

FAA Navigation Programs Update

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- **Summary**

FAA Navigation Programs Strategy

- **Provide resilient navigation services to enable sustained operations during potential GNSS disruptions**
 - GPS and WAAS provide primary navigation for all PBN operations and ADS-B
 - NextGen DME Program provides a PBN backup to sustain operations for aircraft equipped for DME navigation during GNSS disruptions
 - VOR Minimum Operational Network (MON) Program provides a backup for aircraft that are not equipped for DME navigation
 - TACANs being reduced to a MON to support military aircraft operations
 - DME/VOR/TACAN Sustainment program preparing for investment decision
- **Rationalize the legacy NavAid infrastructure**
 - Discontinuing unneeded VORs to establish the MON
 - Investigate rationalization of ILS at smaller airports where most aircraft are equipped with LPV.
- **Innovate navigation services to enable new capabilities**
 - Support implementation of Multi-Constellation GNSS and Advanced RAIM (ARAIM)
 - Develop solutions to transition Approach Lighting Systems (ALS) to LED technology

GPS Civil Update

GPS Modernization Support

- **FAA supporting National PNT Engineering Forum (NPEF)**
- **Supporting development of system safety analysis artifacts for GPS**
- **Provided requirements for GPS Civil Signal Monitoring**
- **Supporting implementation of OCX civil signal monitoring capabilities**

National PNT Policy

Navigation Programs provides FAA representation and technical expertise for these policies



- **National Timing Resiliency and Security Act (NTRSA) 2017**
 - Requires DOT to establish, sustain, and operate a complementary backup timing system if GPS timing signals are corrupted or otherwise unavailable
 - DOT will leverage National Institute for System Timing (NIST) experience and FAA technical expertise and acquisition strategy support
- **National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) 2017 and 2018**
 - Requires demonstrations of Complementary PNT technologies that could provide resiliency during GPS outages
 - Develop requirements and analysis of alternatives for complementary PNT
 - Navigation Programs supports DOT by providing technical expertise
- **Executive Order (E.O. 13905), February 12, 2020**
 - Protects the reliable and efficient functioning of National critical infrastructure from disruption due disruption of GPS
- **Space Policy Directive 7 (SPD-7), January 15, 2021**
 - Establishes National PNT governance and the implementation of E.O. 13905 plan to reduce the vulnerability of critical infrastructure from GPS disruptions

Executive Order 13905 “Responsible Use of PNT/GPS”

- **FAA implementing Resilient Navigation Infrastructure to sustain operations during GPS disruptions (jamming)**
 - Resiliency is provided by VORs and DMEs, and ADS-B relies on primary and secondary radar for backup positioning
 - Backup timing services to be provided as part of telecommunications services
- **GPS disruption and signal manipulation (jamming and spoofing) is a concern to aviation**
 - DOT/FAA establishing government and industry partnership to mitigate impacts at systems and applications levels
 - FAA investigating potential to monitor and detect jamming and spoofing by leveraging data available through the ADS-B system
 - FAA investigating COTS portable electronic devices to alert potential GPS spoofing; GNSS receivers, telephony signals (e.g. 5G), and SDRs
 - FAA purchased next generation receivers to validate new standards and test potential mitigations for spoofing

