enough for direct georeferencing in many applications.

The UltraCam Eagle simultaneously collects panchromatic and multispectral (RGB, NIR) imagery in 14-bit format. The spectral sensitivity of the panchromatic charged coupled device (CCD) array ranges from 400-720 nm, with 16,000 grey values per pixel. Four separate 27 mm lenses collect red (590-720 nm), green (490-660 nm), blue (410-590 nm) and near infrared (690-990 nm) light. Panchromatic lenses collect high resolution imagery by illuminating nine CCD arrays, writing nine raw image files. RGB and NIR lenses collect lower resolution imagery, written as four individual raw image files. Level 2 images are created by stitching together raw image data from the nine panchromatic CCDs, and ultimately combined with the multispectral image data to yield Level 3 pan-sharpened TIFFs in either 8-bit format.



Orthophoto of section of the Powder River within the central portion of delivery area one.



Above: UltraCam Eagle lens configuration as viewed from the Cessna Caravan.



Above: A Cessna Grand Caravan 208B was employed in the collection of all orthoimagery.

Below: UltraCam Eagle installed in the aircraft.



Orthophoto Processing

Within the UltraMap software suite, raw acquired images are radiometrically and geometrically corrected using the camera's calibration files and output as Level 2 images. The resulting radiometry is then manually edited to ensure each image has the appropriate tone, no pixels are clipped, and to blend each image with its neighbors. Once radiometry has been edited, separate RGBI and panchromatic images are blended together to form single level 3 pan-sharpened 4 band TIFF images.

The kinematic GPS positional data is post-processed in office, using static monument coordinates from base stations that were occupied for a minimum of 6 hours and were running during the time of acquisition. Photo position and orientation are calculated by linking the time of image capture, the corresponding aircraft position and attitude, and the Smoothed Best Estimate of Trajectory (SBET) data in POSPac MMS, and outputting an initial Exterior Orientations (EO) file.

The EO file is combined with level 3 TIFFs within the Inpho software suite to place the images frames spatially. Aerial triangulation is performed to tie the image frames to each other, and to align them with surveyed ground control coordinates. A point cloud ground model is generated from the image frames by finding matching pixels between images and calculating the coordinates of each extracted point. Triangulated image frames are then draped onto a DEM, derived from the extracted point cloud and orthorectified. Individual orthorectified tiffs are blended together to remove seams and corrected for any remaining radiometric differences between images using Inpho's OrthoVista. The 4-Band image mosaic is tiled to create a usable GeoTIFF raster product.

The 4-band GeoTIFF format allows for flexibility in image analysis and display. By adjusting the image band setup to display the near infrared spectral band as red (this display is known as color-infrared), vegetation stands out extremely vividly in the orthophoto mosaic.

Digital Orthophotography Survey Specifications

Aircraft	Cessna 208-B Grand Caravan
Sensor	UltraCam Eagle
Altitude	1,846 m AGL
GPS Satellite Constellation	6
GPS PDOP	3.0
GPS Baselines	≤ 13 nm
Image	8-bit GeoTIFF
Along Track Overlap	70%
Spectral Bands	Red, Green, Blue, NIR
Resolution	6 inch pixel size

GPS Monument "OLC_4RVRS_09".



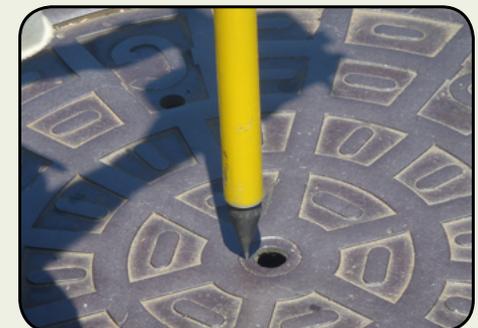
Aerial Targets

Prior to photo acquisition, permanent and temporary aerial photo targets were located and installed throughout the study area. The air targets were set within two miles of a GPS base location and Target Control Points (TCPs) were collected at each corner of the target, as well as the center point, for utilization in the processing and quality control of the orthophoto deliverables.

