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Overview: U.S. GNSS and Activities Update

- GPS Policy, Sustainment and Modernization
- Wide Area Augmentation System (WAAS) Satellite Based Augmentation System (SBAS)
- Advanced Receiver Autonomous Integrity Monitoring (ARAIM) and Dual-Frequency / Multi-Constellation (DF/MC) Receivers
- Ground Based Augmentation System (GBAS)
- Nationwide Differential GPS (NDGPS)

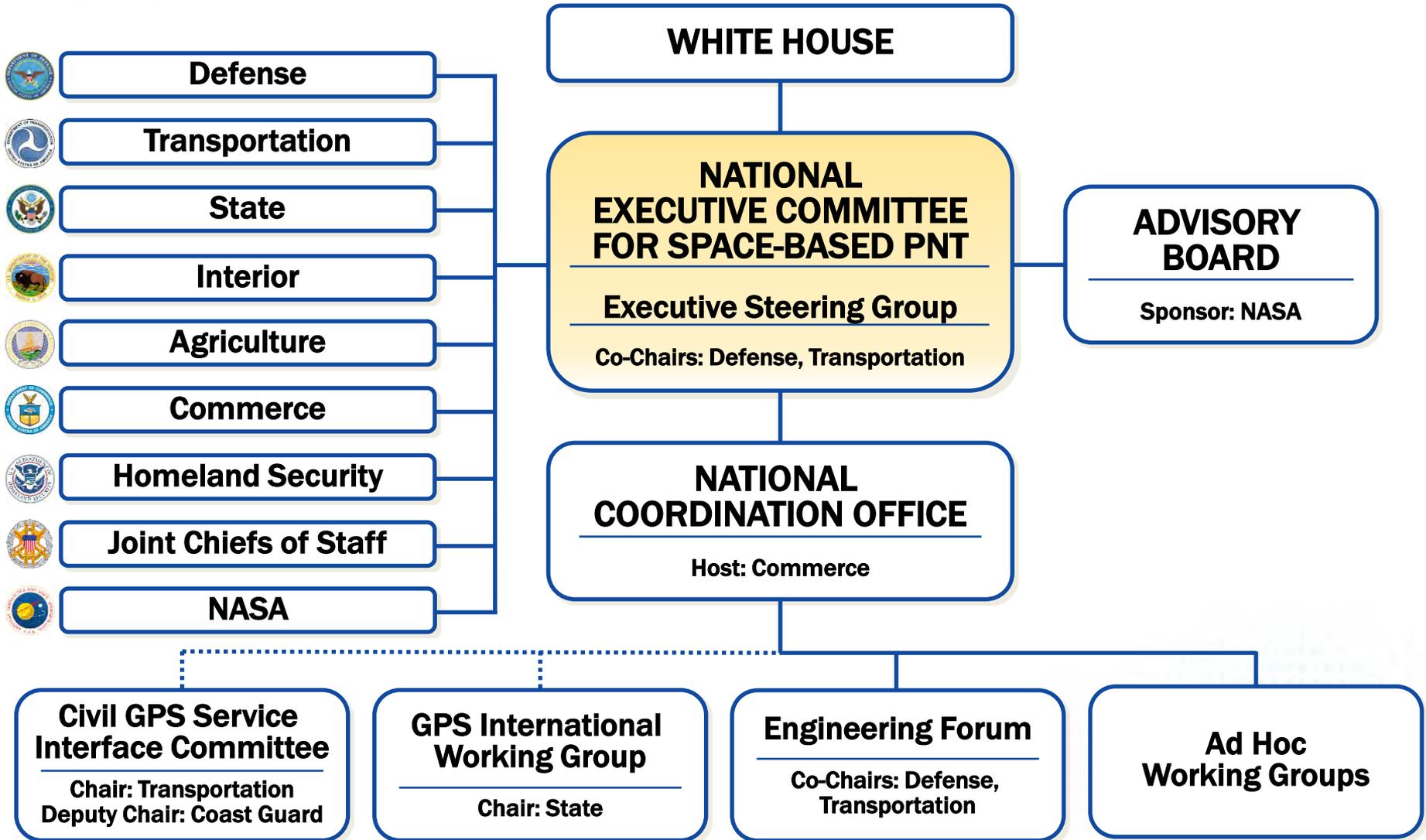


U.S. Policy Promotes Civilian GPS Use

- Continuous, worldwide, free of direct user fees
- Encourage compatibility and interoperability with other economies GNSS services and promotes transparency in civil service provisioning
- Operate and maintain GPS constellation to satisfy civil and economy security needs
 - Other economies PNT services may be used to augment and strengthen the resiliency of GPS
- Invest in domestic capabilities and support international activities to: detect, mitigate and increase resiliency to harmful interference

Space-Based PNT Policy Guidance: Maintain leadership in the service, provision, and use of GNSS

Space-Based PNT Organization



PNT Executive Committee (EXCOM) Strategic Focus Areas include:

- GPS Sustainment and Modernization
- International Cooperation
- Spectrum Management
- Critical Infrastructure
- PNT Resilience
- Complementary PNT
- Outreach and Education



U.S. Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Part 25 Rules

- FCC Part 25 rules require licensing or waiver of non-Federal* receive-only Earth stations (receivers) operating with non-U.S. licensed satellites
- U.S. National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) established criteria for recommending a waiver of the FCC rules
- Other economies waiver requests are initiated through consultation with U.S. Department of State

FCC has not approved licensing, or waiver, of its Part 25 rule for any other economy, or other entity, for multi-GNSS receiver use in the U.S.

* FCC Part 25 rule does not apply to U.S. Federal Government Use of Multi-GNSS receivers



FCC Part 25 Rule Evaluation Criteria and EU Waiver Request

- **Considerations (criteria):**
 1. Grant of a waiver is in public interest
 2. System complies with United Nations Space Debris Mitigation guidelines
 3. Grant of waiver is consistent with U.S. international trade and other treaty obligations
 4. Waiver request is limited to receive-only RNSS (which includes positioning) and standard time and frequency satellite services
 5. Operation of RNSS signals offered by foreign RNSS system found compatible with U.S. government systems operating in specified RNSS frequency bands
- **European Union (EU) submitted waiver request in 2013**
 - NTIA submitted request to FCC and recommended approval
 - FCC issued public notice inviting interested parties to comment
 - Comment period closed; Response period closed 23 Mar 2017



GPS Overview

Civil Cooperation

- 1+ Billion civil & commercial users worldwide
- Search and Rescue
- Civil Signals
 - L1 C/A (Original Signal)
 - L2C (2nd Civil Signal)
 - L5 (Aviation Safety of Life)
 - L1C (International)



Department of Defense

- Services (Army, Navy, AF, USMC)
- Agencies (NGA & DISA)
- U.S. Naval Observatory
- PNT EXCOMS
- GPS Partnership Council

Maintenance/Security

- All Level I and Level II
 - Worldwide Infrastructure
 - NATO Repair Facility
- Develop & Publish ICDs 2x per Year
 - ICWG: Worldwide Involvement
- Update GPS.gov Webpage
- Distribute PRNs for the World
 - 120 for U.S. and 90 for GNSS

International Cooperation

- Europe - Galileo
- China - Beidou
- Russia - GLONASS
- Japan - QZSS
- India - IRNSS



Spectrum

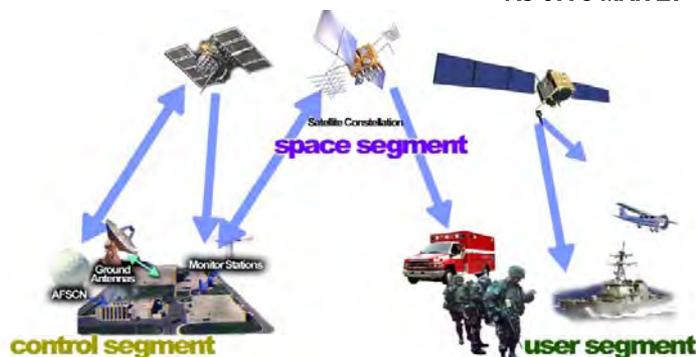
- World Radio Conference
- International Telecommunication Union
- Bilateral Agreements
- Adjacent Band Interference