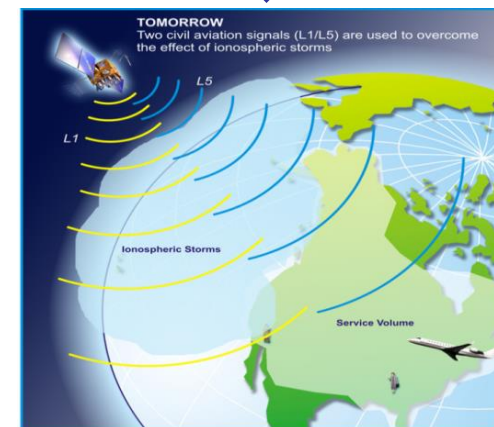
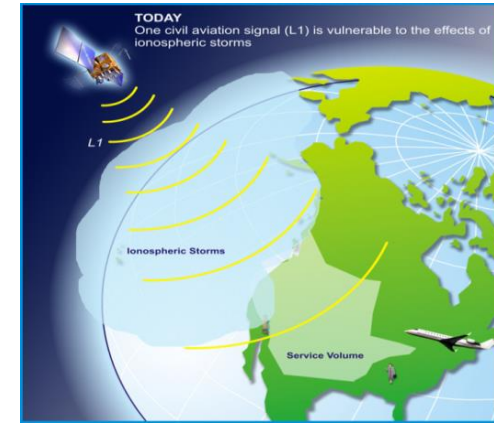
Support to National Space Policy

- **Space Policy Directive 7 (SPD-7)**
 - Replaces NSPD-39 to maintain the free and open use of GPS
 - Establishes National PNT governance and the implementation of E.O. 13905 to reduce the vulnerability of critical infrastructure from GPS disruptions
 - Commits to implement modernized signals, and requires implementation of data and signal authentication for GPS and WAAS
 - FAA investigating data and signal authentication for WAAS to mitigate interference
 - FAA supporting DOT interference detection and mitigation initiatives in protection of radio frequency environment for uninterrupted GPS PNT signal reception
 - FAA investigating the use of WAAS Reference Stations to perform RFI detection using COTS components

WAAS UPDATE

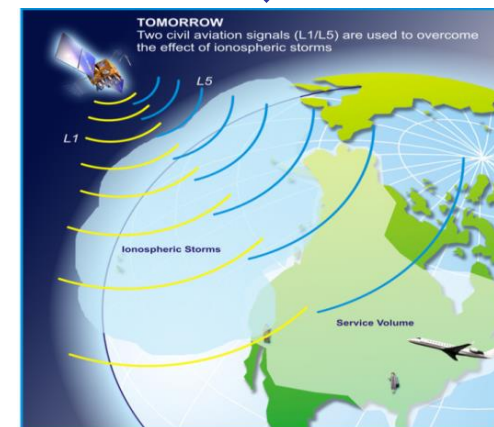
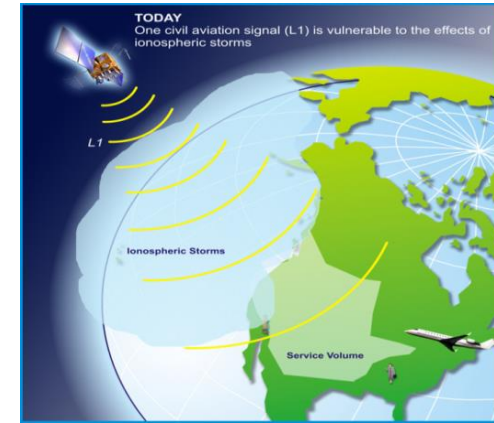
WAAS Phase 4 Status

- **Phase 4A (2014-2019)**
 - Combination of infrastructure improvements and tech refresh in support of operational system and future incorporation of dual frequency
 - Incorporated two new GEOs for WAAS constellation sustainment replacing two legacy GEO services.
- **Phase 4A/B Transition (FY20-22)**
 - Release 6 improves WAAS by correcting anomalies to the O&M, Test Support Software and network critical message logging capabilities; Fielding completed March 2021
 - Release 7 will integrate GEO 7 into WAAS and integrate new signal generators at ground uplink stations (GUS) to include retrofitting at legacy GUS sites. GEO 7 projected to be operational by June 2022.
- **Phase 4B (FY22-31)**
 - Introduces WAAS Dual Frequency services using L1 and L5
 - WAAS DF Initial Operational Capability (DF IOC) ~ 2027
 - WAAS DF Final Operational Capability (DF FOC) ~ 2028
 - WAAS Technical Refresh
 - Processor replacement coupled with transition to Linux-based operating system
 - GUS receiver refresh
 - Conversion of existing ground telecommunication circuits to IP based circuits



