

## Data Supply Metadata s9

<b>Project</b>	5 September 2010 Earthquake	10.130
<b>Sub Area</b>	Christchurch City	
<b>Client</b>	Canterbury Regional Council	
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<b>Summary of Data</b>	<p>This dataset is the ninth of a series that NZ Aerial Mapping (NZAM) is producing in response to the recent earthquake in Canterbury. It has been produced from LiDAR and aerial imagery collected along the earthquake fault trace north of Burnham. This data supply includes the following products:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project extent data</li> <li>• 0.5 m contours</li> <li>• Ground and Non-Ground point cloud</li> </ul> <p>Please refer to the report section <i>Product Generation and Data Supply</i> for details on these products. More products including ground classified LiDAR point clouds are still in production.</p>
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<b>Data Acquisition</b>	<p>The project area along the fault trace is described in in the ESRI shape file "fault_trace_AOI" that accompanies the dataset. Maps showing these areas of interest are included in Appendix A.</p> <p>LiDAR and digital imagery was collected on 11 September 2010, using NZ Aerial Mapping's Optech ALTM 3100EA LiDAR system and Trimble AIC medium format digital camera.</p> <p>The data was collected flying 600 metres above the ground, and using a LiDAR field of view of 38 degrees. The system PRF was set at 70kHz. This flying height is lower than the height used for data collected over the other project areas. There was need to have this area mapped before land owners undertook remedial earthworks on the new feature. The 600 metre above ground flying high allowed for the acquisition to be performed under low cloud.</p> <p>The GeoSystems iBase Christchurch was used for the collection of GPS receiver station data during the aerial data acquisition.</p> <p>Independent of this work GNS field surveyed a control site that was used to bring the LiDAR dataset into terms of the post-earthquake geodetic reference system. The details on this work are included in Appendix B.</p>
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**Data  
Processing**

The LiDAR sensor positioning and orientation (POS) was determined using the collected GPS/IMU datasets and Applanix POSPac software. This work was all undertaken in NZGD2000 coordinate system, and made use of the data collected at the geodetic reference mark for the DGPS processing. Given the magnitude of the earthquake it is likely that the location of the iBase reference mark has changed. However, as no information is available on this yet it had to be assumed that the mark coordinate had not changed.

The POS data was combined with the LiDAR range files and used to generate LiDAR point clouds in New Zealand Transverse Mercator (NZTM) map projection but NZGD2000 ellipsoidal heights. This process was completed using Optech DASHMap LiDAR processing software. The subsequent steps were undertaken using TerraSolid LiDAR processing software modules TerraScan, TerraPhoto and TerraModeler. The data was checked for completeness of coverage. The relative fit of data in the overlap between strips was also checked. The point cloud data was then classified into ground, first and, intermediate returns using automated routines tailored to the project landcover and terrain.

The data was converted from NZGD2000 ellipsoidal heights into orthometric heights using the LINZ NZGeoid09 and offset separation model.

Comprehensive manual editing of the LiDAR point cloud data was undertaken to increase the quality of the automatically classified ground point dataset. This editing involved visually checking over the data and changing the classification of points into and out of the ground point dataset. The Trimble camera orthophotos (see Data Supply Metadata s3 for details) were used as a backdrop when undertaking the manual editing. As part of the manual edit process LiDAR returns from the sea and estuary were removed from the ground point dataset and placed in their own dataset.

In the interest of making the dataset available quickly, NZAM's standard practice of adding supplementary points around and along bodies of water to help ensure hydrological flows was not undertaken.

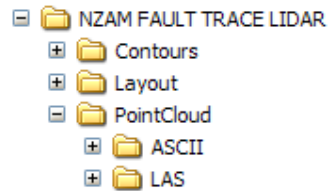
The height accuracy of the data has been checked using the check site that GNS surveyed. This was done by calculating height difference statistics between a TIN of the LIDAR ground points and the checkpoints. The standard deviation statistic for the single site is +/-0.03m. To bring the dataset into terms of the best available geodetic reference system definition the dataset was shifted so the average height difference was 0.00m. Due to the small sample size the standard deviation statistic gives an optimistic view of the dataset's vertical accuracy.