37 Satellites / 31 Set Healthy

Baseline Constellation: 24 Satellites

| Satellite Block | Quantity | Average Age | Oldest |
|-----------------|----------|-------------|--------|
| GPS IIR | 12 | 15.1 | 19.6 |
| GPS IIR-M | 7 | 9.5 | 11.4 |
| GPS IIF | 12 | 3.1 | 6.7 |
| Constellation | 31 | 9.2 | 19.6 |

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Department of Transportation

- Federal Aviation Administration

Department of Homeland Security

- U.S. Coast Guard

Constellation Snapshot

Four Generations of Operational Satellites

- **Block IIA - 5 Residual**
 - 7.5 year design life
 - Launched 1990 to 1997
- **Block IIR - 12 Operational**
 - 7.5 year design life (oldest satellite is 19 years old)
 - Launched 1997 to 2004
- **Block IIR-M - 7 Operational, 1 Residual**
 - 7.5 year design life
 - Launched 2005 to 2009
 - Added 2nd civil navigation signal (L2C)
- **Block IIF - 12 Operational**
 - 12 year design life
 - Launched 2010 to 2016
 - Added 3rd civil navigation signal (L5)

* Current as of 3 March 17



Block IIA Satellite – Designed & Built by Rockwell International



Block IIR/IIR-M Satellite – Designed & Built by Lockheed Martin



Block IIF Satellite – Designed & Built by Boeing

GPS SIS Performance Scoreboard

GPS SIGNAL IN SPACE (SIS) PERFORMANCE (CM)



GPS Performance Report Card

- 2013 report now available on [gps.gov](http://www.gps.gov)
<http://www.gps.gov/systems/gps/performance/>
- Report measures GPS performance against GPS SPS Performance Standard
- GPS Performance Standard Update anticipated in 2017



GPS.GOV *Beta*

Official U.S. Government information about the Global Positioning System (GPS) and related topics

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GPS Performance

The U.S. government is committed to providing GPS to the civilian community at the performance levels specified in the GPS Standard Positioning Service (SPS) Performance Standard (PS). [VIEW DOCUMENT](#)

The following study, commissioned by the Air Force, confirms that, "in 2013 all of the SPS PS assertions examined were met or exceeded." The assertions evaluated include those associated with the accuracy, integrity, continuity, and availability of the GPS signal-in-space and the position performance standards.

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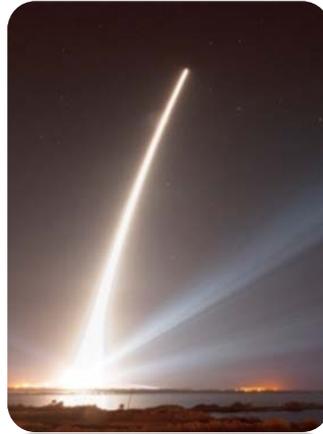
- An Analysis of Global Positioning System (GPS) Standard Positioning Service (SPS) Performance for 2013 (2.5 MB PDF)

Accuracy

Our GPS Accuracy page provides more information about real-world GPS performance. [GO THERE](#)

| DOCUMENT SECTION | PERFORMANCE METRIC | 2013 STATUS |
|--|--|-------------|
| 3.4.1 SIS URE Accuracy | ≤ 7.8 m 95% Global average URE during normal operations over all AODs | ✓+ |
| | ≤ 6.0 m 95% Global average URE during normal operations at zero AOD | ✓+ |
| | ≤ 12.8 m 95% Global average URE during normal operations at any AOD | ✓+ |
| | ≤ 30 m 99.94% Global average URE during normal operations | ✓+ |
| | ≤ 30 m 99.79% Worst case single point average URE during normal operations | ✓+ |
| 3.5.1 SIS Instantaneous URE Integrity | ≤ 1×10 ⁻⁵ Probability over any hour of exceeding the NTE tolerance without a timely alert | ✓+ |
| 3.6.1 SIS Continuity - Unscheduled Failure Interruptions | ≥ 0.9998 Probability over any hour of not losing the SPS SIS availability from the slot due to unscheduled interruption | ✓+ |
| 3.7.1 SIS Per-Slot Availability | ≥ 0.957 Probability that (a.) a slot in the baseline 24-slot will be occupied by a satellite broadcasting a healthy SPS SIS, or (b.) a slot in the expanded configuration will be occupied by a pair of satellites each broadcasting a healthy SIS | ✓+ |
| 3.7.2 SIS Constellation Availability | ≥ 0.98 Probability that at least 21 slots out of the 24 slots will be occupied by a satellite (or pair of satellites for expanded slots) broadcasting a healthy SIS | ✓+ |
| | ≥ 0.99999 Probability that at least 20 slots out of the 24 slots will be occupied by a satellite (or pair of satellites for expanded slots) broadcasting a healthy SIS | ✓+ |
| 3.7.3 Operational Satellite Counts | ≥ 0.95 Probability that the constellation will have at least 24 operational satellites regardless of whether those operational satellites are located in slots or not | ✓+ |
| 3.8.1 PDOP Availability | ≥ 98% Global PDOP of 6 or less | ✓+ |
| | ≥ 88% Worst site PDOP of 6 or less | ✓+ |
| 3.8.2 Position Service Availability | ≥ 99% Horizontal, average location | ✓+ |
| | ≥ 99% Vertical, average location | ✓+ |
| | ≥ 90% Horizontal, worst-case location | ✓+ |
| 3.8.3 Position Accuracy | ≥ 90% Vertical, worst-case location | ✓+ |
| | ≤ 9 m 95% Horizontal, global average | ✓+ |
| | ≤ 15 m 95% Vertical, global average | ✓+ |
| | ≤ 17 m 95% Horizontal, worst site | ✓+ |
| | ≤ 37 m 95% Vertical, worst site | ✓+ |





20 Feb 14: IIF-5



16 May 14: IIF-6



1 Aug 14: IIF-7



29 Oct 14: IIF-8



25 Mar 15: IIF-9



15 Jul 15: IIF-10



31 Oct 15: IIF-11



5 Feb 16: IIF-12

8 Launches in 24 Months – Most aggressive GPS launch schedule since 1993

GPS III

- **GPS III is newest block of GPS satellites**
 - 4 civil signals: L1 C/A, L1C, L2C, L5
 - First satellites to broadcast common L1C signal
 - 4 military signals: L1/L2 P(Y), L1/L2M
- **General characteristics**
 - Orbit: Six orbit planes at 55 degree inclination
 - Altitude: 10,898 nautical miles
 - Design life: 15 years, 12 years mean mission duration
 - Launch weight: 8,115 lb.
 - On-Orbit weight: 4,764 lb.
 - Size: 97 in wide, 70 in deep, 134 in high
- **Current Status**
 - SV01 placed into storage 27 Feb 17
 - SV02/03 in assembly & integration
 - SV04-08 in box level assembly



GPS III SV 11+

- **Build on legacy of GPS IIF and GPS III programs**
 - Drive down costs, maintain production readiness to achieve 2023 need date
- **Plan to compete GPS III Follow-on Production**
 - Promote competition and reduce risk for production GPS space vehicles
- **Two-phase approach**
 - Phase 1: Production Readiness Feasibility Assessment
 - Gain insight into contractor SV & navigation payload production maturity/risk
 - The Boeing Company, Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company, and Northrop Grumman Aerospace Systems awarded contracts on 9 May 2016
 - Phase 2: Production Competition
 - Full and open competition for up to 22 GPS III SVs



SV11+ Acquisition Decision



Contract Award - Late FY18



SV11 Delivery FY23



Now on the Air: Modernized Civil Signals

- U.S. initiated continuous CNAV message broadcast (L2C & L5) on 28 Apr 2014; began with 2x-a-week uploads and moved to daily (nominal) uploads in Dec 2014
 - Position accuracy not guaranteed during pre-operational deployment
 - L2C message currently set “healthy”
 - L5 message set “unhealthy” until sufficient monitoring capability established
- User-Range Error (URE) CNAV Performance Post
 - Daily uploads are consistent with or slightly exceed LNAV performance