WAAS Phase 4 Dual Frequency Operations (DFO) Status (cont')

- **Dual-Frequency Multi-constellation Capability (DFMC)**
 - Standards development progressing
 - GPS L5 and DFMC SBAS SARPs material was prepared for Navigation Systems Panel and approved November 2020
 - RTCA and EUROCAE working a joint DFMC SBAS MOPS, expect to complete in 2022
 - WAAS assisting IWG with providing SBAS perspective on DFMC capability
- **Advanced RAIM (ARAIM)**
 - ARAIM algorithm development continuing in standards group for multi-constellation GNSS capability
 - Integrity Support Message for GPS broadcast working through the GPS change process
 - FAA focusing on development of initial requirements for horizontal navigation (H-ARAIM)

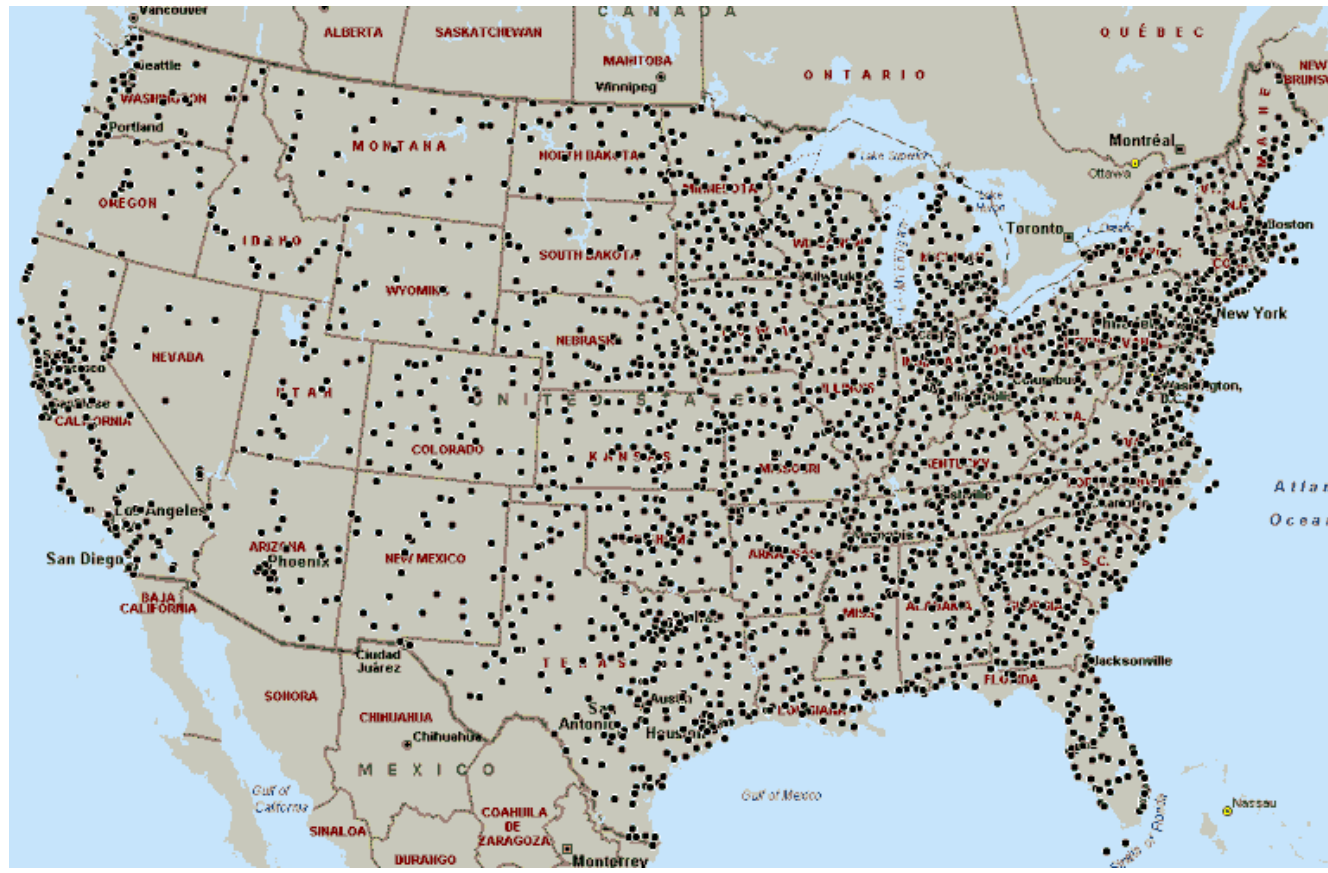


Airports with WAAS LPV/LP Instrument Approaches



- Most of the airports throughout the National Airspace System contain WAAS Procedures

- As of August 2021 there are currently 1,612 ILS procedures while WAAS has 4,817 LPV/LP procedures published



