

MEMORANDUM FOR Executive Working Group

FROM: Tri-Service CADD/GIS Technology Center  
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SUBJECT: Utilization of Remote Sensing Imagery for Installation Planning and Engineering Applications

1. The use of Remote Sensing Imagery (RSI) for Tri-Service installations was investigated in fulfillment of c - Standards Manual for Remote Sensing (Satellite Imagery) Mapping. The Tri-Service CADD/GIS Technolo funded to investigate the feasibility of using satellite imagery in lieu of aerial photography to develop maps t and comprehensive planning needs.
2. A literature review concerning commercially available Remote Sensing Imagery (RSI) was conducted dur January through 10 March 1998 to determine the capabilities of commercially available RSI in lieu of aerial p Interviews with industry leaders and government agencies were also conducted during this time period to asc of RSI as it applies to installation mapping needs. The overall consensus is that RSI does not have the capab engineering demands for installation mapping nor will that capability exist in the near future.
3. It is recommended that this project is cancelled and the funds (\$40K) for this project are reallocated for us recommended that these funds be directed to the completion of the GIS Implementation Guide, which has no high demand exists for a document that will provide potential GIS users a step-by-step guide through the imp This will eventually save time, money, and resources throughout the DoD community.

1 Attachment  
White Paper

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# **Utilization of Satellite Imagery in Lieu of Aerial Photography for Engineering and Comprehensive Planning Applications**

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## INTRODUCTION

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## BACKGROUND

The submitted proposal (TSC #98-155) requested a study be conducted to:

1. *Identify the current minimum mapping standards being used by the Department of Defense.*
2. *Validate accuracy requirements.*
3. *Investigate RSI technology and methodologies, and apply established standards.*
4. *Establish minimum standards for remote sensing maps.*
5. *Develop a template "Statement of Work" for installation use.*

The *justification* used to support the proposal states that:

*"Currently military bases are required to map their installations using aerial photography. This is due to the fact that maps that are accurate to within 1/40th of an inch in the horizontal plane. Until recently, commercially available remote sensing did not meet these accuracy standards. Now that 1-2 meter resolution remote sensing imagery is available, the government may be able to cut the cost of this required mapping in half. The use of remote sensing will reduce the pre-aerial photography ground control setup cost and all film processing costs".*

## FINDINGS

This paper addresses the five requests stated in TSC #98-155.

- a. The first request stipulates: *identify the current minimum mapping standard being used by the Department*

Research indicates that the Department of Defense (DoD) has not adopted a specific standard of its own. In separate standard DoD uses the guidance contained in the Office of Management and Budget (OMB Circular *Participation in the Development and Use of Voluntary Standards*. This circular prescribes that federal agencies use of industry standards. "Specifications for surveying and mapping shall use industry consensus standards of national professional organizations such as The American Society of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ASPRS) are several professional groups that have established "industry" standards. The Army Corps of Engineers has ASPRS standards for large scale mapping (mapping needs for areas under 10,000 acres) and through agreement the Department of the Army and the Department of the Air Force follow suit on this adoption. The Department of Defense has adopted any specific standards. However, the Federal Geographic Data Committee (FDGC) draft report on "Geospatial Positioning Standards - Part 4" does recommend adoption of the ASPRS Large Scale Mapping (Table 1 and Table 2) and, when established the *standard* for all government agencies. ASPRS Standards.

ASPRS Limiting RMSE in X or Y				
Target Map Scale		(Feet)		
1" = x	Ratio	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
ft	ft/ft			
5	1:60	0.05	0.1	0.15
10	1:120	0.10	0.2	0.30
20	1:240	0.2	0.4	0.6
30	1:360	0.3	0.6	0.9
40	1:480	0.4	0.8	1.2
50	1:600	0.5	1.0	1.5
60	1:720	0.6	1.2	1.8
100	1:1,200	1.0	2.0	3.0
200	1:2,400	2.0	4.0	6.0
400	1:4,800	4.0	8.0	12.0
500	1:6,000	5.0	10.0	15.0
800	1:9,600	8.0	16.0	24.0
1,000	1:12,000	10.0	20.0	30.0
1.667	1:20,000	16.7	33.3	50.0

