# Orthoimagery, Black Hawk County Iowa, March 1999

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### Description:

#### Abstract:

Aerial photography of Black Hawk County taken in March, 1999 was used to update BHC orthophotos. Orthophotos combine the image characteristics of a photograph with the geometric qualities of a map. Orthophotography was only developed for selected areas of BHC. The selected areas include 1) areas that had undergone significant change or building development since 1994, and 2) areas where digital terrain models have been or are being produced in conjunction with flood studies. The 1999 digital orthophoto have a 0.5249333 ft. ground resolution. The 1999 digital orthophotos were subdivided, or tiled, into 500-meter by 500-meter TIF image files. The image tiles are referenced to the Iowa State Plane Coordinate System NAD 1983 North Zone in feet. The images were radiometrically balanced and mosaicked prior to the tile creation. Images were supplied in TIF format with TIF World (tfw) Files. The tfw files are available in feet and meters, for use with either 1994 or 1999 orthophotos. The orthoimages for areas that underwent significant change since 1994 were

incorporated into Black Hawk County's cadastral GIS project web application. The product for the cadastral mapping project involved resampling the 1994 images to a 0.5249333 ft. pixel size (which does not improve the resolution of the 1994 imagery), combining 402 tiles of 1999 images with 1994 images and converting the images to MrSid format (18:1 compression ratio) with header files.

### Purpose:

The orthophotos were developed to provide spatially accurate, high resolution images that serve as a foundation for drawing vector graphics, including the GIS cadastral maps. The 1999 imagery also serves as a basis for development of digital terrain models for many flood prone areas of BHC.

### Supplemental Information:

Aerial photos, orthophotos in TIFF format, and digital terrain models were developed by Aerial Services Inc., Cedar Falls Iowa as a contracted service. Conversion from TIFF format to MrSid format was done as a contracted service by the Sidwell Company, 675 Sidwell Court, St. Charles, IL.

Time Period of Content:

Time Period Information:

Range\_of\_Dates/Times:

Beginning\_Date: 19990301 Ending Date: 19990401

Currentness Reference: ground condition

Status:

Progress: Complete
Maintenance and Update Frequency: Irregular

Spatial\_Domain:

 $Bounding\_Coordinates:$ 

West\_Bounding\_Coordinate: -92.556 East\_Bounding\_Coordinate: -92.062 North\_Bounding\_Coordinate: 42.644 South\_Bounding\_Coordinate: 42.294

Keywords:

*Theme:* 

Theme\_Keyword\_Thesaurus: ISO 19115 Topic Category Theme Keyword: imageryBaseMapsEarthCover

Place:

Place\_Keyword: Black Hawk County Place Keyword: Iowa

### Temporal:

Temporal Keyword: March, 1999

#### Access Constraints:

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Data Set Credit:

Aerial Services, Inc., 2120 Center Street, Cedar Falls Iowa contracted service provider *Native\_Data\_Set\_Environment:* tiff with tfw file, cot (with georeferenced header), MrSid

# Data\_Quality\_Information:

Attribute\_Accuracy:

# Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report:

Aerial mapping camera has state of the art electronics and is calibrated by the USGS every three years. Kodak Double-X Aerographic Film 2405 Black and White was

used. Flight Height: 4800' agl. Negative scale =1:9,600 (1"= 800'). Camera Type: LMK modified 1000 with FMC, Gyromoment and GPS, with calibrated focal length: 152.48. First-order IMA and Zeiss P series analytical stereo plotters were used to collect the mapping data. Autometric softcopy stations were utilized for digital orthophoto production. During digital image production, photographic reproduction of the source image was completed on an analog dodging printer to improve image quality and radiometric uniformity. One set of film diapositivas was produced for the analytical aero-triangulation and a second set was produced for scanning purposes. The scanned images were orthorectified using Autometric softplotter software. The orthorectified images were balanced and mosaicked using OrthoVista and Autometric software. Large image blocks were mosaicked at one time to lessen the effects of variance due to sun angle and illumination. Even though images were acquired on different days and at different times, this process eliminated major image differences. Good radiometry and image content was maintained for the entire project with only minor variances between blocks.

### Logical Consistency Report:

Logical relationships between tfw files and corresponding orthophotos tested. Logical relationships between MrSid files and header tested.

### Completeness Report:

Contact Lynn Kloberdanz, BHC Engineer's Office, for reference map showing location of orthophotos developed from 1999 aerial photography.

