



Utilizing UAV Photogrammetry to Determine Proppant Stockpile Volumes



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Outline

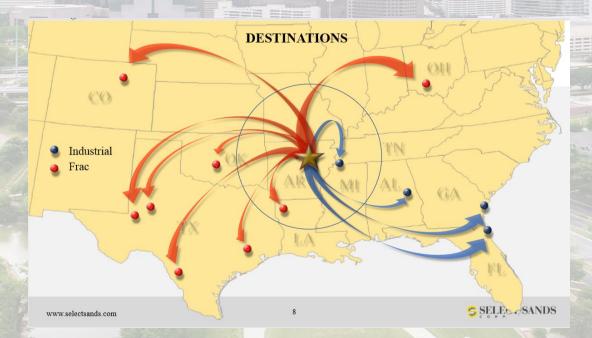
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- Mining Site Locations
- Drone Aerial Survey Specs
- Final Report
- Monitoring Mining Operations and Environmental Impact
- Traditional Vs Drone Stockpile Inventory Method
- Q&A





Select Sands History/Background

- Original Company Ozark Premium Sand located in Newark, Arkansas
- Select Sands Corporation Acquires Ozark Premium Sand in December, 2016
- Mine White Silica Sand (99% SiO2) from the St. Peter Sandstone Formation
- Target markets are Oil & Gas and Industrial & Specialty Products
- Site Visit and POC took place May 25-27, 2017
- Began Quarterly Drone Surveys on June 30, 2017, and continued to the Present

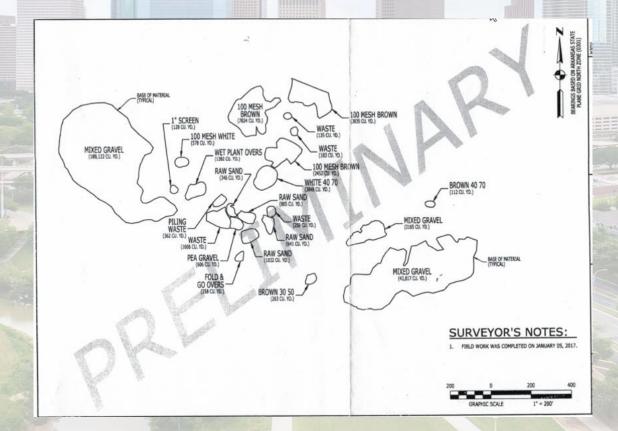






Select Sands History/Background

- Inventory Surveys Performed with Traditional Survey Methods started in late December, 2016
- Work Took 1-2 Weeks to Complete the Inventory at all 3 sites
- Preliminary Hardcopy Reports Issued in January, 2017





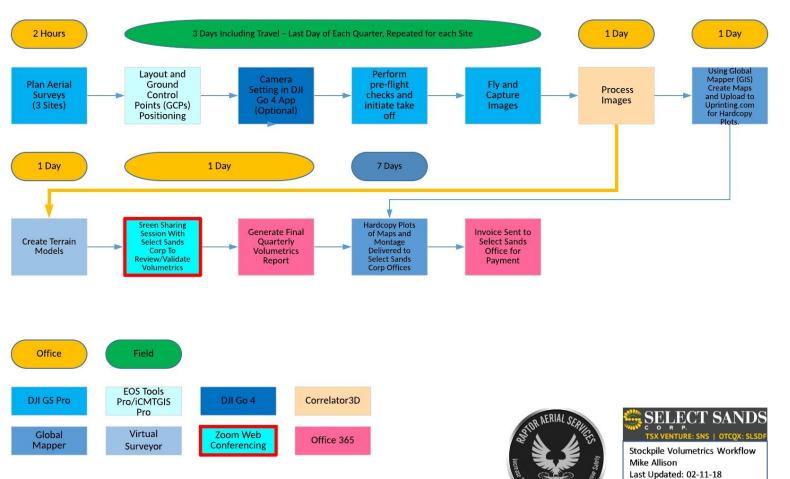
Equipment/Software



- Drone:
 - DJI Inspire 2 with Zenmuse X5S Camera (2 primary and backup)
- Ground Control Points (GCPs):
 - EOS Arrow Gold RTK GNSS Positioning System
 - GNSS Networks: Missouri DOT (MDOT) or TopCon's TopNet Live
 - GCP Targets
 - DJI GS Pro (Mission Planning)
 - DJI GO 4 (Drone Settings and Compass Calibration)
 - EOSToolsPro/ICMTGIS PRO/MDOT RTK Network (GCP Positioning)
 - SimActive Correlator3D (Processing)
 - Blue Marble's Global Mapper GIS (General Mapping)
 - Virtual Surveyor (Visualization, 3D Measurements including Volumes)
 - Snagit (Screen Capture)
 - MS Office Suite (Reports)
 - "Zoom" Web Conferencing (Collaboration)



