





# U.S. Nationwide Differential GPS (NDGPS)



**Discussion Topics** 



- System Overview
- Review of 2016 System Changes
- Coverage Graphics
- Future of U.S. DGPS
- Questions??





## System Overview

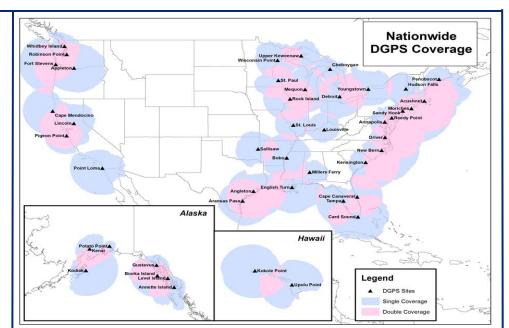


#### **System Description**

- 46 Nationwide Remote Broadcast Sites throughout the United States and territories (39 USCG and 7 USACE)
  - o System in operation since 1996
  - o Better than 10 meter accuracy
  - o Sites equipped with out-of-tolerance user alerting
  - $\circ$  10 second integrity alarm to the user
  - o Satisfies Harbor/Harbor Approach requirements
  - o 99.7% availability requirement
  - 99.9% availability requirement for Vessel Traffic Service (VTS)

#### Operations

- Redundant equipment at sites
- Redundant control stations at NAVCEN



#### Stakeholders

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
- Department of Transportation (DOT)
- National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA):
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Continuously Operating Reference Stations (CORS) network



## 2016 NDGPS Changes

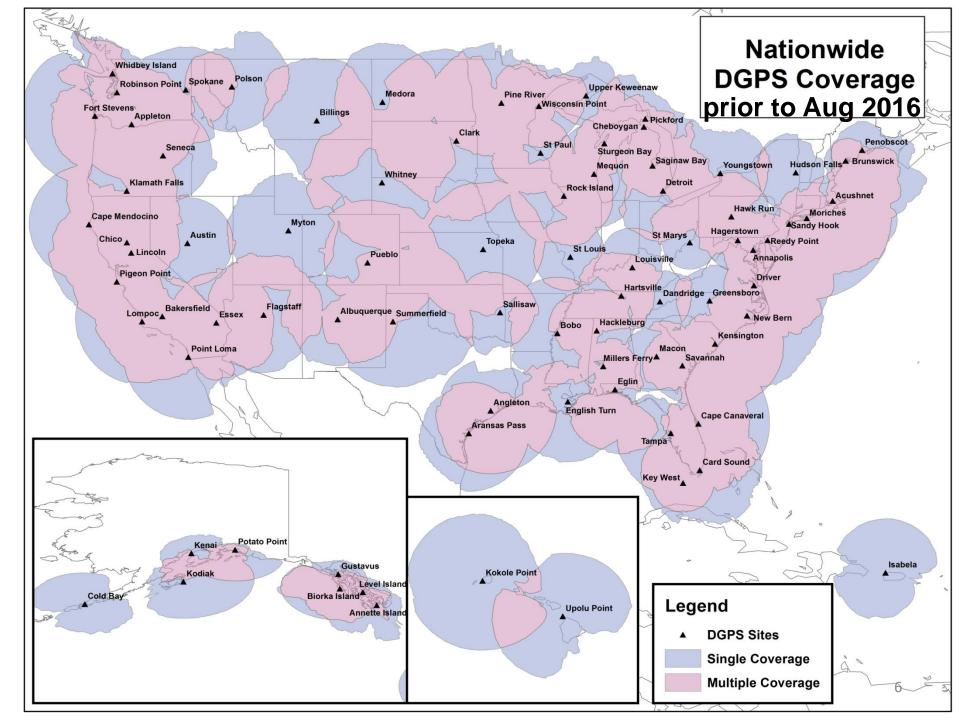


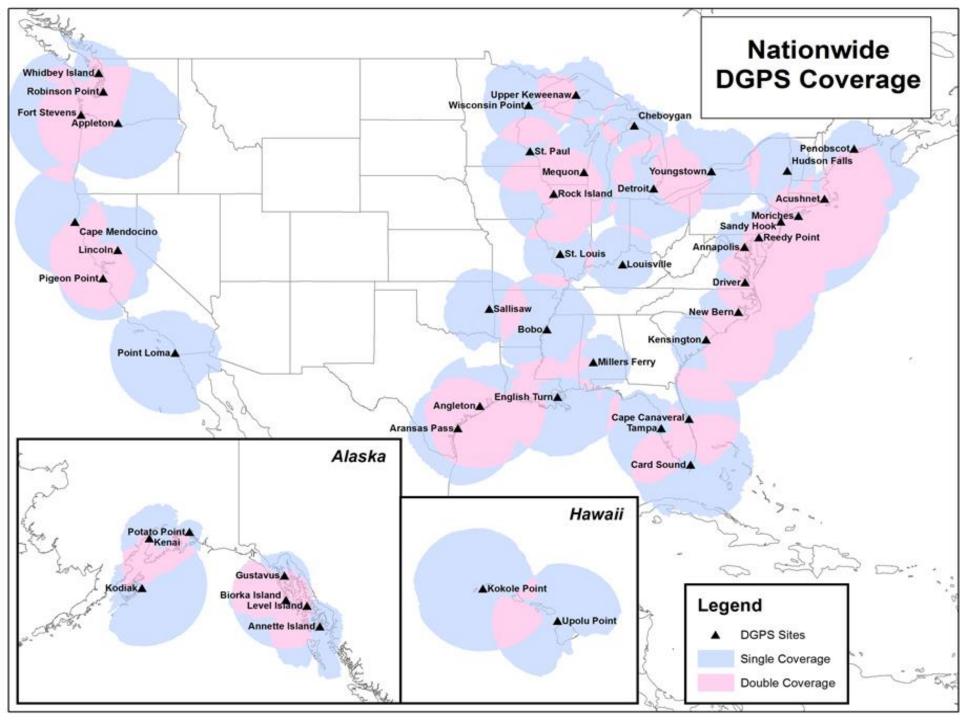
- Adjudicated comments from 2 Federal Register Notices
- Transitioned from 83 to 46 sites on Aug 4, 2016
  - Eliminated inland coverage
  - Maintained majority of maritime coverage; most of the sites maintained by USCG & USACE
- Shifted to single maritime coverage in most areas
- Will continue evaluating future DGPS need as other GPS augmentation systems mature





- Division of sites (DOT, USCG, USACE)
- Statutory Service Requirement
- Accuracy of Un-augmented GPS
- Trends in DGPS use How do you use it?
- Adjudication of FRN Comments
  - Geographic area (Maritime Pilots)
  - Precision Positioning (Dredging Ops)
  - Redundant coverage







## **Next Steps**



- Assess CPNT application of DGPS infrastructure
- Decommission/divest 28 DOT sites
- Decommission/divest 9 maritime sites
- Evaluate future reductions and alternatives





## Questions??

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