Modernization Timeline

- **2014:** Civil Navigation (CNAV) message available for test
- **2016:** 19 L2C satellites, 12 L5 satellites available
- **2017:** 1st GPS III satellite successfully completed all planned test and integration activities
- **2018 - 2021:** GPS III initial launch campaign
- **2021:** Approximate date for initial L1C signal transmission
- **2021:** Approximate date for 24 L2C capable satellites
- **2024:** Approximate date for 24 L5 capable satellites



GPS Summary

- U.S. supports free access to civilian GNSS signals and all necessary public domain documentation
- GPS is a critical component of global infrastructure
 - Compatible with other satellite navigation systems and interoperable at the user level
 - Guided at an economy level as multi-use asset
 - Acquired and operated by U.S. Air Force on behalf of USG
- U.S. policy promotes open competition and market growth for commercial GPS and its augmentations
- Modernization milestones: Multiple launches and new Civil Navigation messages broadcast

***GPS: Continuous improvement,
predictable, dependable positioning performance***

Wide Area Augmentation System (WAAS)

- Coverage
- Schedule
- Current GEO System
- Dual Frequency Operations
- Space and Ground Operations
- Procedures
- Avionics Development



Current WAAS Components

3

Wide-area Master Station



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Wide-area Reference Station



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GEO Uplink Subsystem



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Operations & Maintenance (O&M) Console



GPS Satellite Constellation



3 GEO Satellites

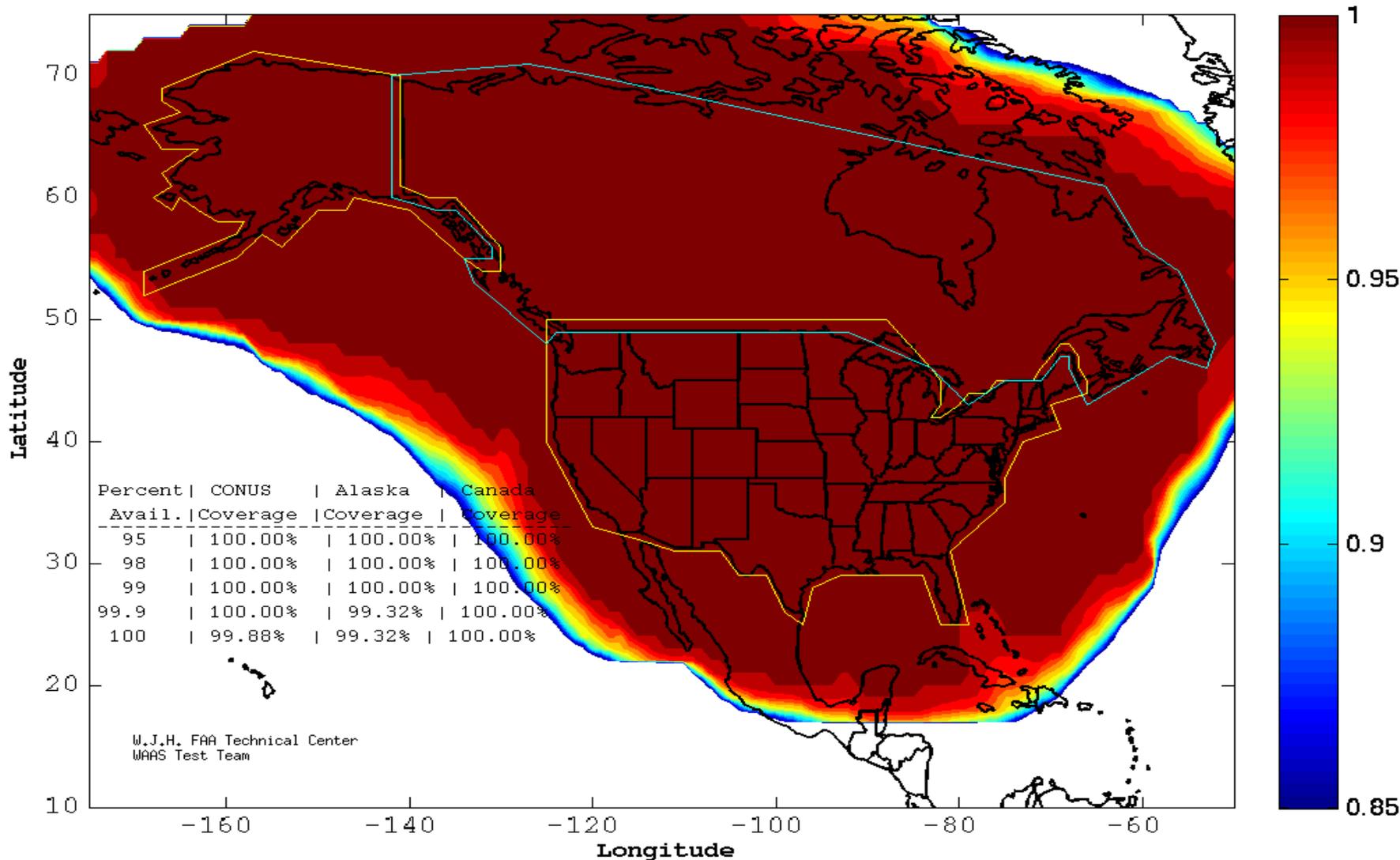


WAAS Program Strategy

- Integrate 5th and 6th GEOs
- Establish procurement strategy for 7th GEO
- Continue 2nd civil signal L5 implementation
- Develop Dual-Frequency Avionics Standards (MOPS)
- Evaluate Dual-Frequency, Multi-Constellation Avionics
- Evaluate Advanced Receiver Autonomous Integrity Monitoring (ARAIM)
- Continue technical refresh activities

