Global Positioning System (GPS) Public Interface Control Working Group (ICWG) & Public Forum

2022 Public ICWG & Public Forum Meeting Minutes

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Meeting Details:

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Agenda:

Est. Time	Topic	Presenter
	1 st Half of Day	
20m	GPS Public ICWG and Public Forum Meeting	Capt. Adam Sweeten (USSF)
	Overview and Roll Call, Rules of Engagement	
20m	Opening Remarks / GPS Overview	Maj. Stewart Brandon (USSF)
	2022 Public ICWG	
	Request For Change (RFC) Discussion	
120m	RFC-495 (2022 Proposed Changes to the Public	Mr. Tony Anthony (SAIC – SE&I)
	Documents)	
20m	Open RFC Discussion Session / Action Items	
	Special Topics Presentations	
30m	Expected Almanac Behavior in OCX Era	Dr. Andrew Hansen (DoT)
	New Action Item Review	
	LUNCH	
	2 nd Half of Day	
	Special Topics Presentations – Continued	
20m	Mitigate Legacy Navigation (LNAV) Default Nav	Hamza Abduselam (FAA)
	Anomaly	
20m	Civil Navigation (CNAV) Message Schedules	Bert Hayden (Aerospace Corp.)
20m	Inter-Signal Correction (ISC) and Clock Ephemeris	Karl Kovach (Aerospace Corp.)
	Integrity (CEI) Data Set Table	

20m	Data ID Issue	Karl Kovach (Aerospace Corp.)
	Walk-on Topics, Open Discussion	
	Public Requirements Accountability Tool (PRAT)	Mr. Tony Anthony (SAIC – SE&I)
	Existing Action Item Review	
	PRAT New Action Item Review	Mr. Tony Anthony (SAIC – SE&I)
	Closing Remarks	Maj. Stewart Brandon (USSF)

Minutes and Actions:

GPS (Overview
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No comments during the GPS Overview

RFC-495 (2022 Proposed Changes to the Public Documents)

- Slide 31: (Above The Allowed US Maximum Commitment) M. Mabilleau (Europa) referred to Institute of Navigation (ION) paper co-authored by Karl Kovach (Aerospace Corp) regarding the Integrity Support Message (ISM) container concept where the Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) ID is key. Bert Hayden (Aerospace Corp) indicated if the container concept is used then the generic bit definition could be updated; clarify this is for GPS only in the adjudication.
- Slide 34: (Define MFD_{const}) (with Action): M. Mabilleau (Europa) to readdress discussion regarding varying (not fixed) fault threshold when Karl Kovach (Aerospace Corp) can discuss.
 Post-PICWG Update: discussion agreed to remove the parenthetical in the proposed language
 - PRAT Action Item 2022-01: "Reassess the relevance of the Integrity Status Flag (ISF)
 5.73 factor to the definition of Major Status Failure (MSF); potential special topic for next year by Karl Kovach"
- Slide 36: (Define R_{const}) M. Mabilleau (Europa) (Europa), Bert Hayden (Aerospace Corp) to readdress discussion regarding varying (not fixed) fault threshold when Karl Kovach (Aerospace Corp.) can discuss. Post-PICWG Update: discussion agreed to remove the parenthetical in the proposed language
- Slides 37 & 38: (Define R_{sat} and MFD_{sat}) M. Mabilleau (Europa), same discussion as slides 34 & 36 readdress discussion regarding varying (not fixed) fault threshold when Karl Kovach (Aerospace Corp.) can discuss. Post-PICWG Update: discussion agreed to remove the parenthetical in the proposed language for R_{sat} (slide 38)
- Slide 39: (Define MFD_{sat}) M. Mabilleau (Europa), discussion recommends removing parenthetical in the proposed language
- Slide 40: (Data ID) D. Godwin (USSF), Jed Dennis (FAA) interested on discussing. This is the subject of the Special Topic later this afternoon **REVISIT after Special Topic**
- Slide 42: (Specific Alarm Condition c)) Jeff Stevens (MITRE) questions setting bits 61 thru 298 to 0's or 1's would cause a parity failure. Bert Hayden (Aerospace Corp.) response is No it wouldn't; CRM #49
 - Task: Bert Hayden and Jeff Stevens to draft note to add to text, will be included in the updated Interface Control Document (ICD) Revision Notices (IRN)s.
- Slide 44 (with Task): (MT40 content only applicable GNSS ID For GPS?) Jeff Crum (LMCO) paragraph IS200 numbering is incorrect should be IS705; update chart
- Slide 46 (with Task): (IS-GPS-705 Table 20-XIc) Denis Bouvet (Thales) and Karl Kovach (Aerospace Corp.)

