



Midwest Bridge Preservation Partnership

Agenda – Monthly Teleconference

Tuesday, September 5th, 2023

Business Meeting: 12:30 pm – 1:00 pm Central

Technical Session 1:00 – 2:00 pm Central

12:30 pm – Business Meeting. (10 participants)

1. Annual MWBPP Conference 2023 South Dakota

- a.) Registration is OPEN! Please [Register Online at 2023 MWBPP](#). Online registration by **September 17th, 2023** is requested. Reminder – each state member is allotted two attendees to be paid for by AASHTO. Anyone receiving travel from AASHTO should register and fill out the Travel Request form at this link and submit it as soon as possible- <https://www.tsp2.org/files/2016/07/Travel-Request-Form-Fill-in.pdf>
- b.) Travel clarifications – if AASHTO is arranging your travel, they will coordinate with the Hotel to arrange for the airport shuttle to pick you up. If you are arranging your own air travel, please let the Hotel know a week ahead of time that you will need shuttle service.
- c.) Full Scholarships (including Travel) – (in addition to the two per state listed above): During the August meeting we approved 2 requests (MnDOT, and Presenter Dwayne Rogers Clare Co MI.), over the past month two other Full scholarships were approved by the Officers – Wisconsin DOT, and Kevin Stack with Barrien County, Michigan presenting on using ArcGIS for preservation management.
- d.) Questions?
- e.) Saeed Babanajad had been approved for a presentation on Performance Evaluation of Elastomeric Bearing Pads through Extensive Laboratory Full Scale Testing... But is now offering a presentation...

i. **Decided to drop the presentation and consider it for the next year's meeting.**

2. Officers... Looking for a few good Officers. Consider stepping up at the Conference to help out the Partnership, during the Business meeting we will hold elections for the 2023-2024 year. Let me know if you have any questions about the positions.

i. **Looking to find and nominate a new academic director to replace Glenn. See who is interested at the annual meeting.**

3. National Bridge Preservation Meeting – dates – September 10th – 13th 2024 – Salt Lake City, Utah.

4. Future Partnership meetings 2025 - (States – Illinois, Kansas, Nebraska, Ohio, Oklahoma)

i. **Ohio is prepared officially to volunteer to host the 2025 meeting at our upcoming annual meeting in Deadwood, South Dakota.**

5. Looking for topics for the October 3rd, 2023 Teleconference. Any suggestions?

i. **Possibly updates regarding the “Buy America” policy.**

6. With the Annual meeting happening in October, just a couple of weeks before the November 7th, monthly teleconference, I am recommending that we skip the November teleconference. Discussion?
7. Other Business?

1:00 pm – Technical Session.

1. Roll Call (as per the web-ex list, please put your name in the chat if you called in only)
2. Approval of Minutes -
 - August 1st, 2023 (Motioned to approve, seconded, & approved with no opposition)
3. Phil Meinel – TPF Midwest Element Deterioration Study. Considering a nominations to the newly created TPF Excellence Awards and the deadline for submittal is 9/12 – looking for input from States using the study.
 - i. Review/feedback might be limited with the release of the SNBI.
 - ii. Suggest a follow-up meeting the participating states
4. Technical Session – Review of the Draft MWBPP Annual Meeting Agenda – seeking volunteers for all highlighted roles – Moderators / Note Takers / Panel Members / Etc. Please consider sharing your expertise.
 - i. Nancy recorded the volunteers and updated the agenda. Other vacancies will be filled upon request.
5. Technical Session – **Blake Liberati, Hughes Group**. “Using vertical hydrodemolition to remove fire damaged concrete from abutment faces in Philadelphia on I95 as part of an emergency project”
 - i. Also mentioned work done in Franklin County, OH for bridge parapet refacing.
 1. Request to provide Franklin County contact.
6. Technical Session - **Kristian Fontanilla, from Lumina Lidar** - Digital Twins in Bridge Inspection: Harnessing LiDAR, Photogrammetry, and AI for Accuracy. This informative talk explores the pivotal role of LiDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) technology, high-resolution cameras, and AI in revolutionizing bridge inspections. By generating accurate digital twins of bridges, engineers can conduct thorough assessments, detect minuscule defects, and efficiently plan maintenance and repairs. Attendees will gain insights into the principles of LiDAR and photogrammetry, understanding their significance in creating a detailed digital asset of the bridge, and the integration of Fujifilm’s AI crack detection software. This talk will highlight real-world examples of successful implementations, emphasizing the cost-effectiveness, enhanced safety, and data-driven reporting that LiDAR, photogrammetry, and AI bring to bridge inspection and management.
7. General Interest Items:
 - **In case you missed it, FHWA did release the updated Bridge Inspector’s Reference Manual (BIRM) in March 2023.** The BIRM is a revision and upgrade of the previous manual conforming with ***FHWA Specifications for the National Bridge***

Inventory (SNBI). Improved bridge inspection techniques are presented, and state-of-the-art inspection equipment is included. New or expanded coverage is provided on culverts, nonredundant members, fatigue-prone details, redundancy, cable stayed bridges, prestressed segmental bridges, movable bridge inspection, underwater inspection, and nondestructive evaluation, critical findings, and inspection intervals. You can download the manual at <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bridge/nbis/pubs/nhi23024.pdf>

- **Others?**

MWBPP Monthly Meeting Attendees

Summary

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Meeting Date

September 5, 2023 12:15 PM CD 117 minutes

Meeting Duration

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Scott Stotlemeyer (to Everyone): 12:45 PM: Academic Members- One (1) Director will be selected by participating representatives of Colleges and Universities.

Nancy Huether (to Everyone): 12:48 PM: Thank you Scott. Not sure how to do that if we have only one - guess that would be simply "volunteering" :)

Scott Stotlemeyer (to Everyone): 12:56 PM: That's pretty much how we got Glen involved.

Nancy Huether (to Everyone): 1:11 PM: If anyone wants to volunteer and are too shy to speak up, you can put your name in the chat.

Sarah Sondag, MnDOT (to Everyone): 1:20 PM: I will ask some of the others that are attending from MnDOT to see if they would be willing to be moderators or note takers.

Katrina Davidson (to Everyone): 1:22 PM: Hadley Eisenbiez is planning to moderate Deck Sealers in place of Todd Thompson

Katrina Davidson (to Everyone): 1:22 PM: Hadley Eisenbeisz

Nancy Huether (to Everyone): 1:23 PM: Thanks, Sarah!

Nancy Huether (to Everyone): 1:24 PM: Thanks, Katrina!

Will he be attending and presenting with you?

Paul Pilarski (to Everyone): 1:40 PM: do you know the cost of repairing the barrier with hydrodemolition versus replacement?

Kent Miller - Nebraska DOT (to Everyone): 2:04 PM: NDOT has made multiple attempts with IR detection of bridge deck delaminations. None have correlated well with actual repaired area found by sounding.

Amir (to Everyone): 2:04 PM: Kristian, thank you for the great information. So to capture cracks as small as 0.004" you need the drone camera to go up to 100 Megapixel. The data set size will be huge especially for large bridges or bridge decks, more complex on deck because you have moving vehicles so you should take even more pictures. How do you manage these complexities ?

Amir (to Everyone): 2:06 PM: My question is more for data collection and capturing such images on the drone.

Walter Peters (to Everyone): 2:12 PM: Walt Peters - ODOT: Do you get different results when temperatures vary?

2023 Robotic Vertical Hydrodemolition Projects

Project 1 = I-95 Fired Damaged Abutment Repairs – Philadelphia, PA
Project 2 = Hayden Run over Griggs Reservoir Parapet Refacing – Columbus, OH

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Blake Liberati - Hydro-Technologies, Inc.

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Project 1 PennDOT – I-95 Fire Damaged Abutment Repairs Philadelphia, PA

- A tanker truck carrying gasoline lost control on an I-95 exit ramp in Philadelphia, PA. The truck exploded into flames directly under the I-95 overpass. I-95 was closed in both directions – an emergency was declared.
- The bridge received extensive fire damage.
- I-95 was temporarily opened about a week later using a lightweight fill.
- PennDOT made the decision to reface the abutments and to rebuild the beam seats to save time and costs. This would be done in two phases.
- Vertical Robotic Hydrodemolition was used to remove fire damaged concrete at specified depths from the face of the abutments and beam seats.
- 7" depth removal for Abutment 3 (worst one) – other three abutments = 4" depth removal. 30" depth removal for the beam seats.
- Phase 1 vertical hydrodemolition took just under 2 weeks to complete about 8,000 sf.
 - Phase 2 will be completed later this Summer.

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Sunday June 11, 2023 – just after
the 6:30 am accident



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Bridge after the flames were
extinguished.



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Temporary Fill

Installed in just 7 days



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Fire Damaged Abutment 1



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Fire Damaged Abutment 2



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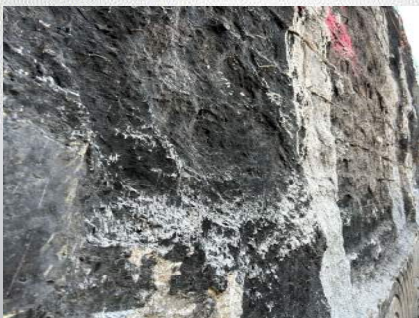
Fire Damaged Abutment 3

Worst one = 7" Removal



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Fire Damaged Abutment 3



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Fire Damaged Abutment 3



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Fire Damaged Abutment 4



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30" Beam Seat Removals



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30" Beam Seat Removals



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4" to 7" Fascia Removals



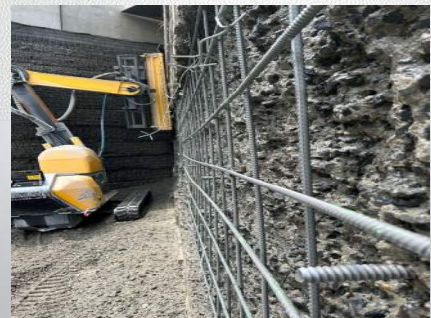
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4" to 7" Fascia Removals



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4" to 7" Fascia Removals



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4" to 7" Fascia Removals



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4" to 7" Fascia Removals



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Water Control



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Completed Abutment 1



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Almost Completed Abutment 3



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Additional Removals Abutment 3



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Video 1 – Abutment 1 Removals



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Video 2 – Abutment 1 Removals



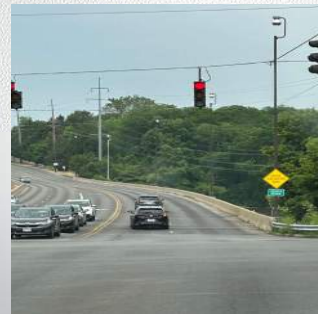
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Project 2 Franklin County Parapet Refacing Columbus, Ohio

- Franklin County Engineers in Ohio needed to repair a chloride damaged parapet wall on a heavily traveled bridge located over a reservoir.
- To do the work quickly and with the least amount of impact to the environment, FCE made the decision to reface the 810' of parapet wall instead of removing and replacing the wall.
- Vertical Robotic Hydrodemolition was used to prepare the surface by providing a rough and bondable surface while selectively removing deteriorated concrete from the face of the parapet.
- The vertical robotic hydrodemolition took 2 days to prepare 810' of wall.

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Existing Bridge



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Existing Parapet Wall



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Existing Parapet Wall



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Vertical Robotic Hydrodemolition



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Vertical Robotic Hydrodemolition



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Vertical Robotic Hydrodemolition
Video 1

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Vertical Robotic Hydrodemolition
Video 2

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Hydrodemolished Wall



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Hydrodemolished Wall



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Hydrodemolished Wall



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Hydrodemolished Wall



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Hydrodemolished Wall



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Dowel/Rebar Installation



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Dowel/Rebar Installation



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Refaced Parapet Wall



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- We are experts in Hydrodemolition and Latex Modified Concrete Overlays. We have 50+ years experience. Call anytime with questions or if you need information.





