

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

SOLICITATION NUMBER: USDA-NRCS-1-06
AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY AND DIGITAL IMAGERY SERVICES



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FARM SERVICE AGENCY
AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FIELD OFFICE

NOTICE TO OFFEROR

Any proposal submitted for this RFP must be identified with the following information labeled on the outside of the mailing package:

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NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE OFFERORS :

OFFERORS ARE CAUTIONED TO NOTE THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS:

This RFP is for an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ), fixed-price contract. The contract covers the base year (2006) and one option year (2007).

Contract awards are made prior to issuance of any task orders. Task orders are the method by which project items are awarded.

Any proposal submitted in response to this solicitation must be presented in two parts, a pricing proposal and a technical proposal. See Section L for proposal preparation instructions.

This procurement for Alaska orthoimagery is designed to promote economy and efficiency of image acquisition by providing offerors flexibility in the selection of project item areas and method of acquisition.

The complete text of any or all clauses referenced herein may be obtained by submitting a request, identifying this solicitation number, to the Contracting Officer, USDA, FSA, Aerial Photography Field Office, 2222 West 2300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84119-2020. Complete copies of the FAR in loose-leaf or CFR form may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington D.C. 20402.

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2. CONTRACT NO.	3. SOLICITATION NO. USDA-NRCS-1-06	4. TYPE OF SOLICITATION <input type="checkbox"/> SEALED BID (IFB) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGOTIATED (RFP)	5. DATE ISSUED 04-04-06	6. REQUISITION/PURCHASE NO.	
7. ISSUED BY USDA-FSA-Aerial Photography Field Office 2222 West 2300 South Salt Lake City, UT 84119		8. ADDRESS OFFER TO (If other than Item 7) Contracting Officer, USDA-FSA-APFO 2222 West 2300 South Salt Lake City, UT 84119			

NOTE: In sealed bid solicitations "offer" and "offeror" mean "bid" and "bidder".

SOLICITATION

9. Sealed offers in original and No copies for furnishing the supplies or services in the Schedule will be received at the place specified in Item 8, or if handcarried, in the depository located in Rm. 10, Aerial Photography Field Office until COB* local time 05/05/06
(Hour) (Date)

*Close of Business (4:30pm) local time at place designated for receipt of offers.

CAUTION - LATE Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawals: See Section L, Provision No. 52.214-7 or 52.215-10. All offers are subject to all terms and conditions contained in this solicitation.

10. FOR INFORMATION CALL:	A. NAME W. Geoffrey Gabbott	B. TELEPHONE NO. (Include area code) (NO COLLECT CALLS) (801) 975-3500 Extension 207
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OFFER (Must be fully completed by offeror)

NOTE: Item 12 does not apply if the solicitation includes the provisions at 52.214-16, Minimum Bid Acceptance Period.

12. In compliance with the above, the undersigned agrees, if this offer is accepted within _____ calendar days (60 calendar days unless a different period is inserted by the offeror) from the date for receipt of offers specified above, to furnish any or all items upon which prices are offered at the price set opposite each item, delivered at the designated point(s), within the time specified in the schedule.

13. DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT (See Section I, Clause No. 52-232-8)	10 CALENDAR DAYS	20 CALENDAR DAYS	30 CALENDAR DAYS	CALENDAR DAYS
	%	%	%	%

14. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS (The offeror acknowledges receipt of amendments to the SOLICITATION for offerors and related documents numbered and dated:	AMENDMENT NO.	DATE	AMENDMENT NO.	DATE

15A. NAME AND ADDRESS OF OFFEROR	CODE	FACILITY	16. NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN OFFER (Type or print)
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15B. TELEPHONE NO. (Include area code)	<input type="checkbox"/> 15C. CHECK IF REMITTANCE ADDRESS IS DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE - ENTER SUCH ADDRESS IN SCHEDULE.	17. SIGNATURE	18. OFFER DATE
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AWARD (To be completed by Government)

19. ACCEPTED AS TO ITEMS NUMBERED	20. AMOUNT	21. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION
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22. AUTHORITY FOR USING OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION: <input type="checkbox"/> 10 U.S.C. 2304(c)() <input type="checkbox"/> 41 U.S.C. 253(c)()	23. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN (4 copies unless otherwise specified)	ITEM
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24. ADMINISTERED BY (If other than Item 7)	CODE	25. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY	CODE
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26. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)	27. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (Signature of Contracting Officer)	28. AWARD DATE
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IMPORTANT - Award will be made on this Form, or on Standard Form 26, or by other authorized official written notice.

PART I - THE SCHEDULE

SECTION B - SUPPLIES OR SERVICES AND PRICES/COSTS

B-1 AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY AND DIGITAL IMAGERY SERVICES

Furnish aerial photography and direct digital imagery services and all related services and supplies in accordance with the requirements, specifications, terms, conditions, clauses, and provisions specified herein. This is an indefinite-delivery, indefinite-quantity (IDIQ) contract, effective for the contract performance periods stated in the schedule.

1.1 Contract Pricing Proposal

ALASKA DIGITAL ORTHOIMAGERY PROJECT
<u>CONTRACT PRICING PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS:</u> Contract pricing proposal evaluation shall be determined from your initial Base Year 2006 Task Order Pricing Proposal (see task order number: TO-AK06-1) . This price will be used in the contract pricing evaluation for contract award purposes. Task Order awards will be based on individual Task Orders and determined after contract award. See Section L-3, <u>Task Order Procedures</u> , and Section M-2.2 <u>Price Evaluation</u> of the contract.

1.2 Priorities for Project items

The Contracting Officer may direct, by written order, certain project items to be acquired in a priority order, weather and ground conditions permitting. All reasonable effort will be directed toward providing a schedule of operations favorable to both the Government and Contractor.

1.3 Price Reduction

Any marginal photography/imagery submitted for inspection which does not meet minimum requirements shall be subject to a price reduction based on the diminished usability of the product.

B-2 INTENDED USE OF PRODUCTS

The purpose of the contract products is to provide USDA, and other local and federal agencies, timely digital orthoimagery to satisfy various programs in the state of Alaska. Imagery will be used to create original Geographic Information System (GIS) image base or update the existing base.

B-3 MINIMUM PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

3.1 General Requirements

- (a) Contract deliverables: The following deliverables shall be prepared and submitted by the Contractor, unless specified in the individual task order(s):
- (1) Compressed Project Mosaics (CPMs),
 - (2) Quarter Quadrangle Image Tiles (full resolution),
 - (3) Accuracy and Quality Control Reports,
 - (4) Original Aerial Film (film-based aerial photography only),
 - (5) Progress Reports,
 - (6) Project Data Files (some are for film-based aerial photography only),
 - (7) Imagery metadata.
- (b) Nominal Photographic Scale: 1:40,000 scale (or equivalent for non film-based aerial photography), unless otherwise specified in the individual task order(s).
- (c) Spatial Resolution and Horizontal Accuracy Requirements: Ground sample distance (GSD) and horizontal accuracy requirements will be specified in the individual task order(s).
- (d) Approximate Photographic Period: The acquisition periods will be designed to capture crops on their peak growing seasons, generally during the months of May through September. Acquisition periods will be specified in the individual task order(s).
- (e) Minimum Sun Angle: 30 degrees, unless otherwise specified in the individual task order(s).
- (f) Aerial Camera: The aerial camera shall use a 6-inch (153mm) lens focal length (or equivalent for non film-based aerial photography) with an antivignetting filter, unless otherwise specified in the individual task order(s).
- (g) Aerial Film and Film Titling (film-based aerial photography only):
- (1) Aerial film type will be specified in the individual task order(s).
 - (2) Every exposure shall be titled in accordance with the format and instructions specified in Attachment A. Agency designators will be specified in the individual task order(s).
- (h) All contract materials shall be prepared in accordance with specifications and work statement (Section C), packaging and marking (Section D), inspection and acceptance (Section E), and delivery schedule (Section F) requirements.

3.2 Project Flight Planning Requirement

Contractor is required to provide the necessary flight line plans, which shall include flight altitude determinations, for the acquisition of precise vertical aerial imagery in accordance with the technical requirements in Section C-5.3.

3.3 Aerial Photography Acquisition (film-based aerial photography only)

The aerial photography acquisition requirements will be for 1:40,000 scale, quarter-quarter quadrangle centered photography with predetermined exposure stations. Flight line maps and flight altitudes will not be furnished, rather, a flight exposure data file (see Section B-4.1, Flight Exposure Data) will be provided indicating the locations of all required quarter-quarter quadrangle exposure stations.

- (a) Film-based acquisitions require the Contractor to comply with the technical requirements and specifications of this contract, and Attachment A: Specification For Film Based Acquisition which defines the essential elements in securing high quality aerial photography and scanned imagery.
- (b) See Section J, Exhibit 4 for Alaska Image Scan Naming Logic and Exhibit 5 for Alaska DOQQ File Naming Logic.

3.4 Direct Digital Sensor Acquisition (non film-based aerial photography only)

The direct digital imagery acquisition requirements will be for the collection of visible (Red, Green, Blue) and/or color infrared (IR) imagery, depending on the project requirements indicated in the individual task order(s). The digital sensor system shall be a tested, stable, geometrically calibrated system with appropriate documentation, suitable for use in precision photogrammetric orthoimagery applications.

- (a) Digital sensor acquisitions require the Contractor to comply with the technical requirements and specifications of this contract, and Attachment B: Specification for Digital Sensor Based Acquisition which defines the essential elements in securing high quality direct digital imagery.
- (b) The Contractor is required to provide a detailed technical description and sample image of the digital camera/sensor being proposed for use. See Section L-5, Digital Sensor Approval Requirements.
- (c) The digital sensor system shall have the appropriate image resolving power and field of view required to provide the GSD. The proposed direct digital sensor system shall have the capacity and the through-put necessary to acquire complete project item quantities in accordance with delivery schedules as indicated herein.

3.5 Digital Orthoimagery

The Contractor is required to provide color and/or color infrared digital ortho-rectified imagery at the GSD resolution requirement specified in the individual task order(s).

- (a) Quarter Quadrangle Image Tiles. All mosaicked quarter quadrangle tiles shall be full resolution, ortho-rectified, and projected in the 1983 North American Datum (NAD83), using the corresponding native Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) zone (See Section C-6.2, Quarter Quadrangle Image Tiles). A list that identifies DOQQs required for complete physical coverage of the project items will be provided in the individual task order(s).
- (b) Compressed Project Mosaics. Mosaics shall be created using the imagery associated with the quarter quadrangle tiles created in the paragraph above. CPMs will be projected in the predominant UTM zone of the project item (See Section C-6.3, Compressed Project Mosaics).

B-4 GOVERNMENT-FURNISHED PROPERTY

Pursuant to the Government-Furnished Property (GFP) clause (see Section I-9) the Government shall furnish the item(s) of property listed below as GFP to the Contractor. Additional GFP items may be provided if specified in the individual task order(s).

4.1 Flight Exposure Data

The Contractor will be furnished upon award one (1) data text file (.txt) containing the Official Flight Exposure Data. The data file contains exposure stations identified by flight line number, latitude and longitude coordinates (expressed in degrees, minutes, seconds), and flying height AGL (for reference only). The following is a sample of the data:

LINE	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	HEIGHT
1	64-01-53N	149-26-15W	21500
1	64-05-38N	149-26-15W	21500
1	64-09-23N	149-26-15W	21500

4.2 Metadata Template

The Contractor will be furnished upon award two (2) data text files (.txt) containing Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) compliant metadata template to be used when creating the CPM and CPM shapefile metadata as required in Section C-6.3(a).

4.3 Sample Imagery

The contractor will be furnished upon award photographic-quality paper copies of “radiometric corrected” imagery samples that represents the Government’s desired color and tonal balance for a given project item. Some areas with varying types of terrain may have multiple samples for each terrain. The supplied imagery sample should be used as a target image for that area’s digital imagery production as required in Section C-6.1(b).

B-5 TASK ORDERS

5.1 Minimum Contract Guarantee

The quantities of services and supplies specified herein are estimates only. The guaranteed minimum amount for the contract shall be a total of \$2,500.00, as met through the issuance of one or more task orders within the contract performance period as stated in Section B-5.2 below. See Section I-5, Order Limitations.

Awarded quantities shall be made by issuance of authorized task orders in accordance with specified ordering procedures. See Section I-2, Ordering, and Section L-3, Task Order Procedures.

5.2 Contract Performance Period

(a) The contract performance period for the Base Year (FY2006) for issuance of task orders is: **Date of Award through December 31, 2006.**

(b) The contract performance period for the option year 1 (FY2007) follows in the subsequent calendar years: **January 1 through December 31, 2007.**

(c) The Government reserves the right to exercise the option to extend the term of the contract for option year 1 on the evaluation of contractors past performance on previous task orders issued during the preceding contract performance period (See Section F-5.4).

5.3 Oral orders

All orders must be in writing and signed by an authorized APFO Contracting Officer. Oral orders are not authorized under this contract.

5.3 Task Order Ombudsman

The Director of USDA-FSA-Aerial Photography Field Office shall serve as the Task Order Ombudsman responsible for reviewing complaints from the contractors and ensuring that all of the contractors are afforded a fair opportunity to be considered for task orders issued under this contract. To contact the task order Ombudsman please phone (801) 975-3500 ext. 205, or mail to: Director, APFO, 2222 West 2300 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84119.

PART I - THE SCHEDULE

SECTION C - DESCRIPTION/SPECIFICATIONS/WORK STATEMENT

C-1 SCOPE OF CONTRACT

The general scope of the contract is to procure precise current year digital orthoimagery. The orthoimagery will be used in the administration of USDA and other local and federal agencies programs. The project will create original USDA GIS orthoimagery or update the existing base. Multi-agency program uses include, but are not limited to agriculture land use analysis, natural resource inventory, and extraction of data by means of photogrammetric measurements.

1.1 Introduction

The Contractor is responsible for furnishing aerial photography and/or direct digital imagery services and related services and supplies in accordance with requirements, specifications, terms and conditions specified herein.

- (a) Technical Requirements and Specifications. The technical requirements and specifications of this contract are described in this section and Attachments A and B, which define the essential elements in securing high quality digital orthoimagery. Any deviation from the specifications stated herein may cause increased time and effort in using the imagery as intended.
- (b) Delivery and Performance. The delivery and performance requirements of this contract are described in Section F. All contract materials shall be shipped within the time limits and to the place of delivery specified herein. Performance of the contract shall be authorized and monitored by the Contracting Officer and/or the Contracting Officer's Representative.
- (c) Quality Control. Quality control shall be exercised by the Contractor continuously throughout the performance of the contract. Procedures shall be established to assure that all aerial photographic materials are delivered in accordance with the delivery schedule and at the required level of accuracy and quality. The Contractor shall acquire immediate reflights of any photography where coverage or film quality fails to meet minimum requirements of the contract specifications. USDA inspection and acceptance procedures are described in Section E, Inspection and Acceptance.

1.2 Location of Work

The project name(s), location(s), and quantities of areas to be acquired under this contract will be described in the individual task order(s). The Contractor's place of performance where work will be performed on this contract shall be indicated in the Place of Performance paragraph of the individual task order(s).

1.3 Project Management and Flight Planning

The Contractor is required to provide the necessary project management, coordination, and supervision to conduct project planning, flight line planning and acquisition, image processing, product delivery, and related technical and progress reports as required in the contract (see Section C-7, Project Management).

1.4 Labor and Materials

The Contractor shall furnish all materials, equipment, transportation, superintendence, and labor as required herein. The Contractor shall execute and finish the imagery acquisition, orthoimagery production and related services for the project specified and shall deliver to the USDA all materials called for in Section F-1, Materials to be Delivered.

C-2 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

2.1 Attachments

The following documents attached to this solicitation document are considered requirements and specifications under the resulting contract(s), as applicable to the Contractor's technical proposal:

- (a) Specification for Film Based Acquisition, dated March 31, 2006 (Attachment A)
- (b) Specification for Digital Sensor Based Acquisition, dated March 31, 2006 (Attachment B)

2.2 References

The following documents referenced in this solicitation document are considered requirements and specifications under the resulting contract(s), as applicable to the Contractor's technical proposal:

- (a) Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) Specification, FGDC-STD-001-1998 ("Content Standard for Digital Geospatial Metadata")
- (b) Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Title 14 ("Federal Aviation Regulations")
- (c) GeoTIFF Revision 1.0 Specification, dated December 28, 2000 (Version 1.8.2)
- (d) TIFF Specification Revision 6 dated June 3, 1992 (Adobe Systems Inc.)
- (e) United States National Map Accuracy Standards, updated June 17, 1947 (U.S. Bureau of the Budget)

C-3 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor shall furnish all materials, equipment, transportation, superintendence, and labor required to plan, acquire, manage, process, and orthorectify aerial photographs and digital imagery for the project items as specified in the individual task order(s).

C-4 EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

Any key acquisition equipment such as aircraft and cameras/sensors (in addition to those submitted at the time of offer) proposed to be used by the Contractor must be approved for use by the Contracting Officer. If the key acquisition equipment proposed for use are not owned by the Contractor, a written statement of availability from the owner of the equipment shall be furnished to the Contracting Officer.

4.1 Precision Aerial Mapping Camera/Digital Sensor

Tested and calibrated precision aerial cameras or digital sensors for acquiring aerial photographs/imagery are required and must meet contract specifications (see Attachments A and B). Camera systems must be compatible with precision stereoscopic mapping instruments and with analytical mensuration procedures used in photogrammetric surveys and in preparing accurate orthoimagery.

(a) Camera/Sensor Evaluation

Proposed film camera systems will be evaluated to determine if they meet the contract specifications, based on a current USGS camera calibration test report. Proposed digital sensor systems will be evaluated to determine if they meet the contract specifications, based on current technical descriptions and samples. The Contracting Officer shall have the right to require the removal of a camera/sensor from use when deficiencies in imagery attributable to the camera are found to exist. Any camera/sensor removed from use by the Contracting Officer shall not be returned to use on any APFO contracts until the cause of the malfunction is corrected to the satisfaction of the Contracting Officer. That determination will be based on acceptable samples, calibration reports, and/or an additional test by the Optical Science Laboratory of the USGS, if directed by the Contracting Officer.

(b) Camera/Sensor Operation

The camera/sensor and its mount shall be checked for proper installation prior to each mission. In conformance with conventional photogrammetric practice, it is the preference of the Government that the Contractor use camera/sensor configurations, that when installed in the aircraft, advances film/imagery parallel to the line of flight.

(c) Camera Accessories

Automatic Exposure Control. An automatic exposure control device is permitted, but a manual override capability is required for some types of terrain to achieve proper exposure.

Camera Mount. The camera mount shall be regularly serviced and maintained and shall be insulated against aircraft vibration.

Camera Port Glass. Aircraft camera port glass shall be preferably 50mm thick but not less than 32mm thick. The surface finish shall be 80/50 or better. Glass material shall be polished crown, group category M, Mil Specs Mil-W-1366F (ASG), dated October 1975, C-1 optical quality or better.

4.2 Aircraft Requirements

(a) FAA Certification

All aircraft used in the performance of the work under this contract shall be maintained and operated in accordance with all regulations required by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Aircraft operated in the acquisition of aerial photography or digital imagery under this contract shall be FAA certified to a service ceiling with operating load (crew, camera, film, oxygen, and other required equipment) of not less than the highest altitude required.

(b) Positive Control Airspace

The proposed project item areas may contain areas of controlled or restricted airspace. It is the responsibility of the Contractor to obtain all approvals necessary to assure that required clearances are achieved. When the flight plan and location of any project item coverage fall within positive-control airspace, the aircraft must contain the appropriate equipment to operate in such positive-control areas within the purview of the Federal Aviation Regulations. (See Section H-1, Permits and Clearances.)

(c) Aircraft Configuration

The design of the aircraft shall be such that when the camera is mounted with all its parts within the outer structure, an unobstructed field of view is obtained. The field of view shall be shielded from the exhaust gases, oil, effluence, and air turbulence. The camera port glass shall be free of scratches and of such quality that it will not degrade the resolution or the accuracy of the camera and shall conform to Section C-4.1(c), Camera Port Glass.

(d) Airborne Global Positioning System

The aircraft shall have an Airborne Global Positioning System (ABGPS), Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU) system capable of generating accurate control points used in the creation of the orthoimagery (see Section C-6.2, Quarter Quadrangle Image Tile and 6.3, Compressed Project Mosaics).

C-5 IMAGERY ACQUISITION REQUIREMENTS

5.1 Photographic Conditions

Imagery shall be acquired when skies are clear, free from smoke or excessive haze, and well-defined images can be resolved. DOQQ image tiles with greater than ten percent

(10%) cloud cover or cloud shadows will not be acceptable. The ground shall be free from standing water (other than natural or man-made ponds and lakes), flood waters from streams which have overflowed their banks, and wet ground which obscures field, soil or crop lines. The Contractor shall minimize specular reflections, especially in agriculture areas, by patching the area using imagery from other frames.

5.2 Reference System for Aerial Photography/Digital Imagery

Alaska has no known uniform system of pre-determined exposure station numbers, as exists under the National Aerial Photography Program (NAPP) for the conterminous United States. Therefore, the contractor is required to develop a reference system when producing the flight planning required (Section C-5.3, Flight Planning).

5.3 Flight Planning

The Contractor shall provide flight line planning necessary to acquire precision, high quality imagery for the production of digital quarter-quarter quadrangle centered orthoimagery, which shall include at a minimum, flight altitude determinations and overlap stereoscopic coverage. The boundaries and exact coverage of any project item are determined only by the official DOQQ List. For a general representation of project item coverage, see the attached map in the individual task order(s).

5.4 Flight Requirements

The Contractor shall obtain precise vertical aerial photography or digital imagery in accordance with the following technical requirements:

- (a) Acquisition Periods. The Contractor shall acquire imagery only during that portion of the day when the sun angle exceeds the requirement stated in B-3.1(e), Minimum Sun Angle. The Contractor shall limit operations to the dates specified in task order or as otherwise provided in writing by the Contracting Officer as stated under Section F-5, Performance of the Work.
- (b) Tilt. It is desired that exposures be made when the optical axis of the camera/sensor is in a vertical position. The Contractor shall not acquire imagery when the tilt (departure from the vertical) of any exposure exceeding four degrees (4°) or relative tilt between any two successive exposures exceeding six degrees (6°). Tilt shall not average more than 2 degrees (2°) in any 16 km (10 mile) section of a flight line and shall not average more than 1 degree (1°) for the entire project.
- (c) Quarter-Quarter Quadrangle Centered Imagery: The Contractor shall acquire quarter-quarter quadrangle centered imagery to create the mosaicked DOQQ required in Section C-6.2, Quarter Quadrangle Image Tile.
- (d) Control Points. The Contractor shall generate any ground control points necessary to perform the AT/orthoimagery process that is currently not available. Any Contractor

generated ground control points shall have a horizontal accuracy requirement of one-third the mosaicked DOQQ horizontal accuracy requirement has specified in the individual task order(s).

C-6 DIGITAL IMAGERY PROCESSING

6.1 Radiometric Corrections

The Contractor shall ensure all digital images have proper histograms, color balance, color saturation, and tone balance. Quality adjustments for date, time, and for the various film rolls shall be made to tiles to create a similar “radiometric balanced” look across multiple tiles.

- (a) The histogram of digital images must represent all the pixels within the digital image without clipping highlight or shadow detail from the image.
- (b) The Contractor shall use the Government-furnished sample target imagery when adjusting the color and tonal balance of the orthoimagery. The Government’s intent is to have radiometric corrected orthoimagery that best matches the natural representation of actual vegetation and/or ground conditions at the time of image acquisition. The sample target image is an attempt to achieve this goal, however actual acquisition conditions may differ.
- (c) Color balance is defined as balancing the color between the three primary colors and their complimentary secondary color. Red and cyan must be balanced. Green and magenta must be balanced. Blue and yellow must be balanced.
- (d) Color Saturation is achieved so that minimum colors do not look like a grayscale image and the maximum colors do not bleed into another area of the image.

6.2 Quarter Quadrangle Image Tiles

Contractor shall provide rectification services to produce digital orthophoto imagery at the resolution requested in task order(s). The digital image shall cover the entire image area of one USGS standard quarter quadrangle (QQ), with a 300 meter buffer on all four sides of the QQ and shall be projected in the NAD83 Datum, using corresponding native UTM zone. The final tile shall not contain any borders, artifacts, or other non-image items.

