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U.S. Space-Based PNT: Strategic Importance of GNSS Services and Innovations for Transportation



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Introduction

- Like the Internet, GPS is a critical component of the global information infrastructure
 - Scalable applications enabling broad new capabilities
 - Facilitating innovations in efficiency, safety, environmental, public security and science



- In the past decade, GPS has grown into a global utility providing space-based positioning, navigation and timing (PNT)
 - Consistent, predictable, dependable policy and performance
 - Augmentations improve performance



Overview



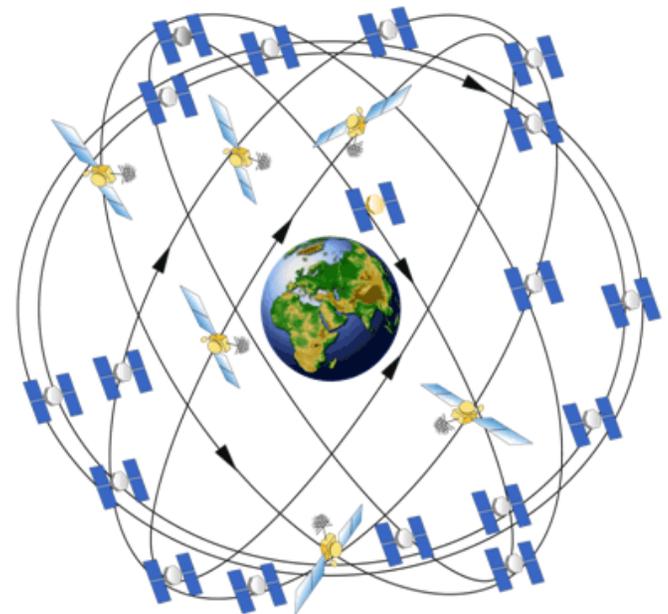
- **Systems**
- **Applications**



The Global Positioning System



- **Baseline 24 satellite constellation in medium earth orbit**
- **Global coverage, 24 hours a day, all weather conditions**
- **Satellites broadcast precise time and orbit information on L-band radio frequencies**
- **Two types of signals:**
 - Standard (free of direct user fees)
 - Precise (U.S. and Allied military)
- **Three segments:**
 - Space
 - Ground control
 - User equipment



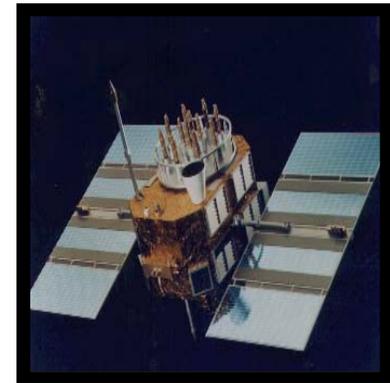


Current Constellation



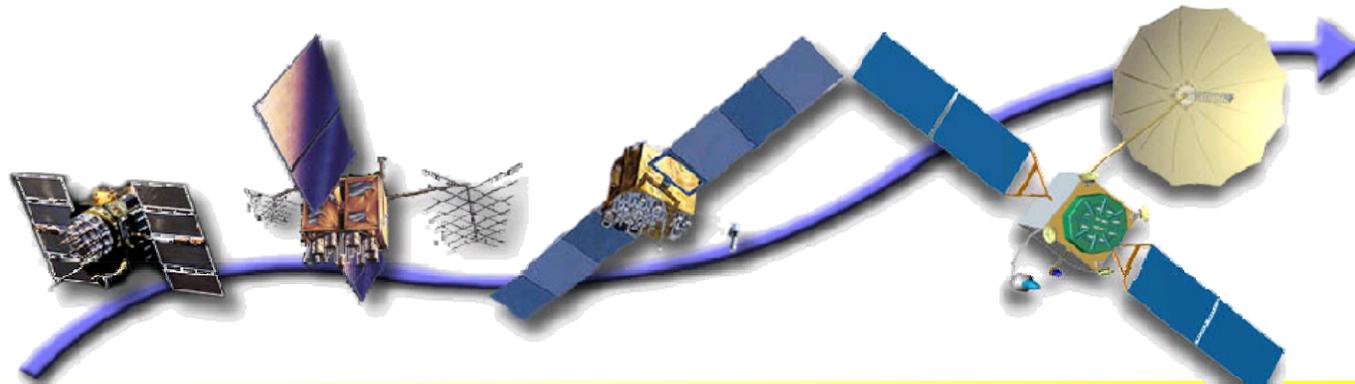
31 Operational Satellites
As of 1 May 2008 (Baseline Constellation: 24)