DIGITAL TWINS IN BRIDGE INSPECTION: HARNESSING LIDAR, PHOTOGRAMMETRY, AND AI FOR ACCURACY

Presented by Lumina Lidar LLC
In cooperation with FUJIFILM North America Corporation



PRESENTERS



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As project engineer, I manage fieldwork and processing of point cloud data collected and analyze the data collected to ensure accuracy and precision. As a part of our team, I organize the workflow of a project, deliver sufficient information and perform 2D and 3D modeling of an existing point cloud. I research the latest software and hardware available in the market to reach the full potential of our cutting-edge equipment. I develop methods to integrate different resources to expedite the process of delivering to clients.

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With 40 years of experience, I have seen it all and been apart of remarkable projects. I provide oversight and coordinate the management of all projects, including architects, engineers, and construction professionals. Lumina's in-house team of engineers, architects, project managers, technicians, and BIM/CAD designers are like no other. They work with each client to develop an accurate understanding of the existing conditions, capture precision point clouds and create custom deliverables, ranging from raw data to 2D drawings and 3D models.

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THE OUTLINE

WHAT WE'LL DISCUSS

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LiDAR & Photogrammetry
AI: Fujifilm's FIPAS
Integration
Deliverable
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ABOUT LUMINA LIDAR LLC

Lumina Lidar, LLC is a woman-owned small business (WOSB), founded on 2019 as an outgrowth of engineering and land surveying services with expertise includes infrastructure, roads and bridges, sites, structures, 3D mapping and modeling, geospatial analysis, existing conditions and as-built depiction delivered to clients.

Modeling your world at the speed of light – LiDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) is our principal reconnaissance tool that uses remote-sensing technology in terrestrial, mobile, and aerial (drones, aircraft) forms. It provides large or small commercial, industrial, residential and government clients highly detailed and accurate 3D models of surface conditions, buildings and facilities, terrain and agriculture, transportation (air, rail and highway).

COMMON BRIDGE INSPECTION METHODS

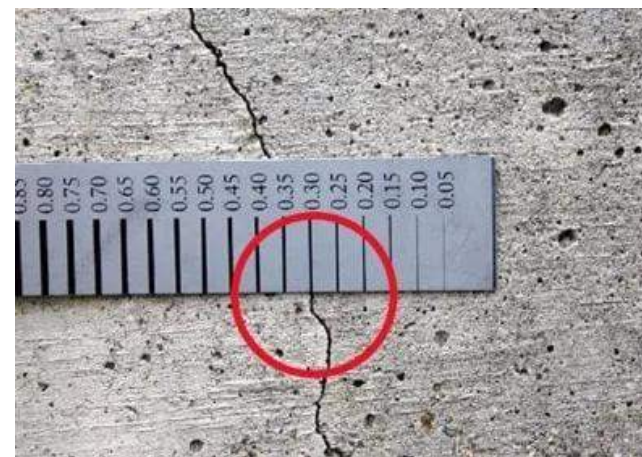
**CRACKS, DELAMINATION,
SPALLING, ETC.**



Tap Testing



Chain-dragging



Manual measurement

COMMON METHODS

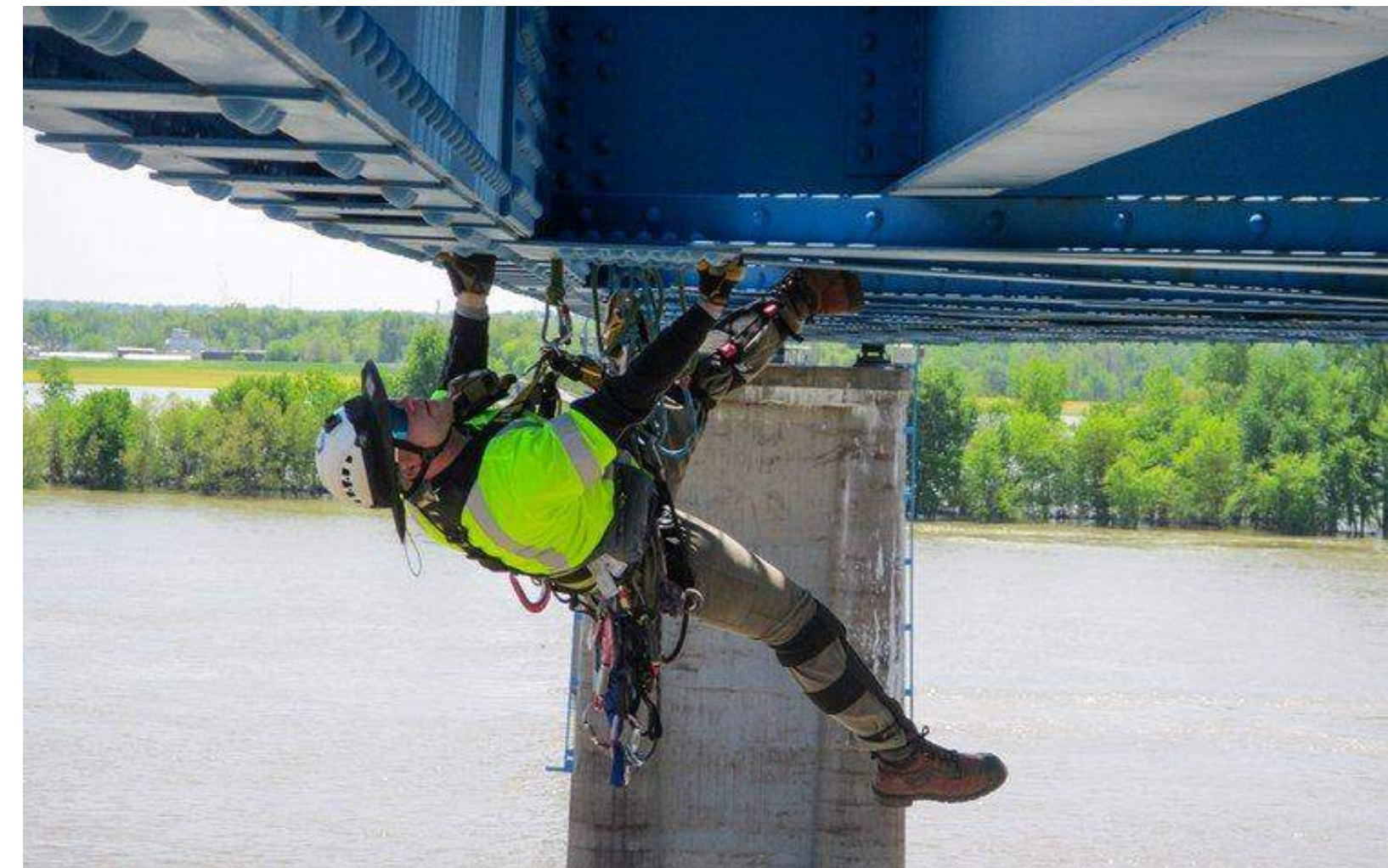
The common and accepted methods of bridge inspections are manual measurement, tap testing, and chain-dragging. These methods take a lot of manpower and hours to cover the entire area of interest due to getting the information of all major defects on the bridge.



It involves riding a snooper, man-lift, barge, or personnel climbing along steel beams. This requires a lot of manual physical work with high risks of accident.



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MAJOR ISSUES

The following are the major issues that comes with the common methods:

- Long hours of inspection
- Requires a lot of manpower
- High risk of accident
- High cost of equipment rental
- Some areas cannot be covered due to inaccessibility (too high for the equipment to reach or too risky for the equipment).
- Slight change in weather conditions will increase the danger.
- Measurement inaccuracies with manual measurements.



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INTEGRATING LIDAR & PHOTOGRAMMETRY

THE INDUSTRY'S "DEUS EX MACHINA"

(LATIN: "GOD FROM THE MACHINE") A PERSON OR THING THAT APPEARS OR IS INTRODUCED INTO A SITUATION SUDDENLY AND UNEXPECTEDLY AND PROVIDES AN ARTIFICIAL OR CONTRIVED SOLUTION TO AN APPARENTLY INSOLUBLE DIFFICULTY.

-MIRRIAM-WEBSTER DICTIONARY



LIGHT DETECTION & RANGING (LIDAR)

LiDAR measures anything within line of sight, accumulating 100 millions of points within a couple of minutes to give detailed 3D measurements. Most common LiDAR equipment can measure up to 400m (1312 ft).



PHOTOGRAMMETRY

Cameras has been a major payload of almost every drone in the market. The competition made these cameras more high-quality, with some companies selling up to 100 Megapixel with different focal lengths.

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TERRESTRIAL LIDAR

The most accurate of all the different types of LiDAR unit. This type of LiDAR can be mounted on a tripod, car roof, or on a flat surface without the need to level the equipment.