- (a) Tagged Image Files (TIFF): The digital image shall be a georeferenced tagged image file format (GeoTIFF) created in accordance with Attachment C, DOQQ Description and Specification with the following exceptions:
 - (1) Quarter-quadrangles in the state of Alaska are sized different those in the continental U.S. Alaska quarter-quadrangles vary depending on the latitude

location of the quadrangle and are typically 15 by 7½ minute or 11¼ by 7½ minute instead of the standard 3¾ by 3¾ minute.

- (2) The spatial resolution and horizontal accuracy shall be specified in the task order(s) and will have precedence over the attachment.
 - (3) The task order shall specify the appropriate file naming logic convention and quadrangle grid naming logic to be used in the creation of the DOQQs.
 - (4) UTM zones for Alaska are not listed on Figure 1 and an Alaska figure is provided Section J.
- (b) Spatial Resolution: Ground sample distance (GSD) shall be 1.0-meter, unless specified in the individual task order(s).
- (c) Horizontal Accuracy Requirements: Horizontal accuracy of all tiles shall meet the United States National Map Accuracy Standards for the project map scale, unless specified in the individual task order(s).
- (d) Media Requirements: All quarter quadrangle image tiles shall be delivered on super DLT tapes as defined in Section D-1.2(c), Tape Cartridge. No more than one project item may be placed on a tape. All archive members (file names) on the DLT tapes shall be in lower case only.
- (1) Table of Content. The Contractor shall include an ASCII text file which is a listing of all quarter quadrangle tiles included on the tape in the order they appear in the archive file. This content file shall be named content_<item#>_<state>_<tape#>.txt (i.e., “content_1-06-1_ak_1.txt”) and it is recommended that the file be the first file on the tape. The file should contain only the following attributes: (the attribute shall only contain lower case characters and shall not contain any white spaces before or after the attribute).

<u>Description</u>	<u>Number of Characters in Field</u>
File Name	30

Example: n_s5715211se_05_1_20060721.tif

- (2) Archive File. No other archive members will be allowed on any tape. Archive files shall not contain symbolic links, use compression of any type, be created using GNU extensions, or as the super user (e.g., root). Archive member names must not contain a directory structure.
- (e) Image Source. The Contractor may use imagery from multiple exposures, i.e., using the “sweet spots” when creating the tile images. Using “chips” (imagery pieces from other frames) to correct defects is also permitted. All exposures shall be from the same type of sensor and must be from same acquisition season. When multiple

exposures are used in creating a tile, the acquisition date with the largest area shall be used when reporting dates in a single date field, such as metadata or attribute data. An average or mean date shall not be used.

6.3 Compressed Project Mosaics

The Contractor shall produce compressed project mosaic (CPM) files using the imagery associated with the quarter quadrangle tiles created in Section C-6.2, Quarter Quadrangle Image Tiles. For projects that are split by UTM zone lines, the project shall be projected in the UTM zone listed in in the individual task order(s). A listing of the required quarter quadrangle image tiles for each individual project will be provided upon task award.

The CPMs shall be compressed using LizardTech's MrSID[®] software and shall be saved in MrSID[®] Generation Three (MG3) format in accordance with Section F-1.1, Compressed Project Mosaics. When encoding the CPM, the following settings shall be applied: compression block size of 64; both the transparency and background values set to an RGB value of 0,0,0 (black); and use the “maximum zoom level” applicable to the input image, for example: checking the “Use Maximum Zoom Levels for Image” button in the encoding options menu.

(a) Metadata Requirements:

- (1) Metadata. The Contractor shall create a Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) compliant, per the FGDC-STD-001-1998 specification, metadata file using the Government provided template for each CPM generated. The metadata must parse cleanly through the USGS metadata parser “mp” version 2.8.10 (or later version) without any errors. The metadata file shall have the same file name as the CPM but with a “.met” extension to prevent the MrSID[®] “.txt” from being overwritten.
- (2) Auxiliary File. The Contractor shall provide an ESRI Projection compatible “aux” file for each CPM. The auxiliary file shall contain the proper projection information for the CPM. The file shall use the same naming convention as the CPM but with an “aux” extension.
- (3) MrSid Log File. The Contractor shall provide the “text” file created when generating the CPM. The file shall use the same naming convention as the CPM but with an “txt” extension.

- (b) Shapefile. The Contractor shall provide a project-based CPM shapefile of the DOQQ seamline index, with each DOQQ polygon attributed with the USGC Geographic Name Information System (GNIS) quad name, the date(s) of imagery capture, color type, image tile identifier, latitude and longitude of the southeast corner. The Contractor shall create a metadata file for the shapefile using the same requirements in C-6.3(a)(1) with the exception of the file name. The files shall use the same naming

convention as the CPM but without the compression format (see example below). The shapefiles shall use the standard extensions (i.e., .shp, .shx, .dbf, and .prj) and the metadata shall use a “.met” extension.

<u>Attribute Data</u>	<u>Column Name</u>	<u>Example</u>
DOQQ name	QQName	Fort Douglas NE
Image date (YYYYMMDD)	IDAT	20040822 *
Color Type	BCON	NC
Image tile identifier	DOQQ	n4210337.nw
Southeast DOQQ corner	QKEY	422615N1032615W

* shall reflect the date that the majority of imagery was acquired.

File Name Example: ortho_1-1_1n_ak150_2006_1.shp
 ortho_1-1_1n_ak150_2006_1.shx
 ortho_1-1_1n_ak150_2006_1.dbf
 ortho_1-1_1n_ak150_2006_1.prj
 ortho_1-1_1n_ak150_2006_1.met

- (c) Media Requirements. The CPM shall be submitted on a DVD unless the image, along with all associated files, will fit on a single CD, then the Contractor may submit on either media. The CD or DVD shall only contain single project data. The required format for all project mosaics are the MG3 files generated by the MrSID[®] software (i.e., .sid, .sdw, and .txt). Compression ratio for all CPMs shall be 15:1.
- (d) Tone Balance. The Contractor shall tone balance the composite DOQQs to give the CPM a consistent and uniform image quality appearance that eliminates a checkerboard effect. The resulting CPM must maintain the original color and appearance of the color corrected images that comprise the CPM.
- (e) Accuracy Requirements. The accuracy requirements from C-6.2(b), Quarter Quadrangle Image Tiles, shall be preserved when creating the CPM using the imagery associated with the quarter quadrangle tiles.

6.4 Regional Settings

All digital files, including imagery and metadata, shall be created using standard ANSI English-US setting. For example, periods (ACII 46) shall be used to separate the whole number from the fractional portion when recording decimal numbers, and data representing a long date shall be recorded as “Wednesday, August 17, 2005 5:09:38 PM.”

C-7 PROJECT MANAGEMENT

The Contractor shall establish and maintain a project management system with a designated project manager for this effort. Project management consists of those activities required to plan,

manage, administer, and control efforts to accomplish the objective of the contract. The project manager will serve as the primary point of contact for the Contractor's activity with the Government. The project manager's name and contact information shall be identified, in writing, to the Contracting Officer within 21 calendar days of contract award.

7.1 Progress Reports

A Progress Report is required for each day progress is made in acquiring project photography. Reports shall be transmitted by e-mail following each day of progress. E-mail address will be provided at contract award. See Section F-5.2 for instructions and Section J, Exhibit 3, Progress Report for syntax and example.

7.2 Subcontract Management

If the Contractor uses subcontractors in the performance of the contract, a plan and procedure will be established to manage its subcontractors. Contractor should give prior notification of any subcontracts in accordance with G-4, Subcontracts. The Contractor is encouraged to maximize its use of partnerships and subcontractors to accomplish the requirements of this contract. However, the Contractor is solely responsible for the performance and cost control of its partnerships and subcontractors.

7.3 Project Data Files

- (a) Production Process. The Contractor shall create brief descriptions of the digital image processing system which shall include a narrative explanation of the process steps taken to produce the imagery in accordance with Section F-1.6(a), Production Process Description, and the FGDC specification, paragraph 2.5.2.1, Process Description. Separate descriptions are required for the quarter quadrangle image tiles and CPM.
- (b) Project Data Files. The Contractor shall create a project description file in accordance with Section F-1.6(b), Project Data File Description, of this contract. Contractor shall include a project data file containing, at a minimum, the following data:

Description:

Project item (name as it appears in the individual task order)
Contract Award Number (to be assigned upon award, USDA-NRCS-1-06-1)
State (2 digit Abbreviation - AK)
Nominal Photo Scale
Nominal Lens Focal Length
Film Type (CP, CIRP, DIGITAL)
Number of Film Rolls (as applicable)
Coordinate System Datum
Date Photo-Center Data File was created (YYYYMMDD)
Scanner Manufacturer and Model Number: "Free text with quotations" (50 characters max)

Ortho Rectification System used to produce images: "Free text with quotations"
(50 characters max)

Example:

Missouri,USDA-NRCS-1-06-1,AK,1:40,000,153mm,CP,35,NAD83,
20040801,"LHS XXXXX Photogrammetric Scanner", "production
hardware & software description"

- (c) Photo-Center Data File (film-based aerial photography only). The Contractor shall create a photo-center data file for delivery under this contract in accordance with Attachment A, Specification for Film Based Acquisition:
- (d) Scan Data File (film-based aerial photography only). The Contractor shall create a scan data file listing all scanned images required under Attachment A in accordance with Attachment A, Specification for Film Based Acquisition

C-8 QUALITY CONTROL

Quality control shall be exercised by the Contractor continuously throughout the performance of the contract. Procedures shall be established to assure that all contract materials are delivered in accordance with the delivery schedule and at the required level of accuracy and quality. The Contractor shall inspect and constantly monitor the image quality and coverage, and shall undertake immediate reflights of any imagery where the quality fails to meet minimum requirements of the contract specifications. Any marginal photography/imagery submitted for inspection which does not meet minimum requirements may be rejected. The marginal photography may be accepted, at the Government's convenience, but shall be subject to a price reduction based on the diminished usability of the product. The nature and urgency of this project may require the Government to make equitable financial adjustments for materials deemed rejectable or where product use is adversely impacted. USDA inspection and acceptance procedures are described in Section E, Inspection and Acceptance.

8.1 Accuracy and Quality Control Report

The Contractor shall provide RMSE accuracy reports and quality control reports generated during the AT or orthorectification processes for all 1 meter quarter quadrangle image tiles in accordance with Section F-1.3, RMSE Accuracy and Quality Control Report.

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SECTION D - PACKAGING AND MARKING

D-1 PREPARATION OF MATERIALS FOR SHIPMENT

1.1 Film, Film Cans, and Labels

All film shall be thoroughly cleaned and placed on spools of the specified size stated in Attachment A, Specification for Film Based Acquisition, with the emulsion facing the core of the spool. The use of any adhesive tape product, such as masking tape, which leaves residual adhesive on the film is prohibited. All aerial film rolls shall be shipped in sturdy cylindrical plastic cans. Film can labels will be furnished by the APFO. The Contractor is required to prepare a label to be fastened to the outside of each can in accordance with the example in Attachment A.

1.2 Digital Files

All digital imagery and text files shall be labeled and shipped in packaging designed for their protection.

- (a) Compact Disks. All compact disks (CDs) shall be delivered on archival media, 700 Megabytes (80-minute) per disk CD-R, hybrid ISO 9660 Mode 1 format using level 2 interchange with Rockridge and Joliet extensions. The format of the DVD will allow long file names up to 64 characters in length, and will be readable by both Windows and UNIX systems where the file names will appear the same on both systems. The Contractor must insure that each and every copy session has been properly closed. No multi-session enabled CDs shall be acceptable. The CD media shall have a label attached identifying the digital contents of the CD in accordance with Section J, Exhibit 2, Figures 1 and 2 (thermal printed CDs are acceptable). In addition to the packaging requirements in D-2, all CD media shall be packaged in standard single CD jewel cases (5-5/8" x 4-15/16" x 3/8") with a clear front cover. The CD label should be readable without opening the case or removing the CD from the case. "Slim" or other non-standard sized jewel cases will not be accepted.
- (b) Digital Versatile Disk. All digital versatile disks (DVDs) shall be delivered on archival media, single-sided, 4.7 Gigabyte (120-minutes) DVD-R discs. DVD-R(A), DVD-RW, DVD+R, or DVD+RW formats are not acceptable. DVDs shall meet all other requirements, except of the media type, required for CDs (see paragraph above).

Mosaic files too large to fit on one DVD shall be divided along lines of longitude or latitude through the entire length and or width of the project, with no deviations. Overlapping imagery of one DOQQ shall be provided along both sides of the division. In counties divided by UTM zone lines, DOQQ tiles will be re-projected into the predominant UTM zone for CPMs. Full resolution DOQQ image tiles shall be submitted in their native UTM zone.

- (c) Tape Cartridges. All tapes shall be delivered on Super DLT 1 cartridges using the Quantum SDLT 320 Tape Drive set at native capacity (160 gigabytes). Other tape systems or formats, including hardware compression, will not be accepted. Tape media shall be written using GNU tar utility version 1.13 set at fixed block of 512 bytes and a blocking factor of 128, thus creating a physical record size of 65,536 bytes. No other fixed block size or blocking factor shall be accepted. The tape media and case shall be labeled in accordance with Exhibit 2, Figure 3. In addition to the packaging requirements in D-2, Packaging for Shipment, all tapes shall be packaged in their appropriate case.

D-2 PACKAGING FOR SHIPMENT

All material shall be packed for shipment in such a manner that will insure acceptance by common carrier and safe delivery at destination. Containers and closures shall comply with the Interstate Commerce Commission regulations, Uniform Freight Classification rules, or regulations of other carriers as applicable to the mode of transportation. Damaged materials will be replaced by the Contractor at no cost to the Government.

A packing slip shall accompany each shipment. It shall itemize all material included in the shipment.

D-3 SHIPPING RECEIPTS

Receipts from common carriers for shipment of materials shall be retained by the Contractor and be made available to the Contracting Officer upon request.

D-4 SHIPPING CONTAINER MARKINGS

All shipping containers shall be clearly marked with delivery address. See Section F-2, Place of Delivery – FOB Destination, within Consignee’s Promises.

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SECTION E - INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

E-1 INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE (FEB 1988)(AGAR 452.246-70)

The Contracting Officer or the Contracting Officer's duly authorized representative will inspect and accept the supplies and/or services to be provided under this contract.

Inspection and acceptance will be performed at:

Aerial Photography Field Office
2222 West 2300 South
Salt Lake City, Utah 84119-2020

E-2 INSPECTION PROCEDURE

All materials specified in Section F-1 will be inspected to determine conformance to all contract requirements and specifications. Inspection of the Compressed Project Mosaics (CPM) will be performed utilizing an expedited method of checking general compliance to specifications. Inspection of the quarter quadrangle image tiles will be performed utilizing a comprehensive method of quality assurance inspection procedures including a random sampling technique to test for compliance to the horizontal accuracy requirement in the imagery delivered. (Refer to FAR 52.246-2, Inspection of Supplies-Fixed Price and FAR 52.246-4, Inspection of Services-Fixed Price.)

If inspection of materials reveal deficiencies that may cause increased time and effort in using the digital imagery and aerial photography as intended, the Government may require the Contractor to perform the services again in conformity with contract requirements, at no increase in contract amount. When the defects in services cannot be corrected by re-performance, the Government may:

- (a) Require the Contractor to take necessary action to ensure that future performance conforms to contract requirements and
- (b) Reduce the contract price to reflect the reduced value of services performed.

E-3 INSPECTION SCHEDULE

The Government will make every effort to inspect all material specified within 30 calendar days after they are received at the point designated. Should the inspection procedure be delayed longer than 30 days, the Contractor will be notified of the reason(s) for delay and given the estimated completion date.

Contract materials will be inspected in the order of their receipt, unless otherwise prioritized by the Government. Inspection of project items where the photographic season is open will be given priority over projects for which the season has closed.

The Contractor will be notified in writing whether the materials are satisfactory and what areas, if any, shall be rephotographed and what materials, if any, shall be remade because of nonconformity with contract requirements.

E-4 PRELIMINARY INSPECTION

USDA will perform a comprehensive inspection of all contract materials submitted to determine compliance to contract requirements. A preliminary inspection of the CPM digital imagery submitted will be prioritized to expedite delivery to users. Based on this preliminary inspection, a contract status report will be generated recording all acceptable project imagery as well as rejectable imagery and the deficiencies discovered. Final acceptance will be determined from the combined inspection results covering all contract materials submitted.

E-5 PARTIAL COVERAGE

If the Contractor obtains only partial coverage for any project item during the season, all partial imagery shall be processed and delivered according to the requirements specified for completed imagery. The requirement for processing partial coverage may be waived only by the Contracting Officer.

E-6 ACCEPTANCE

Final acceptance will be made after inspection by the Government of all required materials delivered at the specified destination. Delivery dates for individual products by project items are specified under Section F-3, Schedule for Delivery of Materials. The acceptance date shall be the date of the letter, by the Government to the Contractor, stating all materials are acceptable and an invoice may be submitted.

Partial acceptance on any fully completed project due to rejection of deficient or non-compliant material will be made based on both preliminary inspection results of the digital imagery and the final inspection results of all remaining materials. A partial acceptance will result in a contract price reduction based on the final determination of contract material compliance to contract requirements and specifications.

Partial acceptance on any uncompleted area will be made only after the photographic season has ended and all materials required for the partial area have been delivered, inspected, and accepted by the Government. The acceptance date shall be the date of the letter by the Government to the

Contractor identifying the amount of partial acceptance and referring the Contractor to the Contracting Officer.

E-7 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998) (FAR 52.252-2)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this address: www.arnet.gov/far.

FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1) CLAUSES:

- 52.246-02 Inspection of Supplies - Fixed Price (AUG 1996)
- 52.246-04 Inspection of Services - Fixed Price (AUG 1996)
- 52.246-16 Responsibility for Supplies (APR 1984)

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SECTION F - DELIVERIES OR PERFORMANCE

F-1 MATERIALS TO BE DELIVERED

The materials as specified in the individual task order(s) shall be delivered as required and consist of the following items. The Contractor shall maintain a copy of the digital data until APFO acknowledges receipt.

1.1 COMPRESSED PROJECT MOSAICS

Item	Requirement
Format	LizardTech’s MrSID® (see Section C-6.3)
Media	CD-ROM or DVD (see Section D-1.2(a) or (b))
Naming Convention	See Section J, Exhibit 1 (i.e. ortho_1-1_1n_s_ak150_2006_1.sid)
Quantity	Two (2), unless otherwise stated in the Task Order
Date of First Submittal	No later than sixty (60) calendar days after acquisition period.
Submittal Frequency	Once (a second submittal is required if a flying season extension is granted) (See Para 5.3 below)
Government Approval Required	Yes (see Section E)
Required Metadata	Yes (see Section C-6.3(a))

1.2 QUARTER QUADRANGLE IMAGE TILES

Item	Requirement
Format	GeoTIFF
Media	Tape (see Section D-1.2(c))
Naming Convention	See Section J, Exhibit 1 (i.e. “n_s5715211se_05_1_20060721.tif”)
Quantity	One (1)
Date of First Submittal	No later than sixty (60) calendar days after acquisition period.
Submittal Frequency	Once
Government Approval Required	Yes (see Section E)
Required Metadata	No but a Table of Content is required (see Section 6.2(d))

1.3 RMSE ACCURACY AND QUALITY CONTROL REPORTS

Item	Requirement
Format	ASCII preferred
Media	CD-ROM (see Section D-1. 2(a))
Naming Convention	None
Quantity	One (1)
Date of First Submittal	Delivered with Production Process (see Section F-1.6(a))
Submittal Frequency	Once
Government Approval Required	No
Required Metadata	None

1.4 ORIGINAL AERIAL FILM (AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY ONLY)

Item	Requirement
Format	1:40,000 Scale, Quarter-Quarter Quad Centered
Media	Photographic film (see Attachment A)
Quantity	One (1) set
Date of First Submittal	No later than sixty (60) calendar days after acquisition period.
Submittal Frequency	Once
Government Approval Required	Yes (see Section E)
Required Metadata	None

1.5 PROGRESS REPORTS

Item	Requirement
Format	See Exhibit 3
Media	Electronic mail
Quantity	One per day per crew
Date of First Submittal	Daily (as required in accordance with Section C- 7.1)
Submittal Frequency	Daily (only required for days that aerial acquisition was accomplished)
Government Approval Required	No
Required Metadata	None

1.6 PROJECT DATA FILES

(a) PRODUCTION PROCESS DESCRIPTION

Item	Requirement
Format	ASCII text file
Media	CD-ROM (see Section D-1.2(a))
Naming Convention	See Section J, Exhibit 1
Quantity	One (1) for DOQQ and one (1) for CPM per project item
Date of First Submittal	No later than sixty (60) calendar days after acquisition period.
Submittal Frequency	Once
Government Approval Required	No
Required Metadata	None

(b) PROJECT DATA FILE DESCRIPTION

Item	Requirement
Format	ASCII comma delimited text file
Media	CD-ROM (see Section D-1.2(a))
Naming Convention	See Section J, Exhibit 1
Quantity	One (1) per project item
Date of First Submittal	Delivered with Production Process (see Section F-1.6(a))
Submittal Frequency	Once
Government Approval Required	No
Required Metadata	None

(c) PHOTO-CENTER DATA FILE DESCRIPTION (AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY ONLY)

Item	Requirement
Format	ASCII comma delimited text file
Media	CD-ROM (see Section D-1. 2(a))
Naming Convention	See Section J, Exhibit 1
Quantity	One (1) per project item
Date of First Submittal	Delivered with film (see F-1.4) for film-based acquisition or Production Process (see Section F-1.6(a)).
Submittal Frequency	Once
Government Approval Required	No
Required Metadata	None

(d) SCAN DATA FILE DESCRIPTION (AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY ONLY)

Item	Requirement
Format	ASCII comma delimited text file
Media	CD-ROM (see Section D-1. 2(a))
Naming Convention	See Section J, Exhibit 1
Quantity	One (1) per project item
Date of First Submittal	Delivered with Production Process (see Section F-1.6(a))
Submittal Frequency	Once
Government Approval Required	No
Required Metadata	None

F-2 PLACE OF DELIVERY - FOB DESTINATION, WITHIN CONSIGNEE'S PREMISES

The materials to be furnished hereunder shall be delivered, all transportation charges paid by the Contractor, and in accordance with FAR Clause 52.247-35, F.o.b. Destination, Within Consignee's Premises, to:

USDA Aerial Photography Field Office
Attn: Contracting Officer
2222 West 2300 South
Salt Lake City, Utah 84119-2020

Offers submitted on a basis other than F.o.b. Destination within consignee's premises will be deemed unacceptable or rejected as non-responsive.

F-3 SCHEDULE FOR DELIVERY OF MATERIALS

All delivery materials required in this contract shall be shipped within the time limits specified below. Failure to ship within this period will be considered as failure by the Contractor to prosecute the work as to ensure completion and will render the contract subject to default. Date of shipment will be shown by postmark or carrier receipt.

3.1 Original Materials - Delivery Schedule

The required delivery schedule for all contract materials required for a project item shall be shipped no later than sixty (60) calendar days after the acquisition period has ended, or any season extension thereof.

It is recommended that materials be shipped when completed, since prompt delivery of materials will better assure timely inspection and avoidance of peak seasonal workload delivery. See the task order(s) for acquisition periods for individual project items.

3.2 Remake Materials - Delivery Schedule

Remake materials shall be shipped as soon as possible after correction is made, but no later than 30 days after receipt in the Contractor's facility of the materials or data required to make the corrections. Only materials as specifically requested by USDA to be remade shall be submitted for inspection. Signed delivery receipts will be required to verify date of receipt of such data or materials by the Contractor.

F-4 CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The Contractor shall: furnish all materials, superintendence, labor, transportation, and equipment; execute and complete the imagery acquisition of the item(s) specified and deliver to the USDA the materials called for; execute all work expeditiously, to the satisfaction of the Contracting Officer or authorized Contracting Officer's Representative(s).