Because temporary air targets are subject to possible outside influences (e.g., weather, curious public, wildlife), WSI identifies locations adequate for collection of TCPs that are on permanent features. Selected locations include existing aerial targets, turn-arrows, STOP bars, etc. that are visible from the aircraft. WSI also paints permanent targets in appropriate locations when necessary. Additional permanent air targets were identified in the field and used for processing orthophotos.

All TCPs were acquired using one of two methods. The air targets that were set within two miles of a GPS base location had TCPs collected at each corner of the target as well as the center point. In order to increase TCP sample size for data quality, WSI also used a Fast-Static (FS) survey technique by baseline post-processing. For the air targets that were set this way, WSI collected a single static session with the R8 rover set over the center point of the target. The FS sessions lasted 15-30 minutes, depending on the distance of the air target to the base station. The static sessions and the concurrent R7 base session data were later processed in Trimble Business Center software. The use of post processing eliminates the need to deal with radio link issues, and fast static methodology generally results in precision equal to or better than full RTK collection on each target.

Examples of permanent air targets.

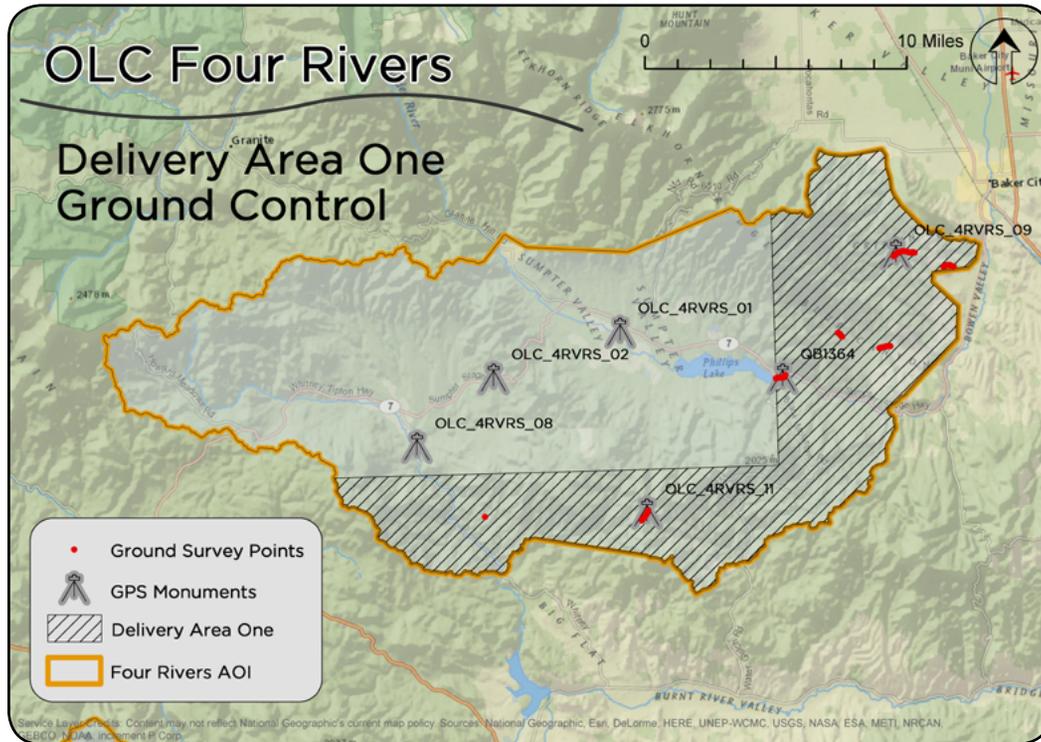


Ground Survey

Ground control surveys, including monumentation, aerial targets, and Ground Survey Points (GSPs) were conducted to support the airborne acquisition. Ground control data are used to geospatially correct the aircraft positional coordinate data and to perform quality assurance checks on final LiDAR data and orthoimagery products.

Coordinates are on the NAD83 (2011) datum, epoch 2010.00. NAVD88 height referenced to Geoid12A.