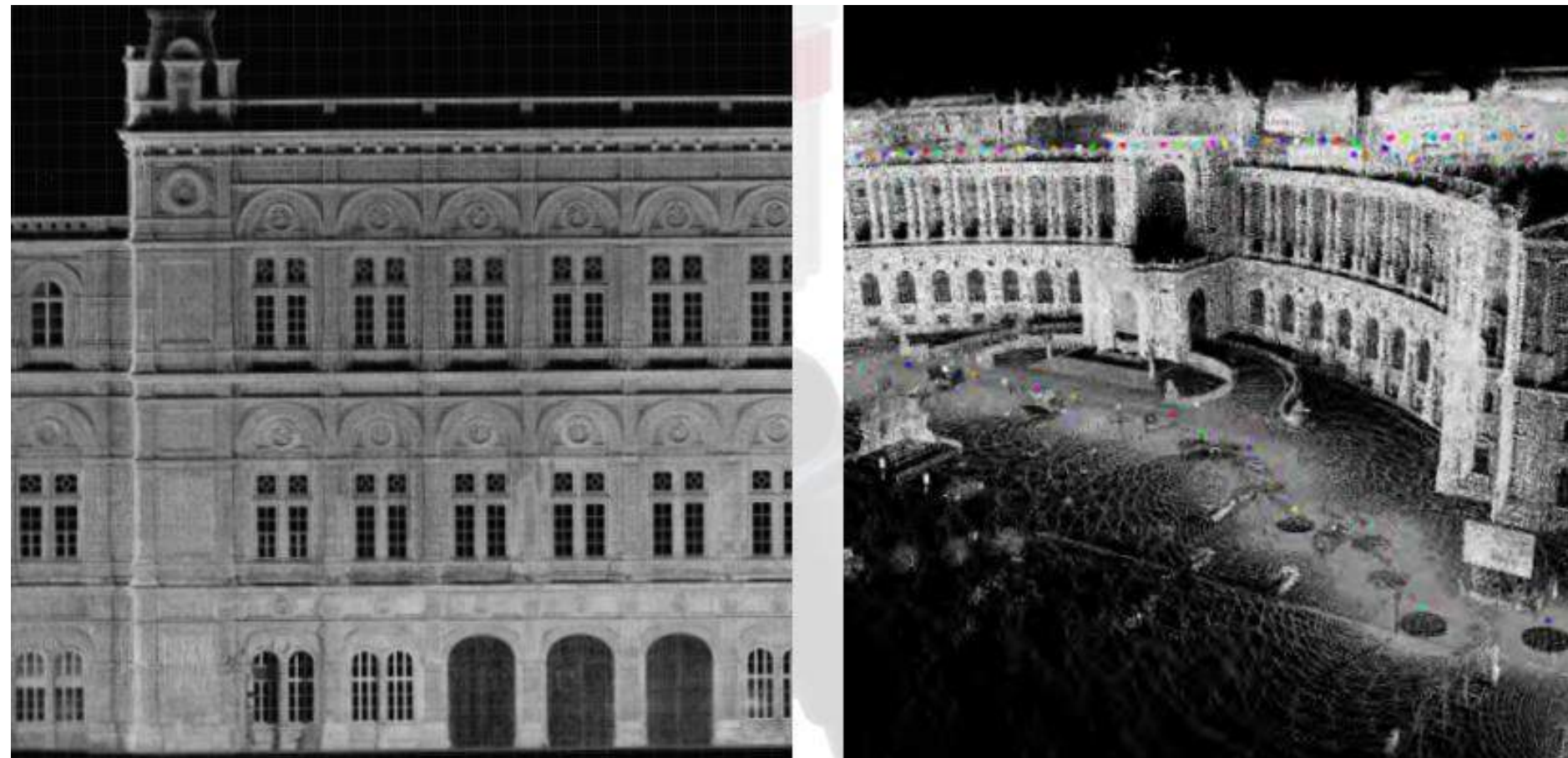


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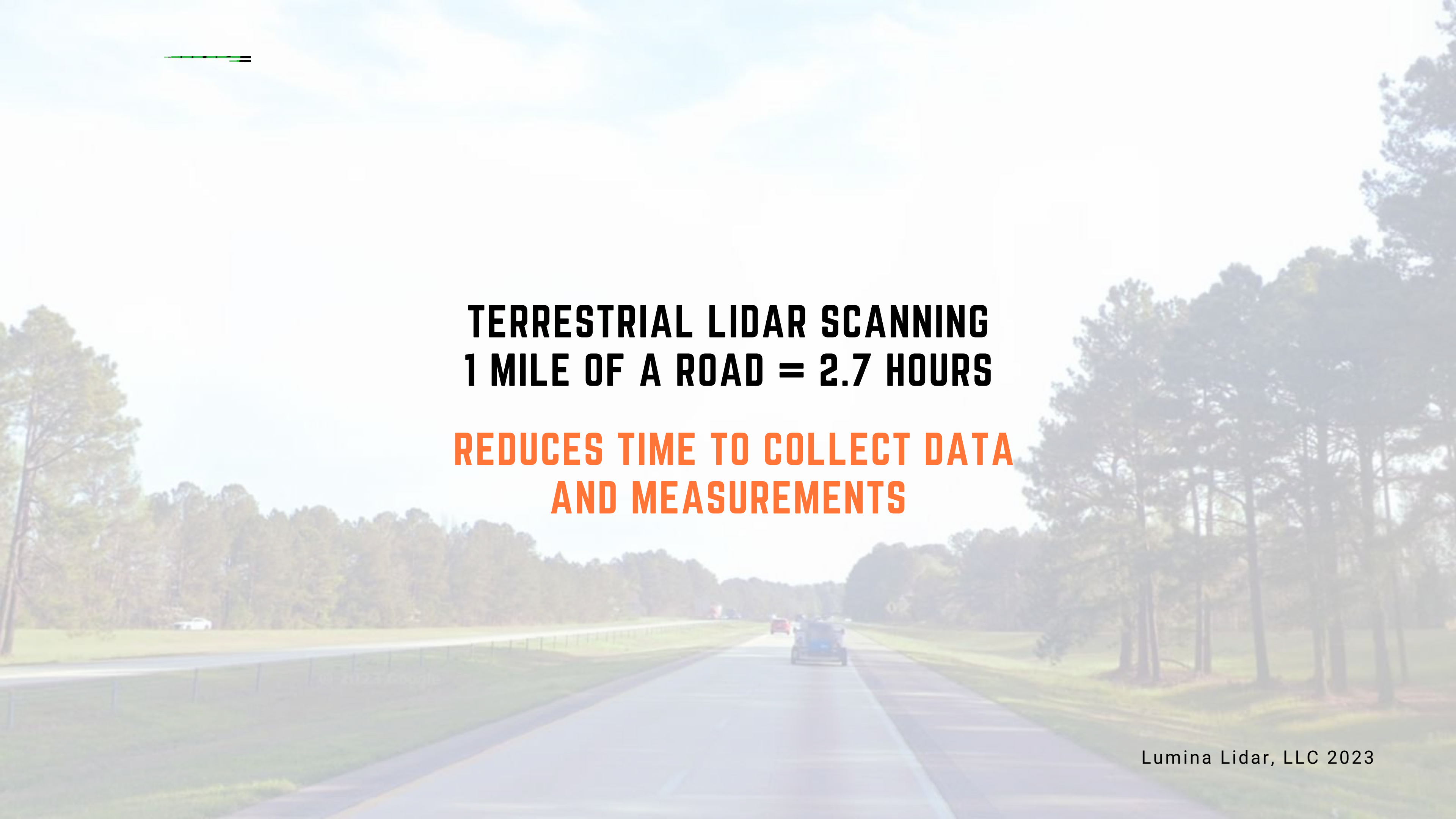
8 hours

500+ scans

More than 500 scans (50mdeg) of approx. 5 km of downtown streets with adjoining buildings have been taken by just one operator within 8 hours of full acquisition time in the field. The mission was executed during night, the data of the whole scene was acquired by taking individual scan positions with approx. 10 m distance in between.

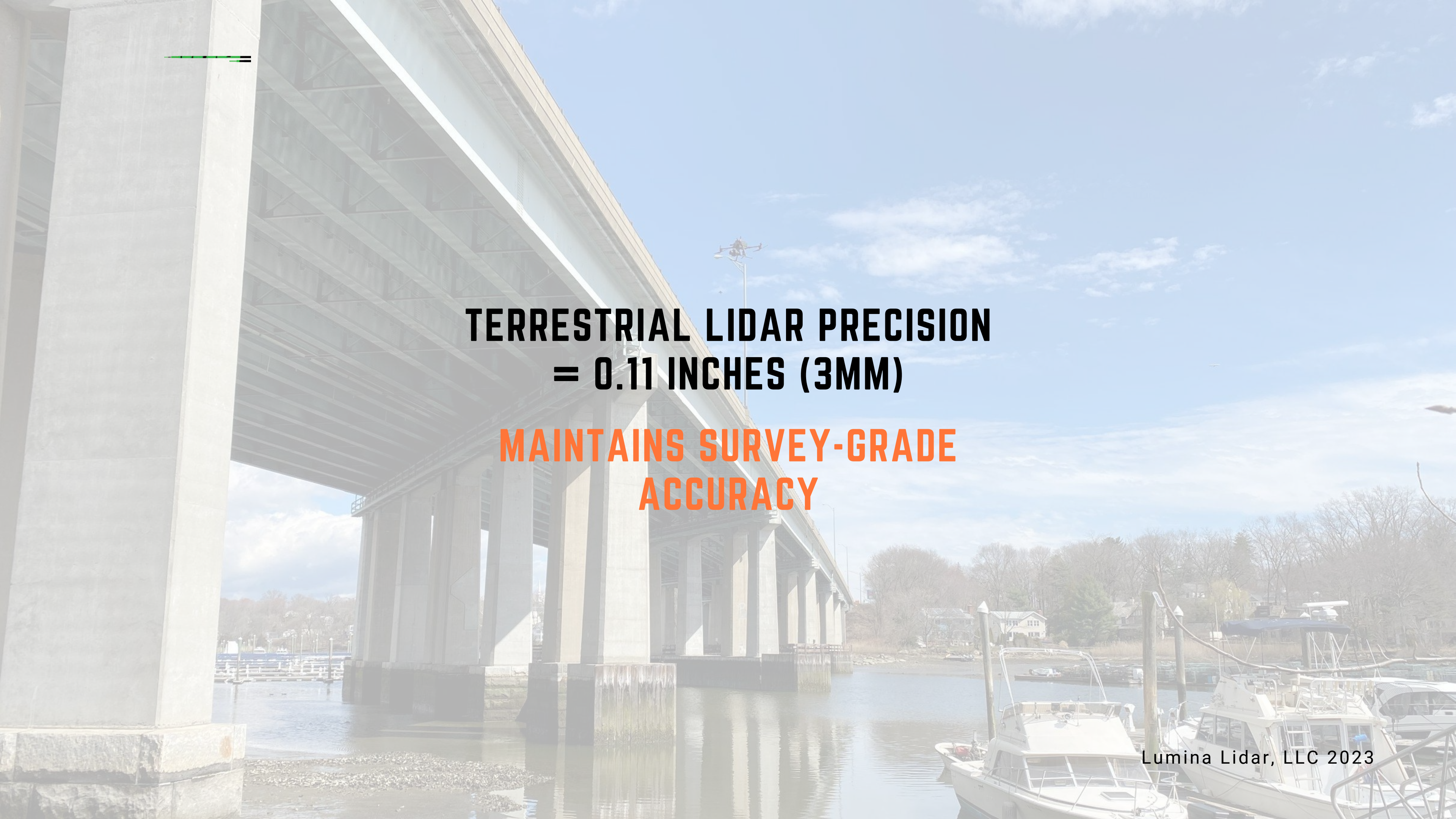


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TERRESTRIAL LIDAR SCANNING
1 MILE OF A ROAD = 2.7 HOURS

**REDUCES TIME TO COLLECT DATA
AND MEASUREMENTS**

A large concrete bridge with multiple piers spans a body of water. In the foreground, several white boats are docked at a pier. A drone is visible flying above the bridge. The sky is blue with some clouds.

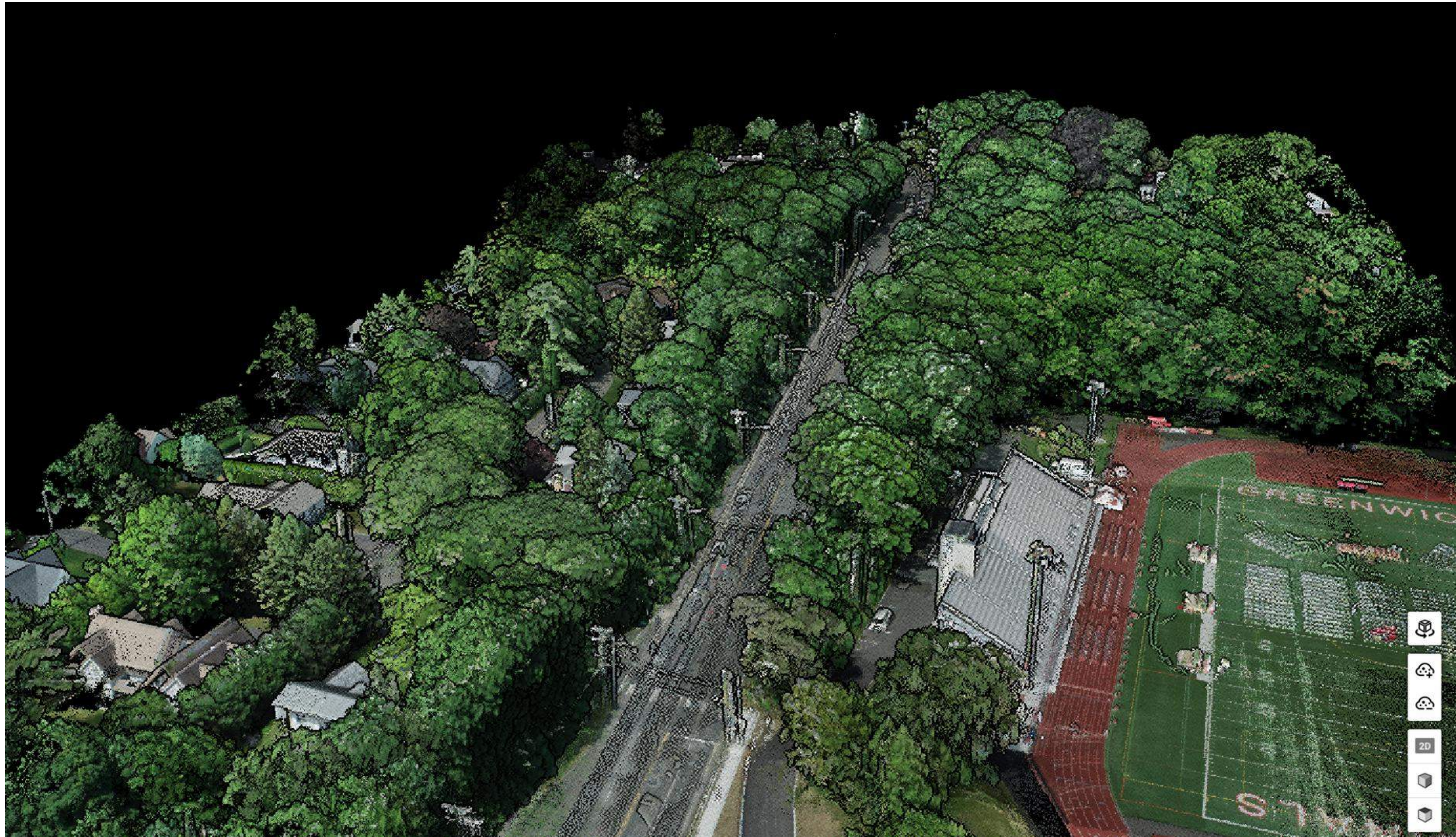
**TERRESTRIAL LIDAR PRECISION
= 0.11 INCHES (3MM)**

**MAINTAINS SURVEY-GRADE
ACCURACY**



AERIAL LIDAR

Commercial drones have payload capacity of 5 lbs. Some of them has a maximum speed of up to 50 mph. This allows the drone to be integrated in the inspection workflow to minimize the time & physical effort. There are different equipment that could be mounted on a drone to help on the inspection of a bridge.



