## FSA State Office NAIP Training

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# National Agricultural Imagery Program (NAIP)

- Initiated in 2002 to support programs in USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA)
  - GIS and Common Land Unit (CLU)
    - Farm field boundaries
  - Aerial Compliance
- Cost Share Partners
  - USDA NRCS, USFS
  - DOI USGS, BLM
  - State government

## NAIP Program Highlights

- 2 sets of product specifications, similar acquisition parameters (natural color and peak agricultural growing seasons)
  - Compliance
    - 2 meter GSD (Ground Sample Distance resolution)
    - 10 meters from image base
    - Annual requirement
  - Ortho Base Replacement
    - 1 meter GSD
    - 5 meters from image base
    - Suitable for both aerial compliance and base replacement
    - 3-5 year cycle

## NAIP Program Highlights

- Large format mapping quality camera systems
  - supports CLU maintenance and partner requirements
- Rapid acquisition (in terms of mapping quality) to meet FSA compliance requirements
  - Trade offs exist
    - 6-8 week flying seasons
    - State based projects
    - Up to 10% cloud cover
- Ortho rectified
  - GIS ready

### **Definitions**

### Imaging Format



#### Large Format

- •Mapping Camera
- •9"x 9" film
- •25 sq. miles@20,000 feet

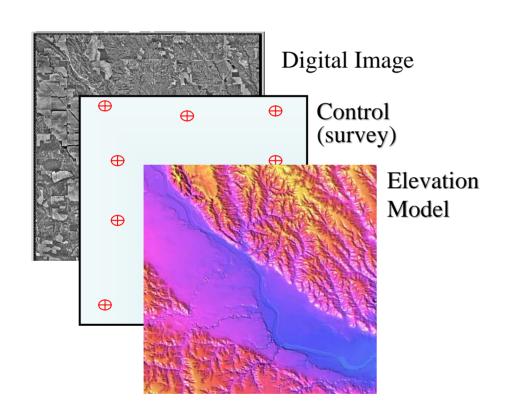
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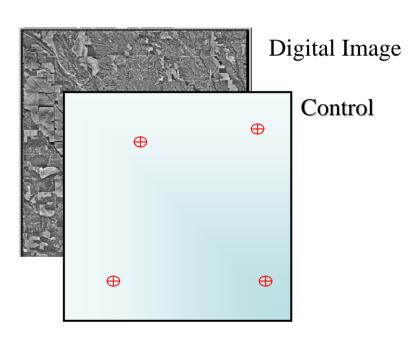
- •35mm Camera
- 3 sq. miles@8,000 feet

### Rectified vs. Orthorectified

### Ortho Rectified

### Rectified





# NAIP Annual Cycle Acquisition

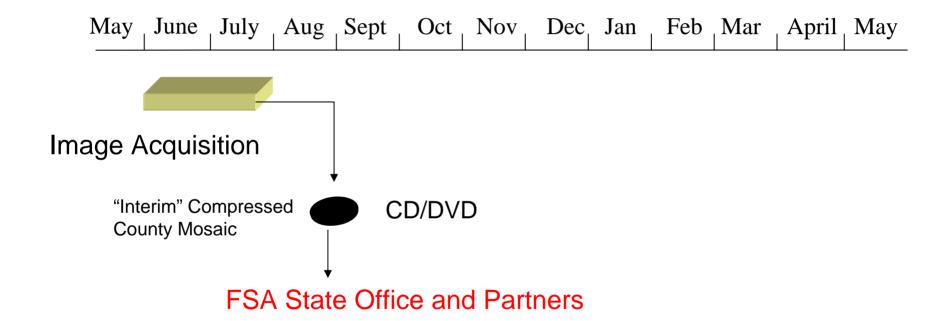
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#### **Image Acquisition**

- •Flying season established in coordination with State GIS Specialists
- •6 to 8 weeks typically
- Large states may be split into multiple seasons
- NAIP vendors
  - 2-3 aircraft per state
  - Go for cloud free coverage
  - High performance aircraft

# NAIP Annual Cycle Delivery of Interim CCM



- Delivery of "Interim" Compressed County Mosaics
  - Has not been inspected yet
  - •"naip" prefix on file name
  - Goes in "compliance" sub folder

