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Reference Frame in Practice Workshop 1A

The Development of the
Papua New Guinea Geodetic Datum 1994
(PNG94)

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What is PNG94?



Geocentric Datum – ITRF92 realised by 14 fiducial stations computed at epoch 1994.0 (1st January 1994) – same realisation as GDA94 in Australia

Reference Ellipsoid: GRS80

Map Projection: Papua New Guinea Map Grid 1994 (PNGMG94)
Zones 54, 55 and 56

Projection type: Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM)
Southern Hemisphere

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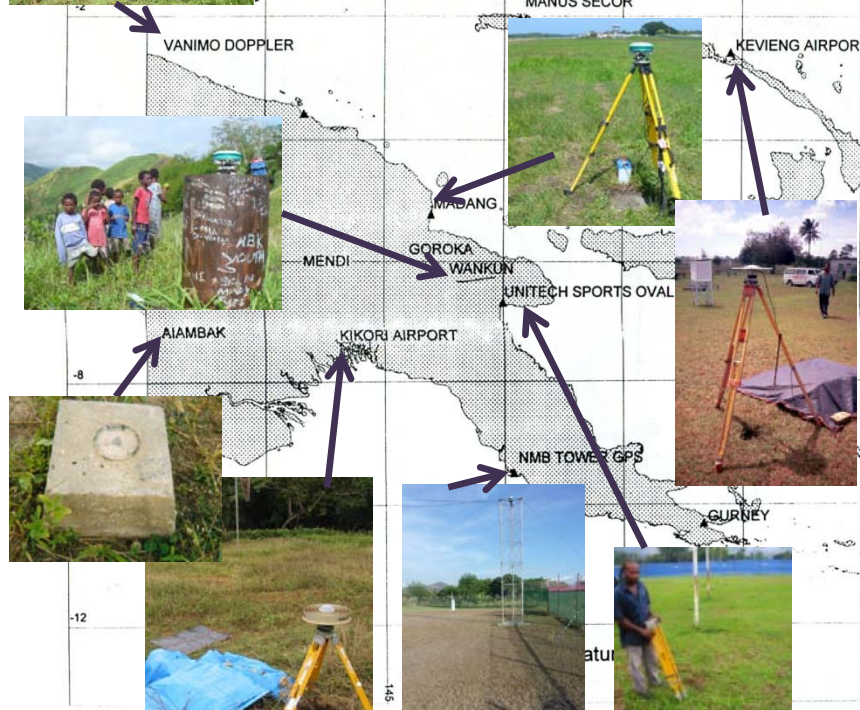
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PNG94 Fiducial Network



Site ID	Site Name	Monument number	PNG94 Latitude	PNG94 Longitude	PNG94 Ellipsoidal Height
MORE	NMB TOWER GPS	PSM 15832	-9°26'02.76968"	147°11'12.20017"	116.610
AIAM	AIAMBAK	PSM 9550	-7°20'51.81934"	141°16'01.44646"	95.465
MIS1	BWAGAOIA AIR	PSM 9195	-10°41'19.90490"	152°49'58.93878"	87.456
GOKA	GOROKA	PSM 9833	-6°04'53.07151"	145°23'30.44618"	1664.580
ALT2	GURNEY	PSM 9538	-10°18'37.50877"	150°20'18.09080"	94.871
KAVI	KAVIENG AIR	PSM 9513	-2°34'53.06528"	150°48'22.53578"	78.828
KIKO	KIKORI AIRPORT	PSM 5583	-7°25'24.65305"	144°14'55.76611"	88.965
MAD1	MADANG	GS 15495	-5°12'41.28824"	145°46'56.19305"	73.293
MANU	MANUS SECOR	PSM 9522	-2°03'02.29337"	147°21'37.63577"	129.751
MEND	MENDI	PSM 3507	-6°08'36.73422"	143°39'22.16540"	1815.154
9799	UNITECH SPORTS	PSM 9799	-6°40'16.96985"	146°59'52.37457"	130.389
VANI	VANIMO DOPPLER	PM 63/1	-2°41'05.28039"	141°18'15.65564"	80.516
NM34	WANKKUN	PSM 15029	-6°08'52.07208"	146°04'52.44226"	510.015
WUVU	WUVULU ISLAND	PSM 15456	-1°44'07.59465"	142°50'10.07846"	79.056

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6.2 The Papua New Guinea Network

Papua New Guinea participated in the IGS 1992 campaign and the subsequent Australian campaigns in close collaboration with the Australian effort. The data used in this analysis was collected by the Papua National Mapping Bureau and forwarded to the University of Canberra. In general, the data were treated differently depending on the amount of data available.

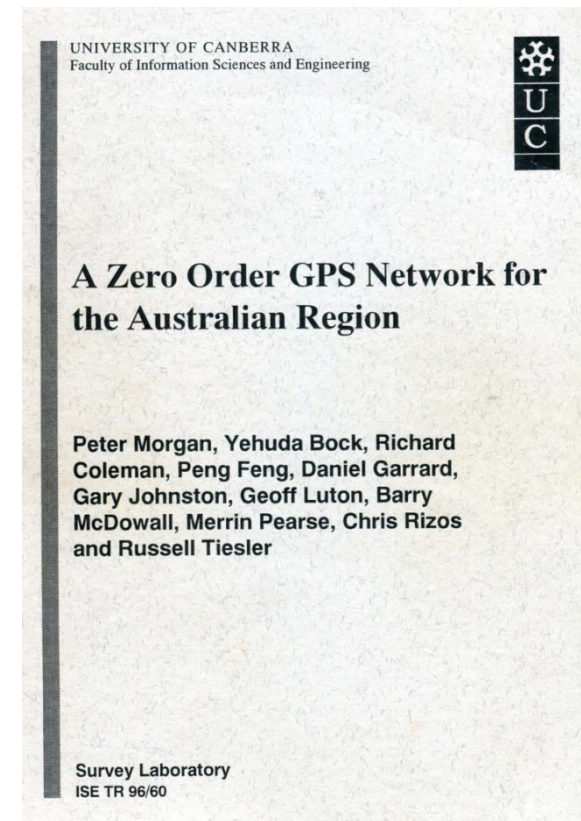
- The 1992 data were directly added to the ARN network, see Appendix F.3.
- The 1993 data were reduced as a level three network due to the increased number of stations observed. In this case, observation at Townsville AFN and Darwin were added to provide, in conjunction with Port Moresby, the necessary hierarchical links to the ARN network at level 2, see Appendix F.10.
- The 1994 data were again directly added to the ARN network, see Appendix F.12.