- **13 Block IIA satellites operational**
- **12 Block IIR satellites operational**
- **6 Block IIR-M satellite operational**
 - Transmitting new second civil signal (L2C)
- **Continuously assessing constellation health to determine launch need**
 - Next launch: June 2008
- **Global GPS civil service performance commitment has been met continuously since December 1993**





GPS Modernization Program



Increasing System Capabilities ♦ Increasing Defense / Civil Benefit

Block IIA/IIR

Basic GPS

- Standard Service
 - Single frequency (L1)
 - Coarse acquisition (C/A) code navigation
- Precise Service
 - Y-Code (L1Y and L2Y)
 - Y-Code navigation

Block IIR-M

IIR-M: IIA/IIR capabilities plus

- 2nd civil signal (L2C)
- M-Code (L1M and L2M)
- Currently being launched

Block, IIF

IIF: IIR-M capability plus

- 3rd civil signal (L5)
- Begin launch 2009

Block III

- Backward compatibility
- 4th civil signal (L1C)
- Increased accuracy
- Assured availability
- Increased security
- System survivability
- Begin launch ~2014



Modernized GPS – Civil Signals



- **Second civil signal (“L2C”)**
 - Designed to meet commercial needs
 - Higher accuracy through ionospheric correction
 - Began with GPS Block IIR-M in **Sep 2005**; 24 satellites: **~2014**
- **Third civil signal (“L5”)**
 - Designed to meet demanding requirements for transportation safety-of-life
 - Uses highly protected Aeronautical Radio Navigation Service (ARNS) band
 - Begins with GPS Block IIF
 - 1st launch: **~2008** (GPS IIR-M Demo); **~2009** (GPS IIF); 24 satellites: **~2016**
- **Fourth civil signal (“L1C”)**
 - Designed with international partners to enable GNSS interoperability
 - Begins with GPS Block III
 - First launch: **~2014**; 24 satellites: **~2021**



Benefits of GPS Modernization



System-wide improvements in accuracy, availability, integrity, and reliability for all users

- Higher standalone accuracy
 - Augmentations likely will still remain
- More robust against interference
- Operational capability for 2nd (L2C) and 3rd (L5) civil signals
 - In combination with GPS IIR-M and IIF satellites
- Delivers L1C for interoperability with Galileo and other GNSS
- Improved indoor, mobile, and urban use



GPS Program Update



- **New GPS Operational Control Segment – September 2007**
- **Upgrading GPS ground segment – OCX – 2012 - 2016**
 - Will implement full functionality for L2C and L5
 - Contract awarded – January 2008
- **Acquiring next generation of GPS satellites – GPS IIIA**
- **GPS SPS Performance Standard update – Summer 08**