Bert Hayden (Aerospace Corp.)/Mikael Mabilleau (Europa) to add clarifying note to the table. If new note isn't ready for Public Affairs review, then SBAS column will be removed. CRM #51

- Slide 48 (with Action): (Sample Change for b_{nom} Clarification) Bert Hayden (Aerospace Corp.)
 action to perform analysis and determine if a clarifying note is needed on equal applicability
 of the b_{nom} computation LNAV and CNAV (also see slides 63 & 70)
 - PRAT Action Item 2022-04: Determine if a clarifying note is needed on equal applicability of the b_{nom} computation for LNAV and CNAV.
- Slide 50 (with Task): (RTCA/DO-246E Protocol Decision) Dan Godwin (USSF) Jason Burns to email new proposed text to remove reference to proprietary document; readdress this during today's meeting to resolve. During meeting Jason Burns sent proposed text:
 - "The text below is from International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) annex 10 and defines the same polynomial to be used for the ISM/ISD 32-bit CRC. This text would be revised to replace "Final approach segment" and "FAS" with ISD.
 - Language stating, "...corresponds to the Most Significant Bit (MSB) of the Vertical Alert Limit (VAL) field" would be adapted to the ISM/ISD bits covered by the 32-bit CRC. I need to review 705 more carefully to confirm the exact words."

- Task for Tony Anthony (SAIC SE&I)/Bert/Jason Burns/Aero to produce final language; reword the Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPS) to include IS to be included in updated IRNs
- Slide 53 (with Task): (Message Types 36 and 15 Text Messages) CRM #54 remove the
 International Organization for Standardization (ISO) document reference and replace it with
 "CCSID 437, code page 437", Bert Hayden (Aerospace Corp.) will to provide specific text
 wording; to be included in the updated IRNs
- Slide 54 (with Task): (CM-Code Signal Clarification) Change "30's" to "30 through 37"
- Slide 56 (with Task): (Clarification on 6.4.6.3 Marginal Indications) Before "Notes 1 and 2" add the description provided from Bert. Move Notes 1 and 2 into current bullet 1. Reword Item 1 sentence: "The Satellite" is replaced by "The CM-code signal". Brent Renfro asked why reference to paragraph 30.3.3 was deleted and clarify what is meant by "consistent". Karl Kovach (Aerospace Corp.) indicated all Top usage is consistent see IS-705 section 6.4.5.1.2 Alarm conditions.
 - There was a preliminary discussion and decision to initiate a PRAT item to add to
 ltem 1 something to the effect of "in accordance with rules for toc, toe and top in
 section 30.3.4.4". However, the exact solution became apparent during the Public
 ICWG and a PRAT item was not needed and not initiated.
- **Slide 59: (Table 6-I-1)** WN_{op} message change "30-37" to just "30"; move WN_{op} in the table up to being just under the T_{gd} row entry

- Slide 60: (Type 30 Rate) Possible action or task to be determined with in Bert's Special Topic **REVIST after briefing**
- Slide 70: (Proposed 30.3.3.10.2 Use of ISM Data) SAIC SE&I to scrub DOORS Technical Baseline for the use of b_{nom} (see also slide 48)
- Slide 72: (30.3.3.10.1.7 Satellite Fault Rate) incorrect data; replace data shown with the correct data from CRM #68
 - **PRAT Action Item 2022-02:** Baseline search for b_{nom} to determine if there are other documents that may require an update.