There is a considerable amount of data collected outside the period of interest to this report. These data are the subject of on-going research at The School of Geomatic Engineering of the University of New South Wales.

The overall conclusion that is to be drawn is that Papua New Guinea data have all the attributes of data pertaining to an Australian state network. It has therefore been treated in exactly the same manner.

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GPS Campaign 1992

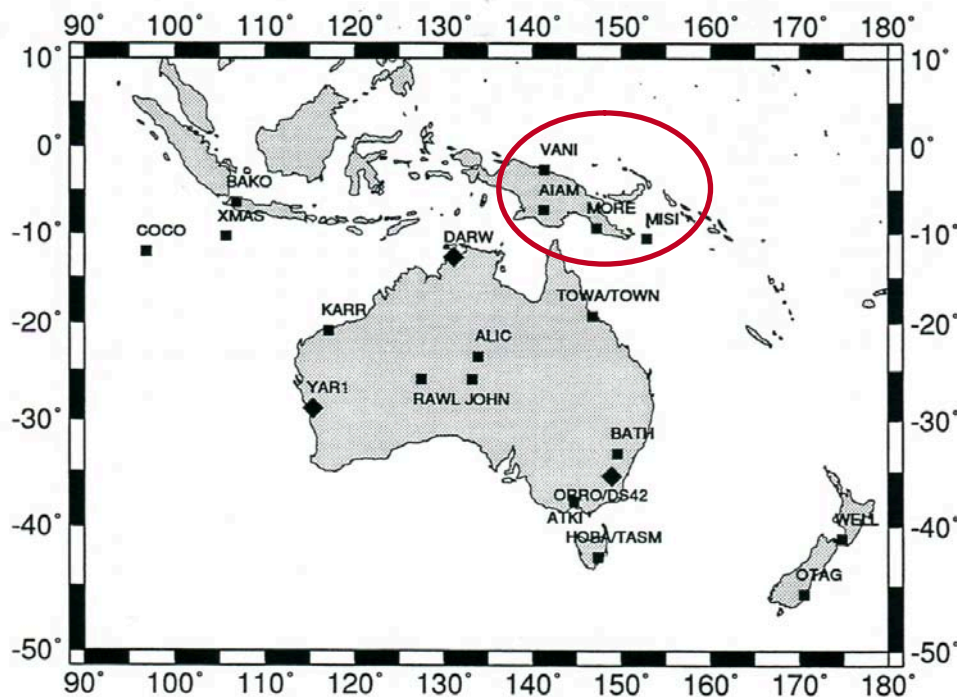


Figure F.3: Stations in the Australian Regional Network 1992

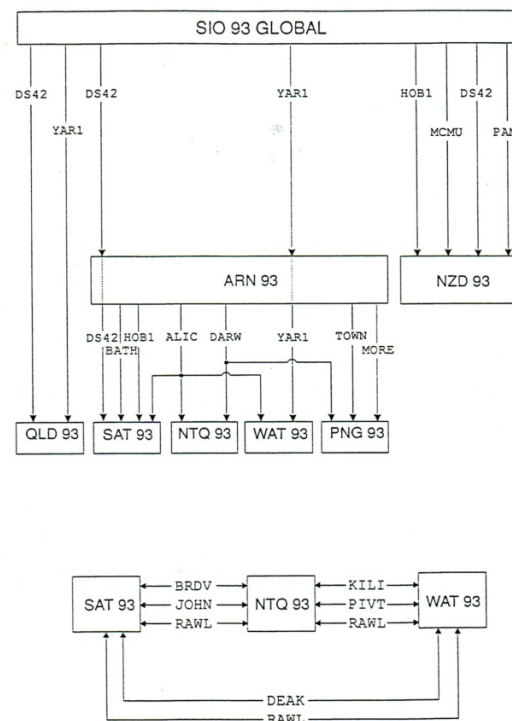


Figure 4.3: Hierarchical diagram of networks and stations used to interconnect the networks participating in the three 1993 campaigns.

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GPS Campaign 1993

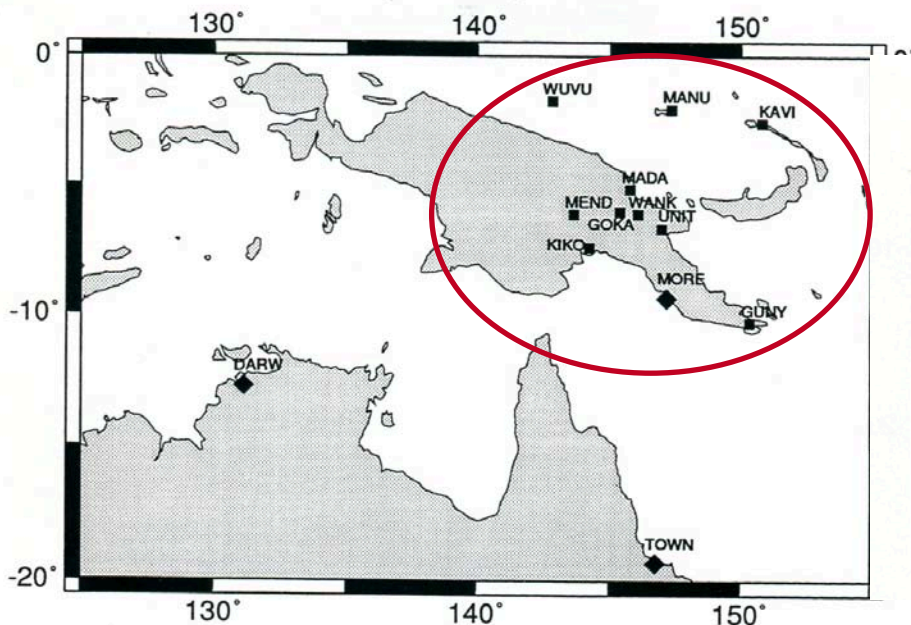


Table F.9: The Papua New Guinea network in 1993 Time Slice Table

Station	Day of 1993																			
	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Aiambak AIAM																				
Amanab AMAN	0	0	0	0	0	0														
Goroka GOKA																				
Gurney GUNY																				
Kavieng KAVI																				
Kikori KIKO																				
Kopiango KOPI																				
Madang MADA																				
Manus MANU																				
Mendi MEND																				
Ningerum NING																				
Unitech UNIT																				
Vanimo VANI	0	0	0																	
Wankun WANK																				
Wewak WEWK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0												
Wuvulu WUVU	0	0	0	0	0															