Route 1, collected by Lumina Lidar using an aerial LiDAR unit
in less than 2 hours

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AERIAL LIDAR PAYLOAD

Some drones have a capability to go through small openings and have sensors for its collision avoidance feature.

The speed could go as fast as 11mph while maintaining the accuracy of 1.2 inches (3cm).





**AERIAL LIDAR SCANNING
1 MILE OF ROAD = 10 MINUTES**

**FAST DATA COLLECTION,
SPECIFICALLY FOR UNPAVED &
VEGETATED AREAS**

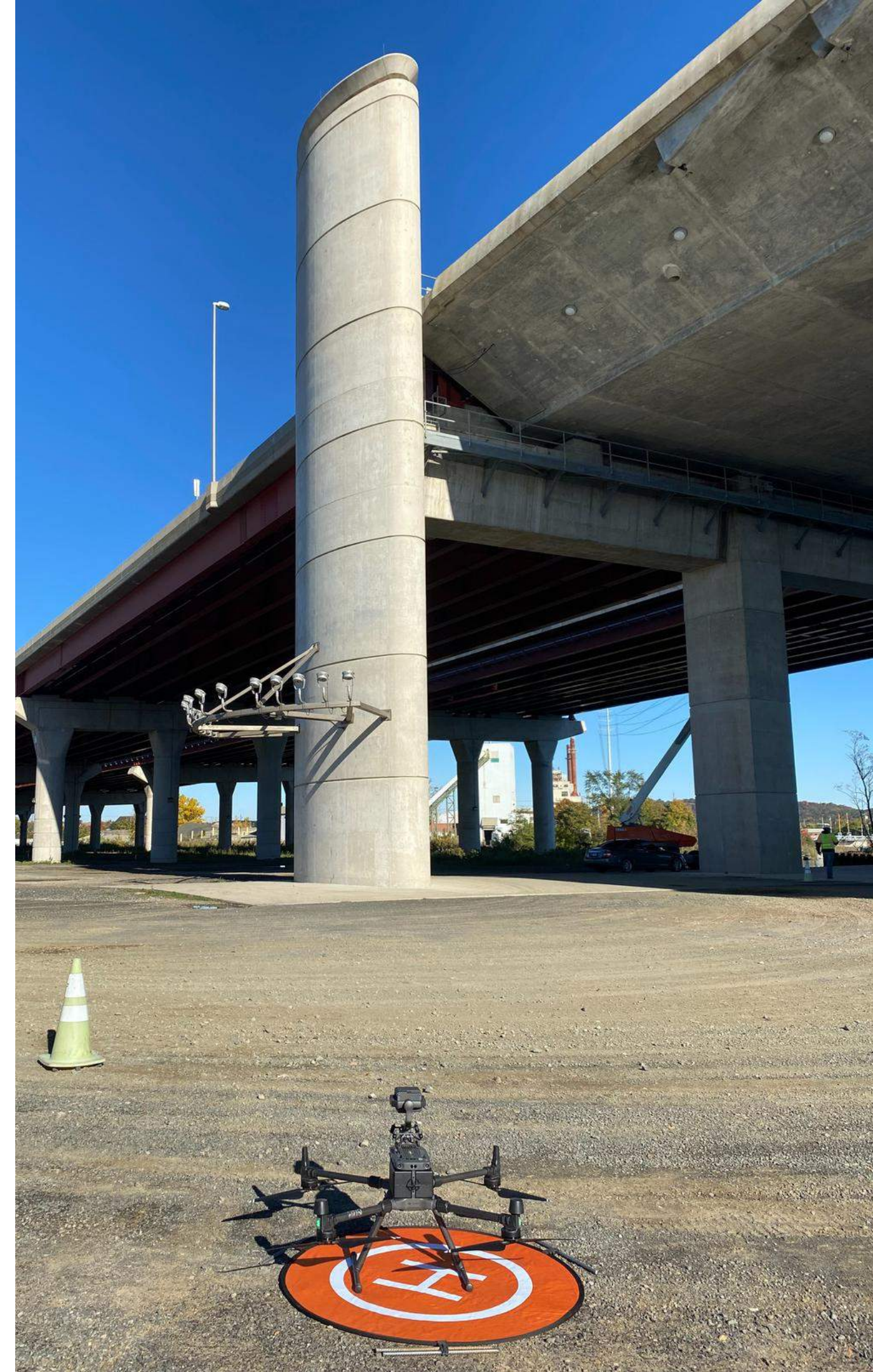
An aerial photograph of a large cable-stayed bridge with multiple white pylons and numerous stay cables. A white van is driving on the bridge deck in the foreground. The background shows a body of water and distant hills under a blue sky with scattered clouds.

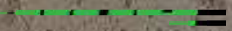
**AERIAL LIDAR DETECTION RANGE
= 1,400 FT (450M)**

**GATHERS ADDITIONAL DETAIL ON
TALL STRUCTURES THAT ARE HARD
TO REACH**

HIGH RESOLUTION CAMERA PAYLOAD

Drone camera resolution can go up to 100 Megapixels.
This allows drones to capture cracks as small as 0.004 inches (0.1mm).

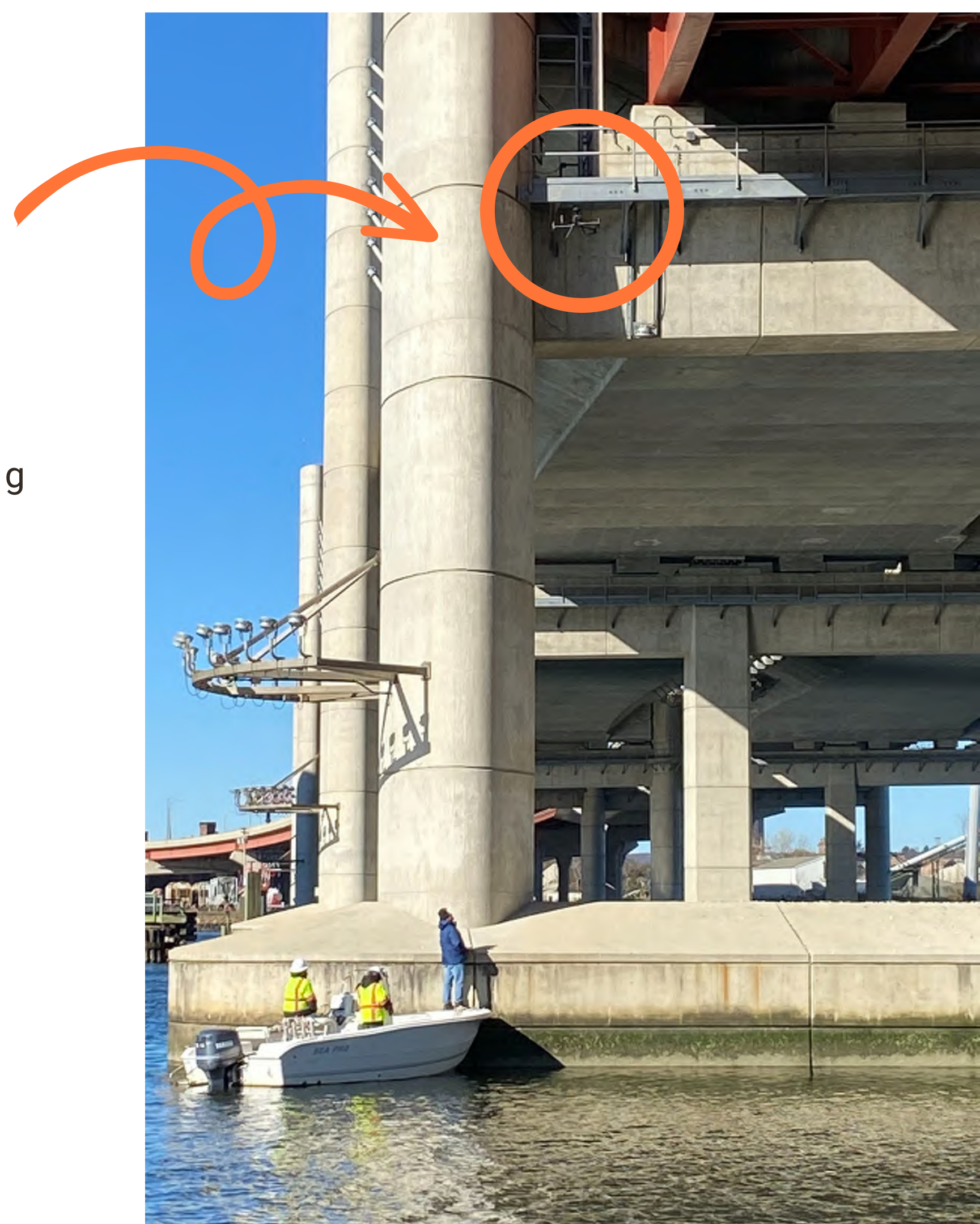






Some drones can also attach camera on top of it, making it possible to capture photos on the underside of the bridge.