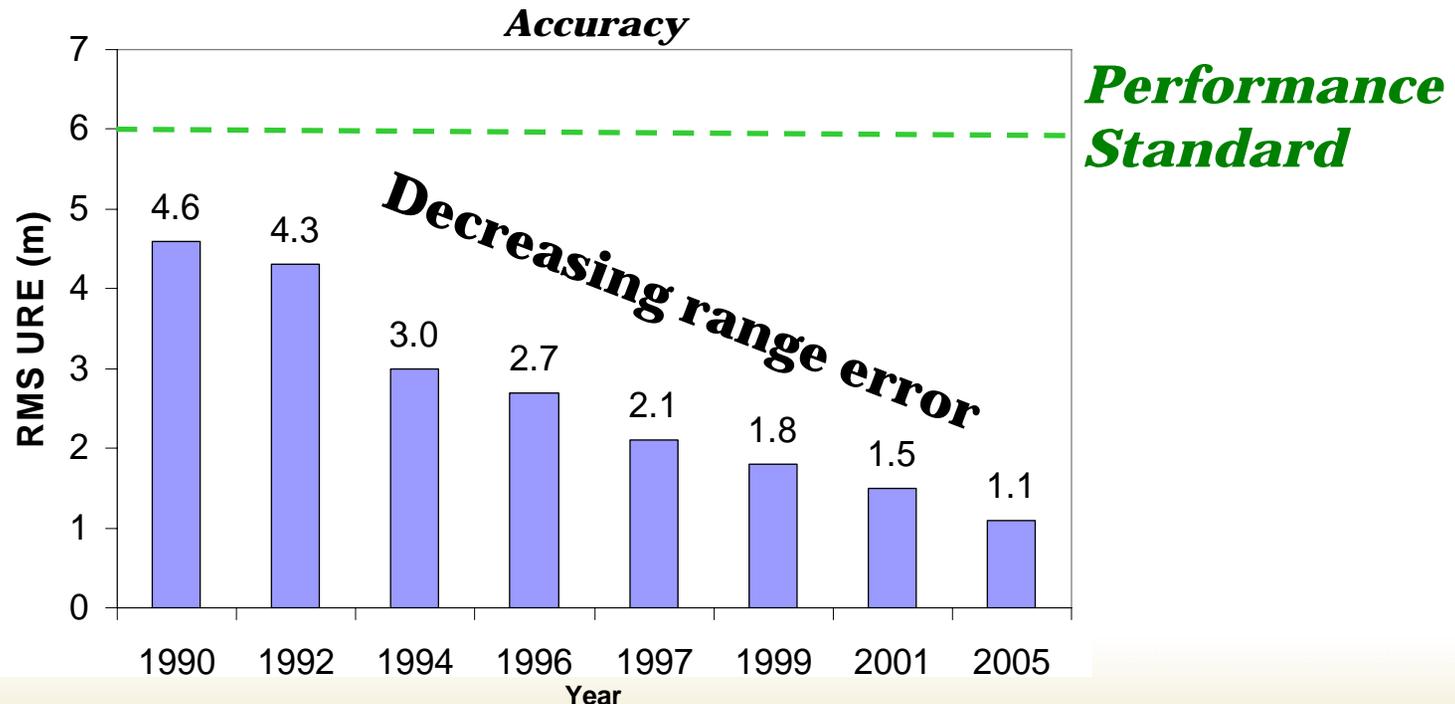


Continuous Performance Improvement



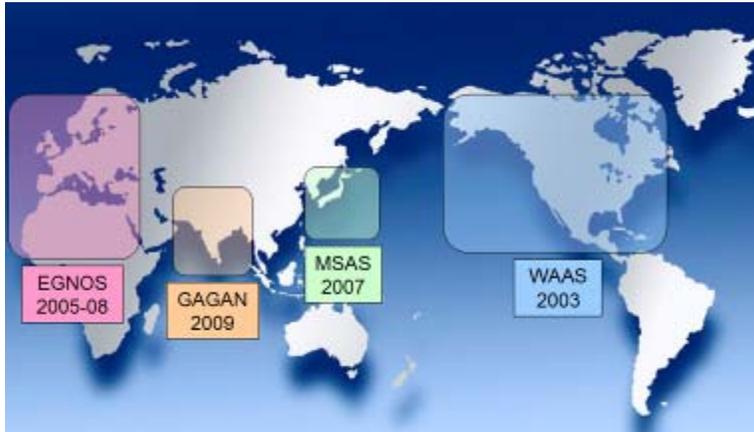
Key measures of Effectiveness to evaluate GPS services