Figure F.10: Stations in the Papua New Guinea Network 1993



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Tide Gauge GPS Connections

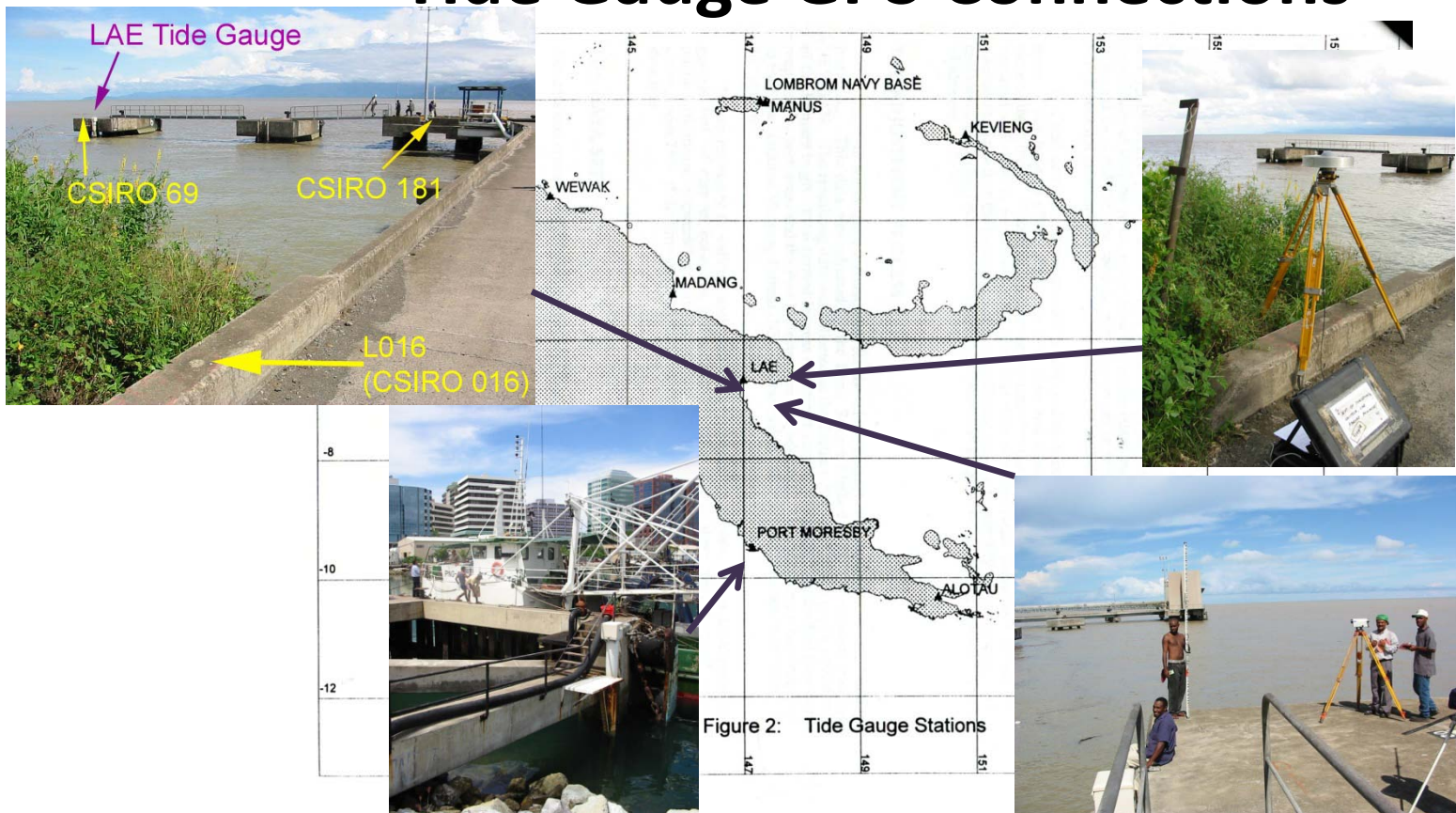


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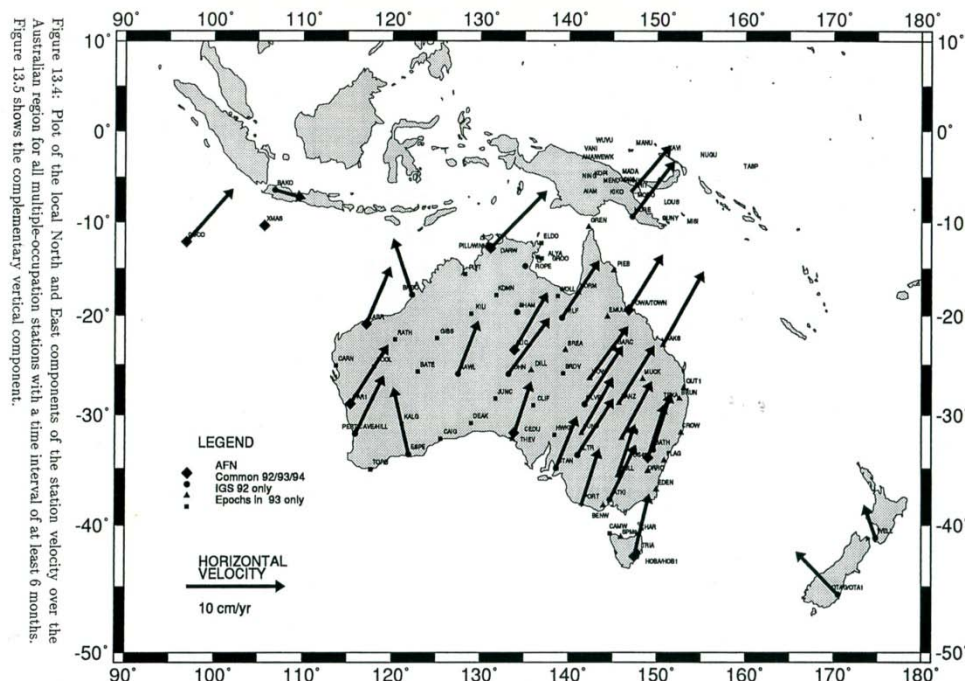
PNG94 Fiducial Network Computation

