# LandMark Spatial Solutions Android GPS Test

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A N D M A R K Spatial Solutions, LLC **Current GPS Units we** recommend for use under canopy:







SAMSUNG



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## **Trimble Units Tested**







TDC150 Submeter \$4995 TDC600 Phablet 1-3 M \$1300

TDC100 1-2 M \$1000



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### **Juniper System Units Tested**





Mesa 3 2-5 M \$2233

CT8 1-3 M \$999

CP3 2-4 M \$799







Samsung Galaxy Active Tab 2 1-3 M \$540

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Handheld Nautiz X6 1-3 M \$999

#### iPhone X

Distant



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## **Bluetooth Units Tested**





Garmin Glo 2-5 M \$99

Bad Elf Pro+ 1-3 Meter \$249



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## Juniper Systems Geode GNSS2



- External, Bluetooth
- •Windows, Windows Mobile, Android, iOS
- •Tracks GPS, SBAS, GLONASS
- SBAS: <30 cm RMS and <60 cm 2DRMS
- •10 hr battery
- ip65 rugged
- **\$2032**

#### NOTE: Tested on Oct 28, 2016



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## **Trimble PG200 GNSS Receiver**



External, Bluetooth

•Windows, Windows Mobile, iOS, and Android

•Tracks GPS, SBAS, GLONASS, Galileo, QZSS & BeiDou

- Global sub-meter accuracy
- ip65 rugged
- \$2495

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## GPS Accuracy Test Course Details

- Test Date Oct 29-2019
- 14 stations 1 in clear, 13 in canopy
- Stations Surveyed with VRS to 10 cm
- Estimated Accuracy < 20 cm

### **Test Protocol**

#### Static Test

- Allowed the estimated accuracy of each unit to settle at surveyed location 20 to 30 seconds
- Recorded a 1 sec GPS position in Terraflex
- Compared GPS position to surveyed position in ArcGIS

#### • Dynamic Test

- Walked around 10 stations under canopy with one second logging interval
- Buffered Course 5 one meter buffers
- Calculated the % of Positions in each buffer



## Static Test Results – All Stations

	Avg Error	
Handheld/Antenna	Meters	Rank
Trimble TDC150	1.439	1
Handheld Nautiz X6	2.833	2
Trimble TDC600*	2.896	3
Cedar Tree CT8	2.944	4
Samsung Galaxy Active Tab 2	3.149	5
Trimble TDC100	3.164	6
Garmin Glo	5.284	7
Cedar Tree CP3	5.625	8
Juniper Systems Mesa 3 - Beta	5.625	9
iPhone 10	5.787	10
Bad Elf GPS Pro +	9.089	11

NOTE: On Oct 28, 2016, the Geode averaged 1.667 m and the PG200 averaged 1.717 m error.



### **Dynamic Test Results - All Stations**

	% of positions within buffers					
	1	2	3	4	5	Rank at 2M
Trimble TDC150	51.77	78.78	84.89	90.03	96.78	1
Handheld Nautiz X6	32.77	59.60	72.88	82.20	99.15	2
Samsung ActiveTab	31.72	57.24	75.86	87.59	95.17	3
CedarTree CP3	35.20	51.71	67.60	78.19	89.10	4
CedarTree CT8	24.27	49.37	65.27	78.66	88.70	5
Trimble TDC600	20.85	46.20	64.79	82.25	89.58	6
iPhone 10	23.29	43.17	68.01	83.54	95.34	7
Trimble TDC100	24.38	41.67	54.63	67.90	74.38	8
Juniper Systems Mesa 3	13.42	35.78	54.31	72.84	88.18	9
Garmin GLO	8.59	16.41	26.61	39.34	49.37	10
Bad Elf Pro +	0.00	0.62	3.70	11.42	25.00	11

NOTE: On Oct 28, 2016, the Geode had 39.56% in +/-1 meters, 56.70% in 2 meters, and 70.40% in 3 meters. The PG200 had 47.44% in +/- 1 meter, 78.85 in 2 meters, and 98.4% in 3 meters.



# **GPS Mapping Conclusions**

- 1. There are some very accurate Android handhelds, phablets, and tablets on the market.
- 2. The Geode and PG200 can definitely improve GPS accuracy for Android units.
- 3. iPhone 10 is very erratic for static points
- 4. 1-3 meter Bluetooth external GPS antennas did not improve accuracy.
- 5. Bad Elf is bad!



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