Delivery Area One Monuments				
PID	Latitude	Longitude	Ellipsoid Height (m)	NAVD 88 Height (m)
OLC_4RVRS_09	44° 44' 24.07335"	-117° 54' 13.74862"	1311.965	1328.990
OLC_4RVRS_11	44° 36' 04.44639"	-118° 06' 10.24269"	1618.117	1635.069
QB1364	44° 40' 24.70948"	-117° 59' 40.96849"	1235.861	1252.818



Instrumentation

All Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) static surveys utilized Trimble R7 GNSS receivers with Zephyr Geodetic Model 2 RoHS antennas and Trimble R8 GNSS receivers with internal antennas. Rover surveys for GSP collection were conducted with Trimble R8 and Trimble R10 GNSS receivers. See the table on the following page for specifications of equipment used.

Monumentation

Existing and newly established survey benchmarks serve as control points during LiDAR acquisition. Monument locations were selected with consideration for satellite visibility, field crew safety, and optimal location for GSP coverage. NGS benchmarks are preferred for control points; however, in the absence of NGS benchmarks, WSI produces our own monuments, and every effort is made to keep them within the public right of way or on public lands. If monuments are necessary on private property, consent from the owner is required. All monumentation is done with 5/8" x 30" rebar topped with a two-inch diameter aluminum cap stamped "Watershed Sciences, Inc. Control." The table above provides the list of monuments used in Delivery Area One. See Appendix B for a complete list of monuments placed within the OLC Four Rivers 2014 Study Area.

Methodology

To correct the continuously recorded aircraft position, WSI concurrently conducts multiple static GNSS ground surveys over each monument. All control monuments are observed for a minimum of two survey sessions, each lasting no fewer than two hours. Data are collected at a rate of one hertz, using a 10 degree mask on the antenna. The static GPS data are then triangulated with nearby Continuously Operating Reference Stations (CORS) using the Online Positioning User Service (OPUS) for precise positioning.

Ground Survey Points (GSPs) are collected using Real Time Kinematic (RTK), Post-Processed Kinematic (PPK), and Fast-Static (FS) survey techniques. For RTK surveys, a base receiver is positioned at a nearby monument to broadcast a kinematic correction to a roving receiver; for PPK and FS surveys, however, these corrections are post-processed. All GSP measurements are made during periods with a Position Dilution of Precision (PDOP) no greater than 3.0 and in view of at least six satellites for both receivers. Relative errors for the position must be less than 1.5 centimeters horizontal and 2.0 centimeters vertical in order to be accepted.

In order to facilitate comparisons with high quality LiDAR data, GSP measurements are not taken on highly reflective surfaces such as center line stripes or lane markings on roads. GSPs are taken no closer than one meter to any nearby terrain breaks such as road edges or drop offs. GSPs were collected within as many flight lines as possible; however, the distribution depended on ground access constraints and may not be equitably distributed throughout the study area.

Monument Accuracy	
FGDC-STD-007.2-1998 Rating	
St Dev NE	0.020 m
St Dev z	0.050 m



Ground professional collecting RTK

Instrumentation			
Receiver Model	Antenna	OPUS Antenna ID	Use
Trimble R7 GNSS	Zephyr GNSS Geodetic Model 2 RoHS	TRM57971.00	Static
Trimble R8	Integrated Antenna R8 Model 2	TRM_R8_GNSS	Static, Rover
Trimble R10	Integrated Antenna R10	TRMR10	Rover

