



Space Situational Awareness 2015

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### GPS enables a diverse array of applications









Space Applications

Transit Operations

### **U.S. Policy & GPS Status**



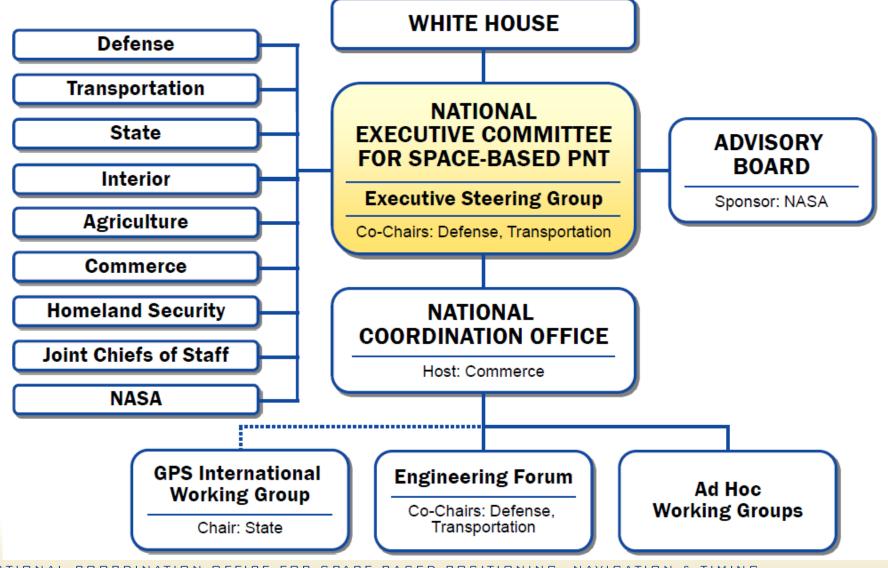
The U.S. must maintain its leadership in the service, provision and use of Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS)

- Robust, reliable operational GPS constellation
- 2014 averaged 70 cm user range error, best ever
- 4 successful launches last year, most since 1993
- 2015 season underway with good launch 25 Mar
- Modernized civil messages on the air via L2C & L5, pre-operational, employ at user's own risk
- Continuous, worldwide, free of direct user fees
- Work with other GNSS service providers to ensure compatibility, interoperability, and transparency



# National Space-Based PNT Organization







### **GPS Modernization Program**



#### Legacy GPS IIA/IIR

- Single Frequency (L1)
- Coarse acquisition (C/A) code
- Y-Code (L1Y & L2Y)

#### **GPS IIR-M**

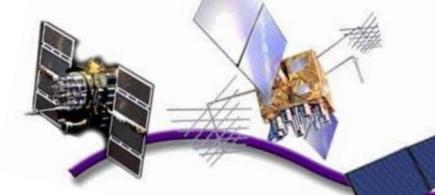
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Civil Signal (L2C)
- M-Code (L1M & L2M)

#### **GPS IIF**

- 3rd civil signal (L5)
- 2 Rb + 1 Cs Clocks
- 12 year design life

#### **GPS III**

- 4th civil signal (L1C)
- 4x better User Range Error than GPS IIF
- Increased availability
- Increased integrity
- 15 year design life





- Mainframe system
- Command & Control
- Signal monitoring

## Architecture Evolution Plan (AEP)

- Distributed architecture
- Increased signal monitoring
- Security
- Accuracy
- Launch and disposal ops

Next Generation Operational Control System (OCX) Block 0

Launch & On-Orbit Checkout of GPS III

#### OCX Block 1

 Transition to OCX for all GPS command and control operations



### **Complementary PNT**



- EXCOM looked at need for complement to GPS
  - Assessment driven by many factors: from policy to technology
  - U.S. coverage for GPS outage from natural or manmade events
- Current Activity: Identify and assess alternatives
  - Assessed a broad mix of terrestrial RF and autonomous PNT technologies
- Decision timeline: No earlier than summer 2015
  - Supports FY17 investment decisions
- Federal Register Notice published 23 March 2015 for public stakeholder engagement



### **Public Comment/Stakeholder Outreach**



- DOT drafted a Federal Register Notice in conjunction with CPNT Team seeking:
  - Brief description of PNT application(s)
  - PNT performance required for a complementary PNT capability
  - Availability and coverage area required for a CPNT capability
  - Willingness to equip with an eLoran receiver
  - Current/planned availability of e-Loran user equipment
  - Other non-eLoran PNT technologies or operational procedures currently available or planned
- Widely circulated to stakeholder communities
- Comments posted on www.regulations.gov when received
- Comments due by May 22, 2015 (60-Day Comment Period)

Synopsis of Comments Provided At End of Comment Period



### Thank You!





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GPS: Continuous improvement, predictable, dependable performance