Select Sands American Corporation Silica Sand (Proppant) Stockpile Volumetrics Workflow









Ground Control Points (GCPs)

- GCPs are clearly marked targets on the ground, spaced strategically throughout your area of interest.
- The GCPs and their coordinates are then used to help drone mapping software accurately position your map in relation to the real world around it.
- Recommend at least 5-7 GCPs located in the 4 corners, the center and highest and lowest points in your area of interest.
- GNSS (Global Navigation Satellite System) Network for the most accurate GCP positioning.



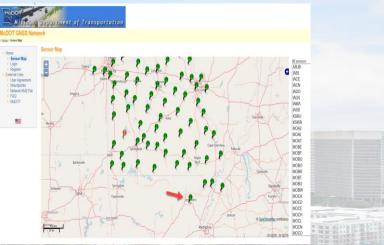
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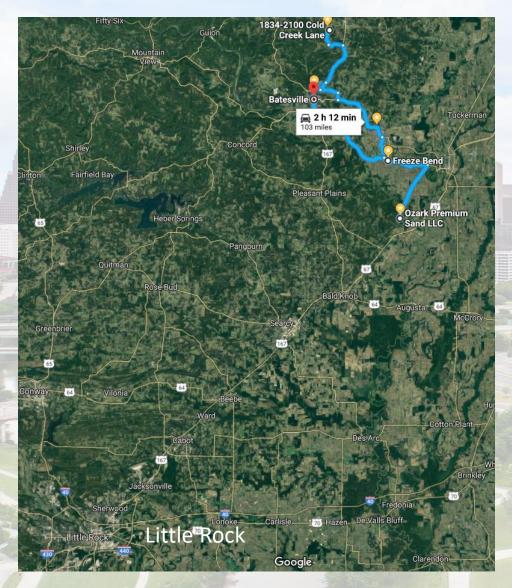
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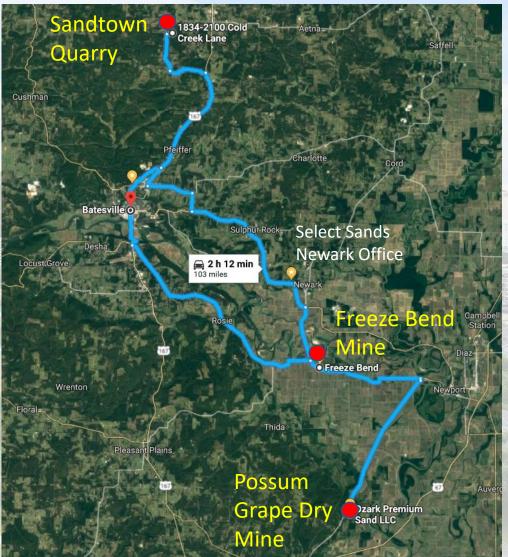
















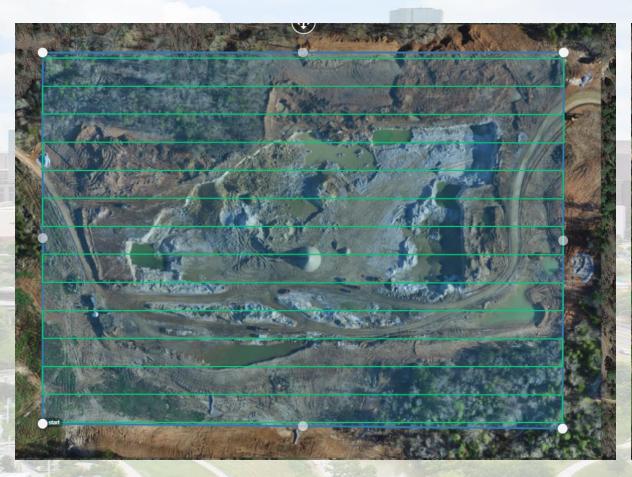
Drone Aerial Survey Specs

- 3 Sites Ranging from 35-89 Acres
- 5-7 Ground Control Points (GCPs)
- 250' Above Ground Level (AGL)
- 80% Sidelap/Frontlap
- DJI Inspire 2 with Zenmuse X5S Camera
- 0.8 Inches/Pixel Ground Sample Distance (GSD) or Resolution
- 2 Passes Each, Perpendicular Grid Pattern