LiDAR Accuracy

Relative Accuracy

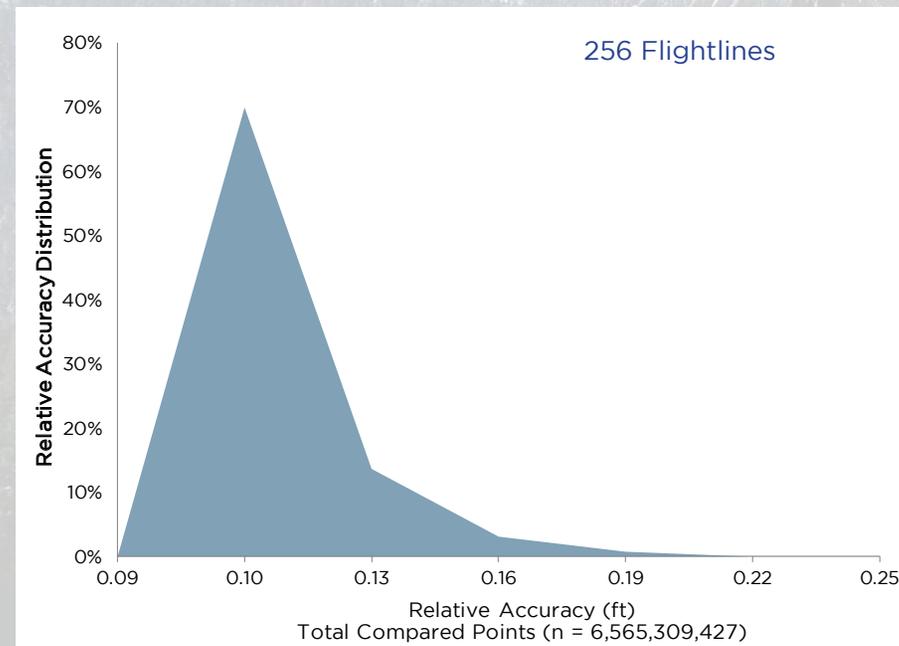
Relative accuracy refers to the internal consistency of the data set and is measured as the divergence between points from different flightlines within an overlapping area. Divergence is most apparent when flightlines are opposing. When the LiDAR system is well calibrated the line to line divergence is low (<10 centimeters). Internal consistency is affected by system attitude offsets (pitch, roll, and heading), mirror flex (scale), and GPS/IMU drift.

Relative accuracy statistics are based on the comparison of 256 full and partial flightlines and over 6.5 billion points. Relative accuracy is reported for the cumulative delivered portions of the study area.

Relative Accuracy Calibration Results N = 256 flightlines

Project Average	0.12 ft. (0.04 m)
Median Relative Accuracy	0.11 ft. (0.03 m)
1 σ Relative Accuracy	0.12 ft. (0.04 m)
2 σ Relative Accuracy	0.15 ft. (0.05 m)

Relative Accuracy Distribution



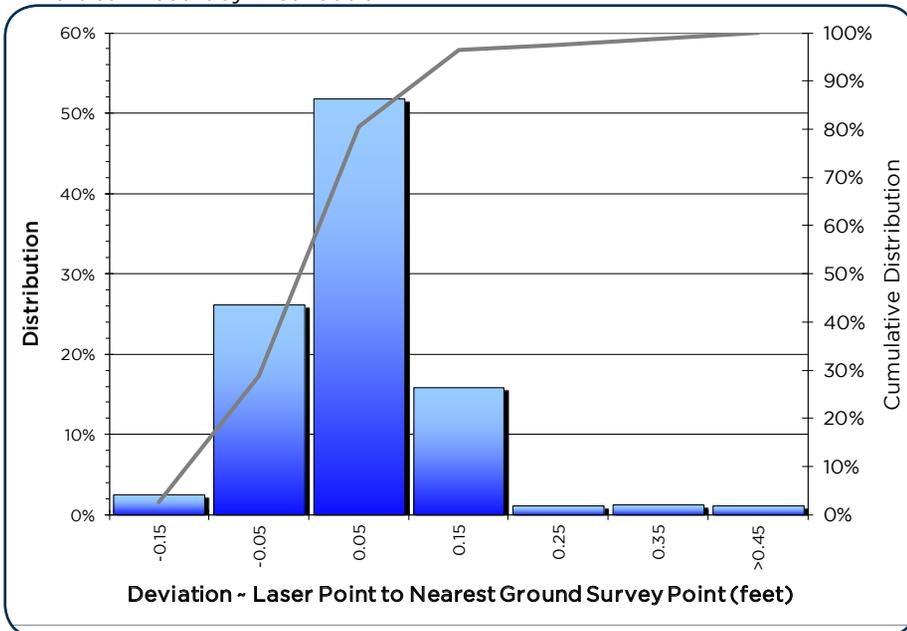
Vertical Accuracy

Vertical accuracy reporting is designed to meet guidelines presented in the National Standard for Spatial Data Accuracy (NSSDA) (FGDC, 1998) and the ASPRS Guidelines for Vertical Accuracy Reporting for LiDAR Data V1.0 (ASPRS, 2004). The statistical model compares known ground survey points to the triangulated LiDAR surface. Vertical accuracy statistical analysis uses ground control points in open areas where the LiDAR system has a “very high probability” that the sensor will measure the ground surface and is evaluated at the 95th percentile. For the Four Rivers Delivery Area One study area, 689 GSPs were collected.