Open RFC Discussion

No comments during the RFC discussion

Expected Almanac Behavior in Next Generation Operational Control System (OCX) Era

- Slide 77/78 (with Task): (Time of Almanac (t_{oa}) Behavior Comparison) Jeff Crum (LMCO) asked a question "is t_{oa} rules/behavior in others ICDs (401, 601, or 801)" Dr. Hansen (DoT) to research and provide follow-up. Include Anne Kastenholz (Boeing) and Bill Witwicki (Boeing).
- Discussion: Does the OCX selection of T_{oa} take into consideration the satellite? Yes.
 Satellites ensures it is less than 3.5 days. Include GPS IIs and IIIs.

Mitigate Legacy Navigation (LNAV) Default Navigation Anomaly

• No comments during the LNAV Default Navigation Anomaly presentation

Civil Navigation (CNAV) Message Schedules

 PRAT 2022-03: Bert Hayden (Aerospace Corp) "Investigate CNAV Schedules Technical Baseline changes for 2023 Public Documents Updates." Include Jed Dennis (FAA), Denis Bouvet (Thales), Jason Burns, CGJ (Army, Navy, Civils), SAIC - SE&I (Straton), PNT-MAT (COCOM, SpOC) during this investigation. ***Reference slides 40 and 60

ISC and CEI Data Set Table

- PRAT 2021-03: Continue with this PRAT item and existing Pre-RFC 1201. "Karl Kovach (Aerospace Corp.) to investigate with SAIC - SE&I drafting the recommended CEI Table parameters for 2023 PICWG." Include Denis Bouvet (Thales), Rhonda Slattery (Aerospace Corp.), and Jeff Stevens (MITRE) during investigation.
- Discussion: This effort may interact with the CNAV Message Schedules (see PRAT 2022-03 above). Impact could be to more than just the public documents. Clarification needed on how OCX would do this. A question raised is does ISC trigger a top change? This was not immediately answered.

Data ID Issue

• Task: The initial request to add a new concern was not acted on because Pre-RFC-1203 "Data ID Other Than 2" is currently open and covers this subject adequately. Also, PRAT 2021-05 "Data ID Issue" will be upgraded to cover "solving" this issue to the satisfaction of all parties.

- The Pre-RFC 1203 for this subject will be presented for solving with the RFC "2023 Update Public Documents".
- **Discussion:** for current Interface Specification, clarify what to do for unknown Data ID, which is to disregard. An example was given that perhaps if we want to support GPS Space Vehicles (SVs) in geosynchronous orbit we might create a new Interface Specification (IS) that would define a Data ID zero value as meaning the subframe will hold orbit inclination data. The point is that a legacy receiver does not have the software to handle geosynchronous SVs, the receiver hasn't been designed to interface with this IS and the "unknown" zero Data ID value means the software should disregard this information and just use the SVs it is programmed to handle.

Walk-On Topics, Open Discussion

- **Jeff Crum (LMCO)** "What is the process for PCN updates after the Public ICWG? Will there be another opportunity to review changes?" The Government is committed to producing a "courtesy copy" review for defense partners prior to the ERB.
- Discussed if a Delta AWG would be needed for possible technical changes for the b_{nom} equation and the addition of the polynomial from the SARPS replacing the DO 246E reference. Decision is to provide courtesy copy for public review before RFC gets final approval.
- Task: Perform a quick, turn quality assessment (QA) to include extra stakeholders

PRAT Action Item Review

- Task: SAIC SE&I to provide list of 2022 PRAT items to Dan Godwin (USSF) and document in minutes.
- General Discussion:
 - Dan Godwin (USSF) in general, when RFCs are approved it is up to the programs to implement which doesn't always happen.
 - Anne Kastenholtz question: what is the process for the public to find out the status of Concerns? Dan Godwin (USSF) response: Read the Public ICWG minutes and/or can use the email (smcgper@us.af.mil) to request Concern status.
 - Dan Godwin (USSF): action to create/open Concerns for any 2023 PICWG items. Be sure to include the Concern numbers in the PRAT item notes.