- *Accuracy*
- *Bounded inaccuracy*
- *Assured Availability*
- *Integrity*
- *Resistance to RF Interference/Jamming*





Augmentations

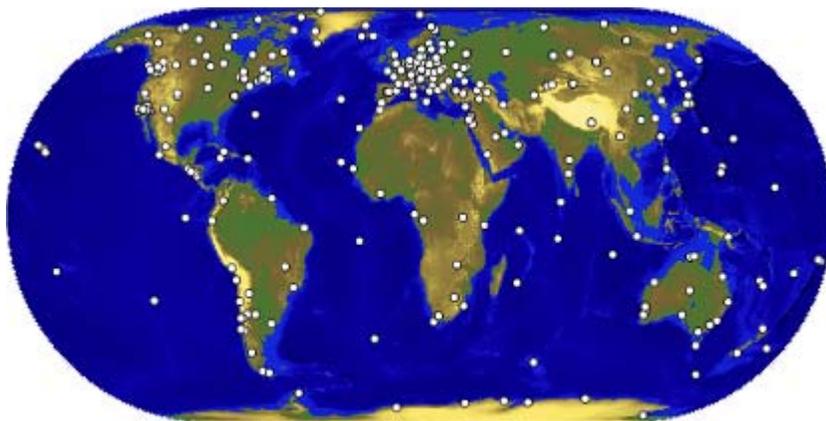


Satellite-Based Augmentations

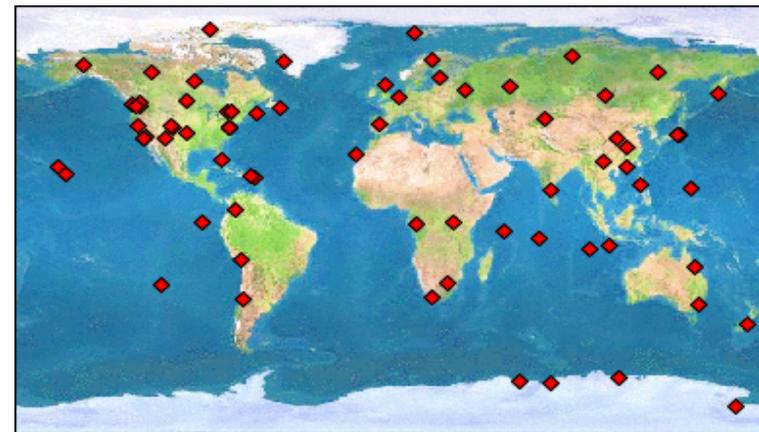


Ground-Based Augmentations

(NDGPS, CORS, LAAS, etc.)



International GNSS Service



Global Differential GPS System



Satellite-Based Augmentations



- **Geostationary satellites provide regional coverage**
- **GPS-like signals permit use by simple receivers**
- **International Partner Service Providers**
 - US (WAAS), Europe (EGNOS), Japan (MTSAT), and India (GAGAN)
 - WAAS operational – Jul 03; Expanding capability with L5
 - GPS-based EGNOS leading way for Galileo
- **Independent signal monitoring supports the interests of each individual State**
 - International assured aviation integrity standard