F-5 PERFORMANCE OF THE WORK

The Contracting Officer will authorize and direct the acquisition period to begin or end anytime within thirty (30) days before or after the approximate acquisition dates given in the individual task order(s), depending upon the weather, ground, foliage, and sun angle conditions required for the project item. No imagery shall be undertaken before the Notice to Proceed is issued or after the final date of the acquisition period (or its extension) has occurred. Weather and ground conditions for all project locations will be monitored daily to determine Contractor compliance to performance requirements.

5.1 Notice To Proceed

The Notice to Proceed will be given by telephone and confirmed in writing by regular mail. Failure of the Contractor to proceed with flights on a project item within ten (10) calendar days after a "Notice to Proceed" is given, may be considered as evidence of failure to prosecute the work so as to ensure its timely completion. As evidence of performance, Progress Reports shall be submitted.

5.2 Progress Reports

Progress Reports indicating the progress made in acquiring project aerial photography shall be prepared in accordance with instructions in Section J, Exhibit 3, Progress Reports. Reports shall be submitted only for days performance was accomplished.

Each progress report shall be sent by email transmission not later than the day following performance. In the event that day is a holiday or non-business day, the report shall be sent on the next business day. Separate reports are required from each photographic crew assigned to a project item. Such "next day" reporting shall start when the Contractor receives the Notice to Proceed, and continue until the area is completed or the photographic season and any extension ends.

If it is determined that a season extension or additional flying is required, or reflights are ordered by USDA, reports covering such performance periods shall be submitted.

5.3 Acquisition Period Extension

The Government reserves the right to extend the acquisition period of this contract beyond the approximate period indicated in the individual task order. A lower minimum sun angle requirement may be necessary to allow the season extension.

The Government may extend the season of this contract, at no increase in price, by written notice to the Contractor at any time prior to the end of the acquisition period. (Refer to FAR 52.217-08 "Option to Extend Services".)

If an acquisition period extension is granted, a "preliminary" CPM shall be delivered within but not later than the due date of the latest item. A final CPM submittal shall be delivered no later than 60 days after the end of the season extension and shall include imagery from the original flying season.

5.4 Option to Extend the Term of the Contract (MAR 2000) (FAR 52.217-09)

IT IS THE EXPRESSED INTENT OF THE GOVERNMENT TO HAVE ALL IMAGERY REQUIRED UNDER THIS CONTRACT COMPLETED WITHIN THE ACQUISITION PERIODS SPECIFIED IN THE INDIVIDUAL TASK ORDER..

- (a) The Government may extend the term of this contract by written notice to the Contractor within ninety (90) days of the end of the base and any option period; provided that the Government give the Contractor a preliminary written notice of its intent to extend at least thirty (30) days before the contract expires. The preliminary notice does not commit the Government to an extension.
- (b) If the Government exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option clause.
- (c) The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed **1 year 7 months**.

F-6 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998) (FAR 52.252-2)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this address: www.arnet.gov/far.

FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1) CLAUSES:

52.242-15 Stop Work Order (AUG 1989)

52.242-17 Government Delay of Work (APR 1984)

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SECTION G - CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION DATA

G-1 CONTRACTING OFFICE

The Aerial Photography Field Office (APFO) of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Farm Service Agency (FSA), is responsible for the solicitation, award, and administration of this contract.

Communications shall be directed to:

Contracting Officer, USDA - FSA
Aerial Photography Field Office
2222 West 2300 South
Salt Lake City, Utah 84119-2020

Telephone (801) 975-3500 Ext. 207
Facsimile (801) 975-3529

Written correspondence shall reference the contract number and/or solicitation number plus project item number.

G-2 CONTRACTING OFFICER'S REPRESENTATIVE

Each awarded contract item may have a Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) or a Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR). Such designations will be made either at the time of award or by appointment letter.

G-3 CONTRACT INTERPRETATION

Technical assistance regarding interpretation of the specifications and/or terms of the contract will be provided by the Contracting Officer or the COR. Only the Contracting Officer has authority to award, modify, and terminate contracts. The Contractor is encouraged to visit the USDA-APFO facilities and discuss the contract and inspection procedures.

3.1 Discrepancies

Any discrepancy in the schedule or official flight data shall be immediately called to the attention of the Contracting Officer for decision. A discrepancy shall not be adjusted without approval of the Contracting Officer, except at the Contractor's own risk and expense.

G-4 SUBCONTRACTS

Before entering into a subcontract covering any part of the work called for, the Contractor shall inform the Contracting Officer and submit information required by the Contracting Officer to determine acceptability and approval of the anticipated subcontractor's equipment to be used.

G-5 CHARGES TO CONTRACTOR

The USDA may, at its option, correct deficiencies found to exist in connection with materials submitted by the Contractor and deduct from the Contractor's vouchers the cost thereof to the Government. When the deficiencies to be corrected are such that the cost exceeds \$500.00 at current prices, such corrections will be made only with the prior approval of the Contractor, except in the event of termination for default.

G-6 INVOICES

One original invoice shall be submitted to the Contracting Officer designated in this contract. To constitute a proper invoice, the invoice must include the following information and/or attached documentation:

- (a) Name and address of the Contractor
- (b) Invoice date.
- (c) Contract number, or other authorization for supplies delivered or services performed.
- (d) Description, quantity, unit of measure, unit price, and extended price of supplies delivered or services performed.
- (e) Shipping and payment terms.
- (f) Name (where practicable), title, phone number, and complete mailing address of responsible official to whom payment is to be sent.
- (g) Any other information or documentation required by the contract.
- (h) While not required, contractors are strongly encouraged to assign an identification number to each invoice.

Notice of an apparent error, defect, or impropriety in an invoice will be given to the Contractor within 7 days of receipt of an invoice and suitable documented.

G-7 PARTIAL PAYMENTS

For a partially completed task award item, acceptance and payment will be made on a DOQQ basis at the rate of ninety (90) percent of the amount due. Any payment thus made is a partial payment of the contract. Upon acceptance of the complete task award item, the remaining payment, to total the full payment due for the task award item, will be made. Partial payments shall be approved by the Contracting Officer under the conditions stated in FAR 52.232-1, Payments.

G-8 PAYMENT DUE DATE

The required payment date will be thirty (30) calendar days after:

- (a) The date of actual receipt of a proper invoice by the office designated to receive the invoice, or the date all contract deliverables are accepted, whichever is later.
- (b) The date of the check issued in payment or the date of the payment by electronic funds transfer shall be considered to be the date payment is made.

G-9 INTEREST ON OVERDUE PAYMENTS

The Prompt Payment Act, Public Law 100-496 (96 Stat. 85, 31 USC 1801) is applicable to payments under this contract and requires the payment to Contractors of interest on overdue payments and improperly taken discounts.

Determinations of interest due will be made in accordance with the provisions of the Prompt Payment Act and Office of Management and Budget Circular A-125.

G-10 SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING PLAN

Pursuant to FAR Clause 52.219-09, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (see I-9, CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE), large business concerns proposing contract awards exceeding \$500,000 shall submit a subcontracting plan that separately addresses subcontracting with small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, HUBZone small business concerns, small disadvantaged business and women owned small business concerns. A large business concern is defined as a business with average annual revenues over of \$6 million under the NAICS Code 541922 for aerial photography services. Small business concerns are not required to submit small business subcontracting plans. The subcontracting plan shall be included and made a part of any resultant task order award and be negotiated with the Contracting Officer during the task order negotiation period. Failure to submit and negotiate the subcontracting plan shall make the offeror ineligible for award. Subcontracting plan data shall subsequently be entered into the Small Business Administration's new Electronic Subcontracting Reporting System (eSRS) upon award.

PART I - THE SCHEDULE

SECTION H - SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

H-1 PERMITS AND CLEARANCES

It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to determine and secure all necessary permits and clearances for controlled or restricted airspace areas.

The Contractor shall contact the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) watch supervisor in charge of the Air Traffic Control (ATC) facility to gain approval to operate within controlled airspace. It is suggested that pre-flight coordination be completed at least one week in advance. The FAA suggests that on the day of the flight the photo mission pilot contact the ATC facility and:

- (a) Confirm previous arrangements,
- (b) State that "this is a photo survey mission" via air/ground communications, and subsequently inform the controller when the flight line is commenced.

Military Operation Areas (MOA) will be identified in advance, and if necessary a contact for airspace clearance established. The Contractor is responsible for obtaining flight approvals and security clearances if required by the U.S. Department of Defense. Photographic and digital materials of classified areas shall be stored, handled, and shipped in accordance with existing security regulations. In the event of difficulty, the Contracting Officer shall be contacted for guidance and/or assistance.

H-2 AIRCRAFT REGULATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

All aircraft used in the performance of the work under this contract shall be maintained and operated in accordance with all regulations required by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Aircraft operated in the acquisition of aerial photography or digital imagery under this contract shall be FAA certified to the highest flying altitude required to obtain proposed imagery.

H-3 OWNERSHIP OF CONTRACT MATERIALS

The Government shall receive copyright and ownership to all data delivered under this contract, including but not limited to photographic materials, orthorectified imagery, databases, and paper products, upon formal acceptance. The Contractor may maintain copyright and ownership of all original or derived works which are not required submittals under this contract. The Contractor is encouraged to create, market, and sell derived works not related to or in direct competition with the data delivered under this contract. For example, if this contract requires 1m

orthorectified imagery be delivered to the Government, the Contractor may create 5m imagery from the original product, prior to its submittal to the Government, and resell it to other Government agencies or the general public. However, the Government also maintains the rights to derive additional products from the data delivered under this contract. No public distribution of the original or derived works shall be made prior to acceptance by the Government unless specified in the contract or authorized by the Contracting Officer.

H-4 NOTICE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF DELAY

The Contractor shall immediately, upon becoming aware of any difficulties in meeting performance requirements during the photographic season or when difficulties are encountered which may delay deliveries under the contract, notify the Contracting Officer in writing thereof. Such notification shall identify difficulties, the reasons therefore, and the estimated period of anticipated delay.

FAILURE OF THE CONTRACTOR TO GIVE SUCH NOTICE MAY PRECLUDE LATER CONSIDERATION OF ANY CLAIM FOR NON-PERFORMANCE DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS OR ANY REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF CONTRACT TIME.

H-5 WAGE DETERMINATION

The Wage Determination applicable to any contract resulting from this solicitation is determined by the location of the Contractor's establishment.

Wage Determination number 1995-0222, Revision 19, dated July 7, 2005 will be applicable for Contractors located nationwide. See Section J, Exhibit 7, Wage Determination.

H-6 INDUSTRY SMALL BUSINESS STANDARD

The small business industry size standard for the type of services covered by this procurement, under NAICS code 541922, is the average annual receipts of the concern and its affiliates for the preceding three (3) years not in excess of \$6 million.

PART II - CONTRACT CLAUSES

SECTION I - CONTRACT CLAUSES

I-1 STATEMENT OF EQUIVALENT RATES FOR FEDERAL HIRES (MAY 1989) (FAR 52.222-42)

In compliance with the Service Contract Act of 1965, as amended, and the regulations of the Secretary of Labor (29 CFR part 4), this clause identifies the classes of service employees expected to be employed under the contract and states the wages and fringe benefits payable to each if they were employed by the contracting agency subject to the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 5341 or 5332.

THIS STATEMENT IS FOR INFORMATION ONLY.
IT IS NOT A WAGE DETERMINATION.

<u>Employee Class</u>	<u>Monetary Wage - Fringe Benefits</u>
Aircraft Pilot	\$40,000
Aerial Photographer	\$22,000
Photo Lab Technician	\$22,000

I-2 ORDERING (OCT 1995) (FAR 52.216-18)

(a) Any supplies and services to be furnished under this contract shall be ordered by issuance of delivery orders or task orders by the individuals or activities designated in the Schedule. Such orders may be issued from **May through September** for the base and option periods.

(b) All delivery orders or task orders are subject to the terms and conditions of this contract. In the event of conflict between a delivery order or task order and this contract, the contract shall control.

(c) If mailed, a delivery order or task order is considered "issued" when the Government deposits the order in the mail. Orders may be issued orally, by facsimile, or by electronic commerce methods only if authorized in the Schedule.

I-3 EVALUATION QUANTITIES--INDEFINITE DELIVERY CONTRACT (FEB 1998) (AGAR 452.216-72)

To evaluate offers for award purposes, the Government will apply the offeror's proposed fixed-prices/rates to the estimated quantities included in the solicitation, and will add other direct costs if applicable.

I-4 MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM CONTRACT AMOUNTS (FEB 1988)
(AGAR 452.216-73)

During the period specified in FAR clause 52.216-18, ORDERING, the Government shall place orders totaling a minimum of \$2,500.00 but not in excess of \$1.0 million.

I-5 ORDER LIMITATIONS (OCT 1995) (FAR 52.216-19)

- (a) Minimum order. When the Government requires supplies or services covered by this contract in an amount of less than \$2,500.00, the Government is not obligated to purchase, nor is the Contractor obligated to furnish, those supplies or services under the contract.
- (b) Maximum order. The Contractor is not obligated to honor -
 - (1) Any order for a single item in excess of \$500,000;
 - (2) Any order for a combination of items in excess of \$500,000; or
 - (3) A series of orders from the same ordering office within 30 days that together call for quantities exceeding the limitation in paragraph (b)(1) or (2) of this section.
- (c) If this is a requirements contract (i.e., includes the Requirements clause at subsection 52.216-21 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), the Government is not required to order a part of any one requirement from the Contractor if that requirement exceeds the maximum-order limitations in paragraph (b) of this section.
- (d) Notwithstanding paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, the Contractor shall honor any order exceeding the maximum order limitations in paragraph (b), unless that order (or orders) is returned to the ordering office within fifteen (15) days after issuance, with written notice stating the Contractor's intent not to ship the item (or items) called for and the reasons. Upon receiving this notice, the Government may acquire the supplies or services from another source.

I-6 INDEFINITE QUANTITY (OCT 1995) (FAR 52.216-22)

- (a) This is an indefinite-quantity contract for the supplies or services specified, and effective for the period stated, in the Schedule. The quantities of supplies and services specified in the Schedule are estimates only and are not purchased by this contract.
- (b) Delivery or performance shall be made only as authorized by orders issued in accordance with the Ordering clause. The Contractor shall furnish to the Government, when and if ordered, the supplies or services specified in the Schedule up to and including the quantity designated in the Schedule as the "maximum." The Government

shall order at least the quantity of supplies or services designated in the Schedule as the "minimum."

- (c) Except for any limitations on quantities in the Order Limitations clause or in the Schedule, there is no limit on the number of orders that may be issued. The Government may issue orders requiring delivery to multiple destinations or performance at multiple locations.
- (d) Any order issued during the effective period of the contract and not completed within the period shall be completed by the Contractor within the time specified in the order. The contract shall govern the Contractor's and Government's rights and obligations with respect to that order to the same extent as if the order were completed during the contract's effective period; provided, that the Contractor shall not be required to make any deliveries under this contract after December 31, 2007.

I-9 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998) (FAR 52.252-2)

This contract incorporates the following clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this address: www.arnet.gov/far.

FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1) CLAUSES:

- 52.202-01 Definitions (JUL 2004)
- 52.203-03 Gratuities (APR 1984)
- 52.203-05 Covenant Against Contingent Fees (APR 1984)
- 52.203-06 Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (JUL 1995)
- 52.203-07 Anti-Kickback Procedures (JUL 1995)
- 52.203-08 Cancellation, Rescission, and Recovery of Funds for Illegal or Improper Activity (JAN 1997)
- 52.203-10 Price or Fee Adjustment for Illegal or Improper Activity (JAN 1997)
- 52.203-12 Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions (SEP 2005)
- 52.204-04 Printing/Copying Double-Sided on Recycled Paper (AUG 2000)

- 52.204-07 Central Contractor Registration (OCT 2003)
- 52.204-08 Annual Representations and Certifications (JAN 2006)
- 52.209-06 Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting With Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment (JAN 2005)
- 52.211-05 Material Requirements (AUG 2000)
- 52.215-02 Audit and Records - Negotiation (JUN 1999)
- 52.215-08 Order of Precedence - Uniform Contract Format (OCT 1997)
- 52.215-11 Price Reduction for Defective Cost or Pricing Data - Modifications (OCT 1997)
- 52.215-13 Subcontractor Cost or Pricing Data - Modifications (OCT 1997)
- 52.215-14 Integrity of Unit Prices (OCT 1997)
- 52.216-27 Single or Multiple Awards (OCT 1995)
- 52.217-08 Option to Extend Services (NOV 1999)
- 52.217-09 Option to Extend the Term of the Contract (MAR 2000)
- 52.219-04 Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (JUL 2005)
- 52.219-08 Utilization of Small Business Concerns (MAY 2004)
- 52.219-09 Small Business Subcontracting Plan (JUL 2005)
- 52.222-03 Convict Labor (JUN 2003)
- 52.222-04 Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act - Overtime Compensation (JUL 2005)
- 52.222-21 Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (FEB 1999)
- 52.222-26 Equal Opportunity (APR 2002)
- 52.222-35 Equal Opportunity for Special Disabled Veterans, Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans (DEC 2001)
- 52.222-36 Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 1998)

- 52.222-37 Employment Reports on Special Disabled Veterans and Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans (DEC 2001)
- 52.222-41 Service Contract Act of 1965, as Amended (JUL 2005)
- 52.222-44 Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Act - Price Adjustment (FEB 2002)
- 52.223-06 Drug-Free Workplace (MAY 2001)
- 52.223-14 Toxic Chemical Release Reporting (AUG 2003)
- 52.225-03 Buy American Act - North American Free Trade Agreement - Israeli Trade Act (JAN 2006)
- 52.225-13 Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases (FEB 2006)
- 52.227-01 Authorization and Consent (JUL 1995)
- 52.227-03 Patent Indemnity (APR 1984)
- 52.227-14 Rights in Data - General - Alternate I (JUN 1987)
- 52.229-03 Federal, State, and Local Taxes (APR 2003)
- 52.232-01 Payments (APR 1984)
- 52.232-08 Discounts for Prompt Payment (FEB 2002)
- 52.232-09 Limitation on Withholding of Payments (APR 1984)
- 52.232-11 Extras (APR 1984)
- 52.232-17 Interest (JUN 1996)
- 52.232-19 Availability of Funds for the Next Fiscal Year (APR 1984)
- 52.232-23 Assignment of Claims (JAN 1986)
- 52.232-25 Prompt Payment (OCT 2003)
- 52.233-01 Disputes (JUL 2002)
- 52.233-03 Protest After Award (AUG 1996)
- 52.242-02 Production Progress Reports (APR 1991)

- 52.242-13 Bankruptcy (JUL 1995)
- 52.243-01 Changes - Fixed Price - Alternate II (AUG 1987)
- 52.245-04 Government Furnished Property (Short-Form) (JUN 2003)
- 52.246-25 Limitation of Liability - Services (FEB 1997)
- 52.248-01 Value Engineering (FEB 2000)
- 52.249-04 Termination for Convenience of the Government (Services) (Short Form)
(APR 1984)
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EXHIBIT 1

FILE NAMING CONVENTION

Text Data Files:

File Name: <type>_<solno>_<item>_<st>.txt

type - file type (must be “abstract” “process” “project” “photo” or “scan”)

solno - contract solicitation number

item - item number

st - state abbreviation

Example: process_1-06_1_ak.txt
project_1-06_1_ak.txt

Quarter Quadrangle Image Tiles:

File Name: <n>_<ffffff>_<xx>_<r>_<yyyymmdd>.tif

n – film type/bandwidth designator (o=black & white; n=natural color; or c=color
IR)

ffffff – quarter quad name (see Exhibit 5)

xx – two digit UTM zone

r - resolution (1=1 meter; 2=2 meter)

yyyymmdd - date of acquisition (majority date)

Example: n_s5715211se_05_1_20060721.tif

Compressed Project Mosaics:

File Name: ortho_<x-x>_<r><n>_<f>_<stn>_<yyyy>_<v>.sid

x-x - disk number and total count (i.e., disk 1 of 2)

r - resolution (1=1 meter; 2=2 meter)

n – film type/bandwidth designator (o=black & white; n=natural color; or c=color
IR)

f - compression format (s=MrSID®)

stn – state and project number

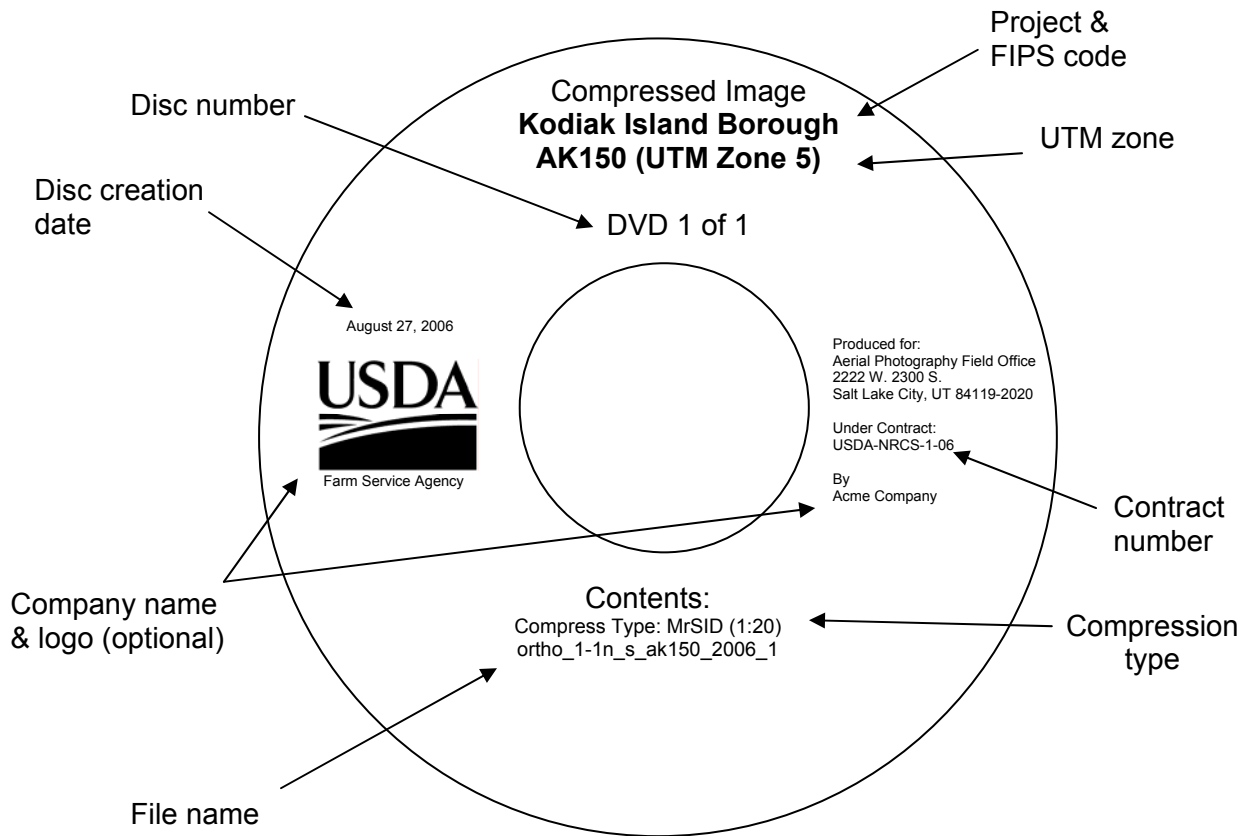
yyyy - year of aerial acquisition

v - version number

Example: ortho_1-1_1n_s_ak150_2006_1.sid

EXHIBIT 2
Figure 1

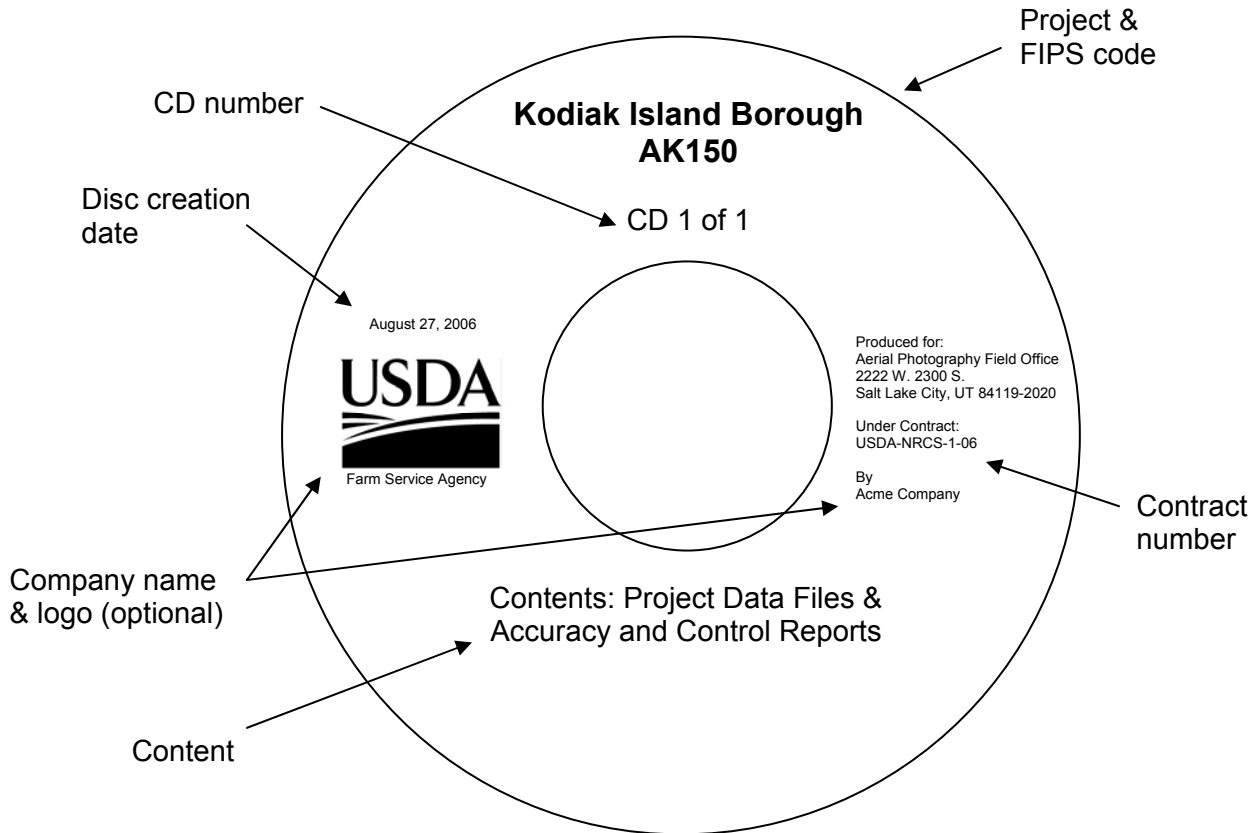
COMPRESSED PROJECT MOSAICS
CD/DVD Labeling Requirements