Appendix A – PRAT Action Items

Exis	xisting Open PRAT Action Items reviewed and new status					
Yr	#	Description	Status	Originator	POC	Notes
2014	26		In Progress	Karl Kovach (Aerospace Corp.)	Karl Kovach (Aerospace Corp.)	26 Oct 22: Explore presenting at the 2023 PICWG. 23 Aug 18: PRN expansion is still in internal development. Specific questions related to this topic can be addressed to the GPS Public Forum or the GPS Directorate spectrum management team.
ι	Jpc	lated the no	te to indi	cate this is	a possibl	e Special Topic for the next Public ICWG (2023).
2015	1	Remove the UTC offset error (UTCOE) accuracy performance numbers from all ICDs	Complete	1	Daniel Froerer	26 Oct 22: As of this Public ICWG, this action is completed due to the cancelation of Pre-RFC 897. 18 Aug 22: Pre-RFC-897 has been canceled by CGU leadership. 13 Jan 22: being considered for inclusion in 2022 Public Document Update.
	Clos nac	•	note to	state Pre-F	RFC 897 wa	as cancelled by GPS leadership; no ICD updates were
2018	1	Update GPS products depicted in ICD-GPS-870	In Progress	CWO Rebecca Ruch/ Rick Hamilton (USCG)	Stephan Hillman (Aerospace Corp.)	26 Oct 22: RFC 477 will possibly be held in an out-of-cycle PICWG in 1 st half of 2023. US Government working to gain PA approval on material, Will release to the Public as soon as possible. 13-Jan-2022: Being solved as part of RFC-477.
s t r	pe he ele	cial topic for XML Schema ase the XML	the next a on the Schema	ICWG (first website ur and the to	st half of 2 ntil Public	rt (SME) on this subject. The XML Schema will be a .023). The United States Coast Guard (USCG) can't put Affairs' approval is given. Public Affairs will work to pread the Schema.
2020	1	The "alert" in the HOW is still applicable	Complete	Denis Bouvet (Thales)	Tony Anthony (SAIC - SE&I)	26 Oct 22: This action has been completed with the CCB approval of RFC 467 on 18 Apr 22 which resulted in the publication of IRN-IS-200M-001. 13 Jan 22: On track to be completed with RFC-467 CCB.
ι	ıpd		ents rele	ased. Clos		rface Specification (IS)-200 revision letter of the RFC-467 has been approved and the documents updated
2020	2	IS200 Section 6.4.6.2.1 doesn't match current safety-of-life equipment implementati on	Complete	Denis Bouvet (Thales)	Tony Anthony (SAIC - SE&I)	26 Oct 22: Action is completed with the agreement of the originator. 2 Mar 22: Action is being closed as Complete per the previous comment. 24-Feb-2022: Denis Bouvet has approved that the presentation given at the 2021 Public ICWG is sufficient to close this Action.
			ed per ag	reement v	with the o	riginator – Denis Bouvet (Thales).
2020	3	Make documents	In Progress	Rhonda Slattery	Tony Anthony	26 Oct 2022: Discussed at 2022 Public ICWG. Assess for feasibility with public documents 1st, then address the rest of the baseline.