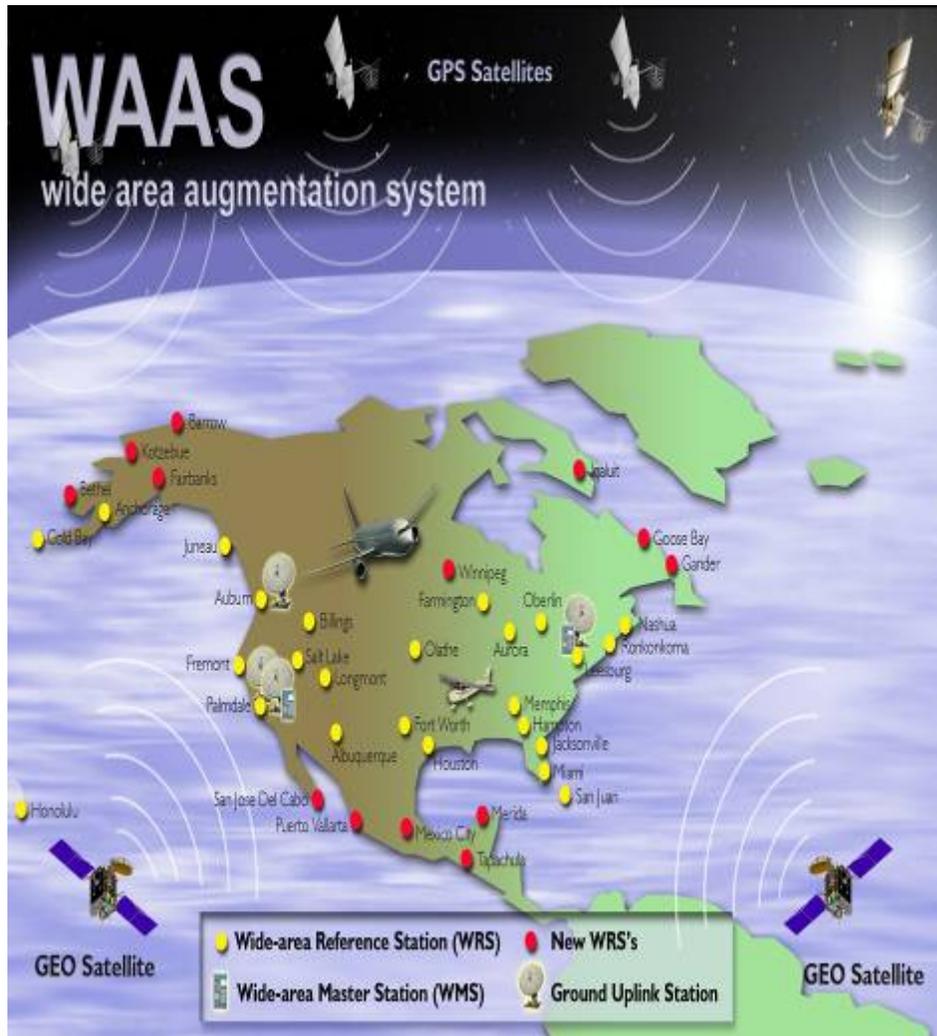
U.S. GPS Augmentation Update



- **Wide Area Augmentation System commissioned in 2003**
 - Two GEO satellites launched in 2005 (Galaxy XV & Anik F1R)
 - Provides dual satellite coverage over the U.S.
 - Service expanded into Canada and Mexico – operational Sep 07
 - New reference stations (5 Mexico and 4 Canada)
- **Nationwide DGPS System (NDGPS)**
 - International standard in over 50 countries
 - DOT assessment of NDGPS inland component showed several applications
 - Transportation, agriculture, surveying and resource management



WAAS Architecture



38 Reference Stations



3 Master Stations



4 Signal Generator System/Ground Earth Stations



2 Geostationary Satellite Links



2 Operational Control Centers



Overview



- Systems
- **Applications**



Civil GNSS Applications



- **Enabling technology**
 - New applications emerging every day
 - \$68 Billion industry worldwide by year 2010
- **Wide use in transportation safety**
 - Aviation, maritime, railroad, highway, etc.
 - Potential to reduce land-based navigation systems
 - Centerpiece of future transportation infrastructure
- **Wide range of civil uses**
 - Telecommunications, surveying, law enforcement, emergency response, agriculture, mining, etc.
 - Used in conjunction with remote sensing

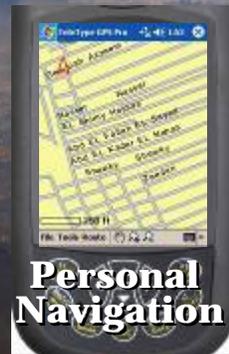
Space-Based PNT Applications Impact A Wide Range of Economic Activities