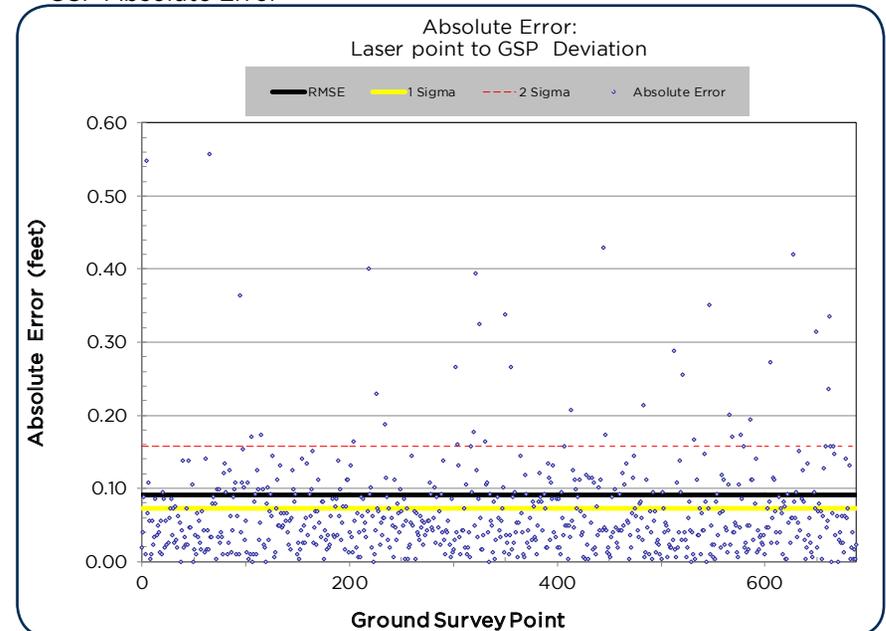
For this project, no independent survey data were collected, nor were reserved points collected for testing. As such, vertical accuracy statistics are reported as “Compiled to Meet.” Vertical Accuracy is reported for the entire study area and reported in the table below. Histogram and absolute deviation statistics displayed for the cumulative data delivered below.

Vertical Accuracy Results	
	Delivery Area One
Sample Size (n)	689 Ground survey points
FVA (RMSE*1.96)	0.18 ft. (0.05 m)
Root Mean Square Error	0.09 ft. (0.03 m)
1 Standard Deviation	0.07 ft. (0.02 m)
2 Standard Deviation	0.16 ft. (0.05 m)
Average Deviation	-0.01 ft. (0.00 m)
Minimum Deviation	-0.24 ft. (-0.07 m)
Maximum Deviation	0.56 ft. (0.17 m)