GAMIT/GLOBK Software used
(Peter Morgan at U Canberra)
to compute ITRF92 coordinates at
epoch of measurement

ITRF92 coordinates of global IGS
network used to compute orbits

Coarse site velocity model (from
two year timeseries) used to
compute coordinates at epoch
1994.0 (PNG94 and GDA94)

Formal Uncertainty of
coordinates 10 cm at 1σ





PNG94 Secondary and Tertiary Networks

1999 adjustment:

Prof. John Allman, Jan van der Kevie and Robert Rosa

Doppler and Terrestrial Observations and additional GPS measurements were combined in a block adjustment over PNG constrained by coordinates of the PNG94 fiducial network (using NEWGAN and Ashtech PRISM software)

-Primary Network of ~ 900 stations

~ 400 with positional uncertainties (PU) of < 0.25 m

Remainder with PU up to 10 metres!



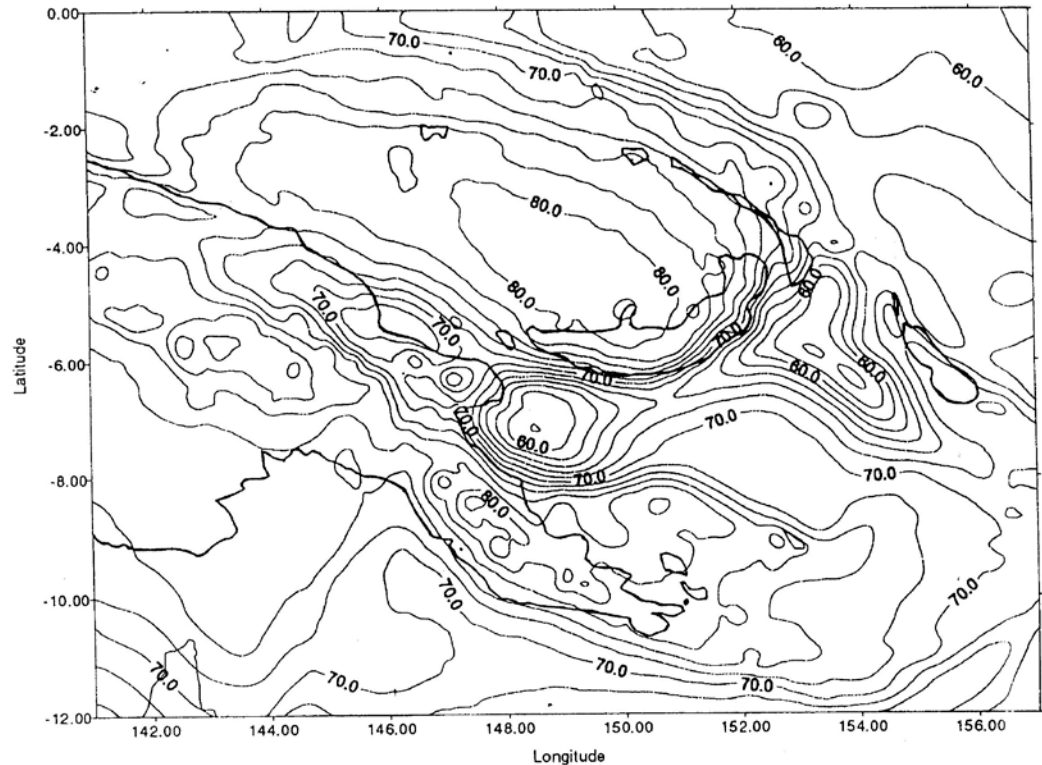
PNG Geoid Model 1994

Developed by Prof. Bill Kearsley (UNSW) using limited gravity data and tide gauge connections.

Zero order term of 0.94 m applied to align gravimetric geoid with MSL.

Uncertainties of 2 m in some areas (e.g. Lae) but usually < 0.5 m

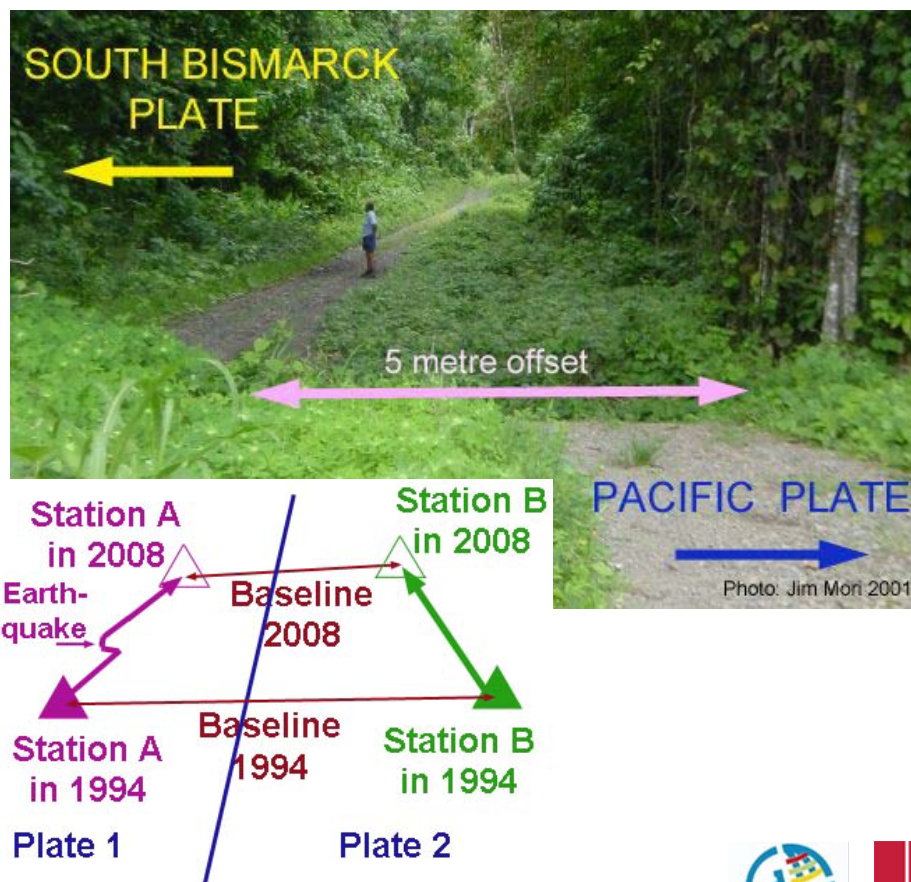
MS-DOS executable program to extract N values