2 Passes, Perpendicular Grid Pattern



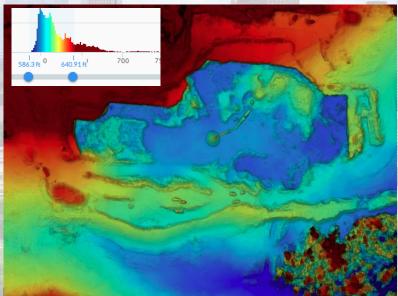






Sandtown Quarry (36 Acres)







Orthomosaic Photo

Digital Surface Elevation Model

3D Model





Freeze Bend Mine (89 Acres)



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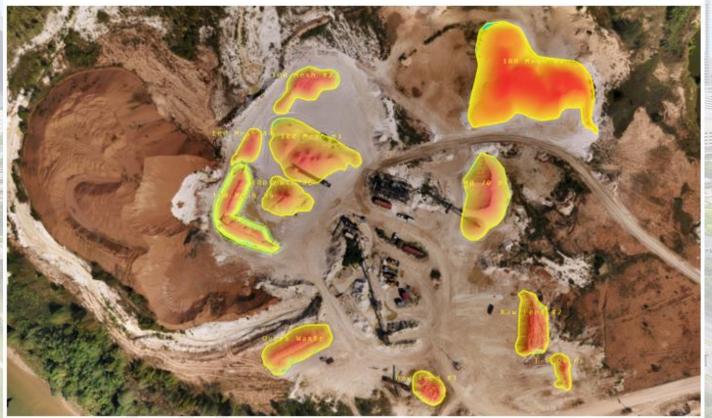




Quarterly Stockpile Volumes Report



Site	Stockpile	Area (sq. ft.)	Volume (cu. Ft.)	Volume (cu. yd.)	Tons	Reference	Totals
Freeze Bend Mine	100 Mesh #1	44,386.00	646,705.00	23,952.01	30,658.58	Flat 232	
Freeze Bend Mine	100 Mesh #2	7,836.00	49,320.00	1,826.66	2,338.13	3D Polygon	
Freeze Bend Mine	100 Mesh #3	18,790.00	240,829.00	8,919.58	11,417.07	Flat 232	
Freeze Bend Mine	100 Mesh #4	3,224.00	12,724.00	471.26	603.21	3D Polygon	
Freeze Bend Mine	100 Mesh #5	11,793.00	56,543.00	2,094.18	2,680.55	3D Polygon	
Freeze Bend Mine	100 Mesh #6	6,841.00	52,416.00	1,941.33	2,484.90	3D Polygon	50,182.4
Freeze Bend Mine	40-70 #1	15,176.00	158,542.00	5,871.92	7,516.06	3D Polygon	7,516.0
Freeze Bend Mine	Overs Waste	10,032.00	64,518.00	2,389.55	3,058.63	3D Polygon	3,058.6
Freeze Bend Mine	Raw Feed #1	4,002.00	25,834.00	956.81	1,224.72	3D Polygon	
Freeze Bend Mine	Raw Feed #2	8,126.00	56,396.00	2,088.74	2,673.59	3D Polygon	3,898.3
Freeze Bend Mine	T-6 Overs	2,649.00	11,220.00	415.56	531.91	3D Polygon	531.9





Sandtown Quarry Evolution



Orthophotomosaic – 12/18



Orthophotomosaic - 03/19



Orthophotomosaic - 06/18



Orthophotomosaic - 09/19



Environmental Impact Monitoring











Traditional Stockpile Inventory Method

- Performed Annually
- Time Consuming and Labor Intensive Resulting in Higher Costs
- 1-2 Weeks Turnaround from Start to Finish
- Safety Risks with Survey Team Climbing on Stockpiles
- Summarized Final Report for Each Site





Drone Stockpile Inventory Method

- Performed Quarterly (10)
- 7 Days or Less (Goal is 5 Days) Turnaround including Travel
- Stockpile Polygons for Each Site Visually Confirmed
 Collaboratively
- Detailed Final Report (Spreadsheet and Word Documents)
- 34"x44" (ANSI E) Scaled Hardcopy Plots Provided for Each Site Delivered To Offices within 10 days
- Digital Data delivered via Dropbox including Georeferenced Orthomosaic Photos, Digital Surface Elevation Models, 3D Models, and Plot Files for Each Site







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