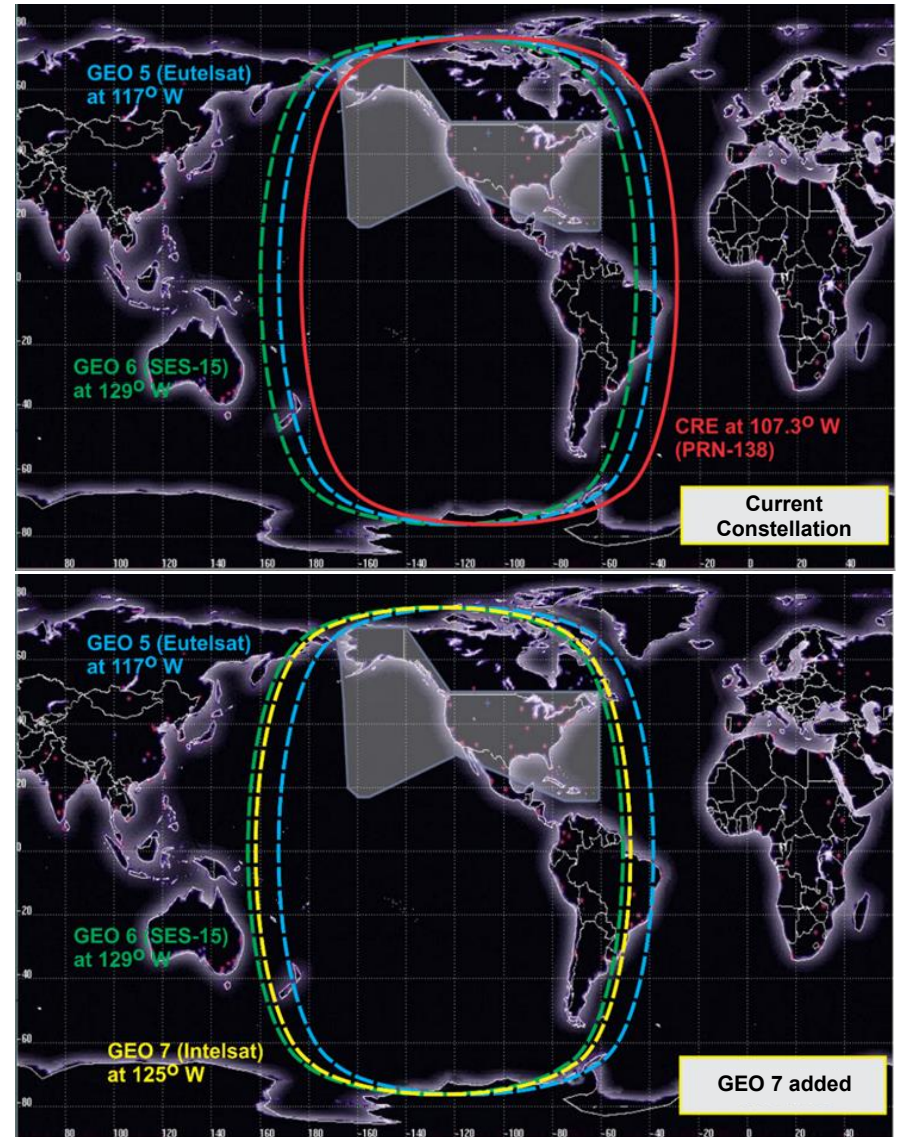
WAAS Avionics Equipage Status

- **Over 144,265 WAAS equipped aircraft in the NAS**
 - WAAS receivers provided by companies such as:
 - Garmin, Universal, Rockwell Collins, Honeywell, Avidyne, Innovative Solutions & Support (IS&S), Thales and Genesys Aerosystem (Chelton)
- **Since 2006, aircraft equipage has increased each year**
- **All classes of aircraft are served in all phases of flight**
 - Recent STC for Boeing 737-600/700/800 avionics
- **Enabler for NextGen programs**
 - Automatic Dependent Surveillance Broadcast (ADS-B)
 - Performance Based Navigation (PBN)



WAAS GEO Constellation

- CRE (Telesat Anik F1R) - Operational July 2007
- GEO 5 (Eutelsat 117WB) - Operational March 2018
- GEO 6 (SES-15) - Operational July 2019
- GEO 7 (Intelsat G-30) – Pre-Operational
 - Successful launch August 15, 2020
 - Expect operational in June 2022



Navigation Resiliency

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- **DME/VOR/TACAN service is required for the foreseeable future as part of a resilient navigation infrastructure**
- **DME infrastructure supports continued PBN operations during GNSS service disruptions**
 - NextGen DME Program is being implemented
 - Established interim siting criteria
 - 100 DME targeted for discontinuance
 - Approximately 123 new DMEs will be installed
- **VOR MON has discontinued 109 of approximately 306 VORs to date**
 - Phase 2 Final Investment Decision (FID) (FY21-FY30) was achieved in March 2020
 - Approximately 224 VORs will be discontinued
- **ILSs are being retained to support continued operations at the busiest airports during GPS outages**