Problems with PNG94

Static Datum in a very complex tectonic environment – regular large earthquakes → (cannot measure baselines across plate boundaries)

Cannot transform current ITRF to PNG94 with any precision without a suitable transformation strategy



Geodynamics studies in PNG

GPS campaigns to monitor plate tectonics in PNG:

UNSW and NMB (1990-1994)

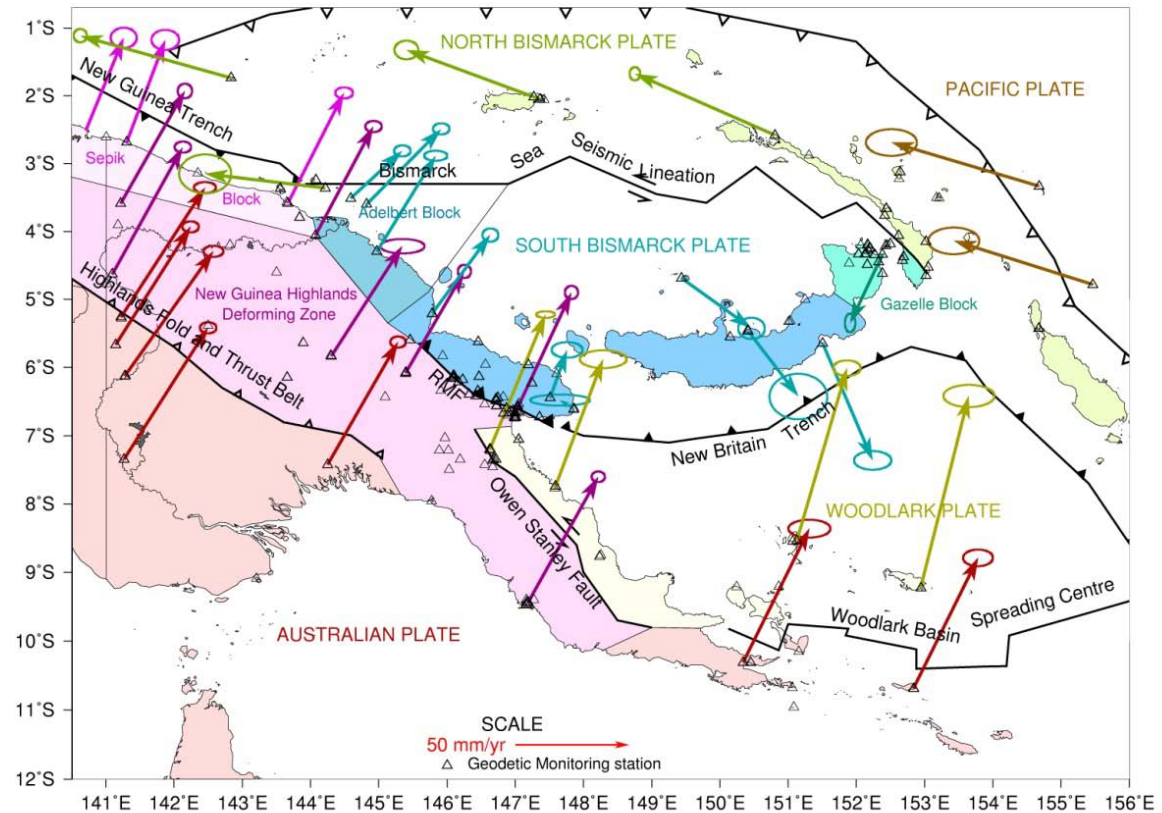
RPI and UCSC (USA)

UniTECH and RVO (1993-2001)

ANU (RSES Geodynamics) (1996-2008)

Resulting in improved plate model and site velocity for PNG –

Uncertainty of coordinates now 15 mm at 1σ



Recomputation of PNG94

Quickclose in conjunction with PNG OSG geodetic section have re-computed and densified the PNG94 network to improve uncertainties

Implemented a semi-dynamic datum (deformation model using estimated site velocities and known coseismic offsets) to enable ITRF and WGS84 coordinates to be propagated to epoch 1994.0

PNG94 (ITRF92 at epoch 1994.0) - 1st order control - Adjustment 7th June 2008 - Updated 1st December 2011

