NOAA COASTAL MAPPING PROGRAM PROJECT COMPLETION REPORT

PROJECT FL1305B-CM-N

Chassahowitzka River to Hernando Beach, Florida

Introduction

NOAA Coastal Mapping Program (CMP) Project FL1305B-CM-N provides a highly accurate database of new digital shoreline data for the coast of Florida from Chassahowitzka River to Hernando Beach. Project FL1305B-CM-N is a subproject of a larger acquisition project, FL1305-CM-N, which extends from Tarpon Springs to Cedar Keys, Florida. The Geographic Cell (GC) may be used in support of the NOAA Nautical Charting Program (NCP) as well as geographic information systems (GIS) for a variety of coastal zone management applications.

Project Design

Project FL1305-CM-N was designed in response to a request for shoreline data from the Marine Chart Division of NOAA's Office of Coast Survey. The Requirements Branch (RB) of the Remote Sensing Division (RSD) formulated the photographic mission instructions for this project following the guidelines of the Photo Mission Standard Operating Procedures. The instructions discussed the project's purpose, geographic area of coverage, scope and priority, image requirements, flight line priority, Global Positioning System (GPS) data collection procedures and guidelines, instructions for data recording and handling, and contact and communication information. RB created a Project Layout Diagram, flight maps and input files for the aircraft flight management system.

Field Operations

The field operations for the FL1305-CM-N project consisted of the collection of static and kinematic GPS data and Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU) data, the acquisition of digital aerial imagery by NOAA, followed by ground surveys performed under contract with Fugro Geospatial, Inc. Aerial survey operations included the acquisition of 32 strips of natural color and NIR imagery at both the MLLW and MHW tidal stage. The images were acquired using both the DSS- 439/539 dual camera system in 2014 and the DSS 580/560 dual camera system in 2016. All aerial imagery acquisition was accomplished with NOAA's King Air aircraft (N68RF) flying at an altitude of 10,000 feet. Please refer to the FL1305 Acquisition Summary report for additional information and specific dates concerning the aerial survey operations.

Fugro was contracted by NGS to perform field operations limited to the surveying of ground control points (GCPs) and check points (CPs). The National Spatial Reference System (NSRS) was used to provide control for the network. As a subcontractor to Fugro, TerraSurv Inc. established 24 photo identifiable control points. Of the 24 collected control points, 14 were successfully located and used as ground control and 6 were successfully located and used as check points. Refer to Fugro's Florida Coastal FL1305 (A-F) Survey Report for more information on ground survey operations.

GPS Data Reduction

All GPS/IMU data processing tasks were completed by NGS and the final processed data was supplied to Fugro Geospatial, Inc. GPS and IMU data were collected and processed by Remote Sensing Division (RSD) personnel to yield precise positions and orientations of camera centers as a means of rendering accurately georeferenced digital images. For further information refer to the multiple Airborne Positioning and Orientation Reports (APOR) that are on file within the RSD Electronic Data Library.

Aerotriangulation

Fugro Geospatial, Inc. performed routine softcopy aerotriangulation methods that were applied to establish the network of precise camera positions and other control for mapping, and to provide model parameters and orientation elements required for digital compilation. The RGB and NIR images were measured and adjusted as two separate blocks. This work was completed in December 2017 using a softcopy photogrammetric workstation. The softcopy system hardware consisted of a high-end Dell Precision[™] Workstation with the Windows® 7 Professional operating system, and stereo viewing capability. SOCET SET v 5.6 was used for project setup and the mensuration phase. The adjustment solution phase was accomplished with the ORIMA v. 11.01 module.

Upon successful completion of the aerotriangulation process, the overall RMS data for all of the adjusted ground point standard deviations (both x & y) were used to compute a predicted horizontal circular error (95% confidence level) of 0.53 meters for the RGB adjusted block solution and 0.59 meters for the NIR solution.

The project database consists of project parameters and options, camera calibration data, interior orientation parameters, ground control parameters, adjusted exterior orientation parameters, and positional listing of all measured points. Positional data is referenced to the North American Datum of 1983, (NAD83). An Aerotriangulation Report was completed and is on file with other project data within the RSD Electronic Data Library

Compilation

The compilation for FL1305B-CM-N was completed by Fugro Geospatial, Inc., in April 2018. Digital mapping was performed using SOCET SET v5.6 Stereo Softcopy workstations with the SOCET for ArcGIS module and ArcGIS 10.3. Feature identification and attribution within the Geographic Cell (GC) were based on image analysis of 1:50,000 scale photographs and information extracted from the appropriate NOAA nautical charts, US Coast Guard Light List and other ancillary sources.