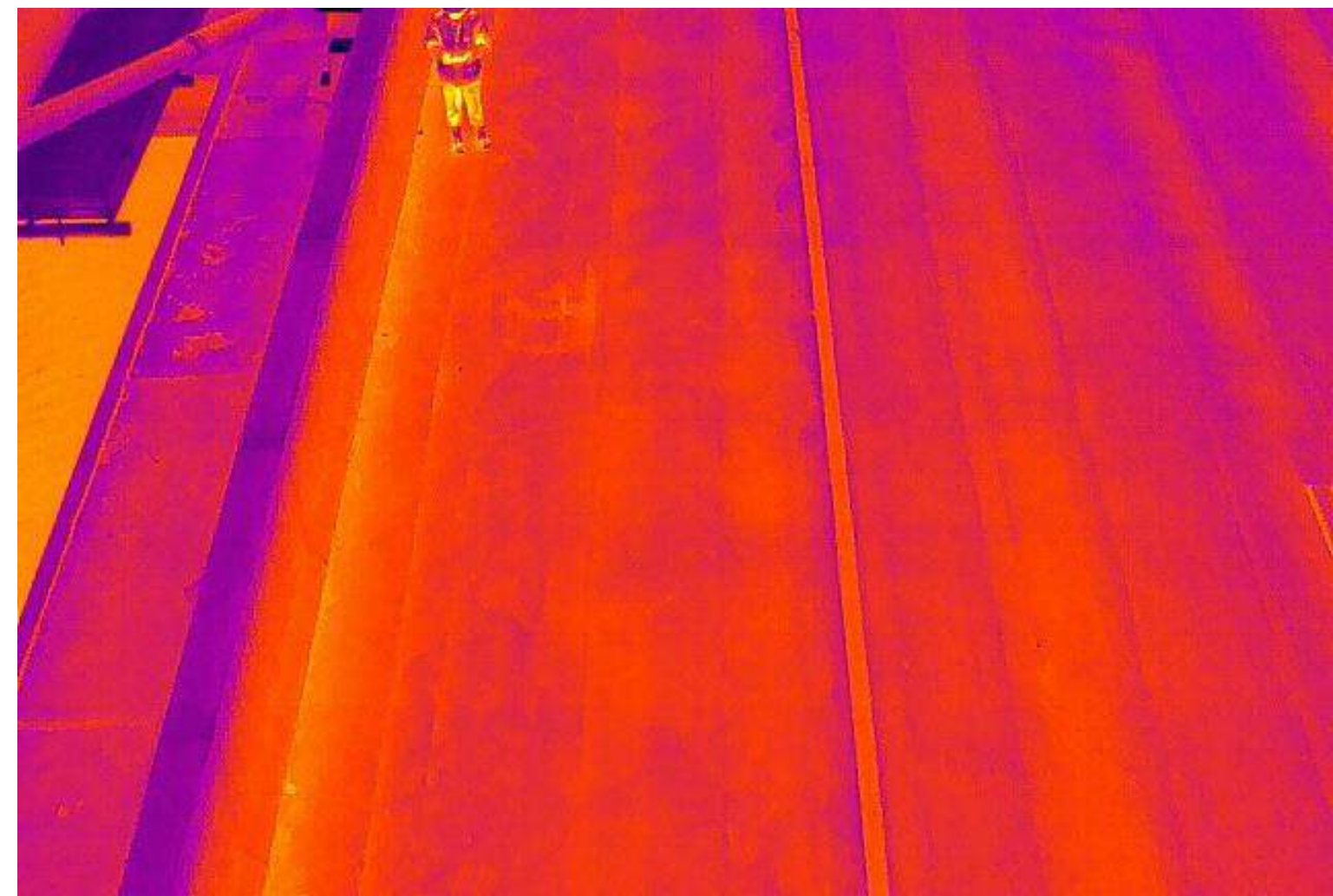
This could cut hours of renting manlift, a barge or a snoopers.



THERMAL CAMERA PAYLOAD

This camera can help detect delamination and capture it's location by geotagging the photos using the on-board GPS of the drone and the Real Time Kinematics (RTK) antenna.

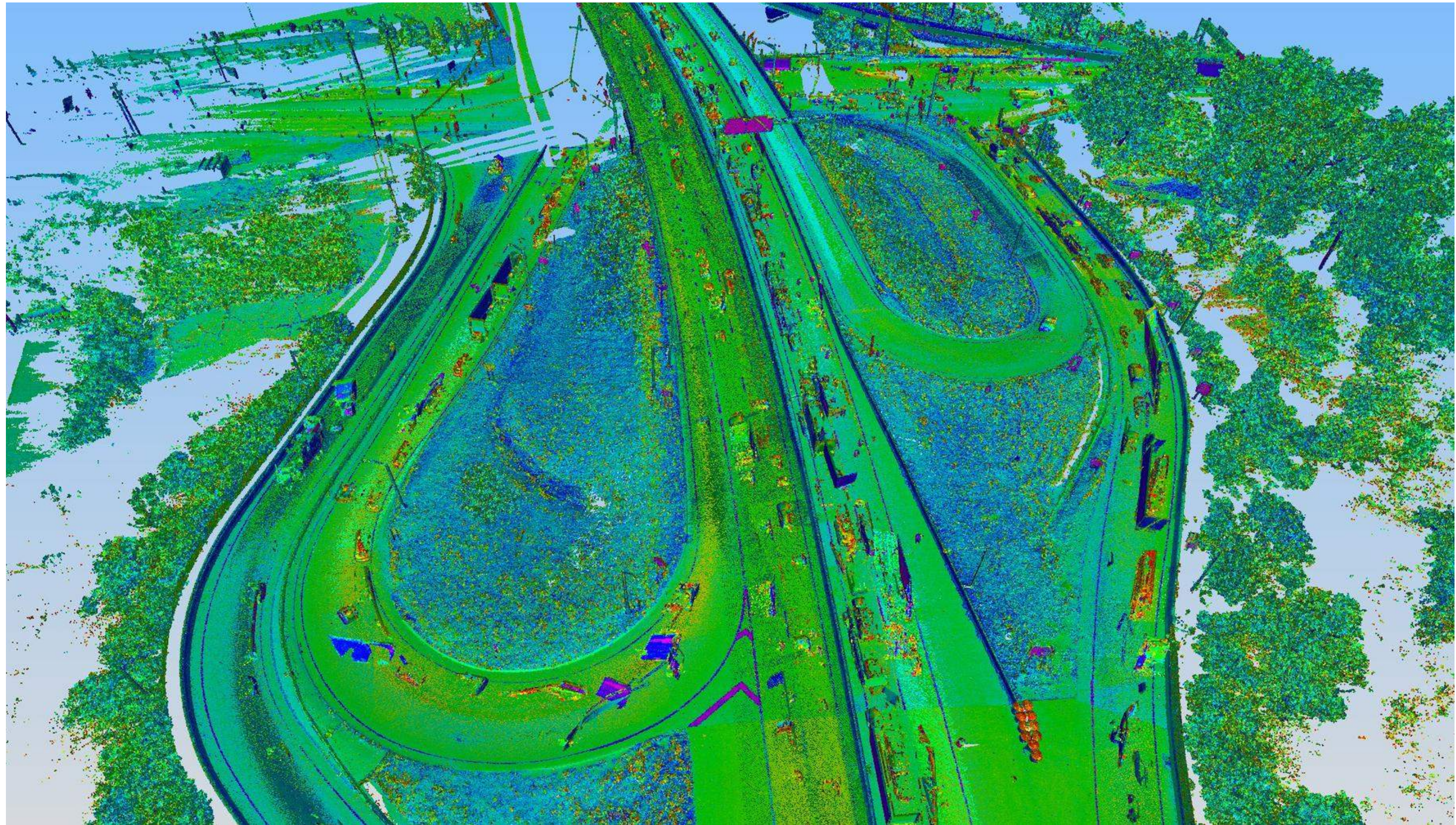
This would help narrow down the areas needed to be inspected by chain-dragging or tap testing methods. Less manual tests, less lane closures.





MOBILE LIDAR

This equipment is one of the fastest way to collect road data. The car can run on traffic speed (60 mph on highway) while maintaining a survey-grade accuracy, and it could eliminate lane closures.



Route 8, collected by Lumina Lidar using a mobile LiDAR unit at traffic speed

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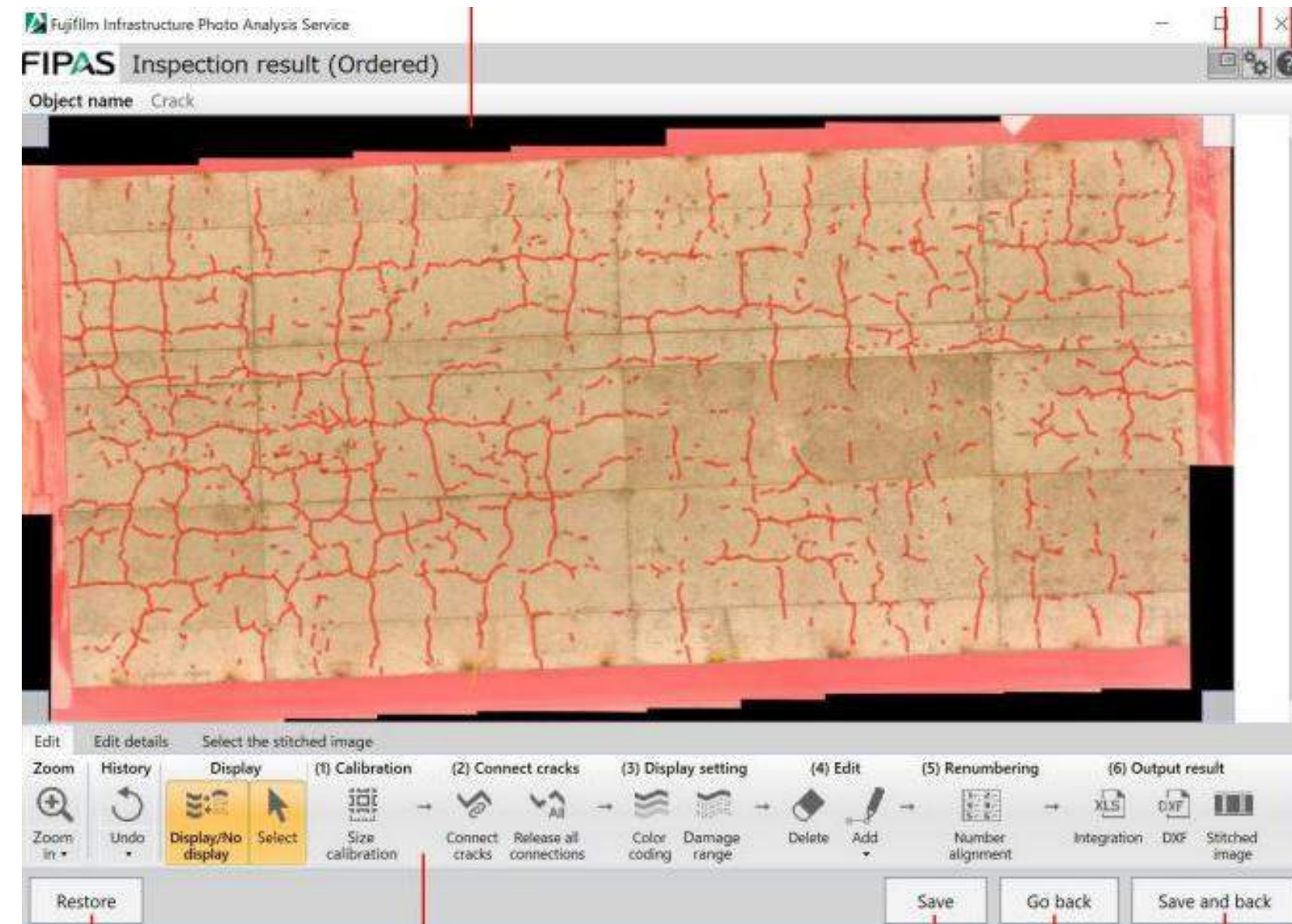
FUJIFILM INFRASTRUCTURE PHOTO ANALYSIS SERVICE (FIPAS)

THE PROGRESS OF AUTOMATION

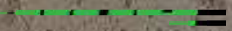
CRACK DETECTION

One of the major features of the FIPAS is its A.I. which detects cracks in concrete and other defects such as efflorescence and spalling. The photographs collected are stitched by the software and shows the following:

- Crack ID
- Crack Width
- Crack Length
- Other defect area in terms of square feet or square meters.