The positional accuracy of the data has been checked by overlaying GNS surveyed data over the LIDAR data displayed coded by intensity. The data was found to fit well in position.

**Product  
Generation &  
Data Supply**

The supplied products are all in terms of New Zealand Transverse Mercator (NZTM) map projection. The products are in NZTopo50 1:1,000 tiles. The ESRI shape file “*fault\_trace\_tiles*” that accompanies the dataset contains this tile layout.

The data is loading into a number of folders;



The folder *Contours* contains 0.5m contour interval contours. The contours were interpolated from a TIN created using the Ground point cloud dataset. The 2.5m interval contours have the TYPE attribute set to INDEX. The rest of the contours are TYPE – Intermediate. This data is provided in ESRI 3D shape file format.

The folder *Layout* contains the product tile layout and project extent files.

The folder *PointCloud* contains the classified LiDAR dataset. This is supplied in two formats; as ASCII files and LAS files.

The folder *ASCII* contains the LiDAR point cloud separated into *Ground* and *NonGround* classes. This data is in ASCII file format mE mN O. The Ground points are the points that have been identified as bare-earth returns. The NonGround points are those points that have been identified as having elevations that sit higher than a TIN created using the Ground point cloud dataset.

The folder *LAS* contains the same points as the ASCII files, but the data is in LiDAR exchange LAS v 1.1 format. The data is stored in the following classes:

Class	Description
2	Ground
14	NonGround

To ease the task of transferring this dataset around the internet the files have been compressed using WinRAR. The data will need to be uncompressed to access it.

If you have requirements for the data in other file formats, map projections please contact NZAM.

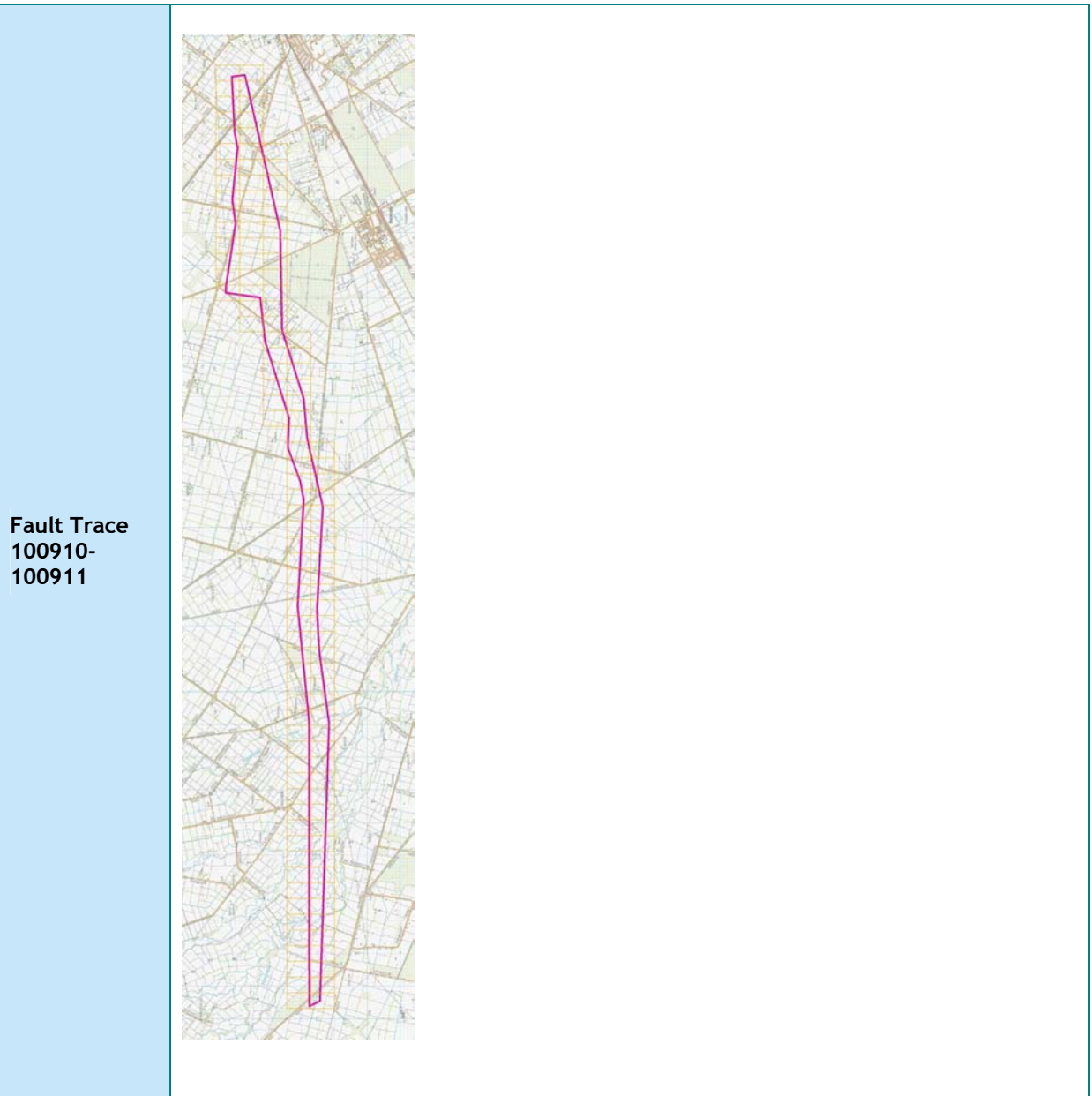
<b>Quality Exceptions</b>	No exceptions have been noted to report.
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## Appendix A: Project Area and data tile layouts