# NAIP Annual Cycle Public Access to Interim CCM

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Image Acquisition

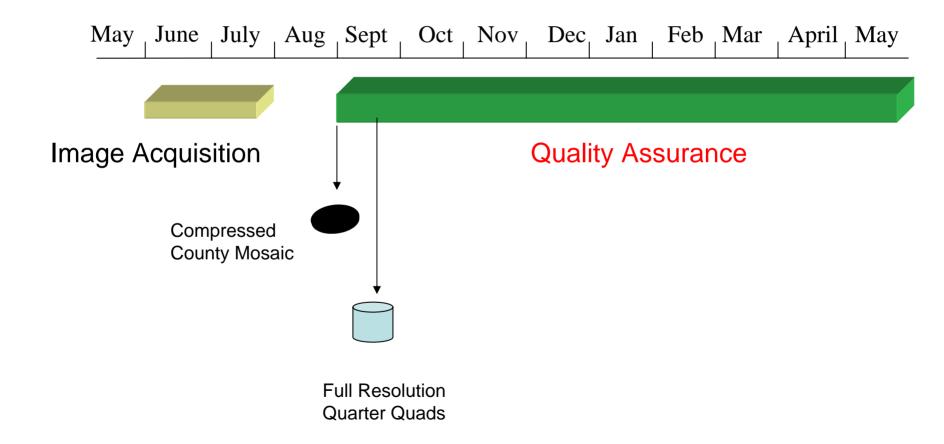
"Interim" Compressed County Mosaic

**USDA** Geospatial Data Gateway

http://nrcs.gateway.usda.gov

**Downloads only** 

# NAIP Annual Cycle Quality Assurance Process



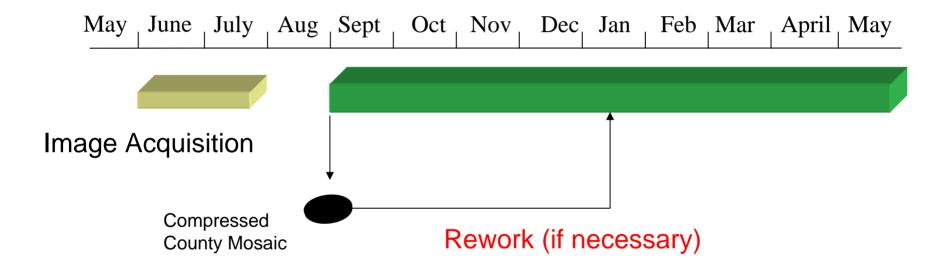
## **Quality Assurance**

- How it is used
  - Used in Contract Reconciliation
    - Contractor rework
    - Price reduction
  - Past performance evaluation of vendor
  - Metadata
  - Program Improvement
    - Indicate areas of problem DEMs (for example)
    - ID trends

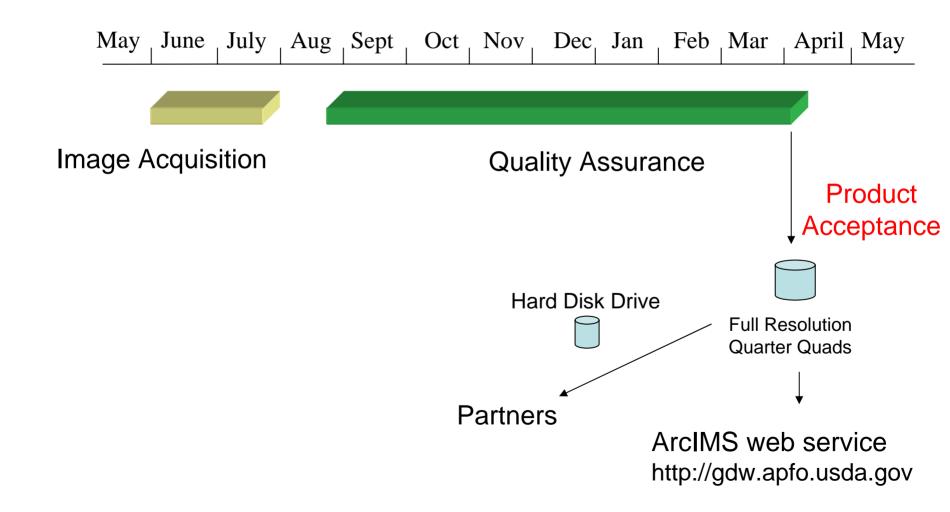
## NAIP Problem Reporting

- Contact Quality Assurance Supervisor
  - brenda.simpson@slc.usda.gov
  - Please provide the following information
    - Location of problem, such as: Image file name, UTM coordinates, Screen capture.
    - Description of problem
    - Contact Information: phone number, name, email address
- Future web-based solution for reporting/logging all quality issues
  - Implementation within 6 months

### NAIP Annual Cycle Rework of CCMs



## NAIP Delivery Timeline Availability of Quarter Quads



# "Final" CCM For FSA Base Replacement

- 1 meter only
- Any rework vendor
- Metadata on CD for state
- Memo for use as replacement imagery
- Move to "ortho" folder, rename to "ortho" prefix

## NAIP Delivery to Public

- Full National Coverage of CCMs on HDD
  - Approximately \$10,000 for NAIP 2005
    - 10% of current cost
  - Working on costs for states
- USDA Geospatial Data Gateway
- RFP for Web Based Delivery System (September/October 2006)
  - Full resolution
  - Quarter quads
  - Custom Area of Interest
  - Custom Formats
  - "Clip and ship"