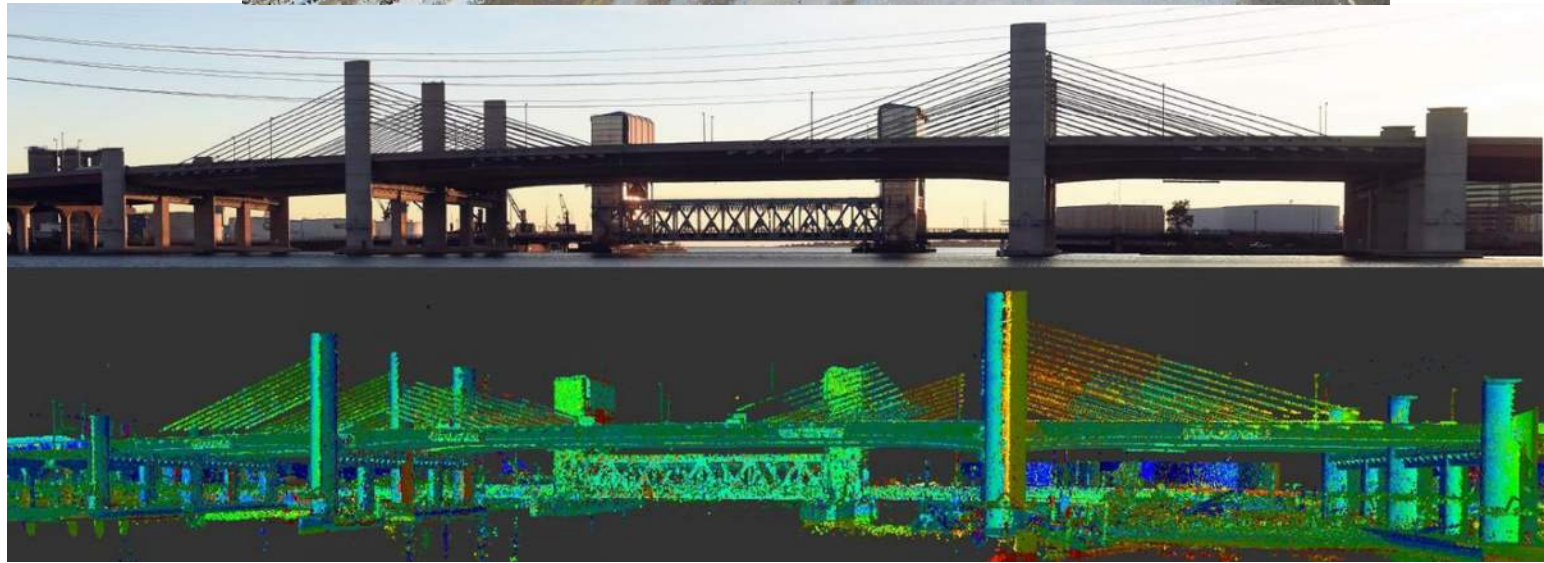
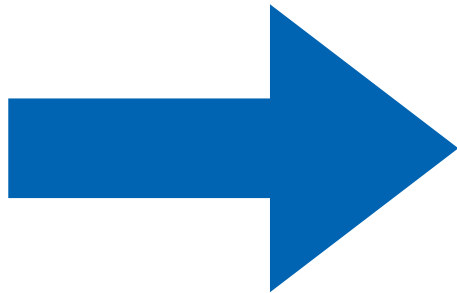
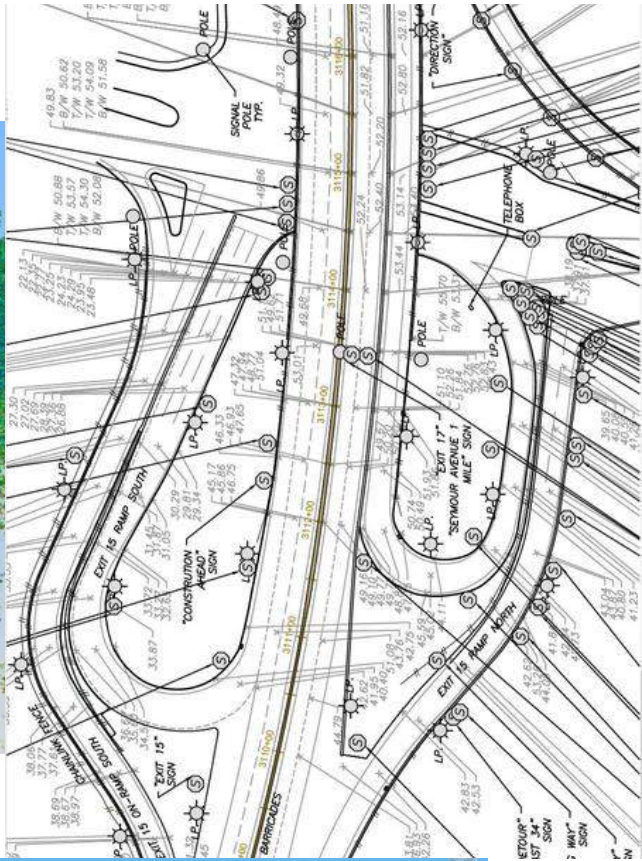
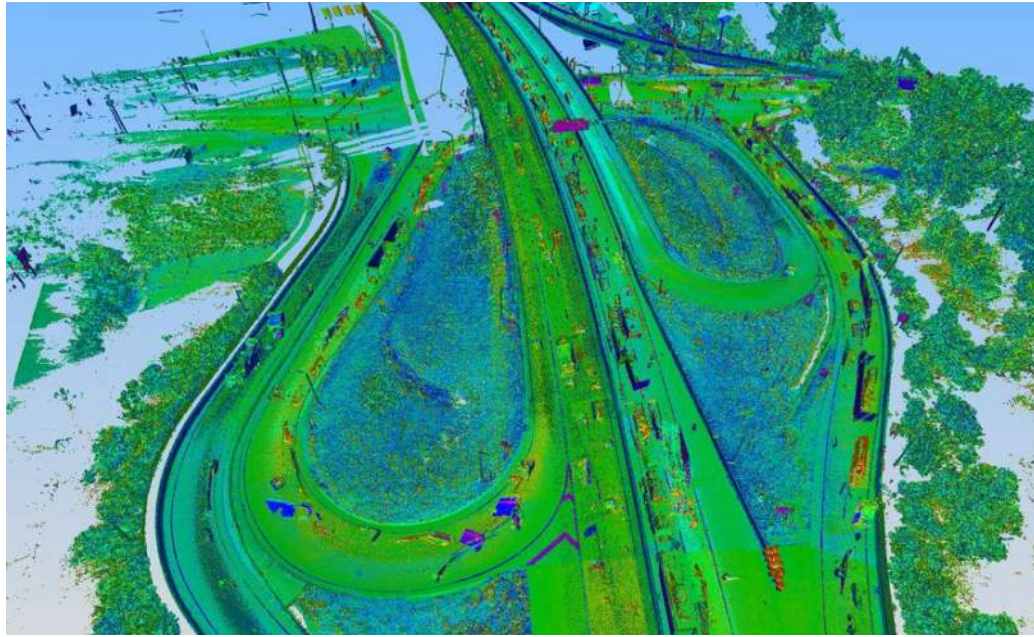