Station location		PNG94 Ellipsoidal Coordinates					PNGMG94 Grid Coordinates			MSL RL (PNG08)	ITRF Site Velocity		PNG94		
Location	GPS ID	NMB Number	Latitude	Longitude	Ellipsoid Height	Zone	Easting	Northing	E m/yr		N m/yr	Latitude Decimal	Longitude Decimal		
Aiambak	AIAM	PSM 9550	-7 20	51.8206	141 16	1.4470	95.52	54	529475.73	9187801.94	21.20	0.037	0.058	-7.34772794	141.26706861
Alotau - Gurney Airport	ALT2	PSM 9538	-10 18	37.5094	150 20	18.0912	94.87	56	208478.37	8859053.57	16.37	0.031	0.058	-10.31041928	150.33835867
Bulolo - Unitech Weather	BULO	PSM 32629	-7 12	25.0357	146 37	32.2264	802.11	55	458667.37	9203356.01	722.94	0.027	0.058	-7.20695436	146.62561844
Buka Airport	BUK1	PSM 4871	-5 25	34.3712	154 40	8.4373	73.25	56	684918.22	9399967.57	2.87	-0.059	0.031	-5.42621422	154.66901036
Daru - Airport	DARU	AA 440/A	-9 5	15.5229	143 12	27.1952	80.28	54	742639.83	8994719.42	5.28	0.035	0.055	-9.08764525	143.20755422
Finschhafen	FINS	PSM 19471	-6 36	55.4209	147 51	17.6868	74.24	55	594504.66	9268686.35	7.42	-0.006	0.004	-6.61539469	147.85491300
Gobe - Airport	GOBE	PSM 15262	-6 52	45.5700	143 43	21.3500	129.24	54	800901.00	9238734.50	50.98	0.034	0.054	-6.87932500	143.72259722
Goroka - Airport	GOKA	PSM 9883	-6 4	53.0717	145 23	30.4470	1664.47	55	322023.98	9327531.64	1584.83	0.023	0.046	-6.08140881	145.39179083
Hoskins - Airport	HOSK	PSM 9795	-5 28	0.4073	150 24	31.6614	101.35	56	212869.72	9395119.32	18.42	0.022	-0.027	-5.46677981	150.40879483
Kavieng - Airport	KAVI	PSM 9513	-2 34	53.0660	150 48	22.5361	78.81	56	256077.96	9714464.61	2.85	-0.067	0.027	-2.58140722	150.80626003
Kenabot - Lands Base	KENB	PSM 23342	-4 20	45.1168	152 16	7.9951	136.69	56	418875.65	9519602.79	63.12	-0.002	-0.041	-4.34586578	152.26888753
Kerema - Catholic Mission	KERE	PSM 31703	-7 57	28.0191	145 46	19.0726	97.57	55	364647.58	9120168.45	21.32	0.030	0.052	-7.95778308	145.77196461
Kikori - Airport	KIKO	PSM 5583	-7 25	24.6531	144 14	55.7677	88.95	55	196298.45	9178490.00	12.38	0.035	0.054	-7.42351475	144.24882436
Kiunga - Airport	KIUS	PSM 32685	-6 7	28.3824	141 17	12.2347	112.45	54	531725.31	9323018.83	37.48	0.038	0.056	-6.12455067	141.28673186
Kumul - Oil Export Platform	KU34		-8 3	51.3916	144 33	38.3558	103.3	54	892563.96	9106883.55	28.22	0.035	0.054	-8.06427544	144.56065439
Lae - Unitech DSLS Base	LAE1	PSM 31107	-6 40	25.3661	146 59	35.4668	140.37	55	499246.79	9262320.80	67.45	0.026	0.052	-6.67371281	146.99318522
Lae - Unitech Sports	9799	PSM 9799	-6 40	16.9707	146 59	52.3754	130.31	55	499765.91	9262578.60	57.40	0.026	0.052	-6.67138075	146.99788206
Lake Kopiago - Airport	KOPI	PSM 17001	-5 23	9.0852	142 29	42.1907	1412.79	54	665650.98	9404480.51	1329.45	0.031	0.055	-5.38857000	142.49505297
Losuia	LOSU	AA 583	-8 32	7.2596	151 7	30.8181	85.16	56	293644.60	9056016.40	5.61	0.021	0.071	-8.53534989	151.12522725
Madang - Airport	MAD1	GS 15495	-5 12	41.2891	145 46	56.1940	73.27	55	365044.17	9423829.87	4.95	0.023	0.039	-5.21146919	145.78227611
Manus - Lombrum Secor	MANU	PSM 9522	-2 3	2.2944	147 21	37.6363	129.77	55	540084.32	9773337.48	50.77	-0.065	0.027	-2.05063733	147.36045453
Mendi - Airport	MEND	PSM 3507	-6 8	36.7344	143 39	22.1658	1815.08	54	799391.21	9320198.80	1732.11	0.029	0.047	-6.14353733	143.65615717
Misima - Airport	MIS1	PSM 9195	-10 41	19.9049	152 49	58.9388	87.46	56	481741.61	8818417.91	12.70	0.030	0.055	-10.68886247	152.83303856
Moro - Airport	MORA	PSM 17442	-6 21	44.9072	143 13	46.0940	917.86	54	746627.49	9296194.53	837.64	0.033	0.054	-6.36247422	143.22947056
Mount Hagen - Airport	HGEN	PSM 3419	-5 49	55.7591	144 18	23.7948	1710.15	55	201725.79	9354636.51	1626.57	0.030	0.048	-5.84381933	144.30660967
Nadzab - Airport	NADZ	ST 31024	-6 33	47.9879	146 43	39.6541	148.83	55	469894.96	9274514.88	76.13	0.024	0.056	-6.56332997	146.72768169
Namatani - Airport	NAMA	GS 19461	-3 39	58.5422	152 26	6.1582	114.96	56	437261.32	9594742.59	42.81	-0.061	0.001	-3.66626172	152.43504394
Nogoli Hides - Helipad	NOGO	PSM 30041	-5 56	2.4348	142 47	16.7455	1340.2	54	697930.59	9343770.78	1258.04	0.032	0.054	-5.93400967	142.78798486
Pomio	JACO	PSM 9515	-5 38	42.9782	151 30	19.6067	151.55	56	334476.29	9375795.22	77.26	0.020	-0.053	-5.64527172	151.50544631
Popondetta	POPON	PSM 9371	-8 46	9.6499	148 14	0.3966	187.53	55	635667.54	9030425.34	105.82	0.024	0.054	-8.76934719	148.23344350
Port Moresby - NMB Base	NMB2	PSM 31927	-9 26	2.7697	147 11	12.2000	123.02	55	520498.37	8957148.59	47.17	0.028	0.053	-9.43410269	147.18672222
Rabaul - RVO Base	RVO	RVO	-4 11	27.1915	152 9	49.5108	266.24	56	407190.52	9536723.33	191.46	0.007	-0.052	-4.19088653	152.16575300
Tabubil - Airport	TAB2	PSM 32695	-5 16	45.0122	141 13	38.9016	559.82	54	525205.42	9416471.93	478.52	0.036	0.055	-5.27917006	141.22747267
Tari - Airport	TARI	17630	-5 50	37.7496	142 56	45.8643	1755.79	54	715472.19	9353687.25	1672.91	0.031	0.053	-5.84381933	142.94607342
Tokua - Airport	TOKU	GS 9822	-4 20	27.7832	152 22	45.8215	82.05	56	431137.64	9520146.01	10.11	-0.010	-0.036	-4.34105089	152.37939486
Tufi - Hospital	TUFI	PSM 7518	-9 4	46.4549	149 19	22.2495	99.44	55	755324.26	8959533.60	20.14	0.027	0.056	-9.07957801	149.32284708
Vanimo - Doppler	VANI	PM 63/1	-2 41	5.2819	141 18	15.6562	80.59	54	533829.65	9703242.49	2.20	0.013	0.045	-2.68480053	141.30434894
Wankun - Pillar	NM34	NM/J/34	-6 8	52.0739	146 4	52.4422	509.98	55	398344.12	9320370.15	435.85	0.026	0.047	-6.14779831	146.08123394
Wafi - Helipad	WAF1	PSM 32631	-6 51	54.6238	146 26	58.8693	501.56	55	439199.05	9241120.81	425.57	0.032	0.054	-6.86517328	146.44968592
Wau - Airport	WAWA	GS 9840	-7 20	48.5674	146 43	2.8288	1193.56	55	468815.82	9187900.80	1112.92	0.025	0.056	-7.34682428	146.71745244
Wewak - Airport	WEWK	PSM 15497	-9 35	2.5848	143 40	0.1481	83.91	54	796268.18	9603418.22	4.85	0.017	0.053	-3.58405133	143.66670781
Woodlark - Guasopa	GUA1	PSM 9519	-9 13	30.0049	152 56	37.3585	78.64	56	493816.89	8980271.66	1.61	0.020	0.078	-9.22500136	152.94371069
Wuvulu	WUVU	PSM 15456	-1 44	7.5951	142 50	10.0781	79.03	54	704257.66	9808081.66	1.34	-0.068	0.019	-1.73544308	142.83613281