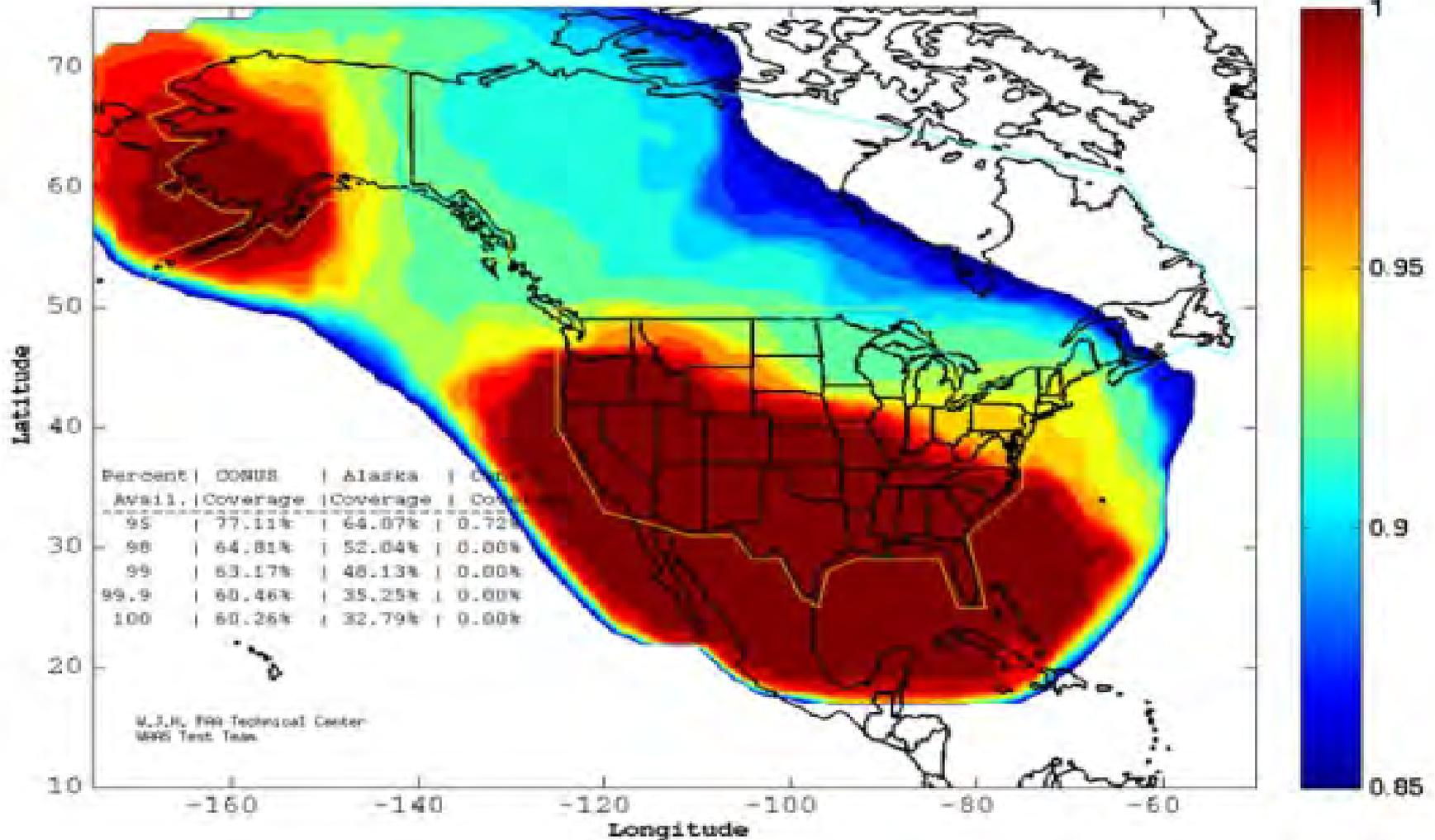


WAAS Localizer Performance Vertical (LPV) Availability April 3, 2017

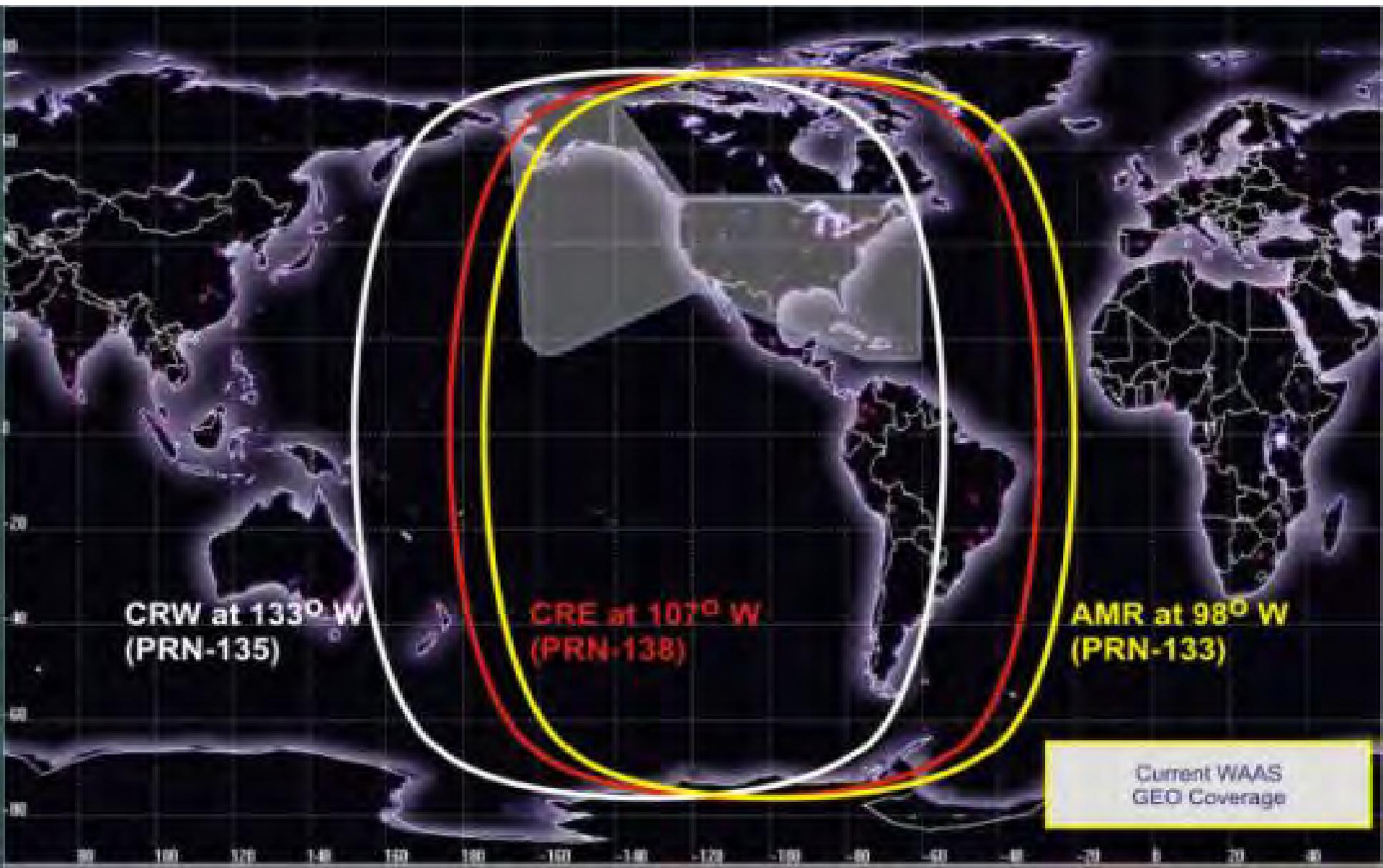


WAAS LPV Coverage

6 March 2016 Ionospheric Event

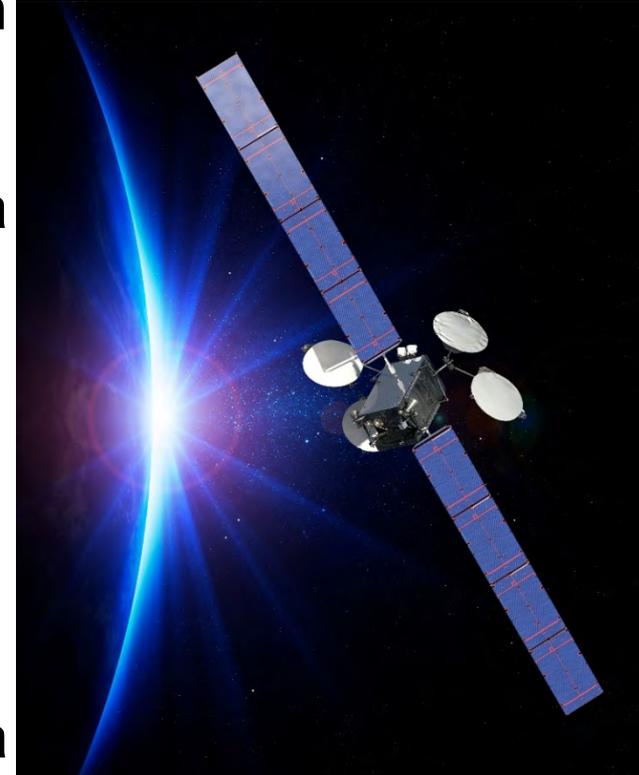


Current WAAS GEOs



GEO Sustainment (GEOs 5/6/7)

