

Wilson Dam Lock, TN



Client: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Demo-Project: Wilson Dam Lock, Nashville Tennessee

Dates: May 2010

Size: Exterior Dam Locks and Walls

Type: Engineering Analysis

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

- Data collection from a Riegl VZ-400 LiDAR Scanner
- The scanner's speed (one minute) allowed it to keep an accurate log of the fill/drain process
- Field time and analysis reduced
- TopoDOT® allowed an in-depth analysis

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Demo-Project Summary:

Certainty3D, LLC applied 3D imaging technology to produce an engineering analysis on the Wilson Dam locks and walls in Nashville, Tennessee. 3D Image data was acquired efficiently using the RIEGL VZ400 LiDAR scanner. The project was conducted on the exterior portion of the locks in order to determine the amount of deflection occurring on the structure. The retained water within the lock system filled and drained at a rate of 7-8 ft/min. A scan (a minute long) was taken every 3 minutes to log the fill and drain process, which was possible due to the scanners speed. Total project time was within a day and the analysis was within an hour. In reference to the photo below/right, deflection is maximum (red colored data) towards the middle of the lock gate. Both the lock gates and retaining wall were done in this fashion. Total project time and cost were less than conventional surveying and yielded a superior method.



Deliverable Summary

- Data processed using Certainty 3D's TopoDOT[™] application in MicroStation[™]
- All 3D Image Data is traceable back to control network survey reference
- TopoDOT[™] provided the tools necessary for an in-depth engineering analysis