Feature attribution was assigned in compliance with the Coastal Cartographic Object Attribute Source Table (C-COAST), which provides the definition and attribution scheme for the full range of cartographic features pertinent to the CMP. Selected features were further modified with additional descriptive information to refine general classification.

Spatial data accuracies for Project FL1305B-CM-N were determined according to standard Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) practices. Cartographic features were compiled to meet a horizontal accuracy of 1.1 meters from RGB imagery and 1.2 meters from the NIR

imagery, all at the 95% confidence level. The predicted accuracy of compiled, well defined points is derived by doubling the circular errors derived from aerotriangulation statistics.

Date	Time (UTC)	Flight Line	Color Imagery		Infrared Imagery		Tide
			Roll	Images	Roll	Images	Level*
10-18-2014	13:49 - 13:53	50-011	14NC95	21627 - 21656	14NR85	18157 - 18186	$0.7 - 0.8 \ m$
10-18-2014	14:08 - 14:13	50-012	14NC95	21726 - 21763	14NR85	18255 - 18293	$0.7 - 0.8 \ m$
10-18-2014	14:19 - 14:24	50-013	14NC95	21768 - 21808	14NR85	18298 - 18338	$0.4 - 0.8 \ m$
10-18-2014	14:38 - 14:40	50-010	14NC95	21878 - 21892	14NR85	18408 - 18422	$0.7 - 0.8 \ m$
10-18-2014	14:44 - 14:46	50-009	14NC95	21893 - 21905	14NR85	18423 - 18435	0.8 m
10-18-2014	14:59 - 15:01	50-014	14NC95	21971 - 21982	14NR85	18501 - 18512	$0.3 - 0.7 \ m$
10-23-2014	17:52 - 17:54	50-001	14NC99	22900 - 22908	14NR89	19430 - 19438	0.8 m
10-24-2014	14:22 - 14:24	50-009	14NC100	23092 - 23104	14NR90	19622 - 19634	0.1 m
1-25-2016	16:32 - 16:33	50-014	16VC11	03574 - 03585	16VR11	03573 - 03584	-0.1 – 0.0 m
1-29-2016	16:28 - 16:33	50-012	16VC12	03615 - 03653	16VR12	03614 - 03652	0.0 m
1-29-2016	16:47 – 16:51	50-011	16VC12	03722 - 03751	16VR12	03721 - 03750	-0.1 – 0.1 m
1-29-2016	16:57 – 17:03	50-013	16VC12	03752 - 03792	16VR12	03751 - 03791	-0.1 – 0.1 m
1-29-2016	17:17 – 17:19	50-010	16VC12	03862 - 03876	16VR12	03861 - 03875	0.0 m
11-18-2016	14:59 - 15:01	50-001	16VC93	21423 - 21431	16VR86	19373 - 19381	0.1 m

The following table provides information on the imagery used to complete this project:

* Tide levels are given in meters above MLLW and were calculated using the Pydro software tool with a TCARI grid referenced to verified water level observations at the time of photography from various NOS gauges in the vicinity of the project. The elevation of the MHW tidal datum in the project area varies between 0.25 and 0.86 meters above MLLW.

Quality Control / Final Review

Quality Control tasks were conducted during all phases of project completion by a senior member of the Fugro compilation team. The final QC review was completed in May 2018. The review process included analysis of aerotriangulation results and assessment of the identification and attribution of digital feature data within the Geographic Cell (GC) according to image analysis and criteria defined in C-COAST. The quality control process concluded with an inspection of topological connectivity within the GC using ArcGIS 10.5.1 software. All project data was evaluated for compliance to CMP requirements.

Comparisons of the largest scale NOAA nautical charts with natural color photographs and compiled project data resulted in creation of the Chart Evaluation File (CEF). The following nautical chart was used in the comparison process for FL1305B-CM-N:

• 11409, Anclote Keys to Crystal River, FL, 31st Ed., Jan. 2017

End Products and Deliverables

The following specifies the location and identification of the products generated during the completion of this project:

Remote Sensing Division Electronic Data Library

- Ground Control Report
- Airborne Positioning and Orientation Reports (APOR)
- Aerotriangulation Report
- Project database
- GC11328 in shapefile format
- Project Completion Report (PCR)
- CEF in shapefile format

NOAA Shoreline Data Explorer

- GC11328 in shapefile format
- Metadata file for GC11328
- PCR in Adobe PDF format

End of Report

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