Power Grid Management



Satellite Operations



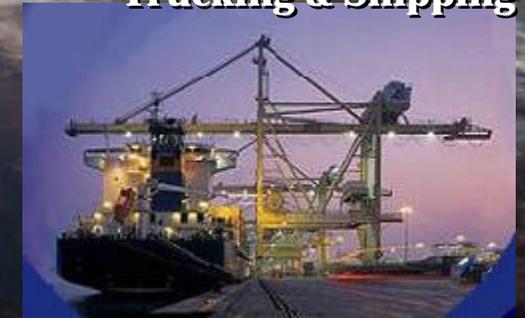
Personal Navigation



Communications Network Synchronization



Trucking & Shipping



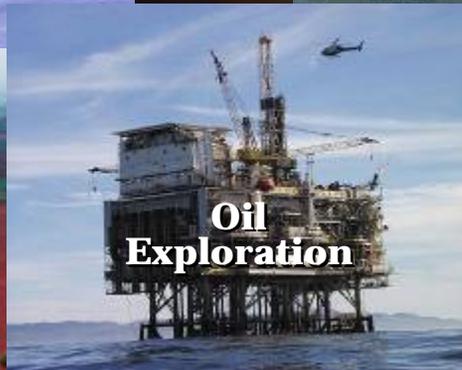
Oil Exploration



Aviation



Precision Agriculture



Fishing & Boating



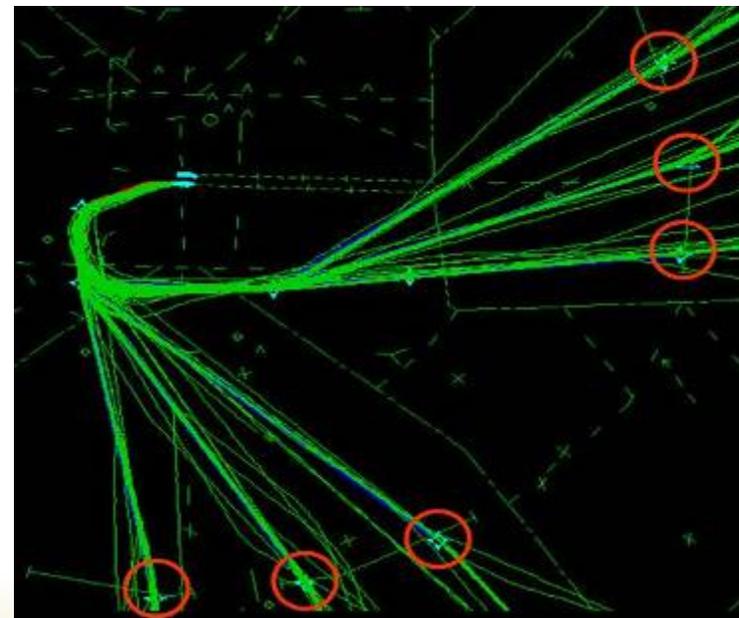
Surveying & Mapping



Aviation



- **Reliable and accurate positioning worldwide**
- **Reduced delays**
- **More fuel-efficient routes**
- **Increased system capacity with enhanced safety**





Maritime



- Large ships, fishing & recreation boats
- Harbor entrance and approach
 - Regardless of visibility
- Hydrographic Survey
- Buoy Positioning, etc.





Railroads



- **Enhances safety**
 - Reduces accidents
- **Increases capacity and efficiency**
 - Closer train spacing reduces investments
 - Reduces fuel consumption
- **Rapid rail structure and condition mapping**
 - Improves maintenance capability
- **Increased efficiency and capacity through positive train control**
 - Tracking location of vehicles/containers
 - Rapid rail structure and conditioning mapping





GNSS Applications – Improving Highway Operations



Vehicle Infrastructure Integration

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- Improving safety and reducing congestion will require more efficient management of the roadway system
- Vehicle-highway information exchange is key to improved management and operation of the transportation network
 - Provide information on traffic conditions, crashes, adverse weather and road conditions, etc.