ELEMENT	EXAMPLE
Company name & logo	Acme Company
Compression type & ratio	MrSID® (1:20)
Contract number	USDA-NRCS-1-06
Disc Creation date	August 27, 2006
Disc Number	DVD 1 of 1
File name	ortho_1-1_1n_s_ak150_2004_1
Project & FIPS	Kodiak Island Borough, AK150
UTM zone	UTM Zone 5

EXHIBIT 2
Figure 2

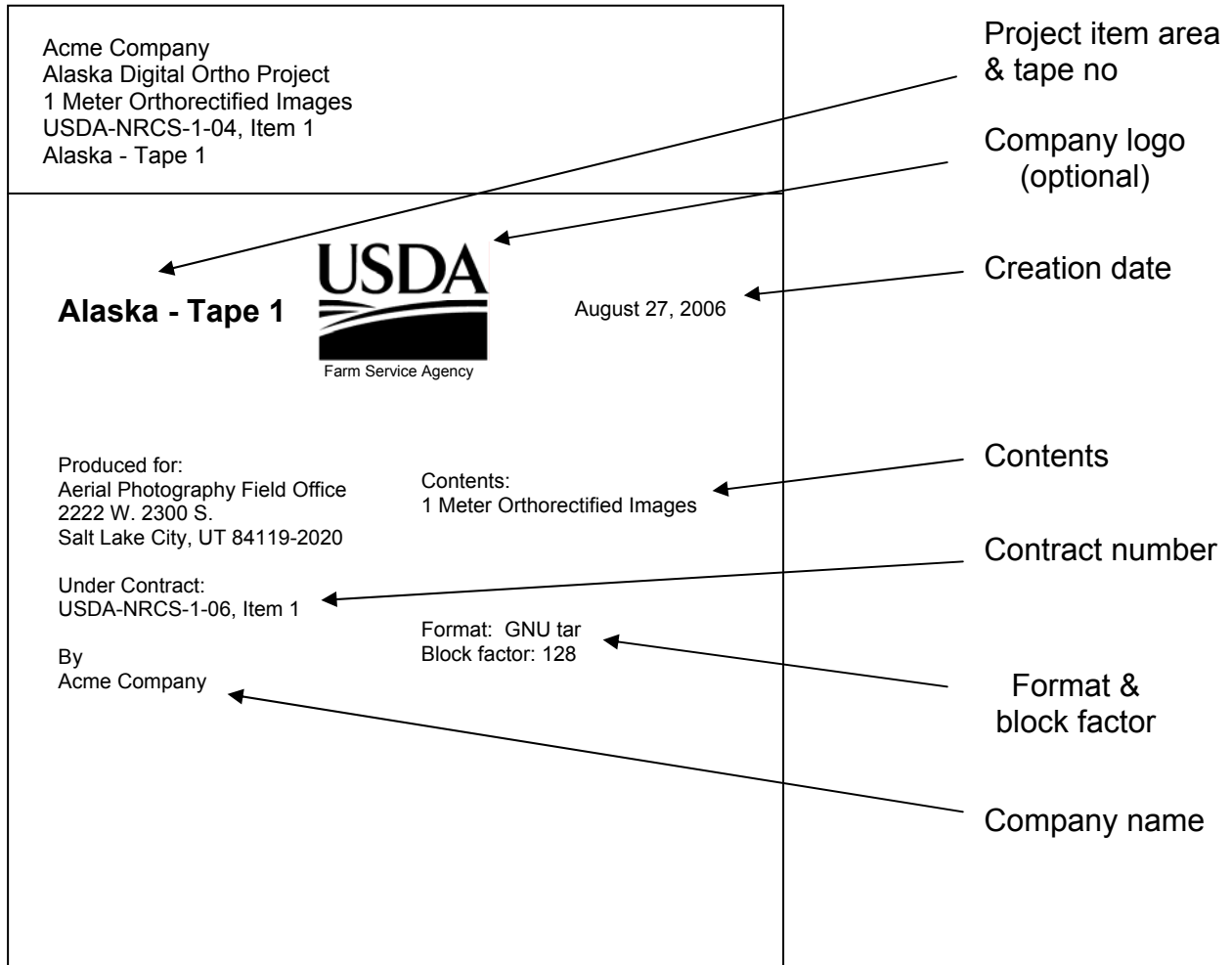
Project Data Files
CD/DVD Labeling Requirements



ELEMENT	EXAMPLE
CD Number	CD 1 of 1
Company name & logo	Acme Company
Content	Project Data Files & Accuracy and Control Reports
Contract number	USDA-NRCS-1-06
Creation date	August 27, 2006
Project FIPS code	Kodiak Island Borough, AK150

EXHIBIT 2
Figure 3

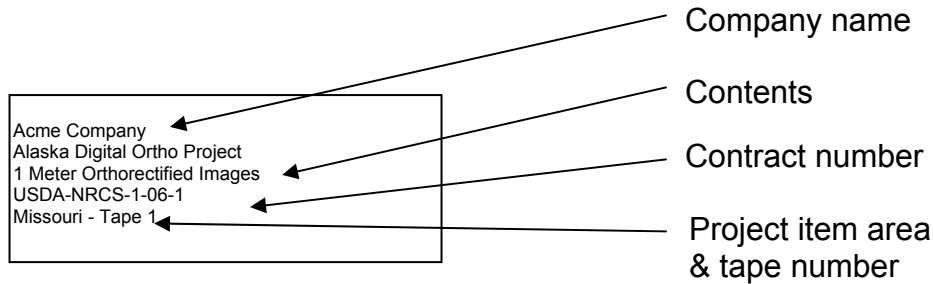
QUARTER QUADRANGLE IMAGE TILE
DLT Tape Cartridge Case Labeling Requirements



Label dimensions: 4-3/16" (width) x 5-1/8" (height)
Note: Fold line is 1" from the top of the label.

Figure 3 (con't)

QUARTER QUADRANGLE IMAGE TILE
DLT Tape Cartridge Labeling Requirements



Label dimensions: 2-1/4" (width) x 13/16" (height)

NOTE: Cartridge label must fit securely in tape slot to prevent falling out.

ELEMENT	EXAMPLE
Company name & logo	Acme Company
Contents	1 Meter Orthorectified Images
Contract number	USDA-NRCS-1-06-1
Format & block factor	Format: tar Block factor: 128
Project item area & tape number	Alaska – Tape 1
Tape creation date	August 27, 2006

EXHIBIT 3

PROGRESS REPORT CONVENTION

The goal is to accurately report daily image acquisition and to indicate those areas that a contractor has determined the acquired imagery to be unusable which will result in a reflight for a particular area.

Syntax:

HEADER ITEMS: field-name “:”[field-body][CRLF]
BODY ITEMS: body item [CRLF]

Header Items:

All four header items are required to be submitted in each and every submittal.

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>KEYWORD</u>	<u>FORMAT</u>
Contractor Name	CONTRACTOR	Alphanumeric
Contract Award Number	CONTRACT	Numeric (N-YY)
Award Item	ITEM	Numeric (N)
Date Flown	DATE	Date (YYYYMMDD)

Body Items:

All data elements are required for each line of data submitted. Data elements are to be separated by 5 ASCII decimal 32 (white space). Acquisition and rejected exposure stations can be submitted as separate reports or as a combined report.

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>KEYWORD</u>	<u>FORMAT</u>
Latitude	N/A	DD.DDDDD
Longitude	N/A	-DDD.DDDDD
Status	N/A	Char(1)*

* Status Field:

A - Indicates the Exposure Station has been collected

R – Indicates the contractor has rejected a previously acquired Exposure Station

When an exposure station is rejected the exposure station will appear in a later report marked with an “R”. Each report submitted should include only one status indicator for a particular exposure station.

EXHIBIT 3 (CON'T)

PROGRESS REPORT CONVENTION

Sample:

CONTRACTOR: Acme Photography
CONTRACT: 1-06
ITEM: 1
DATE: 20060827

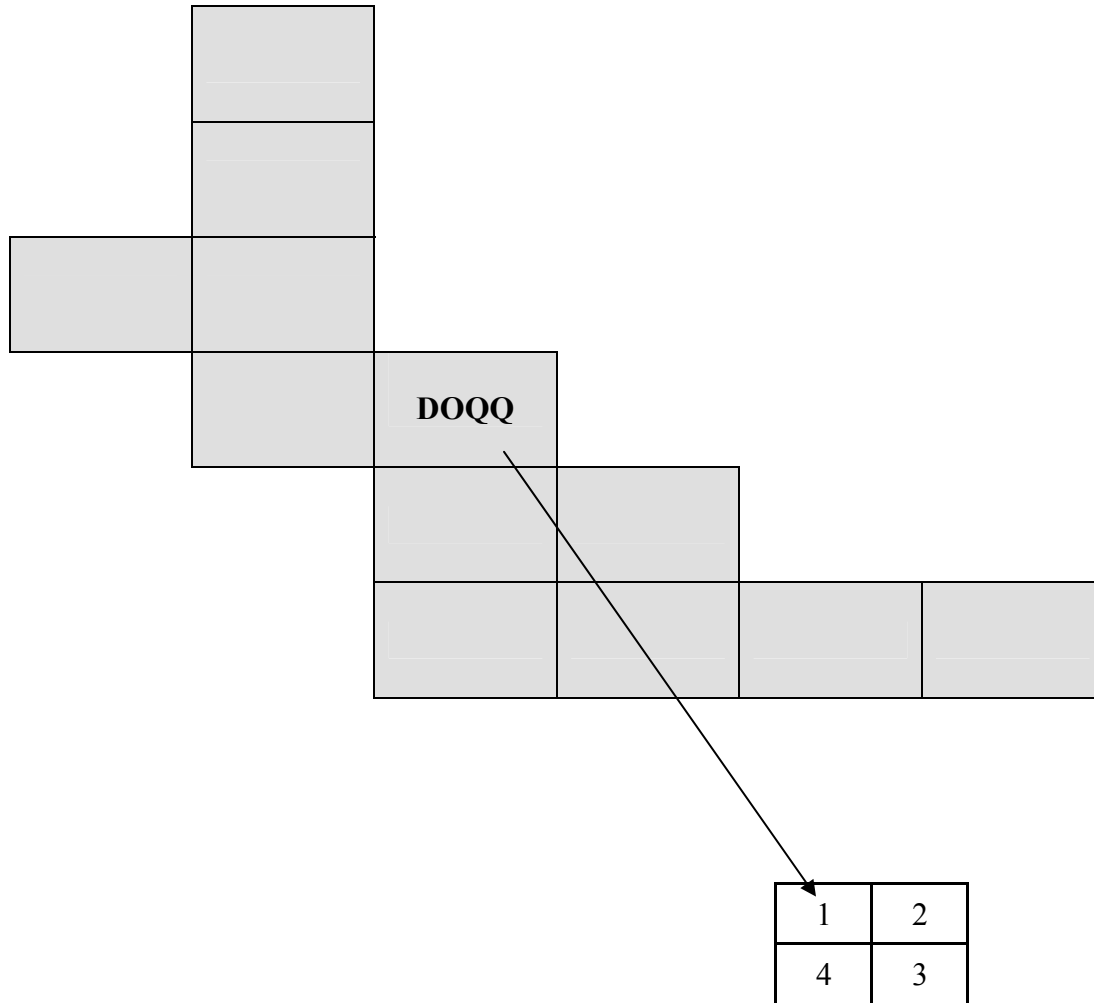
64.00002	-144.18751	A
64.04166	-144.18750	A
64.08332	-144.18752	A
64.12501	-144.18751	A

Notes:

- 1) Text is case insensitive.
- 2) Header fields are not required to occur in any particular order.
- 3) Body items must occur after the headers.
- 4) Each header item must be on a single line (no “folding”)
- 5) Keywords may not contain spaces and must be followed immediately by a colon.
- 6) The header items and body items may be separated by a NULL line (a blank line with a carriage-return/line-feed (CRLF)(ASCII 13 and 10).
- 7) Body items can only contain one data item per line and must be terminated by a carriage-return/line-feed.
- 8) Contract award number must be sent without prefix (i.e., USDA-NRCS-1-06 should be sent as 1-06).
- 9) Date must be transmitted as YYYYMMDD.
- 10) No e-mail attachments.

EXHIBIT 4

ALASKA IMAGE SCAN NAMING LOGIC



Each mosaicked DOQQ is further subdivided into 4 quarter-quarter quadrangles.

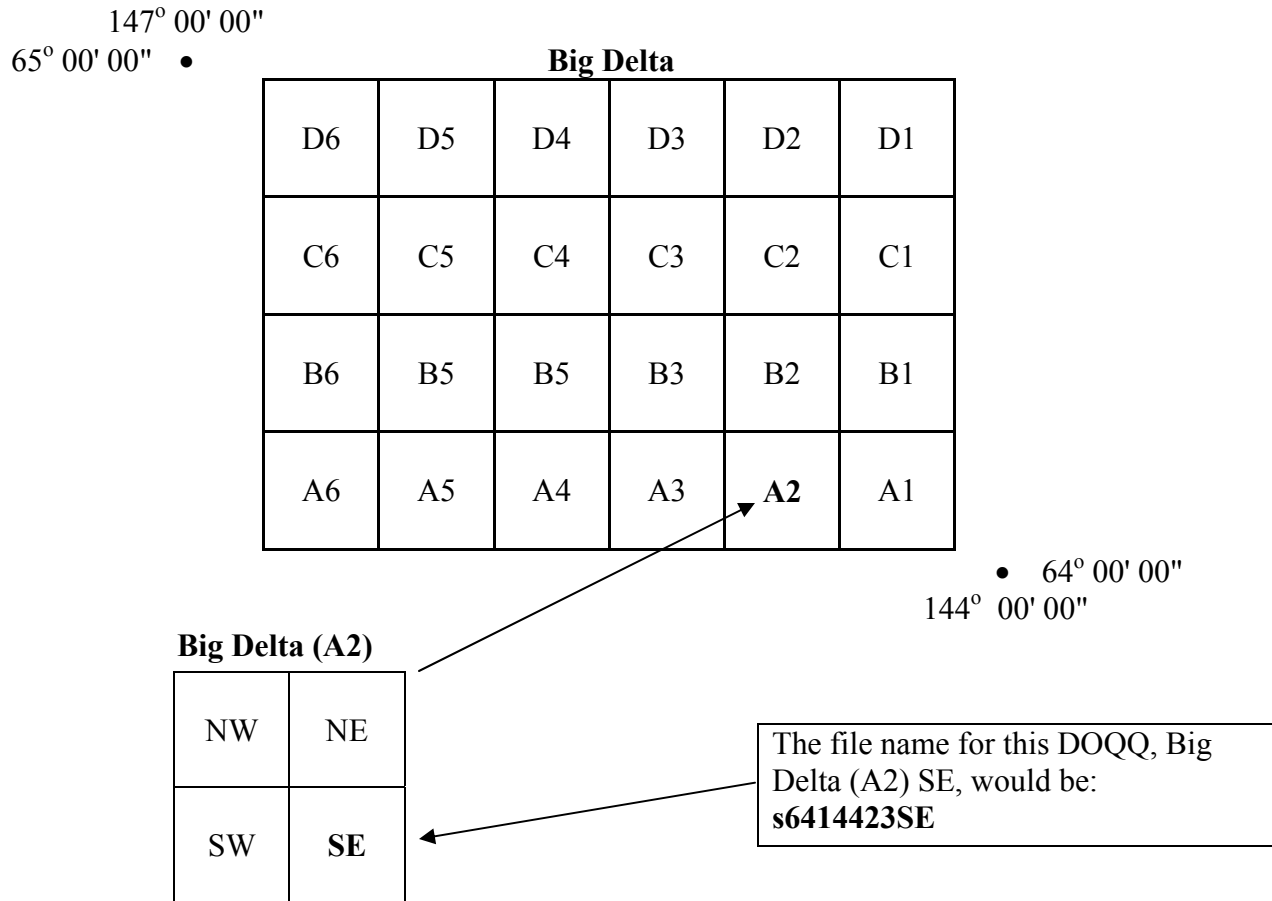
Sample: s5715211SE (mosaicked DOQQ)

Will have: 1_ s5715211SE
2_ s5715211SE
3_ s5715211SE
4_ s5715211SE scanned images

Where: 1 is the Northwest; 2 is the Northeast; 3 is the Southeast; and 4 is the Southwest quarter-quarter quad, respectfully.

EXHIBIT 5

ALASKA DOQQ FILE NAMING LOGIC



Quadrangles in Alaska are named after the parent block they are subdivided from. For the example above, Big Delta (A2) is a quadrangle located in the southeast area of Big Delta. Quarter quarters are identified by the grid location.

Sample: **s6414423SE** Where:

Latitude: Identified by 2 digit numerical value of a 1 degree block.

Longitude: Identified by 3 digit numerical value of a 1 degree block, including a leading "0" as needed.

Sheet Number: Identified by grid number (01, 02, 03, ...24 or 01, 02, 03,...32)

Quarter Quadrangle Location: Identified by grid letters (NW, NE, SW, or SE)

EXHIBIT 6

Alaska UTM Zones

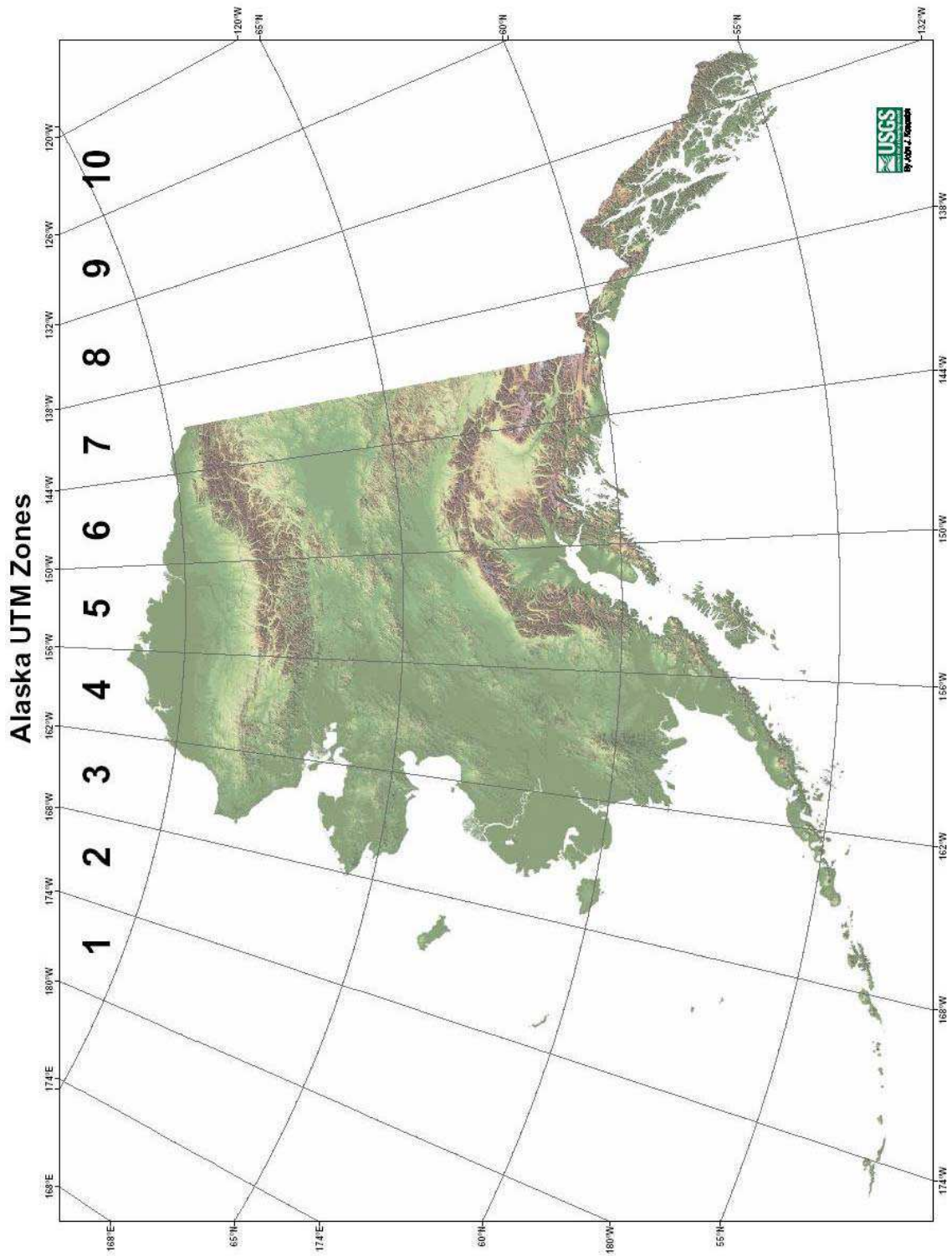


EXHIBIT 7

REGISTER OF WAGE DETERMINATIONS UNDER
 THE SERVICE CONTRACT ACT
 By direction of the Secretary of Labor

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
 EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS ADMINISTRATION
 WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION
 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20210



William W. Gross
 Director

Division of
 Wage Determinations

Wage Determination No.: 1995-0222
 Revision No.: 19
 Date of Last Revision: 07/07/2005

Nationwide: Applicable in the continental U.S. Alaska, Puerto Rico, Hawaii and Virgin Islands.

**** Fringe Benefits Required Follow the Occupational Listing ****

Employed on U.S. Government contracts for aerial photograher, aerial seeding, aerial spraying, transportation of personnel and cargo, fire reconnaissance, administrative flying, fire detection, air taxi mail service, and other flying services.