### Positional Accuracy:

Horizontal Positional Accuracy:

### Horizontal Positional Accuracy Report:

The positional accuracy is dependent, in part, upon the individual accuracies of each process used to produce the final data. The individual processes or data sources used are the ground control, aerotriangulation process, source camera calibration, DTM process, and the mosaic process. The digital orthophotos were developed based on 179 measured ground control points. These measured points fall within +/- 0.05 meters in horizontal position, using a 95% confidence factor. The horizontal ground control was completed to First Order (1:100,000) or better survey standards. The vertical control was completed to third order standards. The testing of the control yielded accuracies well beyond those needed to meet National Map Accuracy Standards (NMAS). The aerotriangulation process was tested by using strip, block and bundle tests, along with targeted control that was withheld for validation purposes. The aerotriangulation was found to exceed 1:10,000 of the flight height of the photography used. The aerial cameras used have current calibrations from USGS that exceed the needed standards. These calibrations were utilized in all photogrammetry processes. The scanner is calibrated or checked in three ways. At the time of scanning, the data is checked against a calibrated reseau grid. The scans are checked a second time at the point of import of the aerotriangulation solutions and a test against the camera fiducials and their calibrated positions. The final test of scans occurs when stereo models are created on the softcopy photogrammetric systems and control point comparisons are completed. The DTM production is done on softcopy and hardcopy stereoplotter equipment using standard compilation techniques. Breaklines and mass points were compiled to ensure positional accuracies needed for the project. The mosaic

process was part of the final quality control check. During this process, overlapping images were mosaicked together using a tolerance of 2 pixels. Estimated positional accuracy is + 2 pixels. Users should be aware that even though the scale of digital data may be increased to overlay large scale digital maps, the accuracy of the digital source is not improved by scale enlargement. For a complete report regarding the establishment of geodetic control points for Black Hawk County, please contact either Geoff Tinker or Lynn Kloberdanz, Black Hawk County Engineer's Office.

Vertical Positional Accuracy:

Vertical Positional Accuracy Report:

All measured points fall within +/- 0.1 ft. vertically for bench mark use utilizing a 95% confidence factor. For a complete report regarding the establishment of geodetic control points for Black Hawk County, please contact either Geoff Tinker or Lynn Kloberdanz, Black Hawk County Engineer's Office.

Lineage:

Process Step:

Process Description:

The following production procedures, equipment and software were utilized on all or a portion of the project: 1. Source images were scanned at 25 microns. 2. Ground control points were acquired from GPS ground surveys with First Order accuracy for horizontal and third order accuracy for vertical. 3. The aerotriangulation results yielded ground positions with horizontal and vertical residuals of 0.35 meters. 4. The scanned images were processed by Aerial Services Inc. The aerotriangulation results were applied to each image and stereo models were created for softcopy viewing and DTM production. Hard copy diapositivas were set up using the aerotriangulation results for DTM production in analytical stereoplotters. Breakline and mass point data was compiled for each stereo model for DTMs. The DTM was compiled to yield image overlap for mosaic purposes. 5. The DTM was utilized along with the controlled images to orthorectify stereo models for orthophotos of the areas requested by Black Hawk County and FEMA. 6. The images were mosaicked by Aerial Services, Inc. into seamless coverages for the areas requested. These image areas are at 0.16-meter resolution with the areas cut into TIF image tiles 500 meters by 500 meters in size. 8. All image tiles were visually inspected by Aerial Services, Inc. for positional anomalies and radiometric variances prior to delivery to Black Hawk County. 9. The TIF image tiles were delivered on CD, along with a tfw files. The coordinate system utilized was NAD 1983 in feet. Production of world files (tfw) was done in both meters and feet for use in georeferencing the image tiles.

*Process\_Date:* 1999-2000

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### Spatial Data Organization Information:

Direct\_Spatial\_Reference\_Method: Raster Raster Object Information:

Raster Object Type: Pixel

### Spatial Reference Information:

*Horizontal\_Coordinate\_System\_Definition:* 

Planar:

Map Projection:

Map\_Projection\_Name: Lambert Conformal Conic Lambert Conformal Conic:

Standard\_Parallel: 42.067 Standard\_Parallel: 43.267

Longitude\_of\_Central\_Meridian: 93.5 Latitude of Projection Origin: 41.5

False\_Easting: 1500000 False Northing: 1000000

### Planar\_Coordinate\_Information:

Planar\_Coordinate\_Encoding\_Method: row and column Planar Distance Units: survey feet

# Geodetic\_Model:

Horizontal\_Datum\_Name: North American Datum of 1983

Ellipsoid\_Name: Geodetic Reference System 80

Semi-major\_Axis: 6378137

Denominator of Flattening Ratio: 298.257

Vertical Coordinate System Definition:

Altitude System Definition:

Altitude Datum Name: National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929

Altitude Resolution:

1:1200 resolution is at 0.5249333' (0.16m), flight altitude=4800 ft elevation agl

Altitude\_Distance\_Units: feet

Altitude Encoding Method:

Explicit elevation coordinate included with horizontal coordinates

Entity and Attribute Information:

Overview Description:

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8-bit gray-scale value between 0-255. A value of 0 represents black while a value of 255 represents white. Values between 0 and 255 are represented as a shade of gray.

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Resource\_Description: Offline Data

Standard\_Order\_Process:

Digital\_Form:

Digital Transfer Information:

Format Name: TIFF or MrSID

Digital Transfer Option:

Offline Option:

Offline\_Media: CD-ROM

Fees: Contact Black Hawk County Information Technology Department for established fee

schedule

Ordering\_Instructions: Contact distributor

Turnaround: One week or less

Available Time Period:

Time Period Information:

Range of Dates/Times:

Beginning\_Date: 20000301 Ending Date: present

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Metadata\_Date: 20060817

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