**Table 1 ASPRS Planimetric (Horizontal) Feature Coordinate Accuracy Standard (X or Y in feet) for Well-Defined Points**

ASPRS Limiting RMSE in X or Y			
Target	Topographic		
Contour	Feature Points		
Interval	Class	Class	Class
ft	1	2	3
0.5	0.17	0.33	0.50
1.0	0.33	0.66	1.00
2.0	0.67	1.33	2.00
4.0	1.33	2.67	4.00
5.0	1.67	3.33	5.00

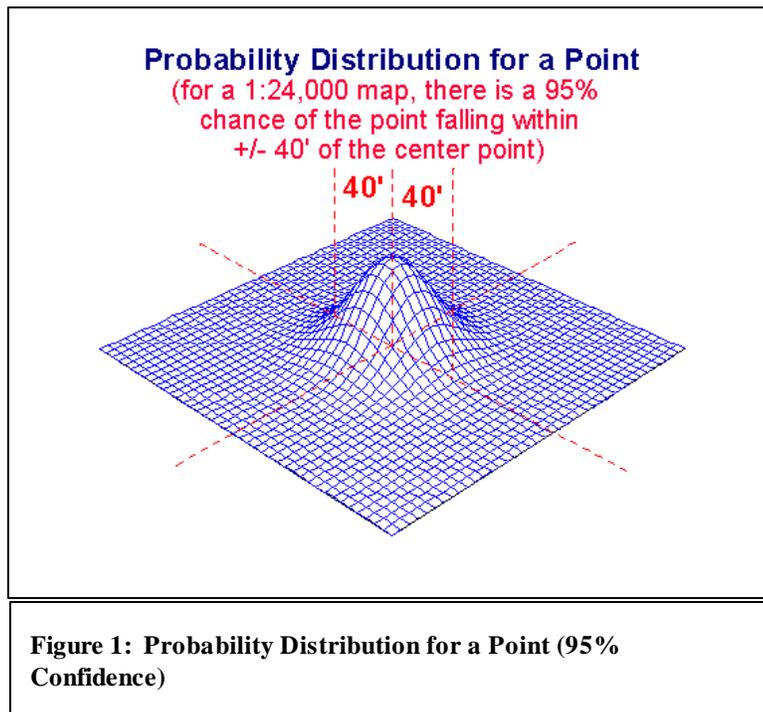
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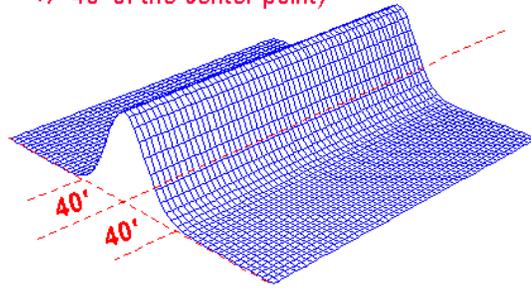
b. The second request is to *validate accuracy requirements*. Horizontal accuracy requirements are established by the Horizontal (planimetric) Standards for Large Scale Mapping (Table 1) and the ASPRS Vertical (Topographic) Standards for Large Scale Mapping establish vertical accuracy requirements for Large Scale Mapping. These limits of accuracy pertain to well-defined points only. Horizontal spatial accuracy is defined as the circular error of a data set's horizontal coordinates at a given level. As depicted in Figure 1, using second order survey ground control marks, the probability distribution of horizontal accuracy is shown for a 1:24,000 (1"=2,000') scale map.



Vertical spatial accuracy is defined by the linear error of a data set's vertical coordinates at the 95% confidence level. Figure 2, using second order survey ground control markers, the probability distribution for a line is +/- 40' (1"=2,000') scale map.