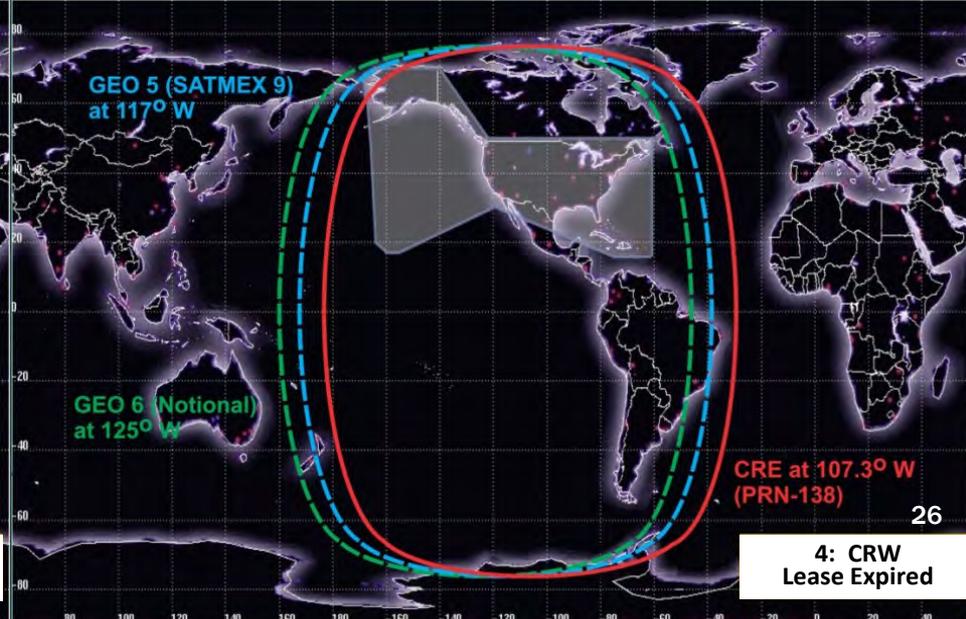
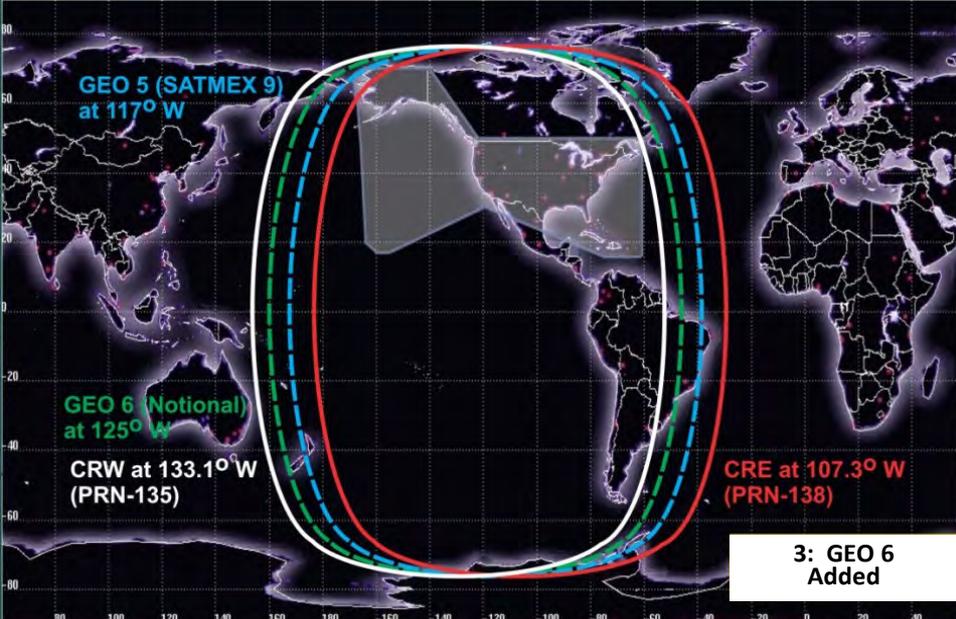
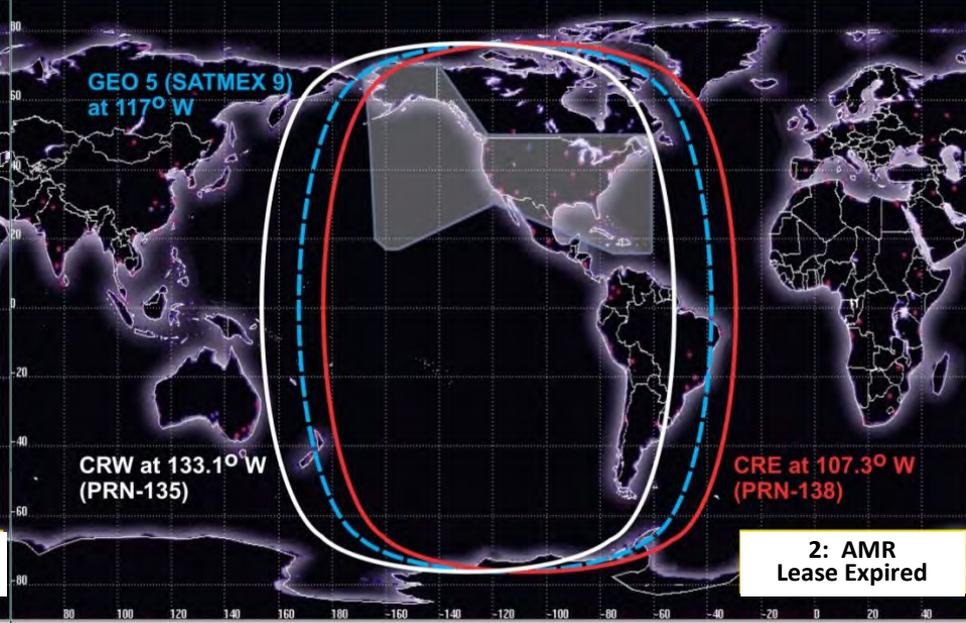
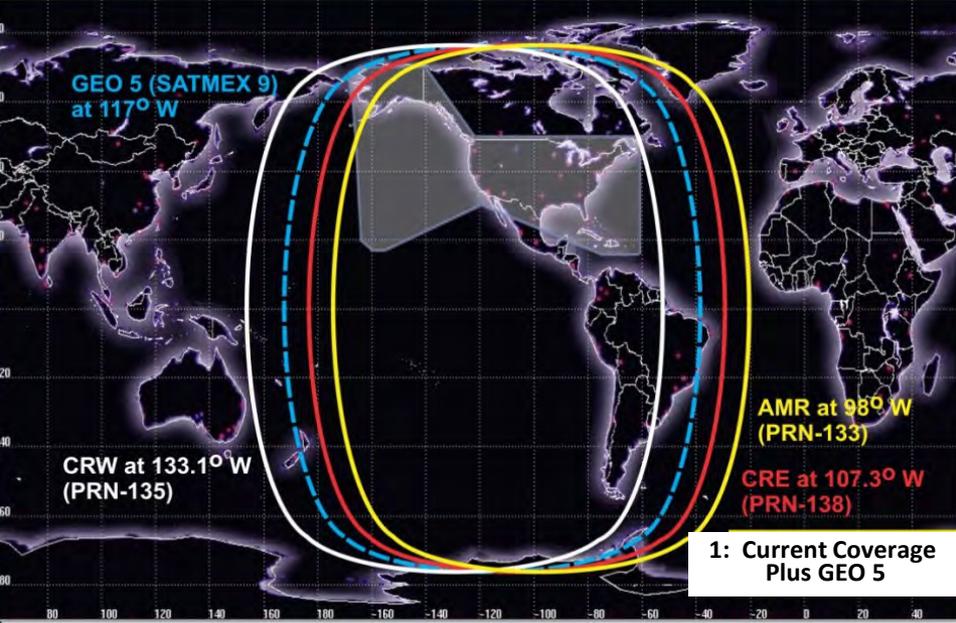
- Replace legacy GEO's upon lease expiration
- GEO 5 Satellite Acquisition
 - EUTELSAT 117 West B (ex SatMex 9)
 - Provides full coverage of CONUS & Alaska
 - Satellite launched June 2016
 - Signal-in-Space testing since Dec 2016
 - Expected operational in 2018
- GEO 6 Satellite Acquisition
 - GUS site build out in progress
 - Host satellite is SES-15
 - Planned for 129 West
 - Provides full coverage of CONUS & Alaska
 - Scheduled launch 2nd Qtr. CY2017
 - Signal testing expected in early CY2018
 - Expected operational in 2019
- GEO 7 Satellite acquisition
 - Targeting 2018 contract award



