

The Impact of NANUs on RAIM Prediction



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- DW maintains a database of future satellite outages for use in RAIM predictions
- The database is kept up-to-date automatically via subscribed GPS updates
 - Typically these updates take the form of *Forecast Outage* and *Unscheduled Outage* type NANUs which follow a defined syntax and can be reliably parsed for DW's internal use
 - Other *General* type NANUs are free-text information updates which require manual system input

- RAIM predictions are typically calculated for 72 hours into the future
- Our systems therefore rely on the availability of the latest constellation updates as they can impact the current prediction scenario period

Forecast Outage Example

- NANU 2009070 details a Forecast Maintenance outage for PRN 26 from 09:30 to 21:30 on 28th Sept 2009:

NOTICE ADVISORY TO NAVSTAR USERS (NANU) 2009070

SUBJ: SVN26 (PRN26) FORECAST OUTAGE JDAY 271/0930 - JDAY 271/2130

1. NANU TYPE: FCSTMX
NANU NUMBER: 2009070
NANU DTG: 162050Z SEP 2009
REFERENCE NANU: N/A
REF NANU DTG: N/A
SVN: 26
PRN: 26
START JDAY: 271
START TIME ZULU: 0930
START CALENDAR DATE: 28 SEP 2009
STOP JDAY: 271
STOP TIME ZULU: 2130
STOP CALENDAR DATE: 28 SEP 2009

General Outage Example

- NANU 2009052 details an outage for PRN 25 from 15:00 on 20th August 2009 until further notice:

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NOTICE ADVISORY TO NAVSTAR USERS (NANU) 2009052 NANU TYPE: GENERAL
*** GENERAL MESSAGE TO ALL GPS USERS ***
SVN25 (PRN25) FORECAST OUTAGE ON JDAY 232/1500Z UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.
GPS SATELLITE SVN 25 (PRN25) WILL BE UNUSABLE NO EARLIER THAN JDAY 232
(20 AUG 2009) BEGINNING 1500Z UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.
*** GENERAL MESSAGE TO ALL GPS USERS ***
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- Manual intervention was required to generate a system-parsable outage type
- PRN 25 was subsequently removed from the Almanac

- **Unscheduled Outage type equivalent:**

NOTICE ADVISORY TO NAVSTAR USERS (NANU) 2009052

SUBJ: SVN25 (PRN25) UNUSABLE JDAY 232/1500 - UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

1. NANU TYPE: UNUSUFN
NANU NUMBER: 2009052
NANU DTG: 181200Z AUG 2009
REFERENCE NANU: N/A
REF NANU DTG: N/A
SVN: 25
PRN: 25
START JDAY: 232
START TIME ZULU: 1500
START CALENDAR DATE: 20 AUG 2009
STOP JDAY: UFN
STOP TIME ZULU: N/A
STOP CALENDAR DATE: N/A

PRN 25 – Expected Event Timeline

- *Forecast Outage* type NANU (FCSTDV/MX) issued (applying from 3pm 20th August UFN) detailing future outage of PRN25
- *Forecast Summary* type NANU (FCSTSUMM) issued detailing actual outage (PRN25 was set unusable UFN at 3:14pm on 20th August) and referencing original Forecast NANU
- *Forecast Cancellation* type NANU (FCSTCANC) issued detailing PRN25 is now usable (from 12th September) and referencing original NANU

PRN 25 – Actual Event Summary

- 14th August: GENERAL NANU 2009052 received (applies from 3pm 20th August) detailing forecasted outage UFN of PRN25
- 18th August: Equivalent UNUSUFN NANU generated by DW and input into system
- 20th August: GENERAL NANU 2009054 received detailing that PRN25 was set unusable at 3:14pm on 20th
- 21st August: PRN 25 removed from almanac
- 12th September: GENERAL NANU 2009067 received detailing PRN25 usable from 12th Sept

- *Standardisation of event reporting required*
- *Use computer readable fixed formats*
- *Leave 'general' free text for information*
- *Lets help one another to interpret NANUs for the user*

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