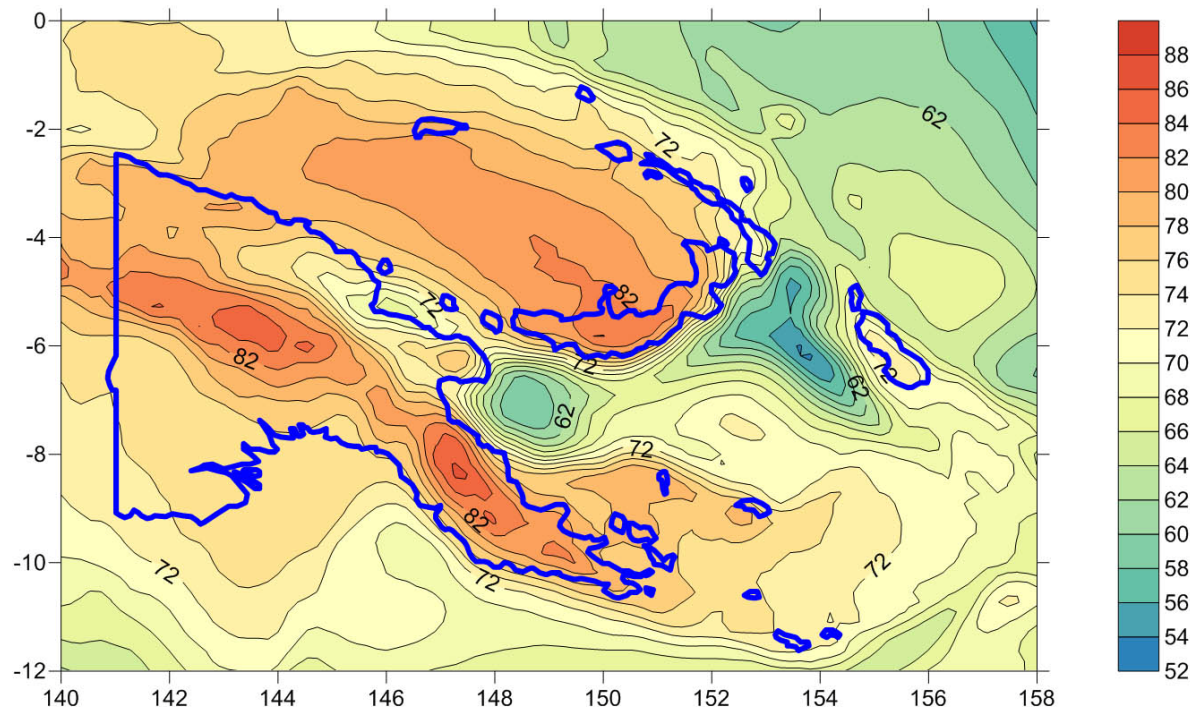


New PNG08 quasigeoid model

Based on EGM2008
and fitted to observed
MSL at TG around PNG
2.5' grid of N values

Precision 0.2 m 1σ

ASCII, Leica, Topcon
and Trimble formats
for use in GNSS





PNG94 access on internet

ASPNG web-site

<http://www.aspng.org>

Coordinates lists

Station diagrams coming soon but many available at

http://rses.anu.edu.au/geodynamics/gps/png/site_info/sitelogs.html

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Papua New Guinea Geodetic Datum 1994 (PNG94)

PNG94 is the gazetted national datum for Papua New Guinea (National Gazette of 22 May 1996). PNG94 is realised by the coordinates of 14 zero order geodetic stations within Papua New Guinea (listed below) related to the International Terrestrial Reference Frame 1992 (ITRF92) at epoch 1994.0 (same as GDA94 in Australia). It is defined as follows:

Reference Ellipsoid: GRS80
Map Projection: Papua New Guinea Map Grid 1994 (PNGMG94)
Projection type: Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM)

Usage:
 PNG94 should be used as the geodetic datum for all cadastral, topographical, engineering and resource sector surveys commenced after 2000.