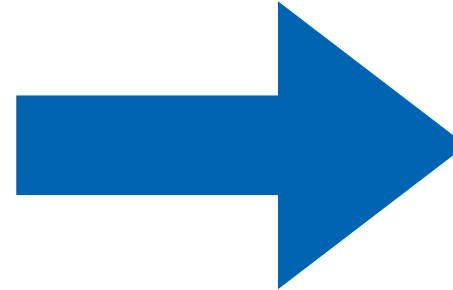
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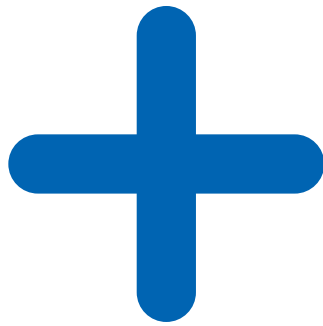
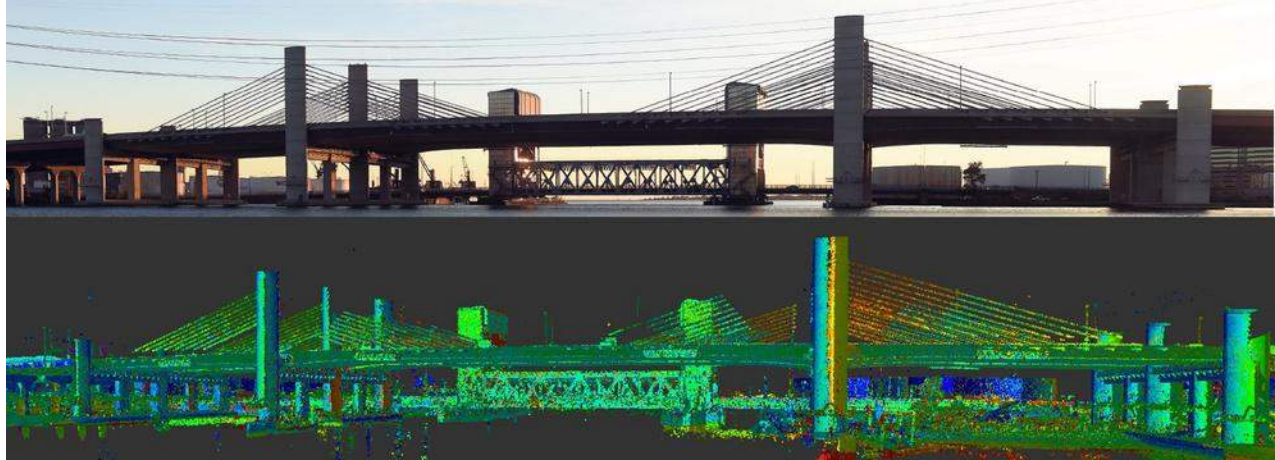
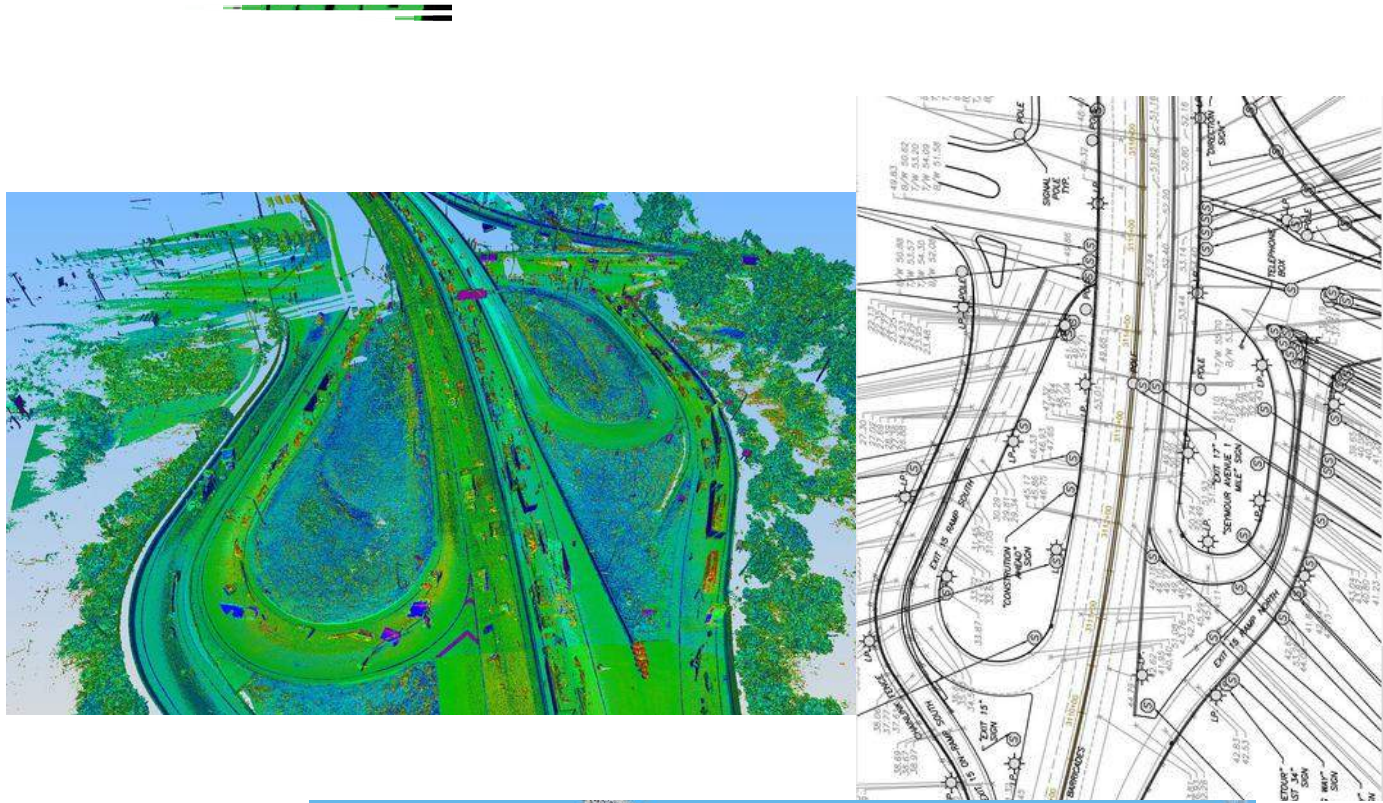
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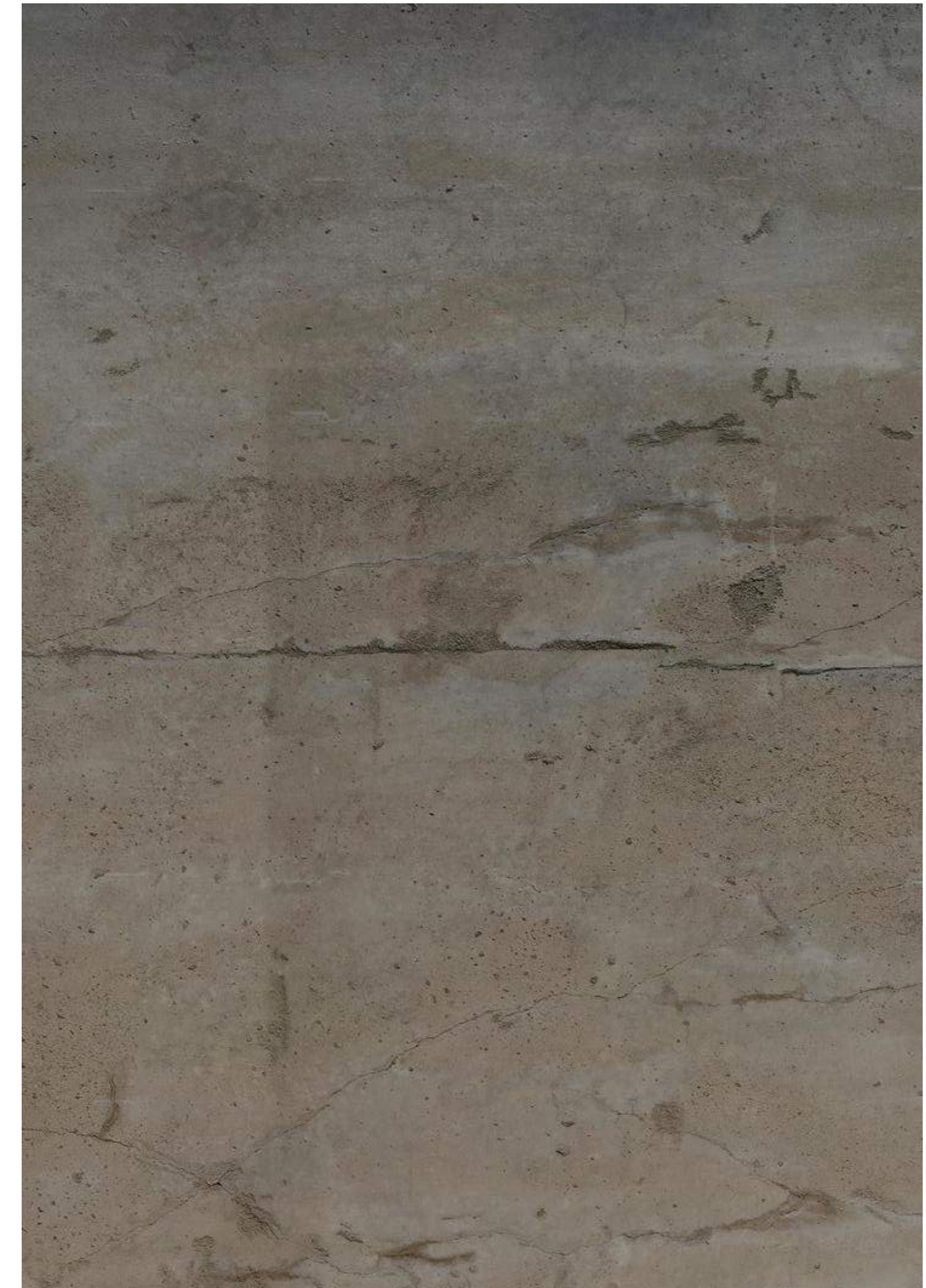
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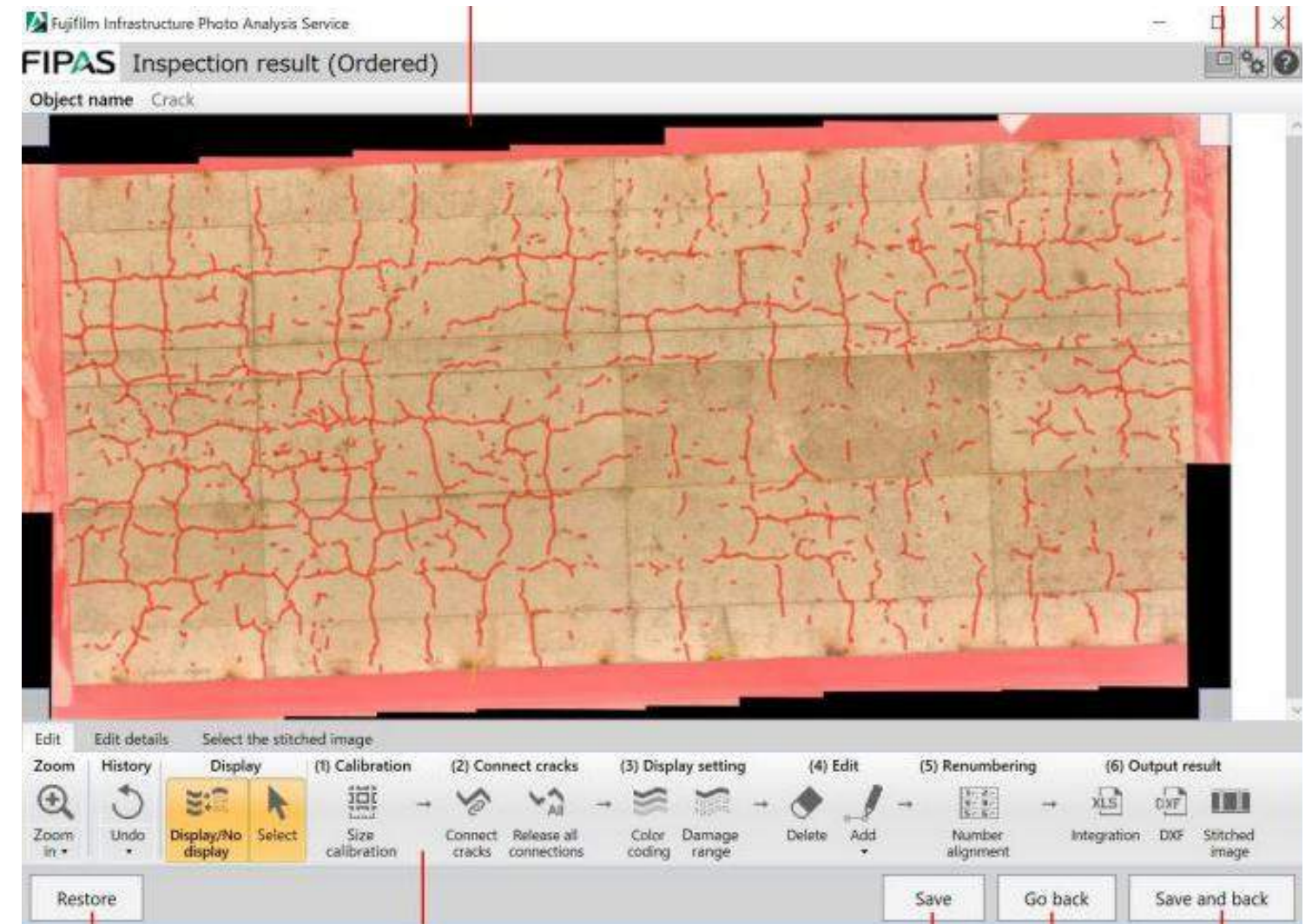
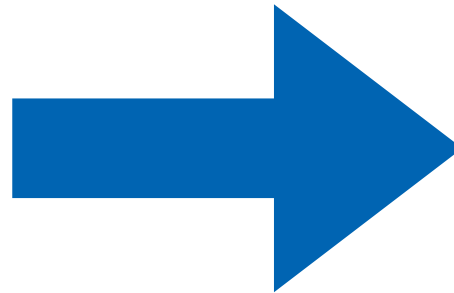


OUTPUT

The LiDAR provides accurate measurements that will be used to properly merge the photos so that the cracks and other defects would stay on the right spot.

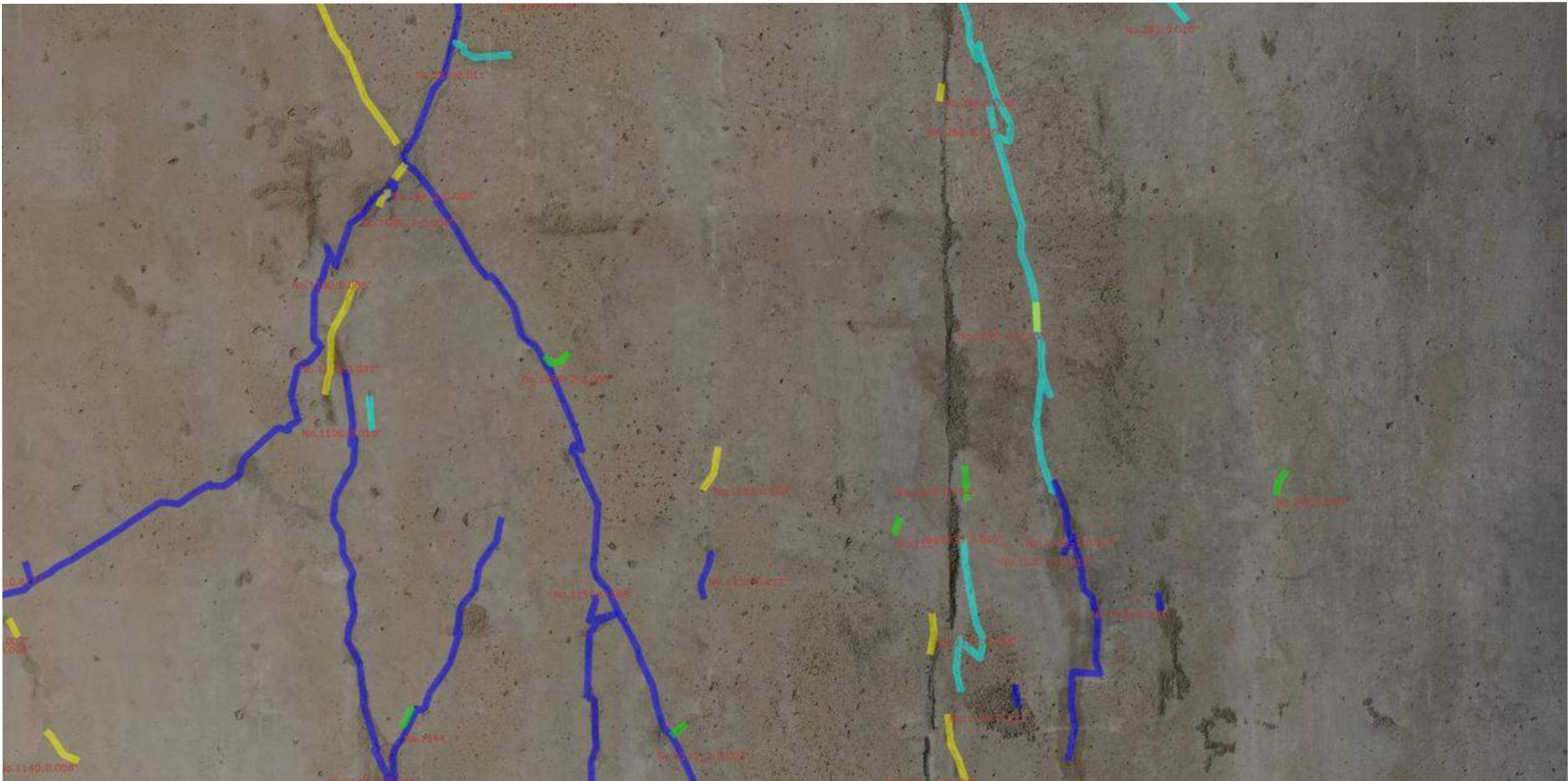
We can then upload to FIPAS and let the A.I. detect the cracks and defects.