Areas of interest shown as purple outline.



Appendix B: LiDAR Control Survey Report

**Lidar Control Survey (part 2) Report  
Post Canterbury Earthquake  
September 2010**

**Survey Date:** 11 September 2010

**Surveyed By:** Neville Palmer

**Origin of Coordinates:**

LINZ zero order continuous GPS station MQZG (McQueens Valley)

NZGD2000 coordinates (preliminary) as determined by John Beavan of GNS Science for the new position of MQZG after the 04 September 2010 earthquake.

43° 42' 09.84763" S

172° 39' 16.93179" E

154.707 Ellipsoidal Height

**Origin of Heights:**

A LINZ high order (vertical 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> order and horizontal 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> order) benchmark was identified near to each of the subject Lidar areas to provide survey control. These were observed by GPS occupation and processed relative to the MQZG cGPS station to obtain a post-earthquake ellipsoidal height.

The post-earthquake ellipsoidal height was compared with the pre-earthquake ellipsoidal height published in the LINZ geodetic database. This height difference was then applied to the pre-earthquake orthometric height to obtain a value for the post-earthquake orthometric height.

Orthometric heights are in terms of Lyttelton Vertical Datum 1937.

The derived post-earthquake ellipsoidal and orthometric heights were used as independent height origins for the RTK survey at each subject area.

Point Code	Origin	Origin	Origin	Pre EQ NZTM mN (LINZ DB)	Pre EQ NZTM mE (LINZ DB)	Pre EQ Ell. Height (LINZ DB)	Pre EQ Ortho. Ht. (LINZ DB)
	Post EQ NZTM mN (Surveyed)	Post EQ NZTM mE (Surveyed)	Post EQ Ell. Height (Surveyed)				
B3A2	5171189.261	1536837.792	103.274	5171190.230	1536839.540	102.524	90.980

Point Code	Post-Pre NZTM mN	Post-Pre NZTM mE	Post-Pre Ell. Height	Origin
				Post EQ Ortho. Ht.
B3A2	-0.969	-1.748	0.750	91.730

The apparent vertical motion at the control point (B3A2) is 0.750 m.