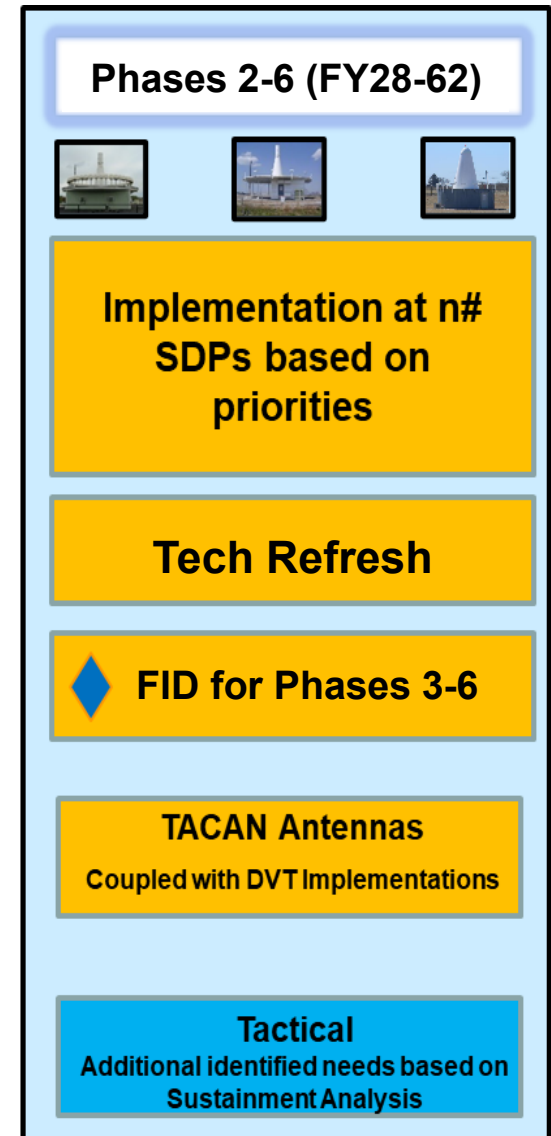
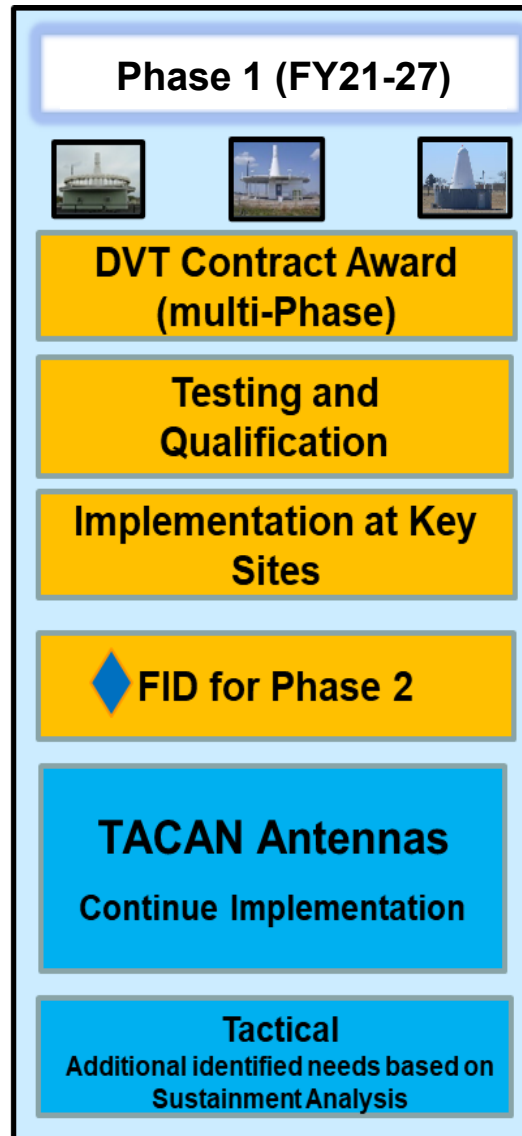