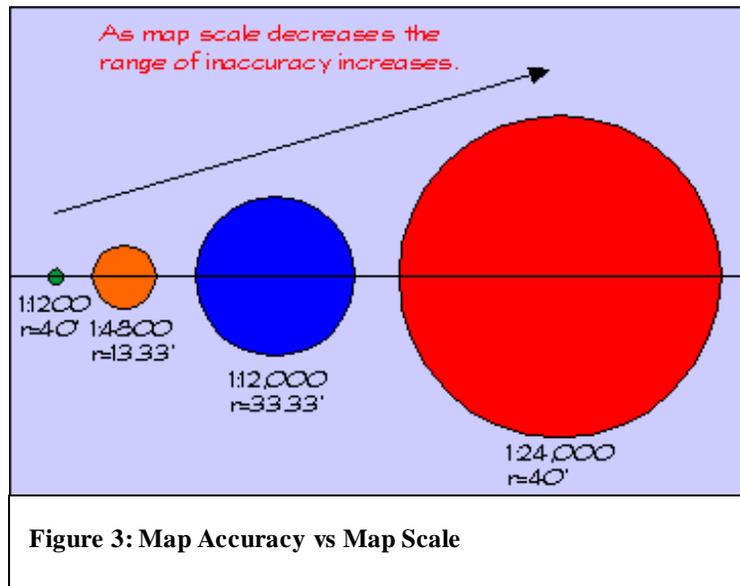
## Probability Distribution for a Line

(for a 1:24,000 map, there is a 95%  
chance of the point falling within  
 $\pm 40'$  of the center point)



**Figure 2: Probability Distribution for a Line (95% Confidence)**

Basically this means, that when we see a point (feature) on a map we know we have the "probable" location in the above examples within 40 feet. Caution must be exercised here; we must remain cognizant of the danger -that is reading locational information from map levels of accuracy beyond which they were created. This is in systems that allow the user to pan and zoom at will to an infinite number of scales. Accuracy is tied to the original data and does not change even if the user zooms in and out. Zooming in and out can mislead the user into the false belief that accuracy has improved. See Figure 3.



Accuracy reported at the 95% confidence level means that 95% of positional accuracy would be equal to or less than the reported accuracy value. The reported accuracy value is the cumulative result of all uncertainties, including local project control coordinates, field topographic surveys, photogrammetric compilation, or final extraction values in the spatial data. The reference scheme for radial or linear errors must be defined as relative to absolute reference networks or local (internal construction) schemes. Spatial data may be compiled to comply with or

the vertical component and another in the horizontal component. In both cases, establishing well-defined ground control points is necessary to develop the horizontal and vertical accuracy needed by military installations.

These are considered valid accuracy standards for both the civilian and military agencies.

c. The third request is to *investigate RSI technology and methodologies, and apply established standards*. The use of a space-borne platform in lieu of aerial photography to produce **accurate** installation maps. The literature indicates that mapping at 1:2,400 (1"=400') is feasible using remotely sensed satellite imagery. Mapping scales down to 1:600 are feasible with aerial photography. Since the requirement for engineering functions (utilities) remains at 1:600 for the Air Force and 1:100 for the Army and (construction) remains at 1:240 (1"=20') then by default we recognize that satellite imagery cannot be used in lieu of aerial photography. To establish the necessary accuracy the base map must meet the highest required tolerance or the greatest accuracy needed or a 1:240 map scale. Accuracy greater than this is not possible with ground methods. It is recommended that the installation map be produced using a scale of 1:600 (1"=50') and subsequent imagery can be obtained using satellite imagery.

It is essential that mapping and surveying specifications originate from the functional requirements of the project. Requirements are realistic and economical. Specifying mapping accuracies in excess of those needed to accomplish the project results in increased costs. See Appendix B for general guidance for typical projects - extracted from the Geomatics Accuracy Standards, Part 4: Standards for A/E/C and Facility Management.

In order to ensure mapping accuracy, satellite images must have ground control points (marked in advance) just as with aerial photography. The assumption that ground control is not necessary for satellite imagery is false. Ground control points ensure the accuracy of the final mapping product and facilitates the photogrammetry process.

d. The fourth request is to *establish minimum standards for remote sensing maps*. Again, these standards have been established in the industry. Those adopted by the Departments of the Air Force and Army are from the American Society of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ASPRS).

e. The last request is to *develop a template "Statement of Work" for installation use*. A template SOW is provided in the TSSDS and in the Tri-Service guide "Geographical Information Systems Implementation Guide"

## CONCLUSIONS

Satellite based remote sensing imagery has not evolved to the point where it meets the needs of military construction development, utilities management, construction projects, or installation master/comprehensive planning. Pl installation level requires vectorized maps with scales of 1:600 (1"=50') for utility planning and 1:240 (1"=20'). There must be sufficient resolution for a planner to determine the location of a feature within acceptable accuracy. For example, 125 feet from edge of a flight line apron to a fixed or mobile object, or 200 feet from center of taxiway to an object. That level of sophistication is not present in today's commercially available satellite technology.