Eutelsat
117WB

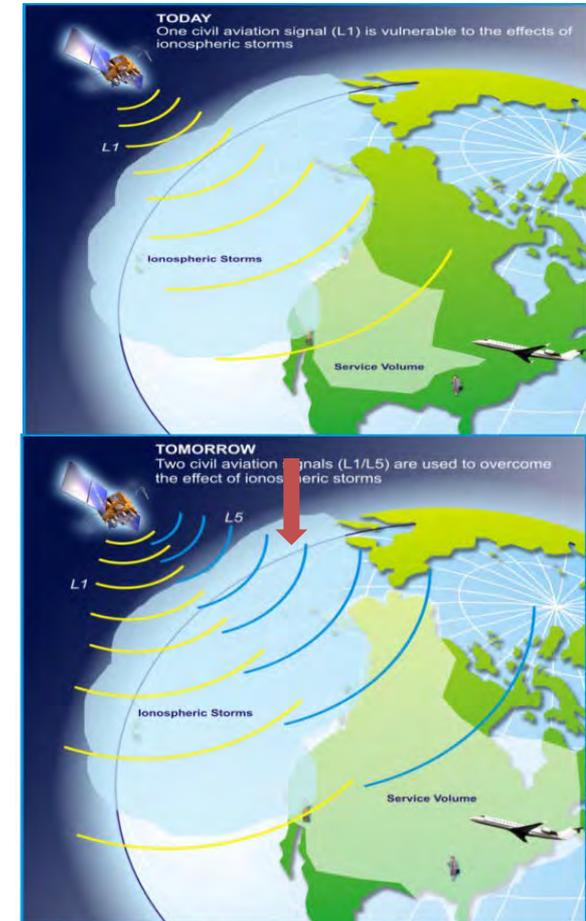


WAAS GEO Activities

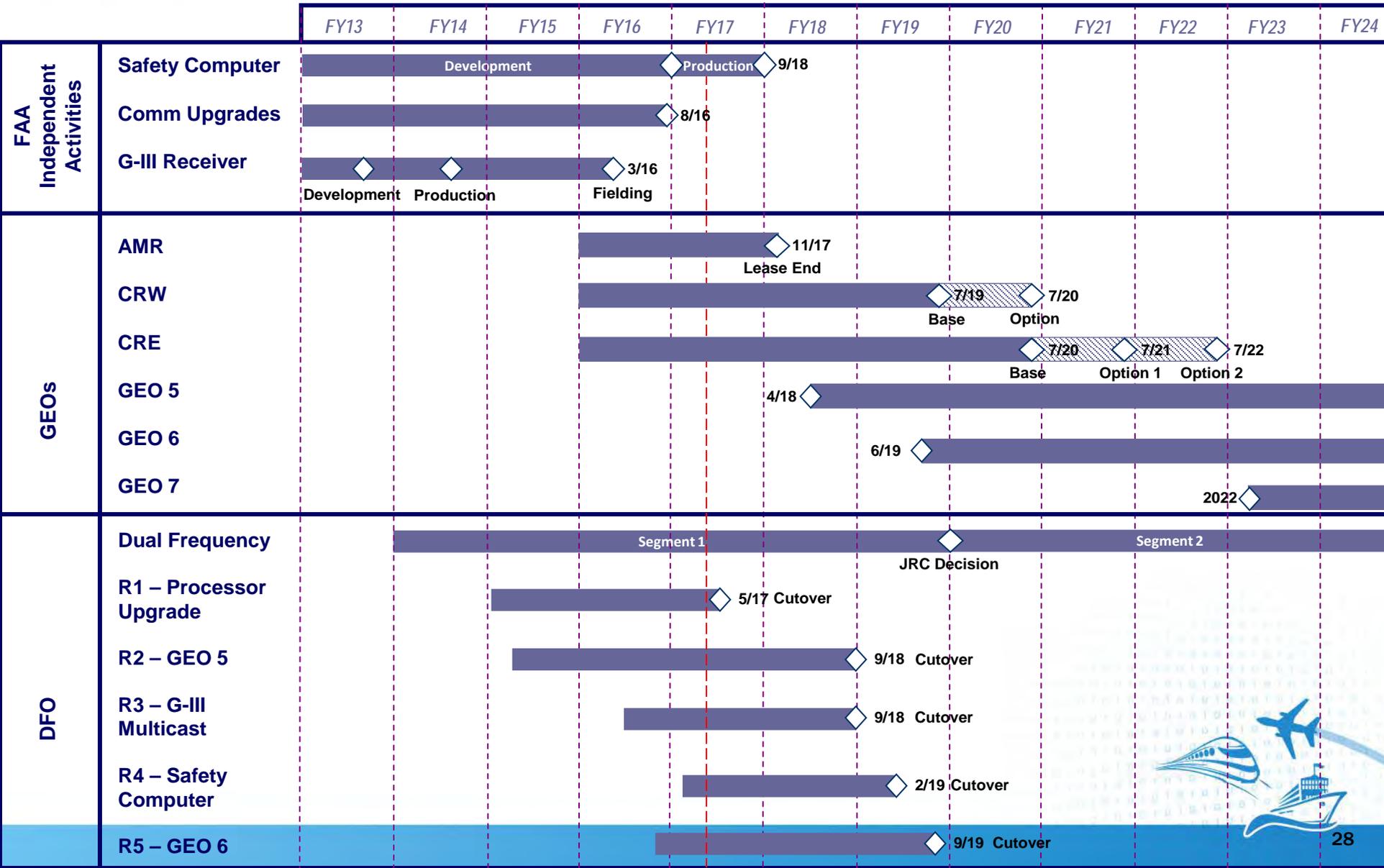


WAAS Phase IV Dual Frequency Operations Status

- **GPS L1 Plus L5 provides high availability of SBAS vertical service during ionospheric disturbances**
- **Release 1 – Processor Upgrades**
 - System integration and test complete
 - Over 31 sites completed cutover, remaining sites to complete by summer 2017
- **Release 2 – GEO-5 Integration**
 - Integration and testing throughout 2017
 - Scheduled operational mid CY 2018



WAAS Schedule



WAAS Phase IV Dual Frequency Operations Status (continued)

- **Release 3 – G-III Multicast Update**
 - Software development underway with build provided by April 2017
 - Implements updated G-III Multicast structure to incorporate GPS L5 signal into operational system; scheduled for cutover 2018
- **Release 4 – Corrections & Verifications (C&V) Safety Computer (SC) Update**
 - New SC production contract awarded September 2016
 - C&V design scheduled for 2nd quarter CY17
 - C&V scheduled for validation testing and cutover in CY18
- **Release 5 – SC GUS Processor (GPT) and GEO 6 Integration**
 - GUS installation April 2017
 - Commence GEO signal testing mid 2018
 - Complete cutover mid 2019



WAAS Phase IV Investigations

- **Dual-Frequency Multi-constellation Capability (DFMC)**
- **International Focus on leveraging other compatible constellations**
 - International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Navigation Systems Panel (NSP) work plan supports SBAS standards for use of other Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS)
 - SBAS Interoperability Working Group (IWG) has proposed
 - Preliminary DFMC requirements and
 - SBAS interface control standard
 - ICAO NSP, RTCA and EUROCAE developing draft standards
 - FAA supporting DFMC SBAS standards development

<http://www.gps.gov/policy/cooperation/#europe>



WAAS Phase IV Investigations (2 of 3)

Advanced RAIM (ARAIM)

- Avionics-centric approach to dual-frequency multi-constellation
- U.S./EU WG-C published Milestone 3 report describing overall concept and assessing its feasibility; Report available at:
http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-databases/newsroom/cf/itemdetail.cfm?item_id=8690
 - Supports ICAO, RTCA/EUROCAE standards development New work develops standards and supporting validation materials
- FAA focus on development of initial requirements for horizontal navigation (H-ARAIM)
 - Developing airborne prototypes for flight testing
 - Document ground offline monitoring and begin prototyping as needed
 - Preliminary H-ARAIM safety case (include V-ARAIM time permitting)
 - Preliminary ICAO/RTCA requirements
 - Propose and validate new GPS/Galileo commitments
- GPS planning new message types (MT 38/39) with provision for ARAIM Integrity Support Message (ISM)
<http://www.gps.gov/policy/cooperation/#europe>