CODE	OCCUPATION TITLE	MINIMUM WAGE RATE
	Aerial Photographer	11.39
	First Officer (Co-Pilot)	20.77
31010	Airplane Pilot	22.81

EXCEPT SCHEDULED AIRLINE TRANSPORTATION AND LARGE MULTI-ENGINE AIRCRAFT SUCH AS THE B-727, DC-8, AND THE DC-9.

ALL OCCUPATIONS LISTED ABOVE RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS:

HEALTH & WELFARE: \$2.87 an hour or \$114.80 a week or \$497.47 a month

VACATION: 2 weeks paid vacation after 1 year of service with a contractor or successor; 3 weeks after 5 years, and 4 weeks after 15 years. Length of service includes the whole span of continuous service with the present contractor or successor, wherever employed, and with the predecessor contractors in the performance of similar work at the same Federal facility. (Reg. 29 CFR 4.173)

HOLIDAYS: A minimum of ten paid holidays per year: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. (A contractor may substitute for any of the named holidays another day off with pay in accordance with a plan communicated to the employees involved.) (See 29 CFR 4.174)

VACATION (Hawaii): 2 weeks paid vacation after 1 year of service with a contractor or successor; 3 weeks after 10 years, and 4 weeks after 15 years. Length of service includes the whole span of continuous service with the present contractor or successor, wherever employed, and with the predecessor contractors in the performance of similar work at the same Federal facility. (Reg. 29 CFR 4.173)

HEALTH & WELFARE (Hawaii): \$1.29 an hour for all employees on whose behalf the contractor provides health care benefits pursuant to the Hawaii prepaid Health Care Act. For those employees who are not receiving health care benefits mandated by the Hawaii prepaid Health Care Act, the new health and welfare benefit rate will be \$2.87. For information regarding the Hawaii prepaid Health Care Act, please contact the Hawaii Employers Council.

HAZARDOUS PAY DIFFERENTIAL: An 8 percent differential is applicable to employees employed in a position that represents a high degree of hazard when working with or in close proximity to ordinance, explosives, and incendiary materials. This includes work such as screening, blending, dying, mixing, and pressing of sensitive ordance, explosives, and pyrotechnic compositions such as lead azide, black powder

EXHIBIT 7 (Con't)

WAGE DETERMINATION NO.: 1995-0222 (Rev. 19)

ISSUE DATE: 07/07/2005

in the wage determination), be classified by the contractor so as to provide a reasonable relationship (i.e., appropriate level of skill comparison) between such unlisted classifications and the classifications listed in the wage determination. Such conformed classes of employees shall be paid the monetary wages and furnished the fringe benefits as are determined. Such conforming process shall be initiated by the contractor prior to the performance of contract work by such unlisted class(es) of employees. The conformed classification, wage rate, and/or fringe benefits shall be retroactive to the commencement date of the contract. {See Section 4.6 (C)(vi)} When multiple wage determinations are included in a contract, a separate SF 1444 should be prepared for each wage determination to which a class(es) is to be conformed.

The process for preparing a conformance request is as follows:

- 1) When preparing the bid, the contractor identifies the need for a conformed occupation(s) and computes a proposed rate(s).
- 2) After contract award, the contractor prepares a written report listing in order proposed classification title(s), a Federal grade equivalency (FGE) for each proposed classification(s), job description(s), and rationale for proposed wage rate(s), including information regarding the agreement or disagreement of the authorized representative of the employees involved, or where there is no authorized representative, the employees themselves. This report should be submitted to the contracting officer no later than 30 days after such unlisted class(es) of employees performs any contract work.
- 3) The contracting officer reviews the proposed action and promptly submits a report of the action, together with the agency's recommendations and pertinent information including the position of the contractor and the employees, to the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, for review. (See section 4.6(b)(2) of Regulations 29 CFR Part 4).
- 4) Within 30 days of receipt, the Wage and Hour Division approves, modifies, or disapproves the action via transmittal to the agency contracting officer, or notifies the contracting officer that additional time will be required to process the request.
- 5) The contracting officer transmits the Wage and Hour decision to the contractor.
- 6) The contractor informs the affected employees.

Information required by the Regulations must be submitted on SF 1444 or bond paper.

When preparing a conformance request, the "Service Contract Act Directory of Occupations" (the Directory) should be used to compare job definitions to insure that duties requested are not performed by a classification already listed in the wage determination. Remember, it is not the job title, but the required tasks that determine whether a class is included in an established wage determination. Conformances may not be used to artificially split, combine, or subdivide classifications listed in the wage determination.

**** OCCUPATIONS NOT INCLUDED IN THE SCA DIRECTORY OF OCCUPATIONS ****

Aerial Photographer

The aerial photographer must be skilled in reading flight maps, capable of assisting the pilot to adhere to flight lines, be able to level and operate a cartographic camera and its auxiliary equipment mounted in the aircraft so that the photographs that are taken will have the required forward lap and side lap for use in photogrammetric mapping equipment, and possess a working knowledge of aerial films and camera filters to insure proper exposure of the films.

First Officer (Co-Pilot)

Is second in command of commercial airplane and its crew while transporting passengers, mail, or other cargo on scheduled or nonscheduled flights. Assists or relieves an airline captain in operating the controls of an airplane; monitoring flight and engine instruments; and maintaining air-to-ground communications.

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and photoflash powder. All dry-house activities involving propellants or explosives. Demilitarization, modification, renovation, demolition, and maintenance operations on sensitive ordnance, explosives and incendiary materials. All operations involving regrading and cleaning of artillery ranges.

A 4 percent differential is applicable to employees employed in a position that represents a low degree of hazard when working with, or in close proximity to ordnance, (or employees possibly adjacent to) explosives and incendiary materials which involves potential injury such as laceration of hands, face, or arms of the employee engaged in the operation, irritation of the skin, minor burns and the like; minimal damage to immediate or adjacent work area or equipment being used. All operations involving, unloading, storage, and hauling of ordnance, explosive, and incendiary ordnance material other than small arms ammunition. These differentials are only applicable to work that has been specifically designated by the agency for ordnance, explosives, and incendiary material differential pay.

** UNIFORM ALLOWANCE **

If employees are required to wear uniforms in the performance of this contract (either by the terms of the Government contract, by the employer, by the state or local law, etc.), the cost of furnishing such uniforms and maintaining (by laundering or dry cleaning) such uniforms is an expense that may not be borne by an employee where such cost reduces the hourly rate below that required by the wage determination. The Department of Labor will accept payment in accordance with the following standards as compliance:

The contractor or subcontractor is required to furnish all employees with an adequate number of uniforms without cost or to reimburse employees for the actual cost of the uniforms. In addition, where uniform cleaning and maintenance is made the responsibility of the employee, all contractors and subcontractors subject to this wage determination shall (in the absence of a bona fide collective bargaining agreement providing for a different amount, or the furnishing of contrary affirmative proof as to the actual cost), reimburse all employees for such cleaning and maintenance at a rate of \$3.35 per week (or \$.67 cents per day). However, in those instances where the uniforms furnished are made of "wash and wear" materials, may be routinely washed and dried with other personal garments, and do not require any special treatment such as dry cleaning, daily washing, or commercial laundering in order to meet the cleanliness or appearance standards set by the terms of the Government contract, by the contractor, by law, or by the nature of the work, there is no requirement that employees be reimbursed for uniform maintenance costs.

** NOTES APPLYING TO THIS WAGE DETERMINATION **

Under the policy and guidance contained in All Agency Memorandum No. 159, the Wage and Hour Division does not recognize, for section 4(c) purposes, prospective wage rates and fringe benefit provisions that are effective only upon such contingencies as "approval of Wage and Hour, issuance of a wage determination, incorporation of the wage determination in the contract, adjusting the contract price, etc." (The relevant CBA section) in the collective bargaining agreement between (the parties) contains contingency language that Wage and Hour does not recognize as reflecting "arm's length negotiation" under section 4(c) of the Act and 29 C.F.R. 5.11(a) of the regulations. This wage determination therefore reflects the actual CBA wage rates and fringe benefits paid under the predecessor contract.

Source of Occupational Title and Descriptions:

The duties of employees under job titles listed are those described in the "Service Contract Act Directory of Occupations," Fourth Edition, January 1993, as amended by the Third Supplement, dated March 1997, unless otherwise indicated. This publication may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, at 202-783-3238, or by writing to the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. Copies of specific job descriptions may also be obtained from the appropriate contracting officer.

REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION OF ADDITIONAL CLASSIFICATION AND WAGE RATE {Standard Form 1444 (SF 1444)}

Conformance Process:

The contracting officer shall require that any class of service employee which is not listed herein and which is to be employed under the contract (i.e., the work to be performed is not performed by any classification listed

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GLOSSARY AND DEFINITIONS

Acquisition Period: The calendar period in which the project item area imagery is required to be acquired.

Aerial Photography: Traditional film based, vertical, high resolution imagery.

Camera System: The combination of lens, cone, magazine(s), and camera filter(s) which have been calibrated as an integral unit.

Contract Award Item: A separately awarded contract that may contain one or more project item areas awarded to a single contractor. Contract award items are indicated by the numeric solicitation number followed by sequential award item numbers (i.e., 1-06-1, 1-06-2, 1-06-3, etc).

Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR): A person contract who has the responsibility of providing technical information such as site ground and weather conditions on a contract.

Contracting Officer's Representative (COR): A person who is responsible for specific technical and administrative duties related to a contract.

Direct Digital Imagery: Vertical, high resolution imagery directly captured using a digital sensor. Either airborne or space-borne systems.

Exposure Stations: Pre-determined locations where photo centers of individual frames are to be exposed.

Film Titling: Information annotated on the original aerial film pertaining to project item area and exposure identification.

Ground Sample Distance: The ground sample distance is the distance on the ground respresented by each pixel in the x and y components.

Original Photography: All aerial photography, as secured by the Contractor, prior to its inspection by the USDA, including any reflights made at the discretion of the Contractor.

Project Item Area: An area or areas described in the Schedule for which an award shall be made to one offeror.

Quarter Quadrangle: A full quadrangle is defined in Alaska as a 30 by 15 minute (except between latitude 59° and 62° North, where the full quadrangle is defined as 22½ by 15 minute) area as established for the USGS topographic mapping series. A quarter quadrangle is one-fourth the size and is 15 by 7½ minute (or 11¼ by 7½ minute between latitude 59° and 62° North).

Reflight Photography: Photography reflown to replace original photography rejected by USDA.

Remake Materials: Any contract materials, other than the original aerial film, ordered remade by USDA.

Stereomodel: The area covered by the conjugate images of three successive overlapping exposures.

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SECTION K

REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS, AND OTHER STATEMENTS OF OFFERORS

K-1 ANNUAL REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS (JAN 2006) (FAR 52.204-8)

(a)(1) The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for this acquisition is **541922**.

(2) The small business size standard is **\$6 million**.

(3) The small business size standard for a concern which submits an offer in its own name, other than on a construction or service contract, but which proposes to furnish a product which it did not itself manufacture, is 500 employees.

(b)(1) If the clause at 52.204-7, Central Contractor Registration, is included in this solicitation, paragraph (c) of this provision applies.

(2) If the clause at 52.204-7 is not included in this solicitation, and the offeror is currently registered in CCR, and has completed the ORCA electronically, the offeror may choose to use paragraph (c) of this provision instead of completing the corresponding individual representations and certifications in the solicitation. The offeror shall indicate which option applies by checking one of the following boxes:

(i) Paragraph (c) applies.

(ii) Paragraph (c) does not apply and the offeror has completed the individual representations and certifications in the solicitation.

(c) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically via the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA) website at <http://orca.bpn.gov>. After reviewing the ORCA database information, the offeror verifies by submission of the offer that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically have been entered or updated within the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard applicable to the NAICS code referenced for this solicitation), as of the date of this offer and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201); except for the changes identified below [*offeror to insert changes, identifying change by clause number, title, date*]. These amended representation(s) and/or certification(s) are also incorporated in this offer and are current, accurate, and complete as of the date of this offer.

FAR Clause #	Title	Date	Change
_____	_____	_____	_____

Any changes provided by the offeror are applicable to this solicitation only, and do not result in an update to the representations and certifications posted on ORCA.

(End of provision)

K-2 ADDRESS TO WHICH PAYMENT SHOULD BE MAILED

In the space provided below, the Contractor is requested to indicate the address to which payment should be mailed, or indicate "same" if it is the same as the address shown on the solicitation form (page 1).

K-3 PAST PERFORMANCE REFERENCES

If no previous contracts have been held by the offeror with the Aerial Photography Field Office, list two (2) references with whom the offeror has held similar contracts. If possible, one reference should be within the Federal Government.

(List company or agency name, address, name of person to contact, and telephone number)

(1) _____	(2) _____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**K-4 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)
(FAR 52.252-1)**

This contract incorporates one or more solicitation provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. The offeror is cautioned that the listed provisions may include blocks that must be completed by the offeror and submitted with its quotation or offer. In lieu of submitting the full text of those provisions, the offeror may identify the provision by paragraph identifier and provide the appropriate information with its quotation or offer. Also, the full text of a solicitation provision may be accessed electronically at this address: www.arnet.gov/far.

FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1) PROVISIONS:

- 52.203-11 Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions (SEP 2005)
- 52.204-05 Women-Owned Business (Other Than Small Business) (MAY 1999)

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SECTION L - INSTRUCTIONS, CONDITIONS, AND NOTICES TO OFFERORS

L-1 TYPE OF CONTRACT (APR 1984)(FAR 52.216-01)

The Government contemplates award of a Firm-Fixed-Price contract resulting from this solicitation.

L-2 INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF TECHNICAL AND PRICING PROPOSALS

The following instructions establish the acceptable minimum requirements for the format and content of proposals. Offeror's are advised to furnish all information in the sequence and format specified below. Failure to furnish all information requested may adversely affect the evaluation of the proposal. Proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the evaluation factors set forth in Section M of this solicitation.

2.1 General Instructions

Proposal must be prepared in two parts: Part I: Pricing Proposal, and Part II: Technical Proposal. Each of the parts shall be separate and complete in itself so that evaluation of one may be accomplished independently from evaluation of the other. The technical proposal must not contain any reference to cost or price.

Proposal should be precise, factual and responsive and must include, but is not limited to, the information listed below. Proposal content shall be organized in two separate parts and be submitted in the order indicated as follows:

2.2 PART I Pricing Proposal

Pricing information and related data shall be submitted as Part I of the offeror's proposal. Each proposal must contain a signed and dated Standard Form 33 (page 1 of the solicitation) with items 12 through 18 completed. Section B should be submitted in its entirety with the quantities offered, the unit price(s), and the total price(s) for the item(s) indicated in the appropriate locations.

2.3 PART II Technical Proposal

Response to the following technical statements will form the basis of a proposal's technical merit. Offerors are cautioned to address all requested information as complete and accurate as possible. Data contained in Section K of the solicitation document shall be referenced in support of statements.

(a) Project Management Capability

(1) Statement of technical approach to project management that would assure timely completion and shipment of all work by or before the required delivery schedule. Statement should include detailed description of planned approach, procedures, management techniques, capacities, and specialized equipment and processes to be used in performance of the work.

(2) Statement of subcontractor management plan which includes a list of proposed subcontractors, what work they will perform, and how their performance will be managed and monitored.

(3) Scheduling and site basing of aerial photo crew and aircraft based on knowledge of the weather patterns during the acquisition period of the project item.

(4) Detailed overviews of scanning and/or digital image processing procedures of the aerial photography/imagery.

(b) Past Performance History

(1) Past performance will be evaluated based on relevant performance history contained in USDA contract records of projects awarded by the FSA Aerial Photography Field Office. Offeror's past performance will be evaluated according to the following criteria and may include other relevant factors:

- (i) Contract performance record;
- (ii) Project completion record;
- (iii) Delivery schedule compliance record.

(2) If no previous contracts have been held by the offeror with the Aerial Photography Field Office, list two (2) references with whom the offeror has held similar contracts. List past performance references in the space provided in Section K of the solicitation document.

(3) If an offeror does not have, or have available, a past performance history, the offeror's proposal will not be evaluated favorably or unfavorably on past performance.

(c) Quality Control System

Detailed statement on Contractor quality control system that will insure all contract materials submitted for inspection are in compliance with contract specifications. See Section C, Paragraph 1.1(c) for quality control requirements.

(d) Personnel Qualifications

List all professional and technical personnel intended to perform on this contract in the

appropriate locations in Section K of the solicitation document. Recommended list includes Project Manager, Aircraft Pilot(s), Aerial Photographer(s), and key back-up or support personnel. Brief resumes may be provided on separate papers for the personnel listed, stating name, title, education, past experience, and years of experience.

(e) Aircraft and Camera/Digital Sensor Availability

List all aircraft and cameras/sensors intended to be used in completion of this contract in the appropriate locations in Section K of the solicitation document. If availability of equipment is contingent on other contractual commitments running concurrently with the work contemplated by this solicitation, indicate such in proposal statement. Unless otherwise stated, all aircraft and cameras/sensors listed will have exclusive availability for performance of the work as defined in this contract.

(f) Incomplete Contracts

List all incomplete contracts which require performance during the approximate photographic period indicated in Section B and affect equipment and personnel listed herein. List shall include project name, client, and remaining linear miles. Total remaining linear miles shall be summarized in the appropriate location in Section K of the solicitation document.

2.4 Solicitation Document and Supporting Data

The offeror's proposal must include the following required information and supporting data specified in the solicitation document:

Section K:

- (a) Annual Representations and Certifications,
- (b) Incomplete Contracts as of Date of Proposal,
- (c) Aircraft to be Used in Completion of the Contract,
- (d) Cameras or Digital Sensors to be Used in Completion of the Contract,
- (e) Past Performance References (if required),
- (f) Key Personnel to Perform on the Contract.

Section L:

- (a) Camera Calibration Report(s),
- (b) Current Financial Statement,
- (c) Digital Sensor Sample Imagery

The solicitation document may be submitted in its entirety, complete with Sections C through M, or at a minimum with Sections A, B, K, and L.

L-3 TASK ORDER PROCEDURES

The Government will use a simplified method of negotiations for issuance of task orders under the resulting multi-award contracts. All Contractors will be provided a fair opportunity to receive task order awards. The procedures explained below represent the Government's approach to task order issuance. Through Government and Contractor cooperation, it is anticipated that innovative approaches incorporating lessons learned may result in more efficient and effective performance of the work.

3.1 Base Year (2006) Procedures

- (a) Offers shall be submitted by Contractors as part of their contract proposal to furnish aerial photography and imagery processing services in project items/states that they can successfully complete given their current capacities, area of interest, and delivery schedule. The offer will include a pricing proposal that is based upon states and/or areas of interest.
- (b) Negotiation of proposed pricing, areas offered, and quantities shall be conducted using the source selection criteria specified in Section M. This source selection process will be used as a basis for contract award and task order issuance. Only proposals submitted by Contractors whose overall scores are within the competitive range shall be considered for negotiation (see Section M-1.2, Competitive Range). Inclusion in negotiations does not guarantee a contract award. Negotiations shall be performed by oral communication with the Contracting Officer followed by faxed confirmation of agreement.
- (c) Task orders awards for negotiated prices, areas, and quantities will be issued immediately following contract awards by the authorized Government Contracting Officer.

3.2 Option Year (2007) Procedures

Task orders for the two option year periods shall be issued in accordance with the following procedures:

- (a) A simplified Request for Proposal (RFP) containing task order statements of work will be provided to contractors at the beginning of the new contract performance period. The RFP will briefly describe for the new option year estimated quantities, acquisition periods, delivery schedules, and any other significant changes from the prior year requirements that are within the scope of the contract.
- (b) Contractors will be required to respond to the task order statement of work similar to the original RFP covering terms of pricing, areas of interest, and performance capacities.
- (c) Task order proposals submitted by the Contractors will be evaluated and negotiated based on the original technical proposal score as established in the original contract proposal evaluation. Contractor's original technical scores will be updated with revisions to past performance based on their performance on task orders during the prior contract

year, changes in capacity, and any other changes affecting the technical score. Contractor submitted pricing, areas of interest, estimated quantities, and delivery schedules will be evaluated and negotiated, resulting in task order awards. The goal of these procedures is to provide all Contractors a fair opportunity for issuance of task orders that provide the Government the best value.

L-4 AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY CAMERA CALIBRATION REPORT

For all aerial photography acquisitions, each offeror shall have on file with the Aerial Photography Field Office, or shall submit with the offer, one copy of a Report of Calibration from the U.S. Geological Survey for each camera to be used. A camera calibration report will not be acceptable if more than three years old at the time of the scheduled date for receipt of offers. Please indicate which statement is correct:

- Calibration report on file at APFO.
- Calibration report submitted with offer.
- Not required.

L-5 DIGITAL SENSOR APPROVAL REQUIREMENTS

Each offeror proposing to use a digital camera/sensor, shall have on file with the Aerial Photography Field Office, or shall submit with the offer, (1) a report of calibration, (2) sample digital imagery, (3) digital sensor documentation from the camera/sensor proposed for use. Please refer to Attachment B for digital camera/sensor approval requirements.

For each digital sensor proposed to be used, please indicate which statement is correct:

- Digital Sensor Approval Requirements on file at APFO.
- Digital Sensor Approval Requirements submitted with offer.
- Not required.

L-6 CURRENT FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Offerors may be required to provide a "current" financial statement. For purposes of this solicitation, a current financial statement would be the most recent annual report, updated, if necessary, so that information reflects the company's financial status within six (6) months.

All data shall be certified by an authorized company officer as to its accuracy and veracity or validated by an independent certified public account. If necessary, the Contracting Officer may request additional financial information.

Financial information received will be treated as confidential and will not be used for purposes other than evaluation of financial responsibility. Failure to provide this information may delay or prohibit the Contracting Officer from making an affirmative decision on the offerors responsibility. Please indicate which statement is correct:

- Current financial statement on file at APFO.
- Current financial statement submitted with offer.

L-7 CONTRACT DIFFICULTIES AND CONTINGENCIES

Offerors are cautioned to examine the solicitation, visit the work location if necessary, and evaluate the facilities needed and difficulties attending the execution of the proposed contract. Considerations include local conditions, uncertainty of weather, availability of landing fields, restricted air space, and all other contingencies.

L-8 SERVICE OF PROTEST (AUG 1996) (FAR 52.233-2)

Protests, as defined in Section 33.101 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, that are filed directly with an agency, and copies of any protests that are filed with the General Accounting Office (GAO) shall be served on the Contracting Officer (addressed as follows) by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from; Director, Acquisition Management, USDA/FSA/MSD/AG Code 0567, P.O. Box 2415, Washington, D.C. 20013-2415.

The copy of any protest shall be received in the office designated above within one day of filing a protest with the GAO.

L-9 INQUIRIES (FEB 1988) (AGAR 452.204-70)

Inquiries and all correspondence concerning this solicitation should be submitted in writing to the Contracting Officer. Offerors should contact only the contracting officer issuing the solicitation about any aspect of this requirement prior to contract award.

L-10 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998) (FAR 52.252-1)

This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will

make their full text available. The offeror is cautioned that the listed provisions may include blocks that must be completed by the offeror and submitted with its quotation or offer. In lieu of submitting the full text of those provisions, the offeror may identify the provision by paragraph identifier and provide the appropriate information with its quotation or offer. Also, the full text of a solicitation provision may be accessed electronically at this address: www.arnet.gov/far.

FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1) PROVISIONS:

- 52.204-06 Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number (OCT 2003)
- 52.215-01 Instructions to Offerors - Competitive Acquisition (JAN 2004)

PART IV - REPRESENTATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS

SECTION M - EVALUATION FACTORS FOR AWARD

M-1 PROPOSAL EVALUATION

Proposal evaluation is an assessment of the proposal and the offeror's ability to perform the prospective contract successfully. The Government shall establish an evaluation team that includes appropriate contracting, technical, and other expertise to ensure a comprehensive evaluation of proposals.

1.1 Technical Evaluation Team

The Technical Evaluation Team will evaluate, and rank according to technical merit, all proposals in accordance with the evaluation factors established in this solicitation. The team will not have access to the pricing proposal during the technical evaluation process. The offeror's proposal shall be in the format prescribed in Section L and shall contain a response to each of the areas identified.