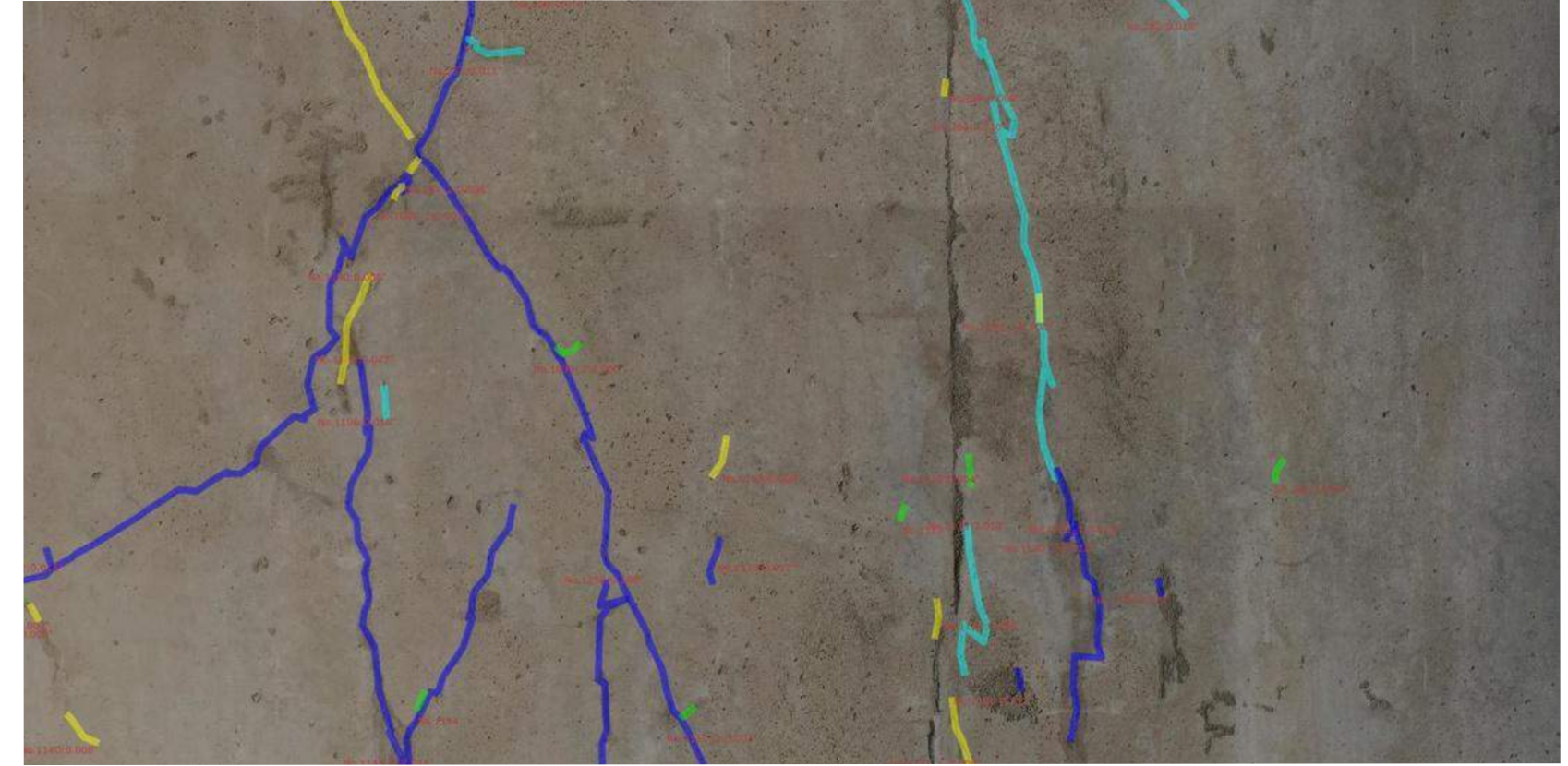


Once the cracks and other defects have been detected, the inspectors can go back to look at the major defects instead of looking at the entire surface area of the bridge.





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DELIVERABLES

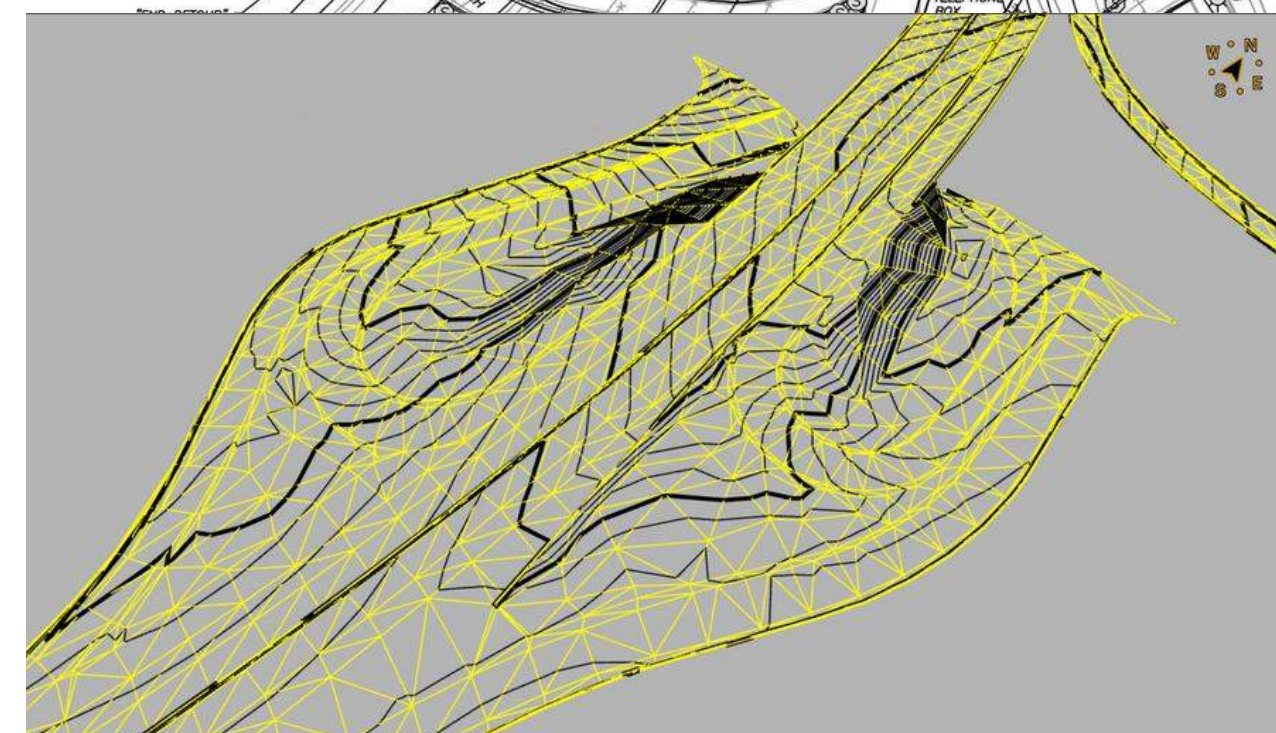
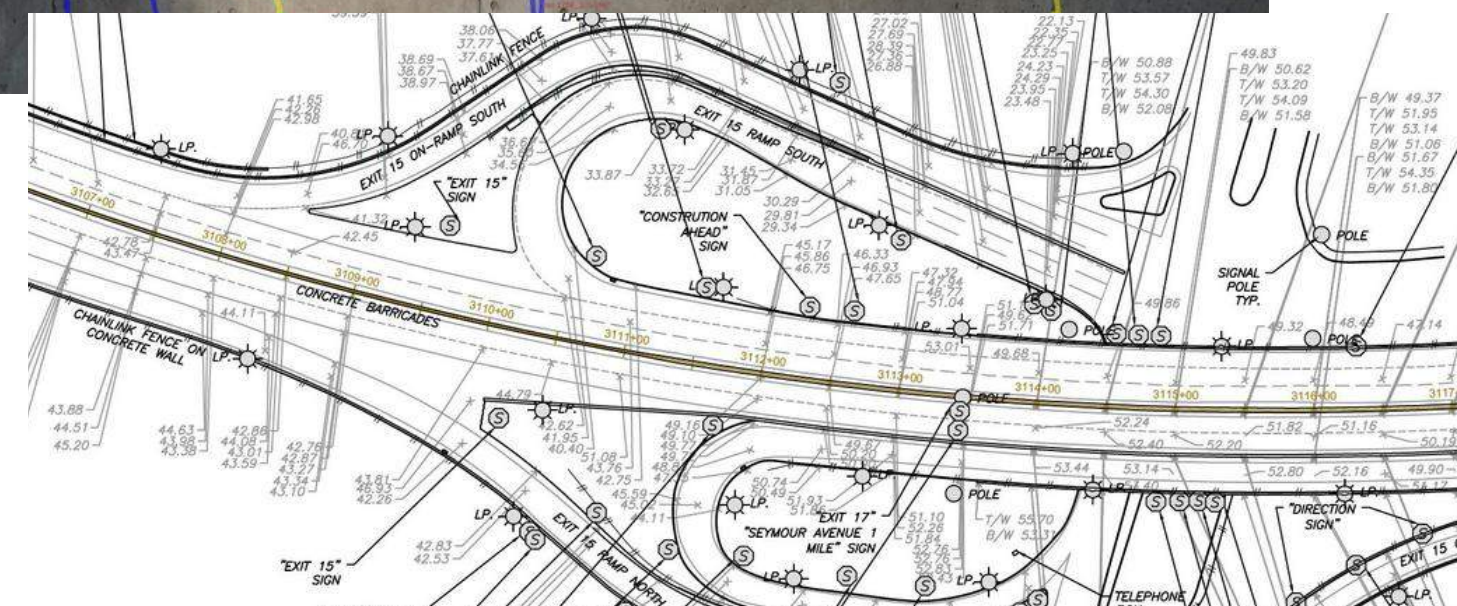
THE POLISHED PRODUCT



DELIVERABLES

These are the following deliverables that will be included in most bridge inspection report:

- Crack Map in PDF format
- Excel Spreadsheet containing the information
 - Crack or Defect ID
 - Crack or Defect Width
 - Crack or Defect Length
 - Location
- Crack Map photos in PNG format
- CAD file in .DWG format
- Digital Terrain Model (DTM), Digital Elevation Model (DEM), or Digital Surface Model (DSM) in .TIFF & .XML format.





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