Vertical Accuracy Distribution



GSP Absolute Error



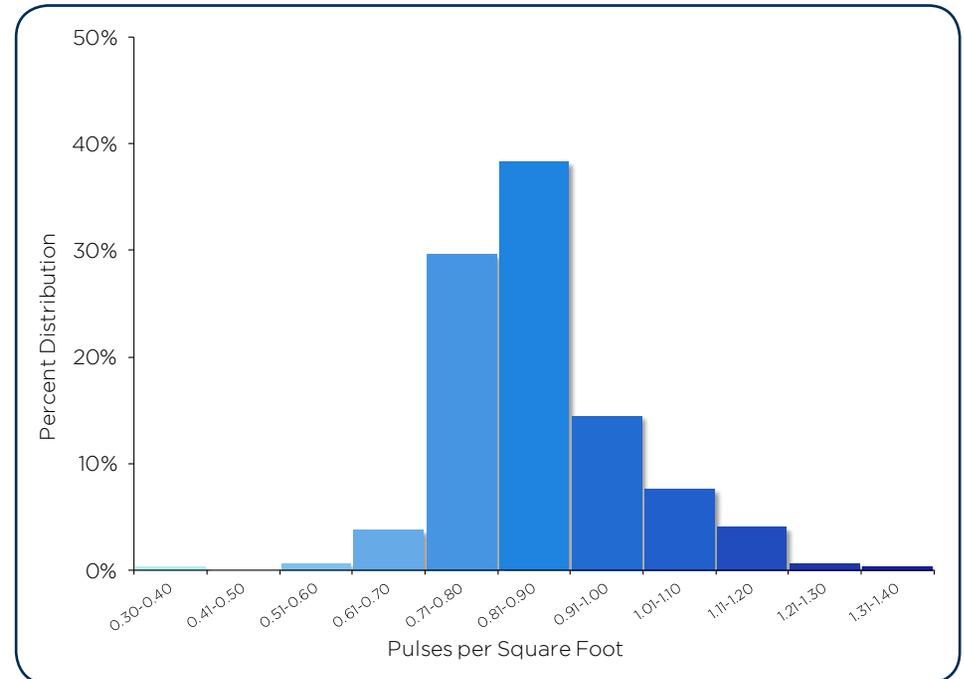
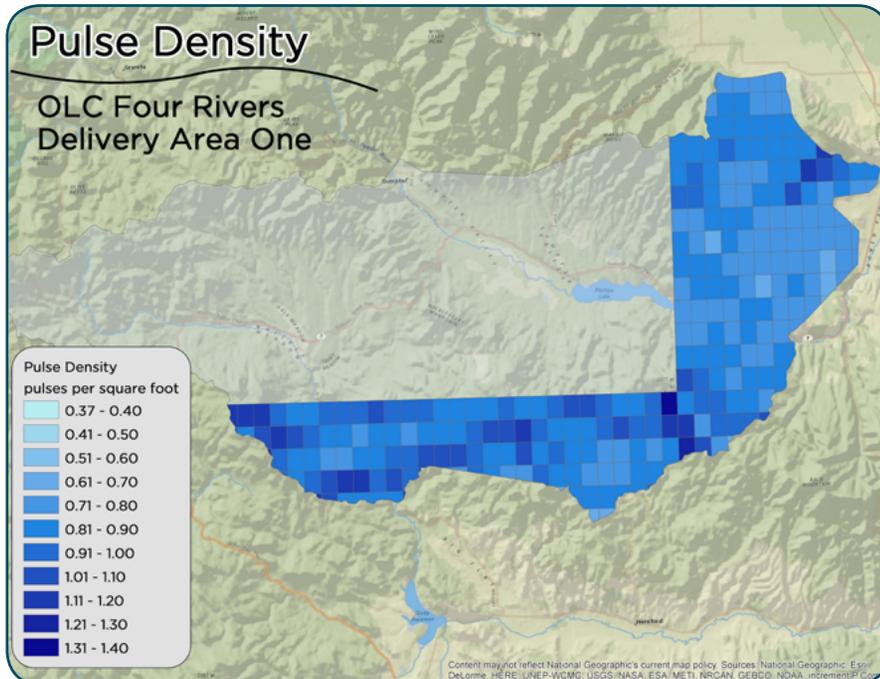
Density

Pulse Density

Final pulse density is calculated after processing and is a measure of first returns per sampled area. Some types of surfaces (e.g., dense vegetation, water) may return fewer pulses than the laser originally emitted. Therefore, the delivered density can be less than the native density and vary according to terrain, land cover, and water bodies. Density histograms and maps have been calculated based on first return laser pulse density and ground-classified laser point density. Densities are reported for the delivery area.

Average Pulse Density	pulses per square meter	pulses per square foot
	9.28	0.86

Average Pulse Density per 0.75' USGS Quad (color scheme aligns with density chart).