1.2 Competitive Range

The Contracting Officer shall establish the competitive range based on ratings of each proposal against all evaluation criteria including price. The competitive range shall be comprised of all of the most highly rated proposals. The competitive range can be limited for purposes of efficiency (see FAR 52.215-1(f)(4)). If negotiations are conducted in the source selection process they shall occur after establishment of the competitive range.

1.3 Source Selection Decision

The Contracting Officer shall select for purposes of contract award the overall superior proposal which offers the "best value" to the Government, price and other factors considered. The decision shall be based on a comparative assessment of proposals against all source selection criteria in the solicitation.

M-2 EVALUATION FACTORS

Proposals shall be evaluated according to the following criteria including all supporting information furnished by the offeror with the proposal. The evaluation criteria are listed in descending order of importance with relative point values indicated. See Section L for instructions for preparation of technical and pricing proposals.

2.1 Technical Evaluation

<u>Evaluation Criteria</u>	<u>Relative Point Value</u>
(a) Project Management Capability	25
(b) Past Performance History	25
(c) Quality Control System	20
(d) Personnel Qualifications	10
(e) Aircraft and Camera Availability	10
(f) Incomplete Contracts	<u>10</u>
	100

2.2 Price Evaluation

While technical excellence is considered more significant than price, the proposed price between technically superior proposals shall be an important factor in selection of a proposal for award. The Government reserves the right to make an award to other than the lowest priced offeror, or other than the highest technically rated offeror, when the perceived benefits and tradeoffs provide the Government the greatest value.

Based on comparative evaluations of the pricing proposals for the basic and optional award item requirements (see Sections B-1 and B-5), the Government will consider for award that offer that represents the greatest value and is determined to be in the best interest and the most advantageous to the Government.

Offerors are cautioned to insert the unit price and the total price for the Project Item(s) in the appropriate locations in Section B. In case of discrepancy between a unit price (price per DOQQ) and an extended price (total price), the unit price will be presumed to be correct, subject, however, to correction to the same extent and in the same manner as any other mistake.

2.3 Other Factors

The Contracting Officer will consider, in addition to the evaluation criteria, the prospective Contractor's responsibility record in terms of financial resources, business integrity and ethics, and other standards, as defined in the Federal Acquisition Regulation, Part 9.

M-3 EVALUATION EXCLUSIVE OF OPTIONS (APR 1984) (FAR 52.217-3)

The Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by including only price for the base year requirements; i.e., optional years will not be included in the evaluation for award purposes.

M-4 CONTRACT AWARD

The Government intends to evaluate proposals and award a contract or contracts resulting from this solicitation after conducting discussions with offerors whose proposals have been determined to be within the competitive range.

4.1 Contract Award

The contract will be awarded to that responsive and responsible offeror whose proposal represents the greatest value and is determined to be in the best interest and the most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered.

4.2 Possibility of Award Without Discussion

Notice is given to all offerors that there is a possibility that award may be made without discussion or further negotiation. Proposals should be submitted initially on the most favorable terms, from a price and technical standpoint, which the offeror can submit to the Government.

4.3 Required or Requested Information

Award will be made only in conjunction with proposals from responsible prospective Contractors. Failure to provide the information, material, and/or documentation either required in Sections K and L, or requested by the Contracting Officer, within eight (8) calendar days of the request, may result in the proposal being rejected.

ATTACHMENT A
ALASKA SPECIFICATION FOR
FILM BASED ACQUISITION

(Dated March 31, 2006)

1.0 USDA AERIAL CAMERA SPECIFICATION

Tested and calibrated aerial cameras for taking aerial photographs are required. Camera systems must be compatible with precision stereoscopic mapping instruments and with analytical mensuration procedures used in photogrammetric surveys and in preparing accurate orthophotography. Only camera systems which meet the requirements of these specifications, as determined by a current USGS "Report of Calibration" test report, shall be used

1.1 Aerial Camera and Filter

- (a) Required Camera Lens Focal Length: 6 inch (153mm) with Antivignetting filter for color positive film, and an Antivignetting and Kodak Wratten No. 12 (minus blue), or equal filter for color infrared positive film.
- (b) Camera systems must be compatible with precision stereoscopic mapping instruments and with analytical mensuration procedures used in photogrammetric surveys and in preparing accurate topographic maps.
- (c) Proposed camera systems will be evaluated to determine if they meet the contract specifications, based on a current U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) camera calibration test report. The Contracting Officer shall have the right to require the removal of a camera from use when deficiencies in photographic imagery attributable to the camera are found to exist. Any camera removed from use by the Contracting Officer shall not be returned to use on USDA projects until the cause of the malfunction is corrected to the satisfaction of USDA. That determination will be based on acceptable samples and/or an additional test by the Optical Science Laboratory of the USGS, if directed by the Contracting Officer.

1.2 Camera Operation

The camera and its mount shall be checked for proper installation prior to each mission. Particular attention shall be given to electrical circuits which control fiducial and camera data box lights and to the vacuum supply. In conformance with conventional photogrammetric practice, it is the preference of the Government that the contractor use camera configurations, that when installed in the aircraft, advances film parallel to the line of flight.

1.3 Camera Accessories

- (a) Automatic Exposure Control. An automatic exposure control device is permitted, but a manual override capability is required for some types of terrain to achieve proper exposure.
- (b) Camera Mount. The camera mount shall be regularly serviced and maintained and shall be insulated against aircraft vibration.
- (c) Camera Port Glass. Aircraft camera port glass shall be preferably 50mm thick but not less than 32mm thick. The surface finish shall be 80/50 or better. Glass material shall be polished crown, group category M, Mil Specs Mil-W-1366F (ASG), dated October 1975, C-1 optical quality or better.

1.4 Camera System "Report of Calibration"

One copy of the "Report of Calibration" from the USGS, for any camera system to be used, is required to be either on file at the USDA, or submitted with the contractor's offer. A camera system "Report of Calibration" will not be acceptable if more than three (3) years old at the scheduled date for receipt of offers.

1.5 Calibration Tests

Tests to determine compliance with these specifications will be performed by the Optical Science Laboratory of the USGS. The fee for the tests and the arrangements to have the tests performed are the responsibility of the contractor. Delays encountered in having camera systems tested by the USGS Optical Science Laboratory will not be considered reason for the USDA to accept offers lacking such reports. Each camera system submitted for calibration shall be accompanied by all magazines and filters that might be used with the camera. Controls and camera mounts should not be submitted unless requested by the calibrating laboratory. Instructions for operation of the camera, including directions for holding the shutter open for laboratory tests, shall accompany each camera unless ascertained to be on file with the calibrating laboratory.

(a) Interval Between Tests

The interval between tests for camera system calibrations shall not exceed three (3) years, unless otherwise approved by the Contracting Officer. However, when there is any reason to believe that the dimensional relationship of the lens, fiducial marks, and film plane have been disturbed by partial disassembly or unusual mechanical shock, the camera must be submitted for recalibration at contractor expense.

(b) Contact for Calibration Tests

U.S. Geological Survey
National Mapping Division
560 National Center
Reston, Virginia 20192
Attention: Chief, Optical Science Laboratory
Phone: (703) 648-4692

(c) Shipping Address for Calibration Tests

U.S. Geological Survey
12201 Sunrise Valley Drive
Reston, Virginia 20192
Attention: Frank MacCue (703) 648-4692

1.6 Constructional Design Necessary to Permit Testing

To permit testing for determination of calibrated focal length, distortion, resolving power, fiducial mark locations, and stereo model flatness, the constructional design of the camera shall be as follows:

(a) Focal Plane

The focal plane shall be accessible from the rear so that a telescope placed behind the camera may view objects in front of the lens, limited only by the size of the focal plane opening. It shall be possible to place the surface of an optical flat having a thickness of 31mm (1¼ inches) on the focal plane of the camera.

(b) Focal Plane Frame

The focal plane frame shall be so constructed as to permit placement of a glass photographic plate on its surface so that the emulsion surface of the glass photographic plate lies in the true focal plane of the camera. The size of the frame image shall be 23 x 23cm (9 x 9 inches).

1.7 Camera Components Required for Testing

(a) Lens Cone Assembly

The lens cone assembly must be so constructed that the lens and fiducial marks comprise an integral unit. The design of the lens cone shall be such that it maintains the required precise relationship between the lens, fiducial marks, and focal plane on which the film platen shall be positioned. Construction shall be such as to maintain the dimensional relationship of these components

under normal conditions of transportation, handling, and use, which can include considerable mechanical and thermal shock. The structure holding these components shall be supported in use in such a manner that stresses likely to change the required dimensional relationships cannot be transmitted to it from the supporting body or mount. The lens cone assembly shall be so designed and manufactured that all parts will return precisely to their original positions, should it be necessary for any reason to disassemble it. However, any disassembly of the lens cone assembly shall require recalibration at contractor's expense before further use.

(b) Film Platen

Cameras shall be equipped with an approved means of flattening the film at the instant of exposure. The platen against which the film is held shall not depart by more than ± 0.013 mm from a true plane, when the camera/magazine vacuum is applied.

(c) Shutter

The camera shall be equipped with a between-the-lens shutter of the variable-speed type. The range of speed settings shall be such that, for all anticipated combinations of flight heights, aircraft speeds, film speeds, and light conditions, the camera will produce high-resolution photographs. The effective exposure time and efficiency of the shutter as mounted in the camera will be measured at a maximum aperture and shall have a minimum efficiency of 70 percent at a speed of 1/200 second. This test shall be made in accordance with the "American National Standard Shutter Tests for Still-Picture Cameras," Method I, approved January 12, 1972, American national Standards Institute (PH3.48-1972) (R1978). The shutter shall have a speed of 1/400 second and slower for exposing film negatives during calibration.

(d) Fiducial Marks

Either four or eight fiducial marks are required. If the four fiducial marks are in the corners of the format area, there must be a set of marks (V-notches or equivalent) in the frame at the midsides for use in centering diapositives in a stereoplotter. If there are eight fiducial marks, the corner fiducial marks shall form a quadrilateral whose sides are equal within ± 0.500 mm. The midside fiducial marks shall be equidistant within ± 0.500 mm from the adjacent corner fiducial marks. All fiducial marks and other marks intended for precise measuring shall be clear and well-defined on the aerial film and shall be of such a form and contrast that the standard deviation of repeated reading of the coordinates of each made on a precision comparator shall not exceed 0.002mm. For cameras with projection type fiducial marks the projected images of all marks must be in sharp focus on the emulsion surface. Drawings in Figure 2 show acceptable fiducial marks and their arrangements. Fiducials

without a center point mark or intersecting lines will not be acceptable. Glass or plastic mounts for fiducial marks will not be acceptable.

- (1) The lines joining opposite pairs of fiducial markers shall intersect at an angle within one minute of 90 degrees. (See Figure 3)
- (2) The intersection of lines between fiducials--the indicated principal point--shall not be further than 0.030mm from the point of autocollimation. (See Figure 3)

(e) Filter

Only glass filters with metallic antivignetting coating shall be used to reduce the illumination for uniform distribution of light over the focal plane format. A microdensitometer trace will be made from the antivignetting coating side of the filter to determine if any deterioration is present that would affect the uniformity of illumination in the focal plane. Deteriorations in excess of 50% of the height of the nominal curve for a lease type will be reason for rejection of a filter. The surface with the antivignetting coating shall be toward the camera lens. The filter shall have surfaces parallel within 10 seconds of arc, and its optical quality shall be such that its addition to the camera shall enhance the uniformity of focal plane illumination and not cause a reduction in image resolution. Glass filter combinations which may be required will be specified in the contract.

1.8 Lens and Platen/Magazine Identification

The camera or lens number, and the most recent calibrated focal length shall be recorded clearly on the film for each frame either on the inside of the focal plane frame or on a data strip between frames. An alpha numeric mark (or symbol) contained in the platen/magazine which identifies the platen/magazine may also be recorded if available on each frame of film. Data markers located on the inside of the focal plane frame shall not exceed 6.35mm (0.25 inch) in height and 25.4mm (1.0 inch) in length and shall not obscure any part of the fiducial marks.

1.9 Optical Requirements

Cameras will be given both a static and an operational type test made after final assembly of all parts of the camera system with the light filter in place on the lens. All tests of the lens cone assembly for determination of the calibration constants, calibrated focal length, distortion and resolution will be made using high contrast targets and Eastman Kodak Spectroscopic emulsion Type 157-01 on Kodak Aerial Calibration Plates. Cameras will be operationally tested for stereo model flatness and resolution by exposing Eastman Kodak Double-X Aerographic film 2405 in the camera while mounted on a multicollimator camera calibrator. (The optical requirements for distortion, model flatness, and resolution for various focal length

cameras are defined and tabulated in Table 1.) The camera focal length stated in the contract must meet the minimum requirements for that focal length as shown in Table 1.

(a) Distortion

- (1) Radial. The distortion in image position as measured along radial lines from the principal point of symmetry. The value of the average radial distortion referred to the calibrated focal length shall not exceed the amount shown in Table 1.
- (2) Decentering. The distortion in image position as measured perpendicular to radial lines from the principal point of symmetry. The value of the decentering distortion shall not exceed the amount shown in Table 1. This value shall be evaluated for 153mm cameras only.

(b) Point of Symmetry

The calibrated principal point — the point of symmetry — shall not be further than 0.020 mm from the point of autocollimation for 153mm focal length lenses and no further than 0.040mm for all other focal length lenses. (See Figure 3/Table 1)

(c) Resolution

Radial and tangential resolving power, in line pairs per millimeter, shall be no less than the value listed in Table 1 for each focal length lens.

(d) Test Aperture

All camera-lens calibration tests shall be made at the maximum aperture specified by the manufacturer for that lens.

(e) Model Flatness

The model flatness test will be performed only for 153mm (6 inch) and 88mm (3½ inch) cameras. Diapositives will be printed from two film exposures of the collimator targets on micro flat glass plates. Two stereo models will be analytically formed from these using different halves of the exposures for each model. Each model thus formed will consist of a small fixed number of symmetrically arranged points. The allowable deviation from flatness, taken as the range between the maximum negative and the maximum positive value shall be no greater than $\pm 1/8000$ of the focal length of a nominal 153mm camera, or $\pm 1/5000$ of the focal length of a nominal 88 mm camera. If elevation discrepancies exceed this value, the camera will not be acceptable. (See Table 1.)

2.0 AERIAL FILM

All aerial film used on a project item shall be from one manufacturer and purchased by the Contractor. Extreme care shall be exercised to insure proper exposure and processing of film in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.

2.1 Approved Aerial Film:

- (a) Color Positive Film: Kodak Aerochrome III MS Film 2427, Agfa Aviphot Chrome 200 PE1, or equal.
- (b) Color Infrared Positive Film: Kodak SO-734 Aerochrome III Infrared NP, or equal.

2.2 Salient Film Characteristics

- (a) Only very fine grained, unexpired, polyester base films shall be used. The film base shall have a nominal thickness of 4 mils and be 24.1 cm (9.5 inches) wide. The color and color infrared positives shall be of such quality to produce sharp, color images that provide maximum image detail.
- (b) The natural color positive film will have a diffuse rms granularity value of 13 or lower (read at a net green diffuse density of 1.0 with a 48-micron aperture). Color emulsions shall be balanced for daylight exposure and the spectral sensitivity will cover the entire visible spectrum to 700 nanometers or greater.
- (c) The color infrared positive film will have a diffuse rms granularity value of 23 or lower (read at a net diffuse density of 1.0 with a 48-micron aperture). Color infrared emulsions will be sensitive to ultraviolet, visible, and infrared radiation to 900 nanometers or greater.

2.3 Processing

All aerial film shall be processed under controlled sensitometric conditions, to achieve consistent and even development. All film shall be exposed and processed to the manufacturer's specifications. Modified or non-standard processing is not permitted. Prior to processing, a 21-step sensitometric wedge (in 0.15 density increments) shall be exposed on each roll of film processed and shall remain in the roll when delivered to USDA. Any rolls of film cut or spliced, to minimized the number of film cans delivered to the Government, shall indicate on the film can label the roll number that contains the sensitometric wedge. A leader of at least 1 meter (3 feet) shall be retained on each end of the roll.

2.4 Film Densities

Density measurements will be taken on transparencies using a transmission densitometer with a 1mm aperture for scales smaller than 1:36,000. Readings will be made no closer than 38mm (1½ inches) from the image edge. All film for each project item shall be from the same emulsion batch. All pertinent exposure information shall be supplied to the processing laboratory. The film shall be processed as soon as possible after exposure to avoid undesirable changes in the latent image.

(a) Color Positive Film

All minimum (D-min) and maximum (D-max) densities as measured on the original aerial film transparencies using status A filters shall be no lower nor higher than the values provided below. All density values include the Base + Stain value.

Filter	Base + DMin (± 0.10)	Base + DMax (± 0.10)
Visual	0.73	1.57
Red	0.70	1.57
Green	0.75	1.47
Blue	0.94	1.62

(b) Color Infrared Positive Film

All minimum (D-min) and maximum (D-max) densities as measured on the original aerial film positives using status A filters shall be no lower nor higher than the values provided below. All density values include the Base + Stain value.

Filter	Base + DMin (± 0.10)	Base + DMax (± 0.10)
Visual	0.60	2.32
Red	0.61	2.26
Green	0.57	2.31
Blue	0.48	2.23

2.5 Storage and Handling

(a) Aerial Film

Storage, exposure, and handling of all photographic materials shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendation. The film shall be placed

on spools with the emulsion facing the core of the spool and shall not be rolled tightly or in any way stretched, buckled, distorted, or exposed to excessive heat. The processed film shall be free from handprints, fingerprints, smudges, and other handling marks.

If there are no manufacturer's recommended procedures, the contractor shall:

- (1) Film shall be kept refrigerated in a waterproof container until one day before being exposed and returned to cold storage after exposure until processed.
- (2) Cold storage temperature shall not be higher than 55° Fahrenheit (13° Celsius). The film shall be processed as quickly as possible after exposure.

(b) Film Containers

All rolls of aerial film shall be contained in Contractor furnished sturdy, cylindrical plastic cans.

(c) Film Can Labels

Film can labels shall be securely affixed to the side of each can and positioned so that the label can be read when the film can is standing with the lid end up (see Figure 1). The Contractor shall type or neatly letter each film can label with the required information according to the format example. Blank labels will be available from the Government.

2.6 Dimensional Stability

The dimensional change in any direction across a 23cm (9 inches) distance shall not exceed 0.13mm (0.005 inch) at 18-24° Celsius (65-75° Fahrenheit) and 45-55% relative humidity.

2.7 Physical Quality

All aerial film shall be free from chemicals, stains, tears, scratches, abrasions, water marks, finger marks, lint, dirt, and other physical defects. The imagery shall be clear and sharp in detail and uniform in density. It shall be free from light streaks, static marks, and other defects that would interfere with the intended purpose. All film shall be thoroughly fixed and washed to insure freedom from chemicals and shall be of archival quality. Film or prints found to contain an excess of residual chemicals, by testing in accordance with manufacturer's procedures, may be rejected or returned to the Contractor for refixing and rewashing. The use of any adhesive tape product, such as masking tape, which leaves residual adhesive on the film is prohibited.

2.8 Composition of Film Roll

More than one project item area from a single contract award item may be placed on a single roll. All aerial film on any one roll shall have the same roll number and shall consist only of exposures made with the same camera system (lens, cone, and magazine). Every exposure within a roll of film shall be titled regardless if it is rejected or unused for coverage.

One (1) meter (3 feet) of blank or unused film shall be left beyond the first and last used exposure on each roll or segment to serve as leader and trailer. Some unexposed film must be retained at the beginning or end of a roll for the step wedge which is required for controlled processing.

Film spools having a flange diameter of approximately 13.2cm (5-3/16 inches) shall be used, and only that length of film which can be wound on a spool without strain, leaving at least 3.2mm (1/8 inch) of flange exposed, shall be placed on each spool.

For Color Infrared Film ONLY. A minimum of four (4) run-off exposures shall be made before the first usable exposure on a mission and at the beginning of each new roll. A minimum of four run-off exposures between usable exposures is required if mission is interrupted by more than 30 minutes and/or if splicing is necessary.

2.9 Splicing Film

Splicing shall be accomplished with 19mm ($\frac{3}{4}$ inch) pressure sensitive polyester base tape. The splices shall be of the butt-joint type with tape placed on both sides of the splice. Particular care shall be given to the alignment of the film when splicing, with care taken to trim all excess binding tape in order that the film will be perfectly straight after splicing. A splice shall not be closer than 13cm (5 inches) from the image edge of any accepted frame.

3.0 TITLING OF AERIAL FILM

Every exposure within a roll shall be titled regardless if acceptable or unacceptable, used or unused, rejected or accepted. Electronic titling is not acceptable.

3.1 Required Titling

Each exposure shall be clearly titled in accordance with the following format example sketch and required project data:

For Color Positive Film:

+ MM-DD-YY	12:00	AGENCY	+	40	PROJECT	01001-222	+
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For Color Infrared Positive Film:

+ 12:00	MM-DD-YY	PROJECT	+	01001-222	40	AGENCY	+
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Date: Month-Day-Year in standard numeric notation (MM-DD-YY).

Time: The local standard time of exposure shall be titled only on the first and last used exposure in each strip and at each break in flight line, including breaks due to reflights.

Agency Designator: Government agency acronym as specified.

Scale: Nominal photographic scale represented by two digits to nearest thousand.

Project Code: Project Code as specified

Roll Number: Number in series, preceded by the last two digits of the Task Award Number (padded by leading zeros) which shall be designated upon award.

(Example: Task Award Number 1-06-1 -- 01001, 01002, 01003; Task Award Number 1-06-2 -- 02001, 02002, 02003, and Task Award Number 1-06-3 -- 03001, 03002, 03003).

Exposure Number: Number in unbroken series beginning with 1, not 001 or 01.

3.2 Type and Size of Characters and Application

The characters used in titling shall be standard block lettering 6.35mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ inch) high. They shall be sharp, legible, and uniformly applied with non-flaking black ink. The titling shall be placed on the non-emulsion side of the film and may be applied by use of an ink drawing pen or stamp. No smears or transfer of marking ink to other parts of the film roll will be permitted. Heat transfer lettering devices may only be used if prior consent is obtained from the Contracting Officer.

3.3 Location of Titling Characters

- (a) Color Positive Film: Identifying data shall be placed in line along the most northerly inflight (end lapped) edge of the aerial exposures of north-south flights. Titling shall be positioned so that the characters are 2.5mm (1/10 inch) from the image edge and 2.5mm (1/10 inch) from the corner fiducials.
- (b) Color Infrared Positive Film: Identifying data shall be placed in line along the most northerly inflight (end lapped) edge of the aerial exposures of north-south flights. Titling shall be positioned so that the characters are 2.5mm (1/10 inch) from the image edge and 6.35mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ inch) from the corner fiducials.

3.4 Assigning Roll Numbers

All rolls of film submitted shall be numbered consecutively beginning with the first number of those assigned above. Rolls of film used in the photography of reflights shall also be numbered consecutively starting with the next highest roll number as assigned to the original rolls.

3.5 Rejected or Not Used Exposures

Every exposure within a roll shall be titled regardless if unused or used, rejected or accepted. No exposure shall be removed from the roll unless authorized by the Contracting Officer or representative.

4.0 ACQUISITION & FLIGHT PLAN REQUIREMENTS

Contractor will acquire aerial photography under this contract at 1:40,000 scale, quarter quad centered format. Contractor is required to provide the necessary project flight planning, including determination of flight altitudes, for the acquisition of precise vertical aerial imagery in accordance with the technical requirements stated herein

4.1 Project Area(s) To Be Photographed

The boundaries and exact coverage of any specified area(s) described in Section B are determined only by the Official Flight Exposure Data. For a general representation of project area(s) coverage and flight plans see Attachment C, State Project Maps.

4.2 Flight Exposure Data

The Contractor will be furnished upon award one (1) data text file (.txt) on computer diskette. The data text file will contain the Official Flight Exposure Data indicating the NAPP exposure identification number, location of each exposure by latitude and longitude coordinates, expressed in degrees, minutes, seconds, and approximate flight altitude in feet of each exposure above ground level. The following is a sample of the data:

0912W-0497	39-30-00N	091-13-08W	21000
0912W-0498	39-31-53N	091-13-08W	21000
0912W-0499	39-33-45N	091-13-08W	21000

4.3 Coverage Requirements

Stereoscopic coverage of successive and adjacent overlaps of photographs shall be obtained by the Contractor by proper exposure of predetermined exposure stations.