# Changes to NAIP under consideration

- 4 band image
  - Currently 3 band RGB (red, green, blue, or natural color)
  - Add color infrared band (CIR)
  - Partners like it, attracts cost share
  - Supports better information extraction
  - Digital acquisition only
- 1 meter only
  - Costs for 1 meter vs 2 meter are similar
  - Support continual CLU maintenance
  - Increase partnership interest
- Horizontal accuracy in terms of ground position
  - Currently in terms of original base imagery

### **NAIP Status Information**

- Interactive Web Site (in testing)
- Static Status maps on APFO web site
  - www.apfo.usda.gov/naip.html

Daily progress (updated daily)

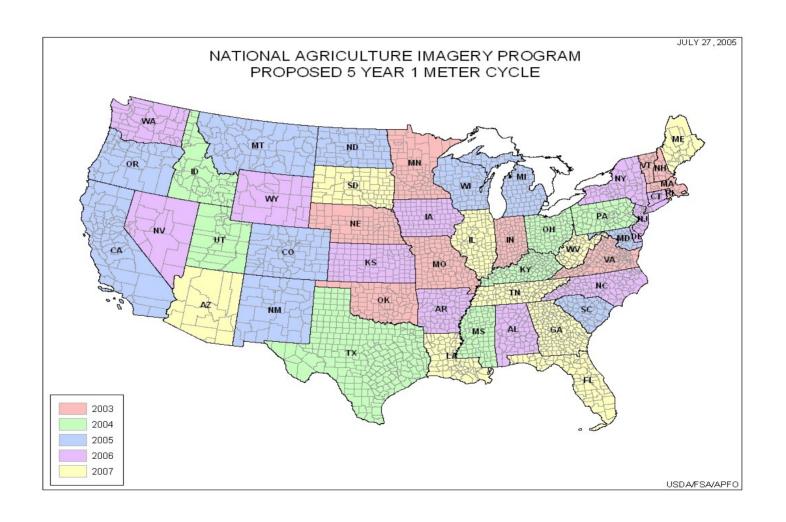
## Why Partner?

- Best value for the dollars spent
- State acquisition priority
- Immediate delivery of interim CCMs
- Potential for derivative products
- No contract administration charge

# APFO Facilitated Partnership Opportunities

- Cost share for existing or expansion of FSA required state coverage of 2 meter imagery
- Cost share for full state coverage of 1 meter imagery (see schedule)
- Digital acquisitions: 4 band imagery possible option for 2007 and beyond

## FSA 1 Meter Schedule



## Partnership Deliverables and Schedule

- Interim CCMs on DVD or CD-ROM: No later than 30 days after the end of the flying season or any granted extension
- Full resolution DOQQ tiles on portable disk drives, DVD or CD-ROM (after APFO inspection and acceptance): No later than September 30 of the following year
- Replacement CCMs upon DOQQ tiles acceptance (if necessary)

### **Derivative Products**

- Purchased by partners directly from the vendor
- Separate contract that partners are required to administer and QA
- Potential derivative products are:
  - Sub Meter Imagery Resolutions
  - Reprojected Imagery (state plane)
  - Raw Data
  - Color Infrared (digital acquisitions)

## Partnership Requisites

- Standard reimbursement agreement
  - Established no later than December 31 year preceding imagery collection
- Establish single partnership representative for state/county agencies, responsible for:
  - Communications with APFO
  - Coordination of internal agreements (funding, technical issues, and data distribution)
  - Cost share minimums vary dependent upon requested products

### NAIP Points of Contact

#### Program Coordination/Management

- Kent Williams Program Coordinator
  - 801-975-3500 x261 email: kent.williams@slc.usda.gov

#### Quality Issues/Problems

- Brenda Simpson Quality Assurance Branch Chief
  - 801-975-3500 x 219 email: Brena.simpson@slc.usda.gov

#### Technical Questions

- David Davis GIS Specialist Service Center Support
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- Brian Vanderbilt GIS Specialist Service Center Support
  - 801-975-3500 x240 email: brian.vanderbilt@slc.usda.gov

#### Partnership Information

- Cindy Sessions Partnership Coordinator
  - 801-975-3500 x208 email: cindy.sessions@slc.usda.gov

#### Contract Questions

- John Mootz Contracting Officer
  - 801-975-3500 x284 email:john.mootz@slc.usda.gov

#### CCM Delivery Questions

- Bridget Barlow Contracting Staff
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### NAIP Information Resources

**APFO Web Site** 

http://www.apfo.usda.gov

- Information Sheets
- Contract and task order documents
- Status maps
- Powerpoint files