GNSS Applications – Automatic Vehicle Location



- **Cargo Fleet Tracking**
 - Improves safety and security
- **Fleet Control/Dispatch**
 - Increases fuel savings
 - Improves asset management
- **Emergency Operations**
 - Reduces response times
 - Reduces injury and property loss
- **Road Maintenance**
- **In Vehicle Navigation**
 - Determines accurate position
 - Reduces air pollution

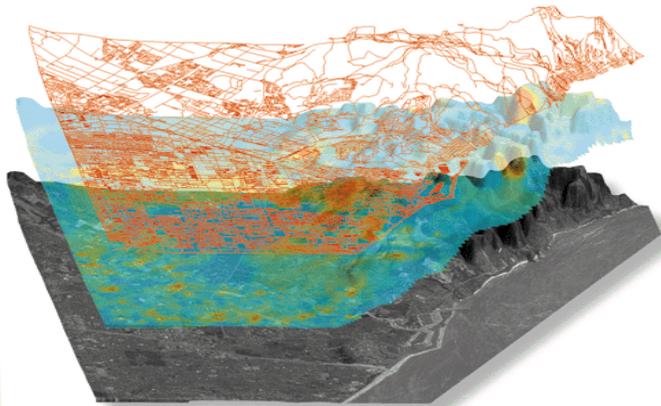
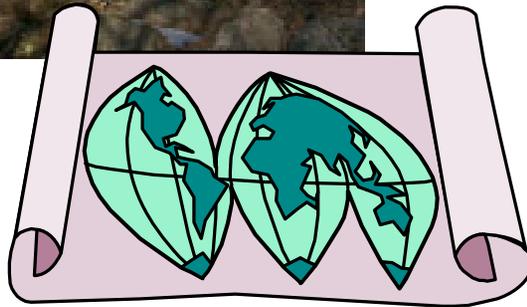


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Surveying/Mapping/GIS



- **Sub-centimeter accuracy**
- **100%-300% improvement in time, cost & labor efficiency**
- **Most major development projects require surveying**
 - Rural electrification
 - Telecom tower placement
 - Pipeline installation
 - Dam construction
- **Port dredging operations**
- **Oil, gas, and mineral exploration**
- **Flood plain mapping**



Precision Agriculture



- **Maximize use of resources**

- Optimize plowing of crop rows
- Tailor applications of seeds, fertilizer, water, pesticides
- Improve management of land, machinery, personnel, time
- Greater crop yields
- Net benefit: \$5-14 per acre



- **Minimize environmental impacts**

- Localize identification and treatment of distressed crops that reduces chemical use
- Precisely level fields to prevent fluid runoff





Environmental Protection



- **Forest protection**
 - Logging enforcement (e.g., Mato Grosso)
 - Firefighting
 - IBAMA: 230 GPS units
- **Fishing boundary enforcement**
- **Endangered species and habitat preservation**
- **Natural resource management**
- **Hazardous cleanup**
 - Oil spills, toxic waste
- **Atmospheric modeling**





New Applications Emerging Every Day



- Wireless/mobile applications
- Child/pet tracking
- Spacecraft control
- Power grid management
- Open pit mining
- Automatic snowplow guidance



GPS Antennae



Snow Plow Video





Web-based Information



- **PNT.gov** established to distribute information on the U.S. National Executive Committee to include:
 - U.S. Policy, Executive Committee membership, Advisory Board and frequently asked questions
 - Recent announcement on Selective Availability and offer letter to International Civil Aviation Organization
 - All recent public presentation
- **GPS.gov** established for public information about GPS applications
 - Available in English, French, Spanish, Arabic and Chinese
 - Brochure also available in hardcopy upon request
 - Contains additional links to various other web sites



Summary



- **Continuing to improve USG space-based PNT system performance**
- **New GNSS applications only limited by imagination**
- **Civil users will want interoperable and compatible GNSS systems to enable the new applications**
- **GNSS advances more efficient and sustainable economies**



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