- (a) Exposure Stations: Predetermined exposure stations are required and locations are designated by the flight exposure data file. Individual frames will be exposed so that the principal point of the exposure does not exceed the allowable deviation stated in Paragraph 4.5 below.
- (b) Reflight Photography: Reflights for aerial photography shall be centered over the predetermined exposure stations with no less than the allowable deviation stated above. All flight segments shall consist of no less than three (3) exposures in length.

4.4 Deviation From Specified Flight Altitudes

Deviation from specified flight altitudes shall not preclude the delivery of digital products from resolution requirements as defined in the individual task order

4.5 Horizontal Deviation

For quarter quadrangle centered photography, deviation from the predetermined exposure station in excess of 152 meters (500 feet) may be cause for rejection.

4.6 Crab

Any series of two or more photographs crabbed in excess of five degrees (5°) as measured between photographs in line and between adjoining lines may cause rejection of any or all of that particular flight line.

4.7 Tilt

Exposure made with the optical axis of the camera in a vertical position is desired. Tilt (departure from the vertical) of any exposure exceeding four degrees (4°) or relative tilt between any two successive exposures exceeding six degrees (6°) may be cause for rejection of any or all of the flight line. Tilt shall not average more than 2 degrees in any 16 km (10 mile) section of a flight line and shall not average more than one degree (1°) for the entire project.

5.0 REFERENCE SYSTEM FOR AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY

The location of all project exposure stations can be determined according to a reference system based on Alaska quadrangles within one-degree blocks (See Section J, Exhibit 5, Alaska DOQQ File Naming Logic).

6.0 PHOTO-CENTER DATA FILE DESCRIPTION

Contractor shall prepare a digital photo-center data file for the aerial photography delivered under this contract. The file(s) shall be provided in ASCII comma delimited

text format. The latitude / longitude coordinates shall be expressed in Decimal Degrees, formatted to NAD83 datum, and be accurate of the true photo center location. The photo-center data shall include the following attributes:

File Name: photo_<solno>_<item>.txt (ie: photo_3-04_mo.txt)

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CHARACTERS IN FIELD</u>
Project Code	6
Film Roll Number	5*
Exposure Number	3
Date of Exposure (YYYYMMDD)	8
NAPP Flight Line/Photo Station Number (not used)	10***
Camera Lens Serial Number	10
Calibrated Focal Length in millimeters (mm.)	7
Latitude (DD.DDDDD)	8
Longitude (- DDD.DDDDD (Negative))	10
Flight Altitude in meters at camera (MMMMM.MM; AGL)	8
Exposure used for quarter quadrangle tile creation (Y/N)	1**

- * Roll number should be padded with leading zeros.
- ** The exposure used to create an image (marked "Y" as indicated above) must record the accurate photo date from the film and be reflected within the photo-center data file.
- *** This field is not used on Alaska project.

Example:

NAIP04,01001,222,20040721, ,12345678,153.002,42.71936, -123.41498, 07048.63,Y

The exposure used to create an image (marked "Y" as indicated above) must record the accurate photo date from the film and be reflected within the photo-center data file.

7.0 FILM SCANNING REQUIREMENTS

7.1 Image Scanning

The scans shall be clear and sharp in detail with uniform density, and free from dirt and other defects in the digital imagery in accordance with the following requirements:

- (a) 1-Meter Orthorectified Digital Imagery. All one (1) meter ground sample distance (GSD) GeoTIFF images, from the aerial photography shall be scanned such that the final product results in a 25 micron resolution.

- (b) Non-one Meter Orthorectified Digital Imagery. All non-one meter ground sample distance (GSD) GeoTIFF images, from the aerial photography shall be scanned at the appropriate resolution to achieve the required GSD.
- (c) The histogram of scanned images must represent all the pixels within the digital image without clipping highlight or shadow detail from the image.
- (d) Color balance is defined as balancing the color between the three primary colors and their complimentary secondary color. Red and cyan must be balanced. Green and magenta must be balanced. Blue and yellow must be balanced.
- (e) Color Saturation is achieved so that minimum colors do not look like a grayscale image and the maximum colors do not bleed into another area of the image.
- (f) The scanned images shall capture red, green, and blue channels for both natural color and color infrared at 8-bit color per channel.

7.2 Scan Data File Description

Contractor shall furnish a Scan Data File in ASCII comma delimited text format containing, at a minimum, the following data:

File Name: scan_data_item.txt (ie: scan_data_item1.txt)

<u>Description</u>	<u>Number of Characters in Field</u>
Scan File Name:	23
Film Roll:	5*
Exposure Number:	3
Samples = Columns:	4
Lines = Rows:	4

* Roll number should be padded with leading zeros.

Example:

N_s5715211se_05_1_20060721.tif,01001,203,4759,4821

FIGURE 1
FILM CAN LABEL

FILM CAN LABEL			
SOLICITATION AND PROJECT ITEM NO. 0106			ROLL NO. 0103
STATE AK	NOMINAL SCALE 1:40,000	FILM TYPE COLOR POS	
LENS NO. Uag ###	CAMERA NO. #####	CAMERA MAKE Ziess	
CALIBRATED FOCAL LENGTH 151.000	USGS REPORT NO. OSL/###	USGS REPORT DATE 24-MAY-04	
PROJECT NAME	CODE	EXPOSURE NOS.	DATE EXPOSED
FAIRBANKS	NAIP04	1-200	01-JUL-06
CONTRACTOR:			

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INSTRUCTIONS: PLEASE COMPLETE ALL BOXES THAT ARE APPLICABLE.

FIGURE 2
EXAMPLES OF ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF FIDUCIAL MARKS

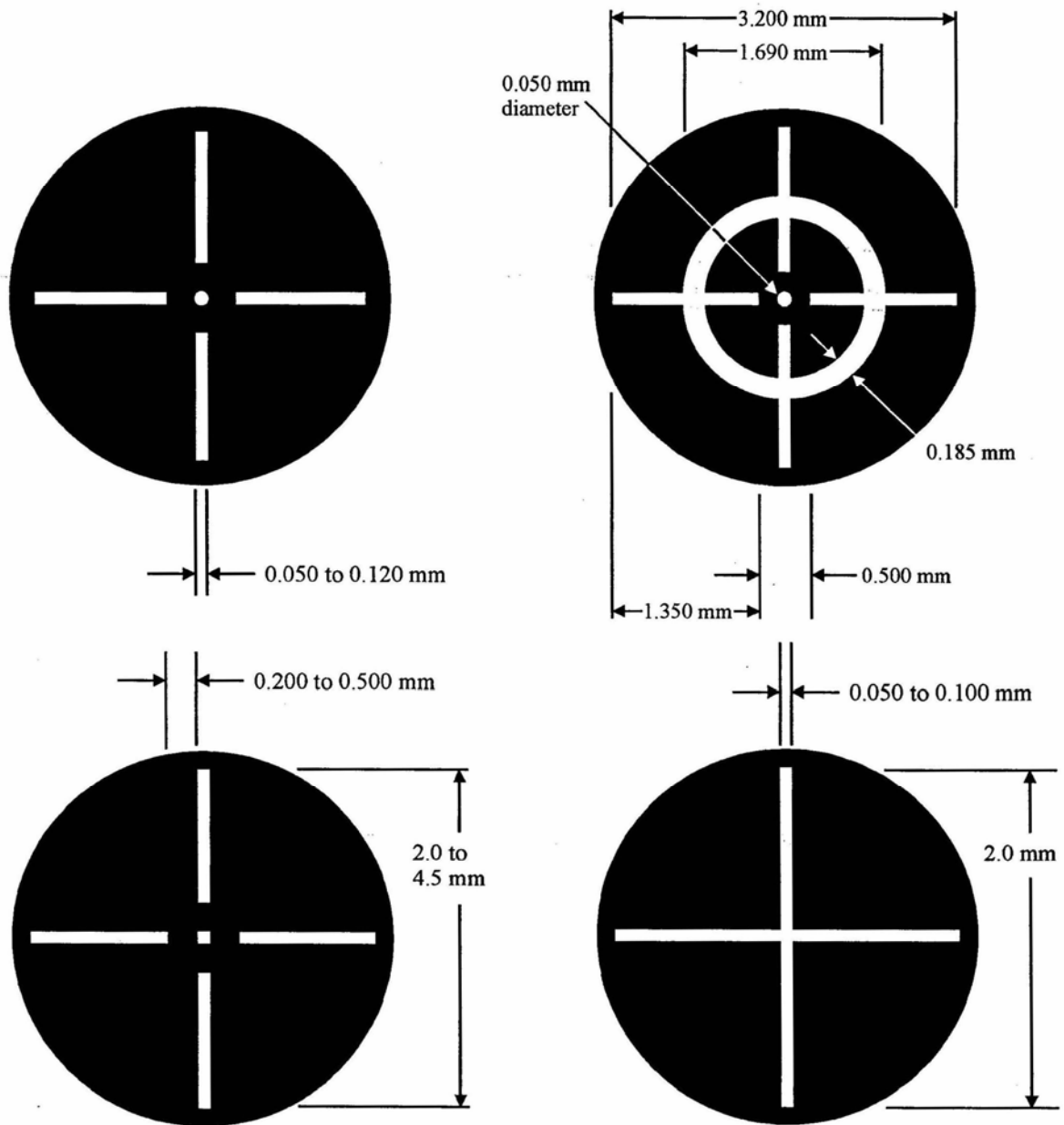
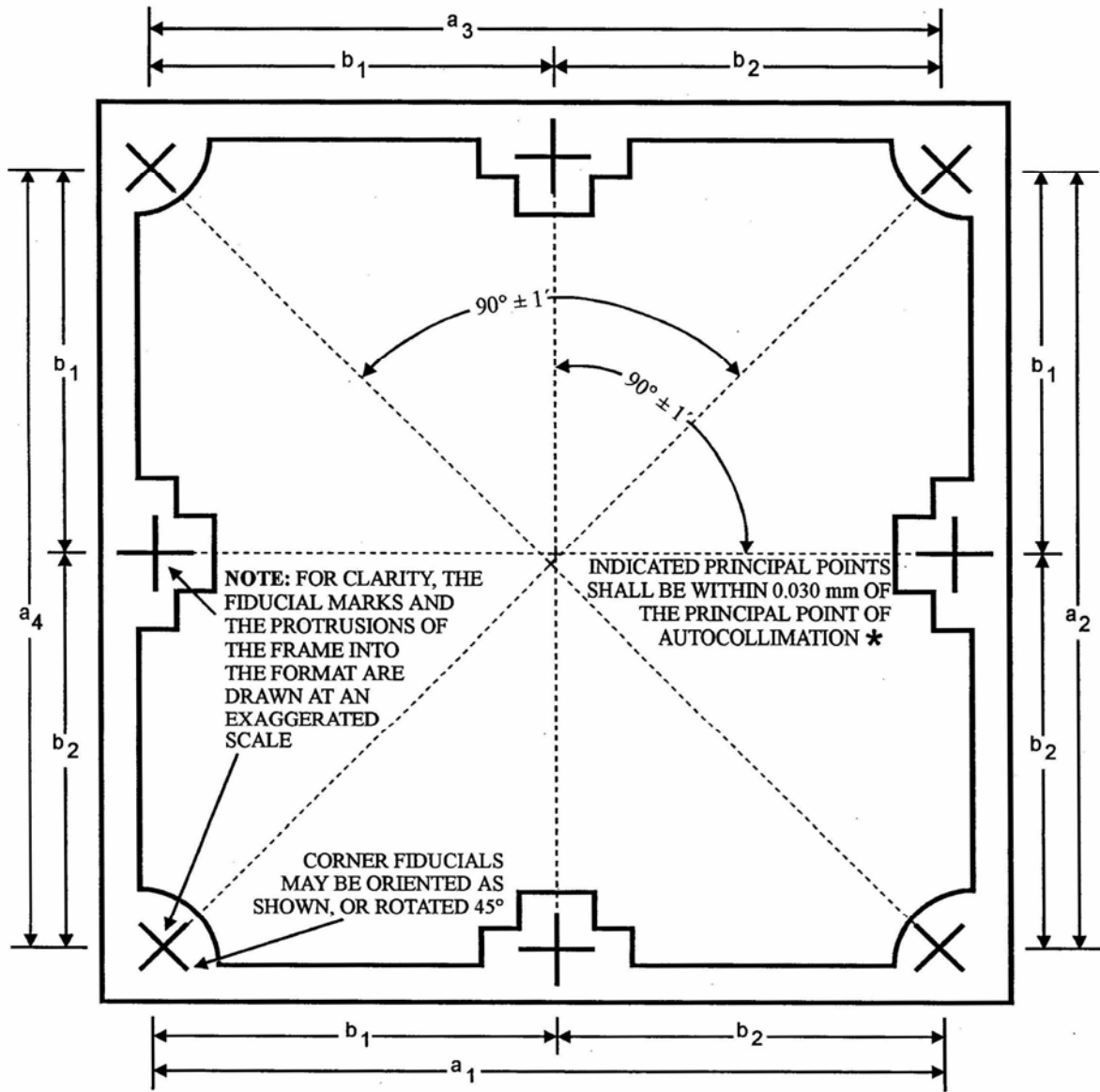


FIGURE 3
ARRANGEMENT OF FIDUCIAL MARKS



$a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = a_4$ (within 0.500 mm)

$b_1 = b_2$ (±0.500 mm)

* THE CALIBRATED PRINCIPAL POINT - THE POINT OF SYMMETRY - SHALL BE WITHIN 0.015 mm OF THE PRINCIPAL POINT OF AUTOCOLLIMATION FOR 153 mm FOCAL LENGTH LENSES AND 0.030 mm FOR ALL OTHER FOCAL LENGTH LENSES.

Table 1
USDA OPTICAL REQUIREMENTS

TABULATION OF OPTICAL REQUIREMENTS

Focal Length	88mm	153mm	210mm	305mm
Focal Length Within	± 4mm	± 3mm	± 4mm	± 5mm
Useable Angular Field	120°	90°	70°	50°
Field Angle-From Axis out to:	54.5°	40°	30°	22.7°
DISTORTION - At Maximum Aperture				
Radial Distortion - Tolerance (um)	± 15	± 10	± 20	± 20
Decentering Distortion - Tolerance (um)	-	< 8	-	-
MODEL FLATNESS - (um) Total Difference	± 17	± 19	-	-

INDICATED PRINCIPAL POINTS (Fiducial Centers)

The indicated principal points - fiducial centers - shall fall within a 0.040mm radius circle around the principal point of autocollimation.

CALIBRATED PRINCIPAL POINT (Point of Symmetry)

The calibrated principal point - point of symmetry - shall fall within a 0.020mm radius circle around the principal point of autocollimation for 153mm focal length lenses and 0.040mm for all others.

RESOLUTION

Measured on Spectroscopic Plate at Maximum Aperture

Minimum Radial & Tangential Resolution in Line Pairs per mm
LENS HALF ANGLE

Lens	0°	7.5°	15°	22.7°	30°	35°	40°	45°	50°	54.5°
86mm Wild Super Aviogon II Zeiss S-Pleogon A or equivalent	59	59	49	42	35	30	17	14	12	12
153mm Wild U. Aviogon Zeiss Pleogon A Jena Lamegon Pl or equivalent	57	57	48	48	40	34	14			
210mm Wild N-Aviogon II Zeiss Topargon or equivalent	49	49	42	35	29					
305mm Wild N. Aviotar Zeiss Topar or equivalent	48	48	28	24						

ATTACHMENT B

ALASKA SPECIFICATION FOR DIGITAL SENSOR BASED ACQUISITION

(Dated March 31, 2006)

1.0 USDA DIRECT DIGITAL SENSOR SPECIFICATION

This specification covers direct digital sensor acquisition for the USDA National Agriculture Imagery Program (NAIP). Acquisition of the digital imagery may be from airborne or space borne platforms. Tested and calibrated digital sensors for taking vertical aerial imagery are required. Digital camera systems proposed for use must be of comparable precision and quality with traditional stereoscopic mapping cameras. Digital camera systems must also be compatible with analytical mensuration procedures used in photogrammetric surveys and in preparing accurate orthophotography. Only approved digital sensor systems which meet the requirements of these specifications, and as determined by appropriate sensor system documentation and sample imagery submitted, shall be used.

2.0 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Direct digital sensor systems must be tested, stable, and geometrically calibrated systems with appropriate documentation. Any proposed system must be suitable for use in precision photogrammetric orthoimagery applications. The direct digital sensor system shall provide the following:

2.1 Ground Sample Distance

The sensor shall provide the resolution and field of view necessary to meet the ground sample distance (GSD) requirement, as specified in Section B-1.2 of the contract.

- (a) For One (1) Meter Imagery: Color interpretation or pan sharpening will be permitted to achieve the one meter GSD requirements. The color bands (RGB) and near infrared (CIR) bands may be collected at a ratio no greater than 1:5 to achieve the pan sharpened one meter orthoimagery.
- (b) For Two (2) Meter Imagery: Color interpretation or pan sharpening will be permitted to achieve the two meter GSD requirements. The color bands (RGB) and near infrared (CIR) bands may be collected at a ratio no greater than 1:5 to achieve the pan sharpened two meter orthoimagery.

2.2 Color Band and Depth.

The digital sensor shall capture red, green and blue channels (RGB) for natural color, and a near infrared channel(s) for color infrared (IR) orthoimagery. The sensor shall capture a minimum of 8-bits per color channel. All system that use “pan-sharpened” algorithms shall not have a color to panchromatic ration greater that 1.5.

2.3 Radiometric Accuracy

If more than one lens and more than one shutter is used in the sensor system, the difference between two panchromatic or two multi-spectral cameras has to be less than $\pm 5\%$. For example, a 12-bit image shall not have more than ± 20 difference in gray values.

2.4 System Operation

The digital camera/sensor and its mount shall be checked for proper installation prior to each mission. An automatic exposure control device is permitted, but a manual override capability is required for some types of terrain to achieve proper coverage and exposure. The camera/sensor mount shall be regularly serviced and maintained and shall be insulated against aircraft vibration.

- (a) Camera Port Glass. Aircraft camera/sensor port glass shall be preferably 50mm thick but not less than 32mm thick. The surface finish shall be 80/50 or better. Glass material shall be polished crown, group category M, Mil Specs Mil-W-1366F (ASG), dated October 1975, C-1 optical quality or better.
- (b) Malfunctions. The contracting officer shall be notified of all direct digital sensor system malfunctions within 72 hours. A malfunction is defined as a failure anywhere in the direct digital sensor system that causes an interruption of the normal operations of the system.

2.5 Calibration Reports

Calibration reports for each digital sensor proposed for use shall be submitted to the contracting officer with the contractor’s proposal and prior to project imagery acquisition if the digital sensor system is removed and remounted. The contractor shall follow manufacturer’s specifications for appropriate calibration and recalibration. The calibration reports shall address the geometric performance of the system, and at a minimum, include:

- (a) Date of report
- (b) The name of the person or company performing the calibration
- (c) The methodology and procedures used for calibration
- (d) Final calibration parameters, such as calibrated focal length, lens distortion values, radiometric calibration parameters, and principle point location.

NOTE: The government recognizes that individual calibration reports, procedures, and parameters may be unique to a certain manufacturer since equipment and systems vary from manufacturer to manufacturer.

2.6 System Maintenance

The contractor shall perform all maintenance in accordance with the manufacturers recommended and established procedures. The contractor shall maintain a complete history of all maintenance done to the direct digital sensor system and have it available for Government inspection. The contractor shall provide certification that the system has been maintained, preventive maintenance and calibration performed, to the manufacturers requirements.

3.0 FLIGHT PLAN REQUIREMENTS

Contractor is required to provide the necessary project flight line planning, including determination of flight altitudes, for the acquisition of precise vertical aerial imagery in accordance with the technical requirements stated herein

3.1 Project Area(s) To Be Photographed

The boundaries and exact coverage of any specified area(s) described in Section B are determined only by the Official Flight Exposure Data. The boundaries and exact coverage of any state project area are determined only by the Official State Project Area DOQQ List. For a general representation of project area coverage, see Attachment C, State Project Maps.

3.2 Flight Exposure Data

The Contractor will be furnished upon award one (1) data text file (.txt) on computer diskette. The data text file will contain the Official Flight Exposure Data indicating the NAPP exposure identification number, location of each exposure by latitude and longitude coordinates, expressed in degrees, minutes, seconds. The following is a sample of the data:

0912W-0497 39-30-00N 091-13-08W
0912W-0498 39-31-53N 091-13-08W
0912W-0499 39-33-45N 091-13-08W

4.0 SENSOR APPROVAL REQUIREMENTS

All digital sensor systems must be approved by the Contracting Officer before acquiring imagery under this contract. When requesting approval, the Contractor shall submit, or have on file with APFO, a report of calibration (see Paragraph 2.3), sample digital imagery (Paragraph 4.1), and

sensor documentation (Paragraph 4.2). Sample imagery must be at the same scale and resolution for which the Contractor is requesting approval for. It is highly recommended that the sample imagery include agriculture areas.

4.1 Digital Sensor Sample Imagery Requirements

The contractor shall acquire and submit with their proposal, sample images from the digital sensor proposed for use. The sample imagery shall represent the type of terrain (agriculture, cropland, forest, etc.) that is similar to the proposed project area offered. (See Section L-2 of the contract).

The digital sensor sample imagery shall provide the following minimum characteristics:

- (a) Display the same GSD resolution being offered as indicated in Section B.
- (b) For natural color proposals (RGB bands), the sample image shall be 24 bits in color depth. It may be collected at up to 12 bits per color band, but be re-sampled to 8 bits per band for delivery.
- (c) For color infrared proposals (G,R,IR bands), the sample image shall be 24 bits in color depth. It may be collected at up to 12 bits per color band, but be re-sampled to 8 bits per band for delivery.
- (d) Sample image shall be ortho-rectified, with geodetic standards of North American Datum 1983 (NAD83) and UTM projection with the appropriate Zone indicated.
- (e) Sample shall be produced as a DOQQ formatted, GeoTIFF image using the standard indicated in Section C-6.2 of the contract.
- (f) The sample imagery shall fit on one standard CD, formatted as mentioned in Section D-1.2 of the contract.

4.2 Digital Sensor Documentation Requirements

The contractor shall provide with their proposal detailed documentation of the digital sensor proposed for use. Documentation may include brochures, technical specifications, marketing material, or other descriptive literature. The documentation shall contain at a minimum the following information:

- (a) General overview information
- (b) Product configuration description
- (c) Sensor component description
- (d) Technical Specifications
- (e) Computer management and storage systems
- (f) Image acquisition and processing workflow.

4.3 Multiple Sensor Approval

No more than one digital sensor type may be used within a project item area unless a sample project produced using proposed sensors has been approved by the Contracting Officer. The Contractor must submit documentation that project must meet all accuracy and quality requirements of this contract.

USDA
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1.0 SCOPE

This document establishes the technical criteria to be used in the production of digital orthoimagery quarter quadrangles (DOQQs) for use by the Aerial Photography Field Office. The standard DOQQ format is a 3³/₄-minute by 3³/₄-minute quarter-quadrangle natural color or color-infrared (CIR) image.

2.0 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

In the event of conflict between the contents of this specification and the documents referenced herein, the contents of this specification shall take precedence.

- 2.1 TIFF Specification Revision 6 dated June 3, 1992 (Adobe Systems Inc.). The Tagged Image File Format (TIFF) is a copyrighted standard of Adobe Systems, Inc.
- 2.2 GeoTIFF Revision 1.0 Specification, dated December 28, 2000 (Version 1.8.2). The GeoTIFF Format Specification is a public domain extension of TIFF that provides a robust and flexible method of storing georeferencing information in a TIFF file.

3.0 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

USDA programs use DOQQs for various program uses including, but not limited to agriculture land use analysis, natural resource inventory, and extraction of data by means of photogrammetric measurements. The complex nature of DOQQs require adherence to exact format and content.