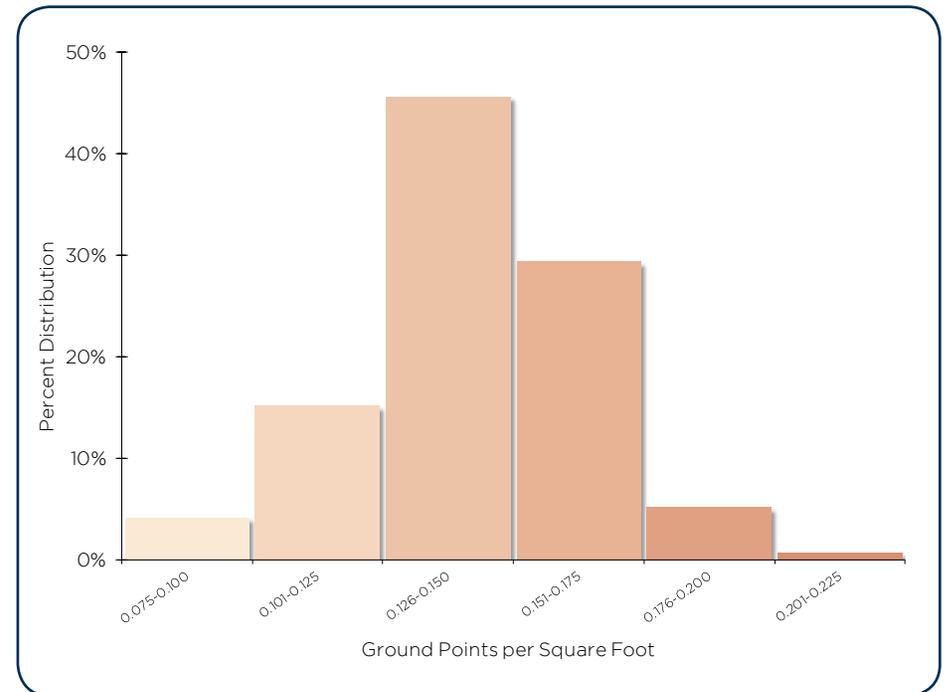
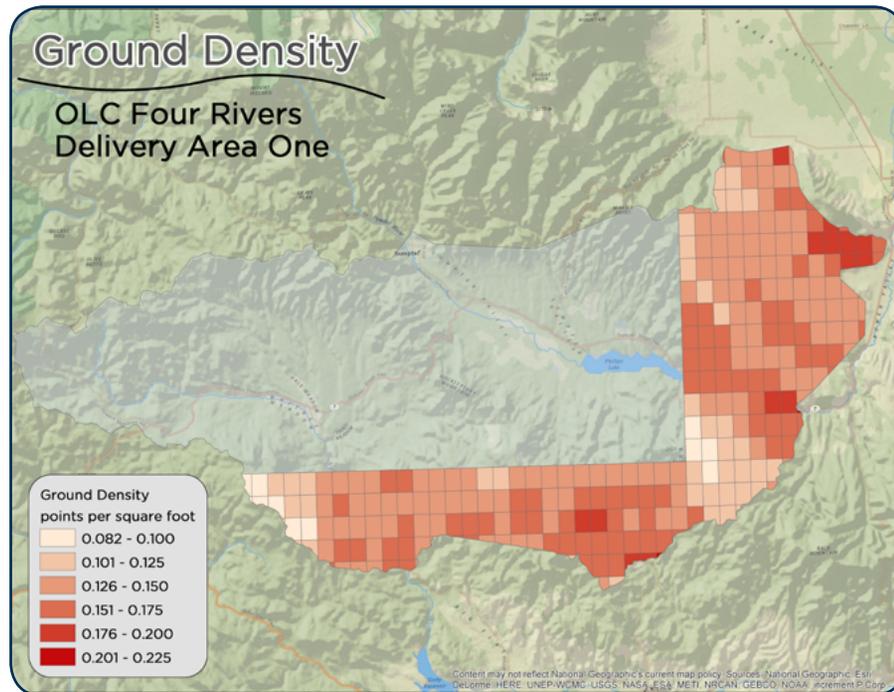


Ground Density

Ground classifications were derived from ground surface modeling. Further classifications were performed by reseeded of the ground model where it was determined that the ground model failed, usually under dense vegetation and/or at breaks in terrain, steep slopes, and at tile boundaries. The classifications are influenced by terrain and grounding parameters that are adjusted for the dataset. The reported ground density is a measure of ground-classified point data for the delivery area.