Access:
 Surveys should be connected to the nearest high order PNG94 control. This can be by means of connection to a PNG94 coordinated monument, or to a CORS station. Because of the highly complex tectonic setting in PNG, the closest coordinated monument should be used for connection.

First Order Coordinate Listing:
 Click on the link [PNG94 1st order adjustment 2008 \(update 1st December 2011\)](#) to view and download the spreadsheet of the current first order coordinate list for PNG94. The adjustment has resulted in small changes in the original zero order PNG94 realisation (listed in the table below). The data area also provided as a [Google Earth kml file](#)

Site and access information for these stations (and others) are available at the Australian National University Research School of Earth Sciences:
[PNG GPS Site Information](#)
 Note that the coordinates in these site logs are ITRF2000 at epoch 2000.0 and may be up to 0.5 m different from the PNG94 values.

Using PPP, AusPOS and OmniSTAR with PNG94:
 These GNSS precision surveying systems and post-processing services deliver coordinates in terms of ITRF2005 or ITRF2008 and these coordinates will be up to two metres different from PNG94. A block-shift correction to be applied to derived coordinates from these systems can be determined by occupation of the nearest PNG94 coordinated monument.

Coordinate transformations:
 Since PNG94 and GDA94 share the same realisation, the GDA94 technical manual can be used with PNG94 (substitute PNG94 for





Improved AGD66(PNG) to PNG94 transformation Model

GNSS observations on legacy datum AGD66 primary survey control will enable better transformation parameters to be estimated.

Unfortunately many primary control stations are on remote mountain peaks and are very costly to access / limited utility – so reliance on second and third order control in towns to estimate parameters.

Complicated by overlapping and inconsistent realisations of AGD66 as well as tectonic deformation between 1970-1994

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IGS Contributions – LAE1 GNSS CORS



LAE1 in operation since 1998 and on IGS network since 2001 – Run by Surveying Dept at PNG Uni of Technology (Unitech)

An important IGS Reference Frame station and used for ITRF

Problems in recent years with software incompatibility with new Windows software and with internet and power outages as well as lack of funding.

APREF Contributions – NMB2 GNSS CORS

Some success!



PNG Government funded CORS station at NMB **NMB2** in Port Moresby – October 2011

On APREF network and collocated with DORIS beacon **MORB** on IDS network



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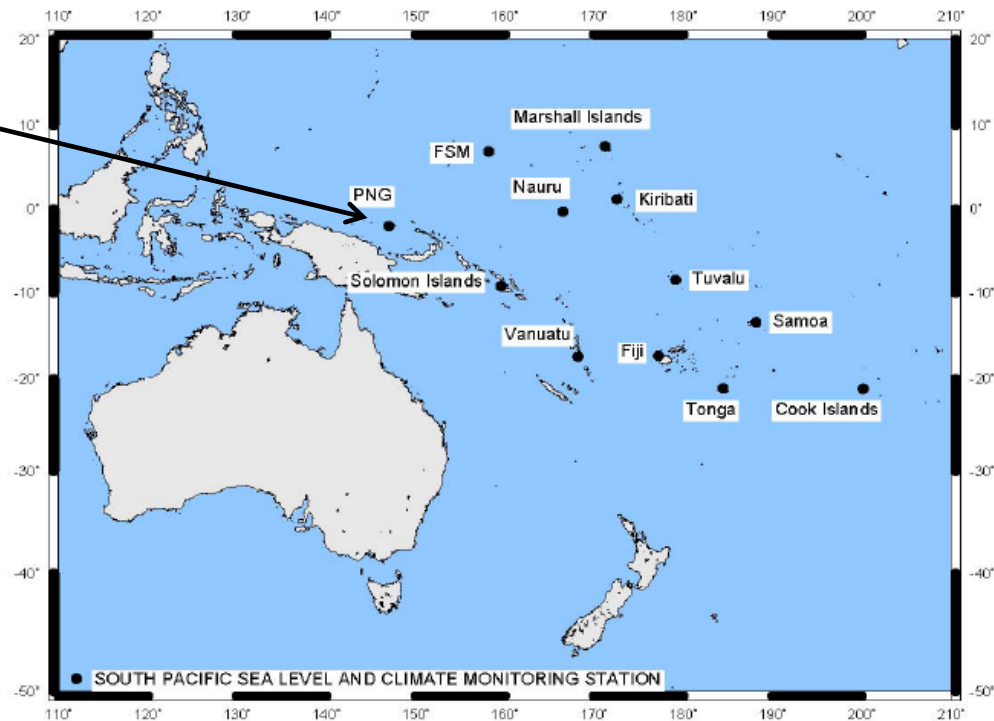
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Contributions to SPSLCMP

SEAFRAME Tide Gauge
and CORS at Manus
Island

Managed by Geoscience
Australia



Impediments to applied geodesy in PNG

Insufficient funding from national government to fund geodetic infrastructure. Situation has improved however as there was no funding between 2001 and 2011.

Severe shortage of geodesy staff within Office of Surveyor-General (OSG) – salaries not competitive with private sector

International contractors and consultants not connecting their surveys to PNG94 and established height datum.

adhoc realisation of ITRF and WGS84 leading to inconsistent spatial data and DEM on major projects (by not connecting to PNG94). Increase in “private” and overlapping geodetic networks.

Vandalism of geodetic infrastructure by raskols and landowners

Inadvertent destruction of geodetic control by construction

Unreliable power supply and internet for active CORS operation

Lack of robust transformation parameters between AGD66 and PNG94 leading to 8 metre errors in GIS data (default parameters are often used)

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Planned improvements to PNG's datum

Airports survey planned for 2013-2014. GNSS survey of 300+ airstrips in PNG – a major densification of the datum. A really good example of cooperation between government departments (Civil Aviation – PNGASL/NAC and Department of Lands)

Repeat GNSS observations on all geodynamics stations concurrent with airports survey will provide sufficient data for precise site velocity model in PNG (Direct input from scientific studies into the datum)

Gridded velocity and seismic patch model for PNG, to enable PPP and Auspos solutions to be propagated to epoch 1994.0 and to facilitate GNSS post-processing within ITRF using input PNG94 coordinates

Construction of CORS at each major provincial capital to support local GNSS surveys and DCDB updates.

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