- 3.1 General. DOQQs may be created using multiple digital images (“chips”) to produce the final product. Specular reflections in DOQQs should be minimized, especially in agriculture areas, by patching the area using chips from other imagery.
 - (a) Geographic Extent. Each DOQQ shall cover the entire image area of one standard USGS 3³/₄-minute quarter quadrangle with a minimum 300 (±30) meter buffer on all four sides. Extents shall be computed by projecting the geographic corners and side midpoints to the appropriate projection, then adding the buffer on each side of the resulting minimum bounding rectangle.
 - (b) Non-image data. DOQQs shall not contain any non-image data. Non-image data includes photographic frame borders, fiducal marks, artifacts, and titling. Non-image data also includes “fill” induced by a lack of elevation surface model coverage that results in white, black, or spurious intensity values.
 - (c) Image Mosaicking. When a mosaic of two or more chips is made, the brightness and color values of the other chips will be adjusted to match that of the principal chip. The join lines between the overlapping chips will be chosen

to minimize tonal variations. Localized adjustment of the brightness and color values will be done to reduce radiometric differences between join areas.

- (d) Edge-Matching. All DOQQs shall not have more than ± 5 pixels offset between adjacent DOQQ tiles.
- 3.2 Datums and Coordinates. All DOQQs shall be projected in the North American Datum of 1983 (NAD83), using the corresponding native Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) zone (see Figure 1, UTM Zones) with coordinates in meters. The vertical datum for all DOQQs shall be North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD88).
- 3.3 Image Quality. All digital images shall have proper histograms and tone balance. Color imagery shall also have proper color balance and saturation.
- (a) Image Radiometry. All DOQQs shall have a tonal range that prevents the clipping of highlight or shadow detail from the image.
 - (b) Spatial Resolution. The spatial resolution will be either 1-meter or 2-meter ground sample distance (GSD), depending on USDA's requirements. DOQQs produced under this specification shall not be resampled from the original image, original scan or original capture, with resolution greater or less than the following numbers:

Ground Sample Distance (GSD)	Original Image Resolution	
	Maximum	Minimum
1-meter	0.50-meter	1.05-meter
2-meter	1.00-meter	2.10-meter

- (c) Radiometric Resolution.
 - (1) Black & White Imagery. All B&W imagery shall be an 8-bit grayscale image in accordance with Section 4, Grayscale Images, of the TIFF Specification.
 - (2) Color Imagery. All color imagery shall be an 8-bit RGB image in accordance with Section 6, RGB Full Color Images, of the TIFF Specification. Both natural color and near-infrared color are considered to be color imagery.
- (d) Band-to-Band Registration Accuracy. Misregistration between any color bands shall not exceed 1 pixel.

- 3.4 Accuracy. All DOQQs shall have 90% of all well-defined points tested fall within the specified distance listed below to the same location identified on Government furnished baseline orthophoto control imagery.

Ground Sample Distance	Horizontal Accuracy
1-meter	5.0-meters
2-meter	10.0-meters

- 3.5 Digital Image File Format. All DOQQs shall be produced using a georeferenced tagged image format (GeoTIFF) in accordance with this specification, the GeoTIFF 1.0 Specification, and the baseline TIFF 6.0 Specification (stated in order of precedent). All DOQQs shall be readable by older applications that assume TIFF 5.0 or an earlier version of the specification. List 1, Tag Listings, List 2, “tiffinfo” Output, and List 3, ListGeo Output shows an example of a TIFF tag listing.

DOQQs that use designated “Extended TIFF 6.0 file” features shall not be used. This includes, but not limited to, any of the major new extensions such as “tiled images.” Features designated as “not recommended for general data interchange” are considered extensions to the baseline TIFF 6.0 specification and shall not be used.

(a) Tagged Image File Format (TIFF) Requirements

- (1) All public tags shall conform to the TIFF Specification and shall not be modified outside of the parameters given in the specification. Use of tag numbers not specified in the TIFF Specification for either Grayscale or RGB full color images, depending on color band of the DOQQ, is not permitted. As a minimum, the TIFF tags listed in Table 1, Required TIFF Tags, and Table 2, Required GeoTIFF Specific Tags, shall be included when creating DOQQs under this specification.
- (2) Tags numbered 32,768 or higher, sometimes called private tags, are reserved and shall not be used unless listed in Table 3, Approved Private Tags. Enumeration constants numbered 32,768 or higher are reserved and shall not be used.
- (3) Tags numbered in the “reusable” 65,000-65,535 range shall not be used.
- (4) All DOQQ files shall be created using the little-endian byte order as specified in the TIFF Specification. Bytes 0-1 of the Image File Header must be “II” (4949.H).
- (5) All DOQQ files shall only have a single Image File Directory (IFD).

(6) Tiled TIFF files are not allowed.

- (b) Georeferenced Tagged Image Format (GeoTIFF) Requirements. A GeoTIFF file is a TIFF 6.0 file, and inherits the file structure as described in the corresponding portion of the TIFF Specification. All GeoTIFF specific information is encoded in several additional reserved TIFF tags, and contains no private Image File Directories (IFD's), binary structures or other private information invisible to standard TIFF readers.

The GeoTIFF 1.0 standard uses a MetaTag (GeoKey) approach to encode dozens of data elements into just six TIFF 6.0 tags. GeoKeys are structurally similar to TIFF 6.0 tags, but at one lower level of abstraction. As a minimum, the four tags listed in Table 3, Required GeoTIFF MetaTags, shall be included when creating DOQQs under this specification.

- 3.6 Naming Convention. All DOQQ digital files shall use the following naming convention:

File Name: <n>_<lat><lon><quad>_<loc>_<xx>_<r>_<yyyymmdd>.tif

n – film type/bandwidth designator (o=black & white; n=natural color; or c=CIR)

lat – latitude, identified by 2 digit numerical value of a 1° block

lon – longitude, identified by 3 digit numerical value of a 1° block (including the leading “0” if needed)

quad – quadrangle number, identified by grid number (see Figure 2)

loc – quadrangle location, identified by grid letters (nw, ne, sw, se)

xx – two digit UTM zone

r – resolution (1=1 meter; 2=2 meter)

yyyymmdd - date of acquisition

Example: c_3509320_ne_15_1_20040721.tif

4. VERIFICATION

Any DOQQs not meeting the requirement in Section 3 may be rejected for non-compliance. Each DOQQ or, at the APFO's determination, a random sample from the lot may be inspected using the following methods. The use of automated processes, such as computer scripts, may be substituted for visual verification.

4.1 General.

- (a) Geographic Extent. Visual verification will be done to verify DOQQ coverage.

- (b) Non-image items. Visual verification will be done to ensure DOQQs do not contain any non-image.
 - (c) Image Mosaicking. Visual verification will be done to verify tonal and brightness values across chips used to create the DOQQ.
 - (d) Edge-Matching. Visual verification will be done to verify edge-matching against adjacent DOQQ tiles.
- 4.2 Datums and Coordinates. Verification of georeferencing, correct datums and coordinate systems, by shall be accomplished by visually viewing the image using GIS software other than the software used to create the image.
- 4.3 Image Quality. Visual verification will be done to each DOQQ to verify proper histogram and tone balance.
- (a) Image Radiometry. Visual verification will be done to verify DOQQ tonal range. Each DOQQ may be compared to the original film or unprocessed digitally captured data to ensure the processing has not clipped information from the shadow or highlight areas.
 - (b) Spatial Resolution. Visual verification will be done to measure spatial resolution.
 - (c) Radiometric Resolution. Visual verification will be done to verify bit depth and compliance with TIFF Specification.
 - (d) Band-to-Band Registration Accuracy. Visual verification will be done to verify DOQQ band-to-band registration accuracy.
- 4.4 Accuracy. Visual verification will be done to verify DOQQ horizontal accuracy. This may include measurements compared against existing control imagery or other means at the disposal of USDA.
- 4.5 Digital Image File Format. Automated computer scripts will be used to verify that all GeoTIFF and TIFF Specifications are complied with. Correct encoding of all required Meta-Keys (also called GeoKeys) shall be confirmed by referencing each GeoKey using a software application designed to check each against the specifications.
- 4.6 Naming Convention. Visual verification will be done to verify DOQQ horizontal accuracy.

5.0 NOTES

5.1 DEFINITIONS

Band – a range of wavelengths of electromagnetic radiation. Also, image data gathered at this wavelength range.

Brightness value – a number (normally 0-255) representing a discrete intensity gray level of a pixel in an image.

Chip – each separate piece of a mosaick image that contributes to the final image.

Dodging – manipulation of the intensity of part if a photograph by selectively shading or masking.

Field – refers only to the entire field, including the value, of the geokey (as defined in the TIFF Specification).

Ground Sample Distance (GSD) – the area of ground represented in each pixel in x and y components.

Image File Directory – contains information about the image. There must be at least 1 IFD in a TIFF file and each IFD must have at least one entry.

Metadata – description of the content, quality, condition, and other characteristics of the data.

Private tags – TIFF tags numbered 32768 or higher. Private tags are not defined in the TIFF Specification.

Public tags – TIFF tags that are defined by the TIFF Specification.

Resample – interpolation of pixel values based upon neighboring pixel values.

Tag – refers only to the identifying number portion of the geokey (as defined in the TIFF Specification).

Figure 1, UTM Zones

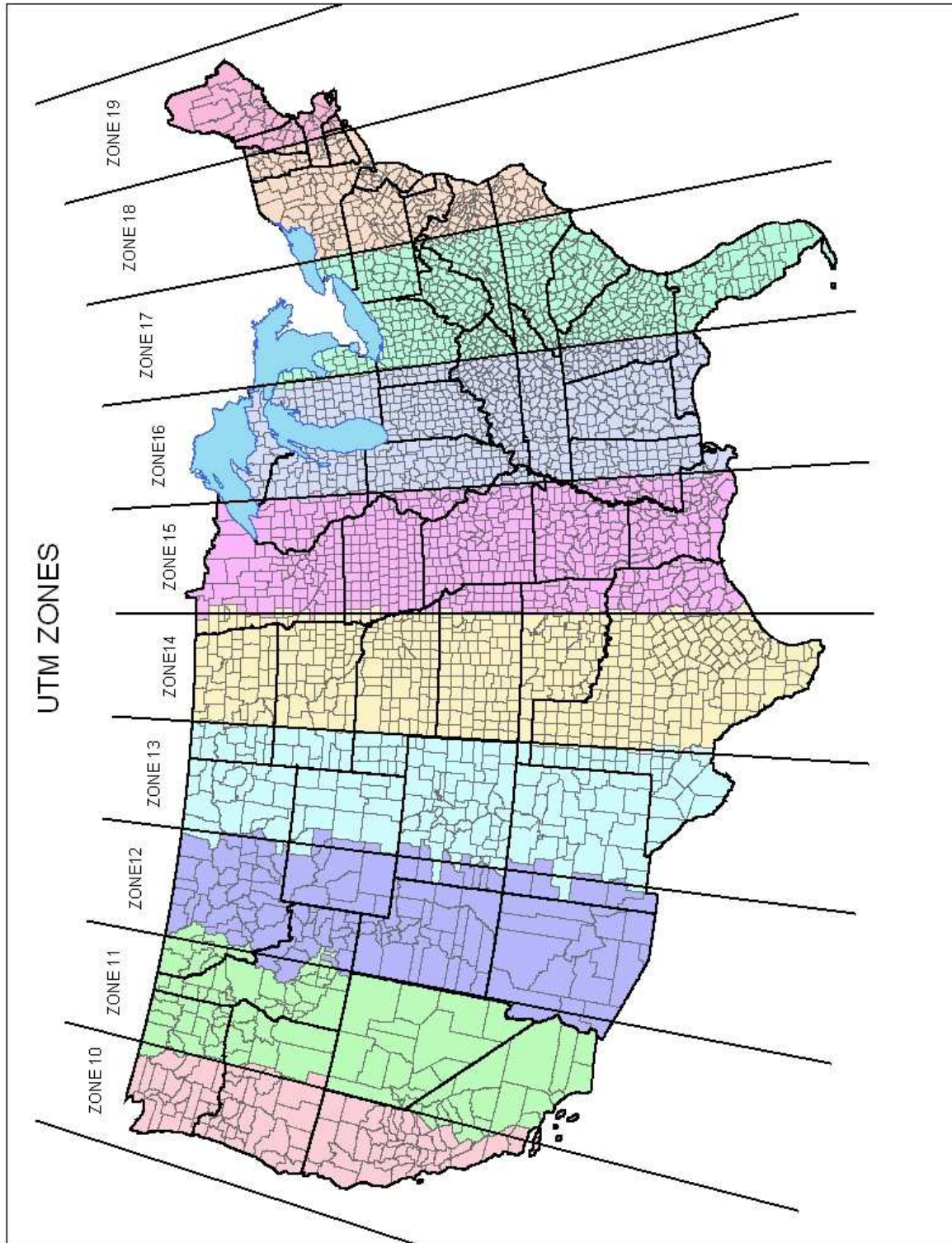


Table 1, Required TIFF Tags

TAG NAME	DESCRIPTION
ImageDescription tag (270.d, 10e.h)	The ImageDescription tag shall contain the program name. For example, under the NAIP contract the tag will read: "USDA-FSA-APFO National Agricultural Image Program"
DocumentName tag (269.d, 10d.h)	The DocumentName tag shall have the following form: <Quad Name> <Quadrant> <Quad id> where: <Quad Name> is the name of the quadrangle taken from the provided list of quarter quadrangles for a county. <Quadrant> Is the quadrant identifier for a quadrangle. <Quad id> is the "Usgsqdno" field taken from the provided list of quarter quadrangles for a county

Table 2, Required GeoTIFF Specific Tags

TAG NAME	DESCRIPTION
ModelPixelScaleTag (33550.d, 830e.h)	The X and Y values must be populated and be equal to the ground distance of one DOQQ pixel.
ModelTiepointTag (33922.d, 8482.h)	This tag specifies the (X,Y) ground coordinates of the (0,0) image pixel, by convention in the upper left corner of the image. All DOQQs shall use the UTM project reference frame. GeoTIFF 1.0 allows considerable flexibility in how an image is tied to the ground, but DOQQ image data should be tied to the (0,0) pixel. The Z coordinate value should be set to 0. See section 2.6.1 of the GeoTIFF 1.0 standard.
GeoAsciiParamsTag (34737.d, 87b1.h) (required)	This tag is used to store all the ASCII-valued GeoKeys. See section 2.4 of the GeoTIFF 1.0 standard.
GeoKeyDirectoryTag (34735.d, 87af.h) (required)	This tag references all non-ASCII GeoKeys. All projection and datum information is stored in GeoKeys. See section 2.10.2.2 of this standard and section 2.4 of the GeoTIFF 1.0 standard.

Table 3, Approved Private Tags

TAG NAME	ID
ModelPixelScaleTag	33550 (SoftDesk)
ModelTransformationTag	34264 (JPL Carto Group)
INGR Packet Data Tag	33918 (Intergraph)
INCR Flag Registers	33919 (Intergraph)
IrasB Transformation Matrix	33920 (Intergraph)
UnUsed	33921 (Intergraph)
ModelTiepointTag	33922 (Intergraph)
GeoKeyDirectoryTag	34735 (SPOT)
GeoDoubleParamsTag	34736 (SPOT)
GeoAsciiParamsTag	34737 (SPOT)

Table 3, Required GeoTIFF MetaTags

TAG NAME	DESCRIPTION
GTModelTypeGeoKey (1024.d, 400.h) (required)	The required value is 1 (ModelTypeProjected).
GTRasterTypeGeoKey (1025.d, 401.h) (required)	<p>a. The required value is 1 (RasterPixelIsArea) which is the default value.</p> <p>b. The "PixelIsArea" raster grid space uses coordinates I and J, with (0,0) denoting the upper-left corner of the image, and increasing I to the right, increasing J down. The first pixel-value fills the square grid cell with the bounds top-left = (0,0), bottom-right = (1,1) and so on; by extension this one-by-one grid cell is also referred to as a pixel. An N by M pixel image covers an area with the mathematically defined bounds (0,0),(N,M).</p> <p>c. This raster space designates the upper-left corner of an image. The coordinate pair values for this location shall be "a whole number of pixels." Each value "must be integer multiple of the resolution" of the DOQQ image. For a 1-meter resolution image this pair can be odd or even whole numbers, for a 2-meter resolution image this pair needs to even whole numbers.</p> <p>d. The desired result is to have "Exact Pixel Registration," meaning that pixels from multiple images line up exactly. This should not be confused with overlaps or gaps, but the cells have to fall on an even multiple of the cell width and height from one another, and adjacent images cannot have cells starting halfway, or partially into the cells of the original image</p>
ProjectedCSTypeGeoKey	This key contains a coded value for the projection, datum,

(3072.d, c00.h) (required)	and possibly plane coordinate zone. Legal values for this key are listed in section 6.3.3.1 of the GeoTIFF 1.0 standard.
PCSCitationGeoKey (3073.d, c01.h) (required)	<p>This is a free text field for describing the projection and datum. DOQQ images are projected into the UTM coordinate system. These fields shall describe the projection, zone, and datum and shall be in the following form:</p> <p>a. <datum>/UTM Zone <number> <N/S></p> <p>(i) <datum> is the common datum abbreviation, NAD83.</p> <p>(ii) Where <number> is the UTM zone number.</p> <p>b. Example: NAD83 / UTM zone 15N</p>
GTCitationGeoKey (1026.d, 402.h) (required)	<p>This is a free text field for providing a description of the DOQQ. The GeoKey contents shall be in the following form.</p> <p>a. <program> <year> <n>_<lat><lon><quad>_<loc>_<xx>_<r>_<yyyymmdd></p> <p>program – Program Name (i.e., NAIP). year - Program year (i.e., 2005). n – Film type (n=natural color or c=color infra red) lat – Latitude, identified by 2 digit numerical value of a 1° block (including the leading “0” if needed). lon – Longitude, identified by 3 digit numerical value of a 1° block (including the leading “0” if needed). quad – Quadrangle location, identified by a 2 digit numerical value to identify the position in a one degree block. loc – Quarter quadrangle location, identified by grid letters (nw,ne,sw,se). xx – Two digit UTM zone. r – Image resolution (1 = 1-meter; 2 = 2-meter). yyyymmdd – date of acquisition.</p> <p>b. Example: NAIP 2005 n 3309403 nw 15 2 20050714</p>
ProjLinearUnitsGeoKey (3076.d, c04.h) (required)	<p>This key contains a coded value for the linear units used by the projection. Legal values for this key are listed in section 6.3.3.1 of the GeoTIFF 1.0 standard. DOQQs shall use the code value of 9001 (“Linear_Meter”).</p>

List 1, Tag Listings

The following table summarizes the TIFF 6.0, GeoTIFF 1.0, and GeoKey requirements. The values in the table are consistent with the TIFF 6.0 and GeoTIFF 1.0 standards, but there are less options than are allowed by TIFF. Additional guidelines and requirements for the values of tags and keys are detailed in the body of this standard. Additional public tags and keys may be used at the data producer's option, providing they do not conflict with the required tags.

TIFF tags required by baseline TIFF:

<u>TagName</u>	<u>Decimal</u>	<u>Hex</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Value</u>
ImageWidth	256	100	SHORT or LONG	
ImageLength	257	101	SHORT or LONG	
BitsPerSample	258	102	SHORT	8,8,8
Compression	259	103	SHORT	1
PhotometricInterpretation	262	106	SHORT	2
Orientation	274	112	SHORT	1
StripOffsets	273	111	SHORT or LONG	
SamplesPerPixel	277	115	SHORT or LONG	3
RowsPerStrip	278	116	SHORT or LONG	1
StripByteCounts	279	117	LONG or SHORT	

TIFF tags defined by GeoTIFF:

<u>TagName</u>	<u>Decimal</u>	<u>Hex</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Value</u>
ModelPixelScaleTag	33550	830E	DOUBLE	
ModelTiepointTag	33922	8482	DOUBLE	
GeoAsciiParamsTag	34737	87B1	ASCII	
GeoKeyDirectoryTag	34735	87AF	SHORT	

GeoKeys defined by GeoTIFF and used by APFO:

<u>TagName</u>	<u>Decimal</u>	<u>Hex</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Value</u>
GTModelTypeGeoKey	1024	400	6.3.1.1 code	1
GTRasterTypeGeoKey	1025	401	6.3.1.2 code	1
GTCitationGeoKey		1026	402	ASCII
ProjectedCSTypeGeoKey	3072	C00	6.3.3.1 code	
PCSCitationGeoKey	3073	C01	ASCII	
ProjLinearUnitsGeoKey	3076	C04	SHORT	

List 2, “tiffinfo” Output

This listing is an output of the libtiff utility program “tiffinfo”.

TIFF Directory at offset 0x2370bc4
Image Width: 3247 Image Length: 3815
Resolution: 200, 200 (unitless)
Bits/Sample: 8
Compression Scheme: none
Photometric Interpretation: RGB color
Document Name: “Garvin NE 3309401:
Image Description: “USDA-FSA-APFO National Agriculture Imagery Program”
Samples/Pixel: 3
Rows/Strip: 1
Planar Configuration: single image plane

List 3, ListGeo Output

The following is an example of a GeoTIFF tag and GeoKey listing from a NAIP image. This listing is the output of the libgeotiff utility program “listgeo”. The projection information below the line “End_Of_Geotiff” is implied by the standard projection and is not stored explicitly in the data file. The descriptions are retrieved from libgeotiff lookup tables in the listgeo application.

Geotiff_Information:
Version: 1
Key_Revision: 1.0
Tagged_Information:
ModelTiepointTag (2,3):
0 0 0
337962 3763838 0
ModelPixelScaleTag (1,3):
2 2 1
End_Of_Tags.
Keyed_Information:
GTModelTypeGeoKey (Short,1): ModelTypeProjected
GTRasterTypeGeoKey (Short,1): RasterPixelIsArea
GTCitationGeoKey (Ascii,45): "2004 NAIP n_3309403_nw_15_2_20050714"
ProjectedCSTypeGeoKey (Short,1): PCS_NAD83_UTM_zone_15N
PCSCitationGeoKey (Ascii,21): "NAD83 / UTM zone 15N"
ProjLinearUnitsGeoKey (Short,1): Linear_Meter
End_Of_Keys.
End_Of_Geotiff.

PCS = 26915 (name unknown)
Projection = 16015 ()
Projection Method: CT_TransverseMercator
ProjNatOriginLatGeoKey: 0.000000 (0d 0' 0.00"N)
ProjNatOriginLongGeoKey: -93.000000 (93d 0' 0.00"W)
ProjScaleAtNatOriginGeoKey: 0.999600
ProjFalseEastingGeoKey: 500000.000000
ProjFalseNorthingGeoKey: 0.000000
GCS: 4269/NAD83
Datum: 6269/North American Datum 1983
Ellipsoid: 7019/GRS 1980 (6378137.00,6356752.31)
Prime Meridian: 8901/Greenwich (0.000000/ 0d 0' 0.00"E)
Projection Linear Units: 9001/metre (1.000000m)

Corner Coordinates:

Upper Left (337962.000,3763838.000) (94d45'16.56"W, 34d 0' 9.55"N)
Lower Left (337962.000,3756208.000) (94d45'11.47"W, 33d56' 1.94"N)
Upper Right (344456.000,3763838.000) (94d41' 3.51"W, 34d 0'13.09"N)
Lower Right (344456.000,3756208.000) (94d40'58.63"W, 33d56' 5.47"N)
Center (341209.000,3760023.000) (94d43' 7.54"W, 33d58' 7.53"N)

Figure 2, QUADRANGLE GRID NAMING LOGIC

In the continental United States, each 1° latitude/longitude block is broken into sixty-four separate 7½-minute quadrangles. Each quadrangle is numbered, starting in the northwest corner, from 1 to 64 (see example below). Quadrangles can further be broken into four 3¾-minute quarter quadrangle and are named after the quadrant location (i.e., NW).

Naming Logic: <lat><long><quad>_<loc>

- Where:
- Latitude: Identified by 2 digit numerical value of a 1 degree block.
 - Longitude: Identified by 3 digit numerical value of a 1 degree block, including a leading "0" as needed.
 - Quadrangle Number: Identified by grid number (01, 02, 03, ... 63, 64) .
 - Quarter Quadrangle Location: Identified by grid letters (nw, ne, sw, se)

Sample: **4812043_ne**