Remote sensing imagery is appropriate for small-scale (large area) applications e.g., identifying wetland areas, land use categorization, change over time etc. These are broad applications where pinpoint accuracy isn't necessary. In these cases care should be taken to ensure that redundant imagery--satellite imagery and aerial photography--is not just a waste of money. It doesn't mean that satellite imagery is redundant. There is an appropriate time and place for this technology e.g., monitoring environmental change over time, tracking wetland vegetation, vegetation growth, and vegetation health and other related concerns.

Until remote sensing industry advances its capabilities, then this technology will not meet the needs of the military in their Master/Comprehensive Planning effort.

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**Appendix A. American Society of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing Accuracy Standards**

**Table A-1: ASPRS Coordinate Accuracy Standard (X or Y in feet) for Well-Defined Points--RMSE**

Target Map Scale		ASPRS Limiting RMSE in X or Y (Feet)		
1" = x ft	Ratio ft/ft	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
5	1:60	0.05	0.10	0.15
10	1:120	0.10	0.20	0.30
20	1:240	0.2	0.4	0.6
30	1:360	0.3	0.6	0.9
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1,000	1:12,000	10.0	20.0	30.0
1,667	1:20,000	16.7	33.3	50.0

**Table A-2: ASPRS Coordinate Accuracy Standard (X or Y in feet) for Well-Defined Points--95% C**

Target Map Scale		ASPRS Radial Accuracy 95% Confidence Level (feet)	
1" = x	Ratio ft	ft/ft	ASPRS Class 1
5	1:60	0.12	
10	1:120	0.25	
20	1:240	0.50	
30	1:360	0.7	

40	1:480	1.0
50	1:600	1.2
60	1:720	1.5
100	1:1,200	2.5
200	1:2,400	4.9
400	1:4,800	9.8
500	1:6,000	12.
800	1:9,600	20
1,000	1:12,000	25
1,667	1:20,000	40

**Table A-3b: ASPRS Topographic Elevation Accuracy for Well-defined Points (Feet)--RMSE**

ASPRS Limiting RMSE in Feet						
Target Topographic Contour Interval	Spot or Digital Terrain Model			Spot or Digital Terrain Model		
	Feature Points	Elevation Points		Feature Points	Elevation Points	
ft	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
0.5	0.17	0.33	0.50	0.08	0.16	0.25
1	0.33	0.66	1.0	0.17	0.33	0.5
2	0.67	1.33	2.0	0.33	0.67	1.0
4	1.33	2.67	4.0	0.67	1.33	2.0
5	1.67	3.33	5.0	0.83	1.67	2.5

**Table A-4b: ASPRS Topographic Elevation Accuracy for Well-Defined Points (Feet)--95% Confidence**

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ASPRS Linear Error in Meters (95% Confidence)

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Target Contour Interval	Spot or Digital	
	Topographic Feature Points	Terrain Model Elevation Points
ft	ASPRS Class 1	
0.5	0.33	0.16
1	0.65	0.33
2	1.3	0.6
4	2.6	1.3
5	3.3	1.6

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**Appendix B. Recommended Surveying and Mapping Specifications for Military Construction, Civil Maintenance, Real Estate, and HTRW Projects**