Ground Density	points per square meter	points per square foot
	1.54	0.14

Average Ground Density per 0.75' USGS Quad (color scheme aligns with density chart).



Orthophoto Accuracy

Orthophoto Accuracy Assessment

To assess the spatial accuracy of the orthophotographs, artificial check points were established. Twenty-three target control points, distributed evenly across the total acquired area, were generated on permanent air target surface features, such as painted road lines and fixed high-contrast objects or on temporary air targets. They were then compared against check points identified from the LiDAR intensity images. The accuracy of the final mosaic was calculated in relation to the LiDAR-derived check points and is listed below. Accuracy statistics are reported for the entire Four Rivers Orthophoto AOI.

Orthophoto horizontal accuracy results.

Orthophoto Horizontal Accuracy (n=23)	WSI Achieved (ft.)
RMSE	0.83
1 Sigma	0.95
2 Sigma	1.25



Above: Example of co-registration of color images with LiDAR intensity images. Below: Examples of permanent air targets.



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Appendix A : PLS Certification

WSI, a Quantum Spatial company, provided LiDAR Services for OLC Four Rivers LiDAR project Delivery 1 as described in this report.

I, John English, have reviewed the attached report for completeness and hereby state that it is a complete and accurate report of this project.



 4/10/2015

John English
 Project Manager
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I, Christopher Glantz, being duly registered as a Professional Land Surveyor in the state of Oregon, say that I hereby certify the methodologies and results of the attached LiDAR project, and that Static GNSS occupations on the Base Stations during airborne flights and RTK survey on hard-surface and GSP's were performed using commonly accepted Standard Practices. Field work conducted for this report was conducted between August 15, 2014 and March 20, 2014. Accuracy statistics shown in the Accuracy Section of this Report have been review by me and found to meet the "National Standard for Spatial Data Accuracy".



 4/10/2015

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Appendix B : GPS Monument Table

List of GPS monuments used in OLC Four Rivers Survey Area. Coordinates are on the NAD83 (2011) datum, epoch 2010.00. NAVD88 height referenced to Geoid12A.

Four Rivers GPS Monuments				
PID	Latitude	Longitude	Ellipsoid Height (m)	NAVD88 Height (m)
OLC_4RVRS_05	44° 22' 04.04811"	-118° 26' 26.27744"	1673.49	1690.853
OLC_4RVRS_01	44° 42' 05.21049"	-118° 07' 10.55806"	1243.446	1260.423
OLC_4RVRS_02	44° 40' 40.86017"	-118° 13' 07.50897"	1405.01	1422.061
OLC_4RVRS_03	44° 12' 15.24681"	-118° 30' 51.25222"	1596.494	1614.134
OLC_4RVRS_04	44° 13' 50.23144"	-118° 20' 29.66052"	1678.079	1695.55
OLC_4RVRS_06	44° 15' 56.25740"	-118° 23' 48.26503"	1523.051	1540.504
OLC_4RVRS_07	44° 23' 45.44675"	-118° 34' 08.18962"	1215.771	1233.466
OLC_4RVRS_08	44° 38' 27.91126"	-118° 16' 46.23027"	1239.037	1256.224
OLC_4RVRS_09	44° 44' 24.07335"	-117° 54' 13.74862"	1311.965	1328.99
OLC_4RVRS_11	44° 36' 04.44639"	-118° 06' 10.24269"	1618.117	1635.069
OLC_4RVRS_12	44° 19' 45.23278"	-118° 22' 38.73499"	1966.112	1983.404
OLC_4RVRS_13	44° 13' 39.69461"	-118° 14' 45.54583"	1435.453	1452.865
OLC_4RVRS_15	44° 01' 04.73466"	-118° 23' 21.89923"	1633.668	1651.513
OLC_4RVRS_17	44° 28' 22.11837"	-118° 31' 14.39092"	1718.217	1735.658
OLC_4RVRS_18	44° 00' 47.98231"	-118° 21' 50.95986"	1690.748	1708.595
QB1364	44° 40' 24.70948"	-117° 59' 40.96849"	1235.861	1252.818

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