WAAS Phase IV Investigations (3 of 3) G-III Receiver Galileo Prototype

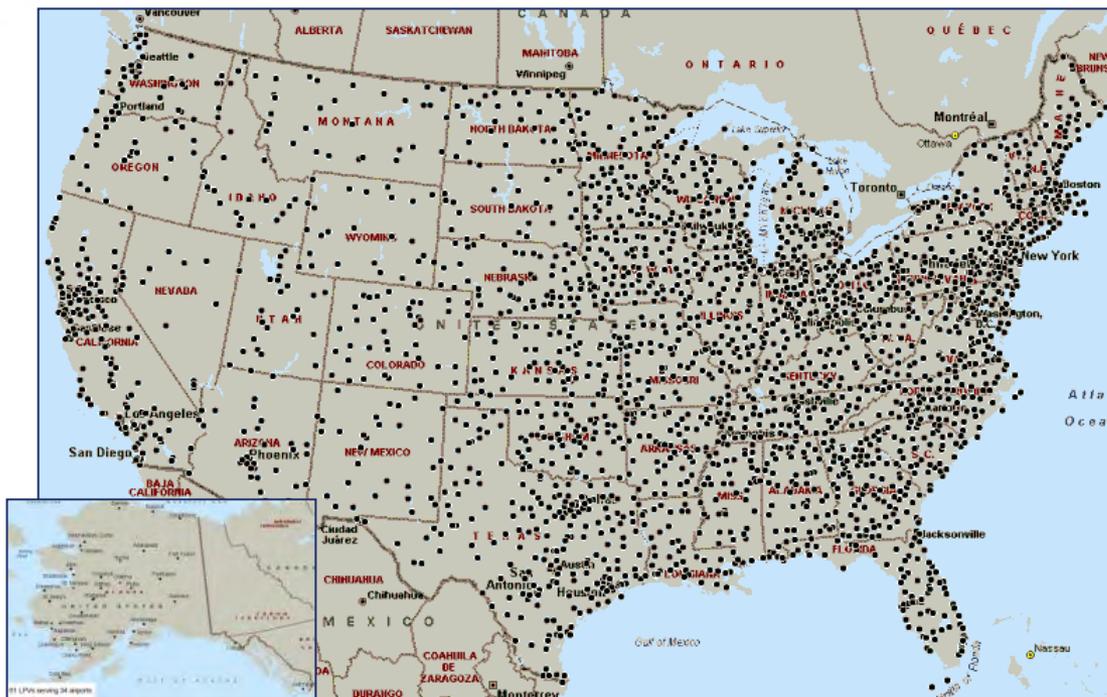
- Next generation WAAS receiver (G-III) fielded at all reference stations since June 2016
- Prototype effort initiated to add Galileo processing to G-III receiver platform via software update
- G-III/Galileo prototype intended for DFMC research and Galileo signal monitoring
- Galileo prototype G-III software currently undergoing testing with an expected formal delivery in mid 2017
 - Will allow for tracking of 14 GPS, 4 SBAS and 12 Galileo satellites across all U.S. and EU GNSS bands



WAAS Procedures and Users

Approach Procedures

- 4,405 WAAS Procedures published (as of Mar 2017)
- 3,781 Localizer Precision Vertical (LPV) procedures
 - Serving 1,841 airports



Users

- Over 95,000 WAAS/SBAS equipped aircraft
- All aircraft classes served in all phases of flight
- WAAS/SBAS is enabling technology for FAA NextGen
 - Automatic Dependent Surveillance Broadcast (ADS-B)
 - Performance Based Navigation (PBN)

FAA Ground Based Augmentation System (GBAS) Activities



U.S. GBAS Cat I Update

- Non-Federally owned and operated system
- Vendor and airport authority determine implementations
 - Currently Newark, NJ & Houston, TX
- Thousands of approaches
- Block II upgrade improves iono perf.
- U.S. Airlines procuring GBAS aircraft
 - United Airlines
 - Delta Airlines
 - American Airlines and
 - Southwest Airlines
- International Airlines:
 - British Airways
 - Lufthansa
 - Emirates
 - Cathay Pacific



CAT III / GAST D Validation Activities

- **GAST-D standards support approach and landing operations to CAT III minima by augmenting single-frequency GPS (L1)**
- **FAA validation activities included commercial prototypes**
 - Jan 2013: Avionics prototyping contract completed
 - May 2015: Ground System prototyping completed
 - Ionospheric Gradient Mitigation work complete
- **Dec 2016: GAST-D Standards and Recommended Practices validated and approved by ICAO Navigation Systems Panel (NSP/3)**
 - VDB compatibility with ILS and VHF Com equipment work continues (largely independent of GAST D)



CAT III / GAST D Validation Activities (continued)

- **RTCA Avionics Minimum Operational Performance Standard (MOPS)**
 - Compliment ICAO Annex 10 standards
 - Completed Mar 2017; Awaiting Plenary and Program Management Committee approval (pending May 2017)
- **Honeywell SLS-5000 GAST-D**
 - ICAO GAST-D compliant configuration (CAT-III)
 - System architecture updates similar to those prototyped and tested at the FAA's William J Hughes Technical Center
 - Current Design Approval target date: pending



GBAS International Cooperation

- **International GBAS Working Group (IGWG)**
 - Organized by FAA and EUROCONTROL to foster communication and collaboration among states implementing GBAS
 - Next Meeting: 18-21 April in Atlanta, Georgia USA
- **FAA International Memorandums of Understanding**
 - EUROCONTROL
 - Germany
 - Spain
 - Australia
 - Brazil: FAA assisting in ionospheric threat model development for lower latitudes; GBAS Bilateral Agreement signed March 2017



RTCA SC-159 Deliverables (1 of 2)

| Product | Description | Due Date | Change |
|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|----------|
| DO-253D | Updated GBAS MOPS. | March 2017 | was 3/16 |
| DO-246E | Updated GBAS ICD. | March 2017 | was 3/16 |
| GPS/GLONASS L1-only MOPS | New MOPS for GPS/GLONASS (FDMA + antenna) L1-only airborne equipment.** | May 2017 | was 3/16 |
| <u>DO-229E</u> | <u>Updated GPS/SBAS MOPS (to increase the number of SBAS Pseudorandom Noise [PRN] codes from 19 to 39)</u> <u>Graceful degradation to RAIM</u> | <u>Complete December 2016</u> | - |
| GNSS-Aided Inertial Systems MOPS | New MOPS for GNSS-aided inertial navigation systems. | October 2017 | |
| DO-235C | Updated L1 interference environment report. | December 2017* | |
| DO-292A | Updated L5 interference environment report. | December 2017* | |
| GNSS L1/L5 Antenna MOPS | New GNSS dual-frequency (1575/1176 MHz) antenna MOPS for airborne equipment | December 2017* | |

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|------------------------------|---|--|--|
| GNSS(SBAS) L1/L5 MOPS | Initial MOPS for Verification and Validation Validated GPS/SBAS MOPS for dual-frequency equipment including, if possible, at least one additional core constellations.** | 2019-2020* 2021-2022* | |
| GNSS(GBAS) L1/L5 MOPS | Initial MOPS for Verification and Validation Validated GPS/GBAS MOPS for dual-frequency equipment and including, if possible, at least one additional core constellations.** | 2020-2021* 2022-2023* | |

* These dates are based upon the current schedule for deployment of L5-capable GPS satellites.

** The level of detail of requirements for additional core constellations dependent upon multiple prerequisites as discussed in Specific Guidance Section below. Additionally, in the case of GNSS (SBAS or GBAS) L1/L5 MOPS, constellation providers are advised to provide final necessary technical information at least two year priors to completion of Initial MOPS for Verification and Validation in order to have their constellations included in the MOPS.

Specific Guidance

Para 5. New MOPS should address, to the extent practicable, the threats of intentional interference and spoofing.

Para 6. New MOPS should address, to the extent practicable, the possibility of higher levels of adjacent-band interference in the future operational environment.