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Project or Activity	Equivalent Target (Plot) Map Scale <sup>1</sup> 1 in. = x ft	Feature Location Tolerance <sup>2</sup> mm/ft (RMS)	Horiz Control Survey type <sup>3</sup>	Feature Elevation Tolerance <sup>4</sup> mm/ft (RMS)
<b><u>MILITARY CONSTRUCTION (MCA, MCAF, OMA, OMAF):</u></b>				
<b>Design and Construction of New Facilities:</b>				
Site Plan Data for Direct Input into CADD 2-D/3-D Design Files	1:500/40ft	100mm/0.1-0.5ft	3rd-I	50mm/0.1-0.3ft
General Construction Site Plan Feature and Topo Detail	1:500/40ft	100mm/0.2-0.5ft	3rd-I	50mm/0.1-0.2ft
Surface/Subsurface Utility Detail	1:500/40ft	25mm/0.05-0.2ft	3rd-I	50mm/0.1-0.3ft
Building or Structure Design	1:500/30-100ft	25mm/0.05-0.1ft	3rd-I/II	25mm/0.05-0.1ft
Airfield Pavement Design Detail		250mm/0.5-2ft		100mm/0.2-1ft
Grading and Excavation Plans (Roads, Drainage, etc.)				
<b>Maintenance and Repair (M&amp;R), or Renovation of Existing Structures, Roadways, Utilities, etc., for Design/Construction/Plans and Specifications (P&amp;S)</b>	1:500/30-50ft	100mm/0.1-0.5ft	3rd-I	50mm/0.1-0.5ft

<b>Recreational Site P&amp;S</b> (Golf Courses, Athletic Fields, etc.)	1:1000/100ft	500mm/1-2ft	3rd-II	100mm/0.2-2ft
<b>Training Sites, Ranges, Cantonment Areas, etc.</b>	1:2500/100-200ft	500mm/1-5ft	3rd-II	1 000mm/1-5ft
<b>Installation Master Planning and Facilities Management</b>				
<b>Activities</b> (Including AM/FM and GIS Feature Applications)	1:5000/100-400ft	1 000mm/2-10ft	3rd-II	1 000mm/1-10ft
General Location Maps for Master Planning Purposes	1:250/10-50ft	50mm/0.05-1ft	Relative to Structure	N/A
Space Management (Interior Design/Layout)				
Installation Surface/Subsurface Utility Maps (As-built; Fuel, Gas, Electricity, Communications, Cable, Storm Water, Sanitary, Water Supply, Treatment Facilities, Meters, etc.)	1:1000/50-100ft (DA) 1:500/50ft (USAF)	100mm/0.2-1ft	3rd-I	100mm/0.2ft

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Project or Activity	Typical Target (Plot) Map Scale <sup>1</sup>	Feature Location Tolerance <sup>2</sup>	Horiz Contro l Survey Type <sup>3</sup>	Feature Elevation Tolerance <sup>4</sup> mm/ft (RMS)	V I C I S T
	SI Ratio	mm/ft (RMS)			
<b>MILITARY CONSTRUCTION (CONTINUED)</b>					
<b>Architectural Drawings:</b>					
	<b>Customary Inch-Pound Scale</b>	<b>Equivalent SI Ratio</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
Site Plans:					
	1 in = 20 ' (Landscape Planting Plans)	1:250			
	1 in = 50 '	1:500			
Floor Plans:	1/4 in = 1' - 0"	1:50			
	1/8 in = 1' - 0"	1:100			
	1/16 in = 1' - 0"	1:200			
Roof Plan:	(no smaller than) 1/16" = 1' - 0"	1:200			
Exterior Elevations:		1:10			
	1" or 1-1/2" = 1' - 0"	1:100			
	1/8" = 1' - 0"	1:200			
	1/16" = 1' - 0"				
Interior Elevations:		1:50			
	1/4" = 1' - 0"	1:100			
	1/8" = 1' - 0"	1:50			
Cross Sections:	1/4" = 1' - 0"	1:100			
	1/8" = 1' - 0"	1:50			
	1/16" = 1' - 0"	1:20			
Wall Sections:	1/2" or 3/4" = 1' - 0"				

Stair Details:	1" or 1-1/2" = 1' - 0"	1:10
Detail Plans:	3" = 1' - 0"	1:5
	1" or 1-1/2" = 1' - 0"	1:10

