Nationwide Differential GPS (NDGPS) Program Update

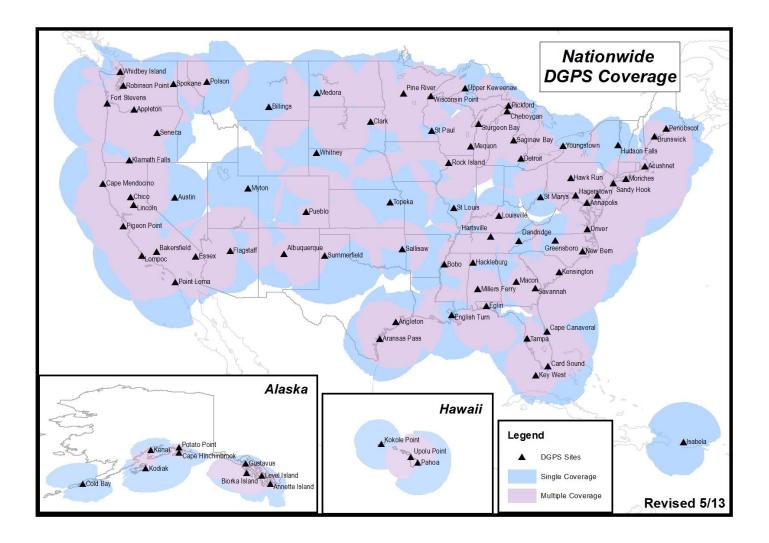
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NDGPS Operating Partners

- United States Coast Guard
 - DGPS systems engineering, operations and maintenance
 - Aids to Navigation (maritime)
 - No USCG carriage requirement
- Army Corps of Engineers
 - Dredging and underkeel clearance
 - Underwater survey
- US Department of Transportation
 - Surface transportation applications
 - Safety systems
 - Survey and construction (AMC)
 - Asset and fleet management
 - Structures monitoring
 - Roadside/ROW management
 - Transit bus and rail location and separation





Planned Site Closure/Reduction of Caretaker Sites

- ACOE Declared Omaha NDGPS Site Excess in CY12
 - Omaha signal terminated May 15, 2013
 - Omaha site users have been redirected to:
 - Clarke, SD (DOT)
 - Topeka, KS (DOT)
 - Rock Island, IL (ACOE)
- DOT "Caretaker" Sites (GWEN) being removed from Property Rolls
 - No new NDGPS construction planned; no budget support
 - Presidential memorandum Disposing of Unneeded Federal Real Estate
 - Reducing maintenance and lease costs
 - 19 locations
 - 4 without infrastructure already released
 - 15 with infrastructure under environmental review

DOT NDGPS Program Status

- Inland (DOT) Tower Recapitalization
 - Upgrade reference stations/integrity monitors/antenna
 - Install IP-based operations system
 - Upgrade transmitters
 - Set long-term O&M baseline, 15 year service life
 - Set a single "plug and play" configuration across all NDGPS sites
 - Full funding received; execution in progress
- Relative Budget Consistency
 - Strong support for an O&M "floor"
 - USCG Billets (FY2016 commitment current)
 - Aided by several cost control measures
- NDGPS Program Manager/Spectrum Manager Hire
 - Hiring action completed early CY13
 - Support DOT Engineering needs for NDGPS program management and DOT Spectrum management

Analysis - Future NDGPS Investment Decisions

- Identify and assess alternatives
 - Technical assessments of impacts of alternatives
 - Cost assessments of alternatives/use cases
 - Requires site-by-site assessment as well as systemic
 - Need to include costs for various scenarios:
 - Continuation/partial continuation/phased continuation
 - Partial/staged decommissioning by site/use cases
 - Transfer to other parties
 - Hybrid alternatives
 - Ongoing O&M; environmental assessment and remediation; deconstruction; cost/benefit assessments
- <u>Decision timeline</u>: NET Summer 2014
 - FRN: Support FY16 budget request (implement NET FY16)
 - Existing O&M budgets (USCG and DOT) cannot support deconstruction and site remediation, especially if continuing service
 - Support planning/decision processes within USCG and USDOT

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Continuing Responsibilities

- Uninterrupted NDGPS service to users as currently provided
 - Routine operations and maintenance of 85 NDGPS sites (49 USCG/Maritime, 29 DOT/Inland sites, 7 ACOE).
 - Watchstanding, troubleshooting, systems support engineering, systems analysis and reporting
- Public/user community information/involvement in decision processes and Next Steps
- Continuation of DOT site recapitalization
 - Full funding received and work in progress
 - Sets long-term low-cost O&M baseline, 15 year service life
 - Sets a single "plug and play" configuration across USCG and DOT sites for reduced outyear O&M costs
 - Enables all possible alternatives/use cases for decision

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For more info, see the following presentations

Status and Future of the NDGPS Program

- U.S. States and Local Government Session
- Surveying, Mapping, and Geosciences Session

Questions?

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