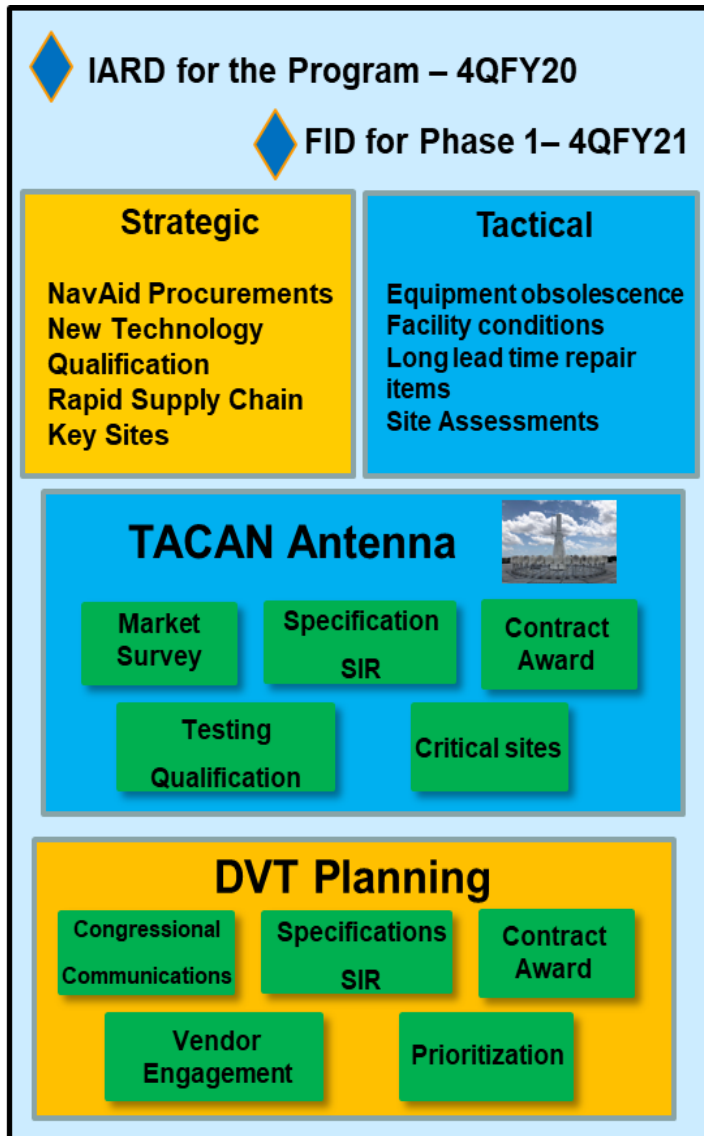
DVT Sustainment Program