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<b>MILITARY CONSTRUCTION (CONTINUED)</b>					
Area-/Installation-/Base-Wide Mapping Control Network to Support Overall GIS and AM/FM Development <sup>5</sup>	N/A	varies	3rd-I or 2nd-II	varies	2 3
Housing Management (Family housing, Schools, Boundaries, and Other Installation Community Services)	1:5000/100-400ft	10 000mm/ 10-50ft	4th	N/A	4
Environmental Mapping and Assessments	1:5000/200-400ft	10 000mm/ 10-50ft	4th	N/A	4
Emergency Services (Military Police, Crime/Accident Locations, Emergency Transport Routes, Post Security Zoning, etc.)	1:10000/400-2000ft	25 000mm/ 50-100ft	4th	N/A	4
Cultural, Social, Historical (Other Natural Resources)	1:5000/400ft	10 000mm/ 20-100ft	4th	2 500mm/2-5ft	3
Runway Approach and Transition Zones; General Plans/Section <sup>6</sup>	1:2500/100-200ft		3rd-II		
<b>CIVIL WORKS DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES</b>					
<b>Site Plan for Design Memoranda, Contract Plans and Specifications, etc. C for Input to CADD 2-D/3-D Design Files</b>					
Locks, Dams, Flood Control Structures; Detail Design Plans	1:500/20-50ft	25mm/0.05-1ft	2nd-II	10mm/0.01-0.5ft	2 d
Grading/Excavation Plans	1:1000/100ft	1 000mm/0.5-2ft	3rd-I	100mm/0.2-1ft	3
	1:1000/50-100ft		2nd-II		3

Spillways, Concrete Channels, Upland Disposal Areas	1:1000/40-100ft	100 mm/0.1-2ft	3rd-I	100mm/0.2-2ft	3
Construction In-place Volume Measurement		500mm/0.5-2ft		250mm/0.5-1ft	

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<b>CIVIL WORKS (CONTINUED)</b>					
<b>River and Harbor Navigation Projects: Site Plans, Design, Operation, or Maintenance of Flood Control Structures, Canals, Channels, etc. C for Contract Plans or Reports</b>					
Levees and Groins (New Work or Maintenance Design Draw ings)	1:1000/100ft	500mm/1-2ft	3rd-II	250mm/0.5-1ft	3
Canals and Waterw ay Dredging (New Work Base Mapping) <sup>7</sup>	1:1000/100ft 1:2500/200ft	1 000mm/2ft 1 000mm/2ft	3rd-II 3rd-II	250mm/0.5ft 250mm/0.5ft	3 3
Canals and Waterw ay Dredging (Maintenance Draw ings)	1:1000/100-200ft	1 000mm/2ft 10 000mm/ 5-50ft	3rd-II 3rd-II	250mm/0.5-1ft 250mm/0.5-1ft	3 3
Beach Renourishment/Hurricane Protection Projects	1:2500/ 200-1,000ft	2 500mm/2-10ft	3rd-II	250mm/0.5-1ft	3
Project Condition Reports (Base Mapping for Plotting Hydrographic Surveys: line maps or air photo plans)	1:5000/100-400ft			250mm/0.5-1ft	
Revetment Clearing, Grading, and As-built Protection					
<b>Geotechnical and Hydrographic Site Investigation Surveying Accuracies for Project Construction</b>					
Hydrographic Contract Payment and P&S Surveys	1:2500/200ft	2 000mm/6ft (2DRMS)	N/A	250mm/0.5ft	N
Hydrographic Project Condition Surveys	1:2500/200ft	5 000mm/16ft (2DRMS)	N/A	500mm/1.0ft	N
Hydrographic Reconnaissance Surveys	X	0.15km/500ft	N/A	500mm/1.5ft	N

Geotechnical Investigative Core Borings/Probings/etc.	X	(2DRMS) 5 000mm/5-15ft	4th	50mm/0.1-0.5ft	3 4
<b>General Planning and Feasibility Studies, Reconnaissance Reports, Permit Applications, etc.</b>	1:2500/100-400ft	1 000mm/2-10ft	3rd-II	500mm/0.5-2ft	3
<b>GIS Feature Mapping--Civil Works Projects</b>					
Area/Project-Wide Mapping Control Network to Support	N/A	Varies 1:5000	2nd-I or 2nd-II	Varies	2
Overall GIS Development	1:5000/400ft	10 000mm/20-100ft	4th	N/A	4
Soil and Geologic Classification Maps, Well Points					