Economywide Differential GPS Update

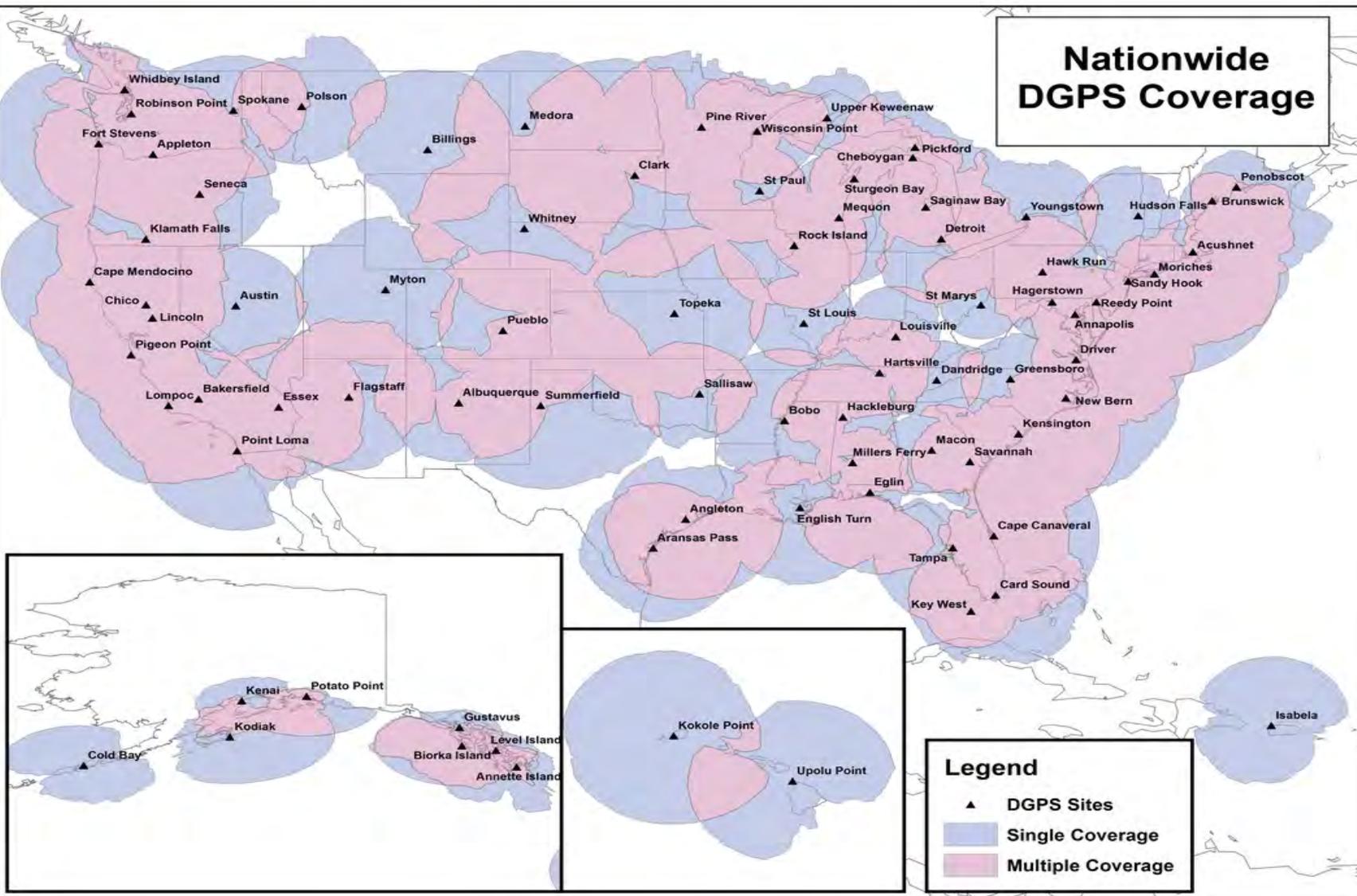


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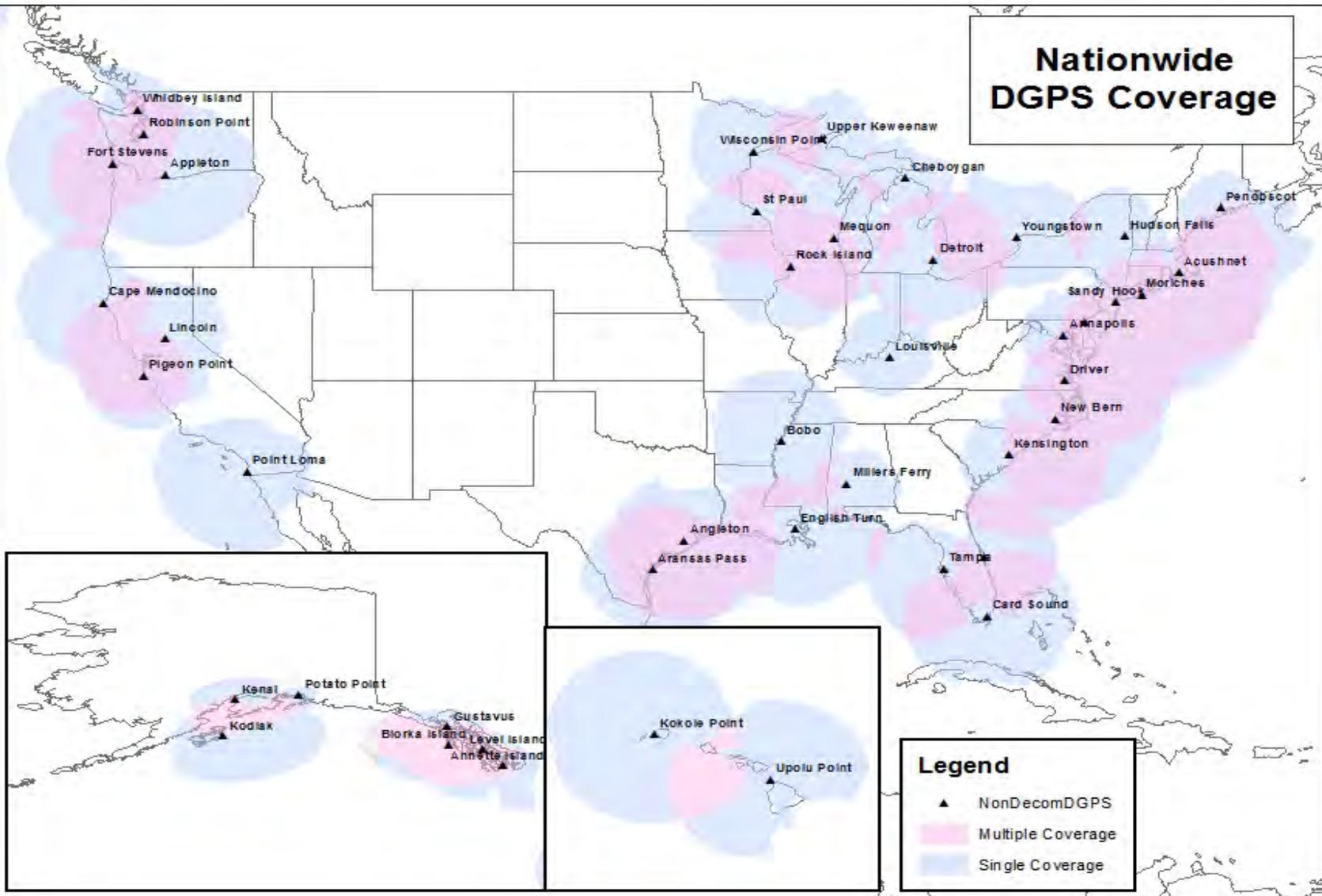
- NDGPS coverage reduced from 83 sites to 46 sites on August 4, 2016; 44 sites currently retained
 - Eliminated inland coverage
 - Maintained majority of maritime coverage and shifted to single maritime coverage in most areas
- Signal was terminated 30 days after *Federal Register* Notice was released
- Equipment removal initiated and will fully decommission DOT DGPS sites during FY16-FY18 period
- Continuing to evaluate future DGPS need as other GPS augmentation systems mature
- Assessing potential CPNT use of DGPS infrastructure
- Evaluating future reductions and alternatives



Previous NDGPS Coverage with 83 Sites



Current NDGPS Coverage with 44 Sites



GPS Information, Presentations, etc.

Federal GPS site: www.gps.gov

- “GPS Bulletin” Newsletter published by NCO
–Anyone can subscribe or get back issues

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