- **DVT Sustainment completed Investment Analysis Readiness Decision in September 2020**
 - Most DVT systems are 30+ years old and becoming unsustainable
 - VOR MON and NextGen DME Programs do not sustain DVT systems
 - Procurement contracts are not available to replace VORs or TACANs
 - A TACAN Antenna procurement planning is underway to address urgent, short-term needs
 - Anticipated DVT system inventory (Service Delivery Points)

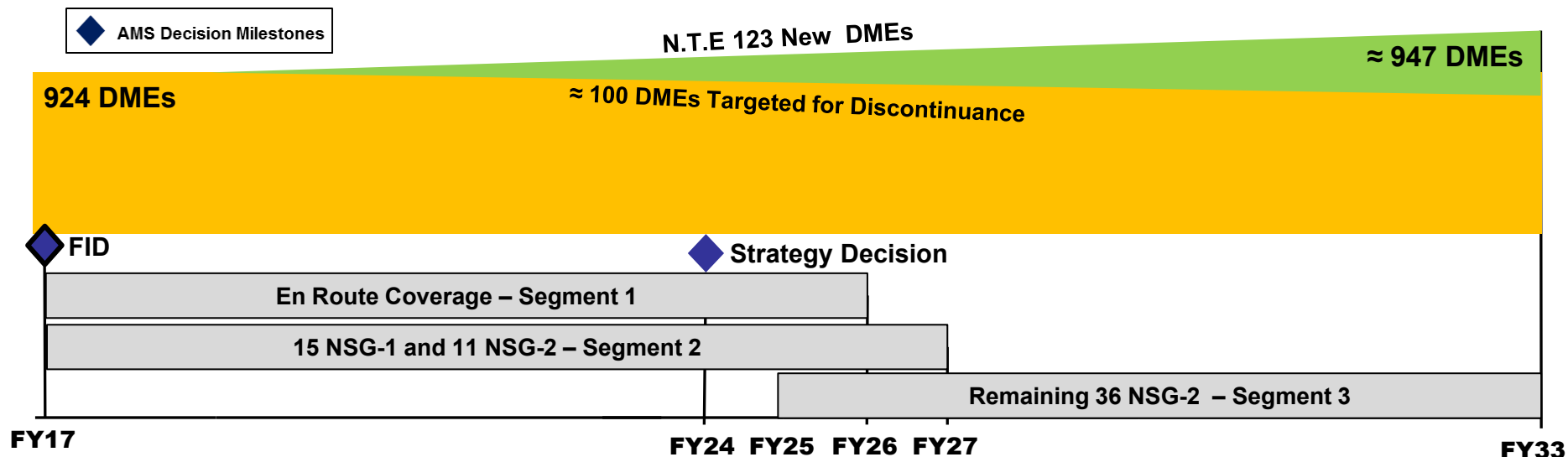
	VOR	VOR/DME	DME	VORTAC	TACAN	TOTAL
SDPs	17	270	19	381	55	920