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<b>CIVIL WORKS--GIS Feature Mapping (CONTD)</b>					
Cultural and Economic Resources, Historic Preservation	1:10000/1,000ft	10 000mm/50-100ft	4th	N/A	4
Land Utilization GIS Classifications; Regulatory Permit	1:5000/400-1,000ft	10 000mm/50-100ft	4th	N/A	4
General Locations		20 000mm/100ft	4th	N/A	4
Socio-economic GIS classifications	1:10,000/1,000ft	10 000mm/50-200ft	4th	N/A	4
Land Cover Classification Maps	1:5000/400-1,000ft				
<b>Archeological or Structure Site Plans &amp; Details</b> (Including Non-topographic, Close Range, Photogrammetric Mapping)	1:10/0.5-10ft	5mm/0.01-0.5ft	2nd I/II	5mm/0.01-0.5ft	2
<b>Structural Deformation Monitoring Studies/Surveys<sup>8</sup></b>			N/A <sup>9</sup>		N
Reinforced Concrete Structures (Locks, Dams, Gates, Intake Structures, Tunnels, Penstocks, Spillways, Bridges, etc.)		Large-scale vector movement diagrams or tabulations	N/A	2mm/0.01ft	N
		tabulations	N/A	15mm/0.05ft	N
Earth/Rock Fill Structures (Dams, Floodwalls, Levees, etc.) (slope/crest stability & alignment)	1:5000/400-1,000ft	0.2mm/0.01inch	3rd-I	N/A	2
		10 000mm/20-100ft		100mm/0.2-2ft	3
Crack/joint & deflection measurements (precision micrometer)	1:5000/400ft	10	3rd-I		3
				250mm/0.5ft	

**Flood Control and Multipurpose Project Planning, Floodplain Mapping, Water Quality Analysis, and Flood Control Studies**

000mm/20ft

**Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Insurance Studies**

**REAL ESTATE ACTIVITIES (ACQUISITION, DISPOSAL, MANAGEMENT, AUDIT)<sup>10</sup>**

**Tract Maps, Individual**, Detailing Installation or Reservation Boundaries, Lots, Parcels, Adjoining Parcels, and Record Plats, Utilities, etc.

1:1000/50-400ft<sup>11</sup>

10mm/0.05-2ft

3rd-I/II

100mm/0.1-2ft

3

**Condemnation Exhibit Maps**

1:1000/50-400ft

10mm/0.05-2ft

3rd-I/II

100mm/0.1-2ft

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Project or Activity	Typical Target (Plot) Map Scale <sup>1</sup> SI Ratio 1 in. = x ft	Feature Location Tolerance <sup>2</sup> mm/ft (RMS)	Horiz Contro l Survey Type <sup>3</sup>	Feature Elevation Tolerance <sup>4</sup> mm/ft (RMS)	V I C I S T
<b>REAL ESTATE (CONTINUED)</b>					
<b>Guide Taking Lines</b> (for Fee and Easement Acquisition) <b>Boundary Encroachment Maps</b>	1:500/20-100ft	50mm/0.1-1ft	3rd-I/II	50mm/0.1-1ft	3
<b>Real Estate GIS or LIS General Feature Mapping</b> Land Utilization and Management Forestry Management Mineral Acquisition	1:5000/200-1,000ft	10 000mm/ 50-100ft	4th	N/A	4
<b>General Location or Planning Maps</b>	1:24,000 (USGS)	10 000mm/ 50-100ft	N/A	5 000mm/5-10ft	3
<b>Easement Areas and Easement Delineation Lines</b>	1:1000/100ft	50mm/0.1-0.5ft	3rd-I/II	50mm/0.1-0.5ft	3
<b>HAZARDOUS, TOXIC, &amp; RADIOACTIVE WASTE (HTRW) SITE INVESTIGATION, MODELING, AND CLEANUP</b>					
<b>General Detailed Site Plans</b> (HTRW Sites, Asbestos, etc.)	1:500/5-50ft	100mm/0.2-1ft	2nd-II	50mm/0.1-0.5ft	2 3
<b>Subsurface Geotoxic Data Mapping</b>	1:500/20-100ft	1 000mm/1-	3rd-II	500mm/1-2ft	3

<b>(Modeling)</b>	1:500/20-100ft	5ft	3rd-II		3
<b>Contaminated Ground Water Plume Mapping (Modeling)</b>	1:2500/50 - 400	1 000mm/2-10ft	3rd-II	500mm/1-5ft 1 000mm/2-20ft	3
<b>General HTRW Site Plans, Reconnaissance Mapping</b>		5 000mm/2-20ft			

**EMERGENCY OPERATION MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES**

(Use basic GIS data base requirements defined above)

1. Target map scale is that contained in CADD, GIS, and/or AM/FM layer, and/or to which ground topo or aerial photo specifications are developed. This scale may not always be compatible with the feature location/elevation tolerances. In instances, design or real property features are located to a far greater relative accuracy than that which can be scaled to the map scale, such as property corners, utility alignments, first-floor or invert elevations, etc. Coordinates/elevations for such features are input into a CADD or AM/FM data base.
  2. The map location tolerance (or precision) of a planimetric feature is defined relative to two adjacent points within the map or map sheet, not to the overall project or installation boundaries. Relative accuracies are determined between two points that functionally maintain a given accuracy tolerance between themselves, such as adjacent property corners; adjacent utility buildings, bridge piers, approaches, or abutments; overall building or structure site construction limits; runway
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ends; catch basins; levee baseline sections; etc. The tolerances between the two points are determined from the end of the project/structure (e.g., field construction/fabrication, field stakeout or layout, alignment, locationing, etc.).

3. Horizontal and vertical control survey accuracy refers to the procedural and closure specifications needed to obtain accuracy tolerances needed between two functionally adjacent points on the map or structure, for design, stakeout, or construction. Third-Order control procedures (horizontal and vertical) will provide sufficient accuracy for most engineering instances of small-scale mapping or GIS rasters, Third-Order, Class II methods and Fourth-Order topo/construction control procedures. Base- or area-wide mapping control procedures shall be specified to meet functional accuracy tolerances within structure, building, or utility distance involved for design or construction surveys. Higher order control surveys shall not be used for wide mapping or GIS definition unless a definitive functional requirement exists (e.g., military operational targeting or special control projects).

4. (See note 2.) Some flood control projects may require better relative accuracy tolerances than those shown.

5. GIS raster or vector features generally can be scaled or digitized from any existing map of the installation. Typically a 1:24,000 (1 in. = 2,000 ft) scale quadrangle map is adequate given the low relative accuracies needed between GIS data or classifications. Relative or absolute GPS positioning (1m to 100m) may be adequate to tie GIS features where no basic area- or installation-wide Second- or Third-Order control network is adequate for all subsequent engineering, construction, GIS, and/or AM/FM control.

6. Typical requirements for general approach maps are 1:50,000 (H) and 1:1,000 (V); detail maps at 1:5,000 (H) and 1:1,000 (V).

7. Table refers to base maps upon which subsurface hydrographic surveys are plotted, not to hydrographic survey control points.

8. Long-term structural movements measured from points external to the structure may be tabulated or plotted in either vector movement normal to a potential failure plane. Reference EM 1110-2-4300, EM 1110-2-1908, and EM 1110-1-1004 for pressure, seismic, and other precise structural deflection measurement methods within/between structural members, riprap, embankments, etc.

9. Accuracy standards and procedures for structural deformation surveys are contained in EM 1110-1-1004. Horizontal deformation monitoring survey procedures are performed relative to a control network established for the structure. The Geodetic Reference System or National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 are not necessary other than for general reference only USACE Third-Order connection.

10. Real property surveys shall conform to local/state minimum technical standards and/or recognized practices, and law or code.

11. A 1:1,200 (1 in. = 100 ft) scale is recommended by ER 405-1-12. Smaller scales should be on even 30m (100-ft) i

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