- **Next Steps**
 - Continue addressing short-term needs
 - Reach Final Investment Decision in September 2023

DVT Sustainment Phased Approach



NextGen DME Program Timeline



- **Navigation Service Group (NSG) Airports grouped into clusters to maximize benefits**
- **Clusters grouped into discrete segments**
 - **Segment 1:** En Route Coverage
 - **Segment 2:** Terminal Coverage for 15 Navigation Service Group (NSG)-1 and 11 NSG-2 Airports
 - **Segment 3:** Terminal Coverage for 36 NSG-2 Airports

Timeline

FY16 FY17 FY18 FY19 FY20 FY21 FY22 FY23 FY24 FY25 FY26 FY27 FY28 FY29 FY30

VOR MON
Program Milestones

Phase 1 Approval

Phase 2 Approval



Initial (CONUS): 896

VOR MON (End-State): 590

VOR MON Implementation

Phase 1 (Complete)

Phase 2

The VOR MON program will be completed in 2 Phases:

Phase 1: FY16 – FY20

Phase 2: FY21 – FY30

- Published Final Policy FRN: *“Provision of Navigation Services for the Next Generation Air Transportation System (NextGen) Transition to Performance Based Navigation (PBN) - 07/26/2016*
- Removed, Replaced, Amended affected Instrument Flight Procedures (IFPs)
- Discontinued 82 VORs

- Received Phase 2 Program Approval - 03/18/2020
- Continue IFP work
- Plan to discontinue approximately 224 VORs
 - As of 9/9/2021, discontinued 27 VORs



TACAN MON

- **Retain TACANs needed for instrument approach procedures (IAP) and feeder routes at military and civil airports needed for safe recovery during outages.**
- **Significant numbers of military airports have closed reducing the need for TACANs**
- **Expanding the TACAN service volume enables additional TACANs to be removed**
- **Approximately 122 of 513 existing TACAN sites can be removed to establish the MON**

Instrument Approach Strategy

- **Retain existing CAT-II/III ILSs for commercial aircraft**
- **Publish LPV approach procedures to satisfy new requirements for CAT-I vertically guided approach service**
 - Provide LPV approaches to all qualifying runways
 - Modify design criteria to qualify additional runways for LPV approaches
- **Category-I ILS, LOC, or VOR, approaches will be retained at MON airports to provide a backup during GPS outages**
- **Redundant NDB and VOR approaches will be cancelled**
- **Possible rationalization of ILS at airports where LPV provides redundancy.**
 - Activity has been on hold since Jan 2020
 - FAA plans to revisit the Strategy Decision for ILS Rationalization in March 2022

Summary

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- **FAA is supporting GPS Modernization and coordinated efforts around National Policy**
- **WAAS is replenishing GEOs, Performing Tech Refresh, and planning for Phase 4B to integrate DFO**
- **FAA continues to support Cat I GBAS operations**
- **Resiliency**
 - DME/VOR/TACAN (DVT) Sustainment Program achieved Investment Analysis Readiness Decision in September 2020; with Final Investment Decision planned for September 2023
 - NextGen DME Program implementation is underway
 - VOR MON implementation – 109 VORs discontinued through FY2021
 - TACAN MON Course of Action still being coordinated with DoD
 - ILS Rationalization has been on hold; Strategy Decision to be revisited in March 2022

Questions?

BACKUP