Yr	#	Description	Status	Originator	POC	Notes
		consistent between using the notation "x10^-1" and "1E-1"		(Aerospace Corp.)	(SAIC - SE&I)	Concern #126Y has been assigned; will give public documents priority. 30 Sep 2020: Action derived from RFC-413 comment. Will explore how many objects are affected.
						pened. Has not significantly advanced. Added note to ublic documents for consistency.
2020	4	Remove the 7-Day Repeat Rule for IODC	Complete	Kovach (Aerospace	Tony Anthony (SAIC - SE&I)	26 Oct 22: Action is closed by the 2022 Public ICWG. Completed with the CCB approval of RFC 467 on 18 Apr 22 which resulted in the publication of IRN-IS-200M-001.
S	ped	•				as part of this public forum. Updated note to list the ted documents released resulting from the approval of
2021	1	Default Navigation data within sub frame 4 and 5	Complete	Mr. John Foley (Garmin)		26 Oct 22: Closed by the 2022 Public ICWG. Mr. Hamza Abduselam presented a Special Topic which the originator agreed satisfied the action item.
٨	⁄lr.				•	c on Default Navigation data within Subframe 4 and 5. comment originator, to confirm concurrence (Copy RE
2021	2	Create a concern to investigate info on Table IS200-2078 for RFC 467 and develop any changes needed	In Progress		Bert Hayden (Aerospace Corp.)	26 Oct 22: Assessment not complete. Will consider Pre-RFC-1202 for 2023 Public Documents Update RFC. 29 Sep 21: Mr. Albert H. Hayden (SAIC - SE&I) accepted an action to investigate the information on Table 200-2078 for RFC 467.
А	CCL		n: Tony A			023. Updated title to state that the table is for Almanac) to get a summary description from Bert Hayden
2021	3	Create a concern regarding the removal of Inter Signal Corrections	In Progress	Mr. Karl Kovach (Aerospace Corp.)	Karl Kovach (Aerospace Corp.)	26 Oct 22: The Special Topic presentation advanced the subject, but had specific recommendations for baseline requirements changes. Will consider Pre-RFC-1201 for 2023 Public Documents Update RFC. Include Denis Bouvet, Rhonda Slattery and Jeff Stevens during investigation.

Updated note to include the Pre-RFC-1201. Bert Hayden (Aerospace Corp.) presented the Special Topic during the Public Forum. This is to be brought to 2023 Public ICWG in a new RFC. Get any action and comments from the special topic to include in the PRAT notes.

from the Core CEI Data

changes needed

and develop

Mr. Albert H. Hayden (SAIC - SE&I) accepted an action to create a

Core CEI Data in the public documents.

concern regarding the removal of Inter Signal Corrections from the

Yr	#	Description	Status	Originator	POC	Notes
2021	4	Create a	Complete	Dr. Andrew	Tony	26 Oct 22: A Concern was created and RFC 495 is satisfying this
		concern		Hansen	Anthony	Action Item. 2022 PICWG closed this action.
		regarding the		(DoT)	(SAIC -	
		use of Pconst			SE&I)	Mr. Albert H. Hayden (SAIC - SE&I) accepted an action to write a
		instead of				concern regarding the use of Pconst instead of Rconst and
		Rconst and				MFDconst in the CNAV and CNAV2 Integrity Support Messages
		MFDconst in				
		CNAV ISM				

Closed as part of this public forum based on the recommendation of the originator, Dr. Andrew Hansen (DoT). Updated note to include the concern number. Also stated in note that the requested changes were made in RFC-495.

2021	5	Create a	In	Mr. Denis	Karl	26 Oct 22: assessed to remain open, Karl provided special topic
		Concern for	Progress	Bouvet	Kovach	presentation for document changes in the 2023 PICWG.
		the Data ID		(Thales	(Aerospace	
		Issue and		Group)	Corp.)	Mr. Albert H. Hayden (SAIC - SE&I) accepted an action to write a
		develop				concern regarding the backward compatibility of transmitting a
		changes				Data ID other than 2.
		needed				

A Concern is currently open for Pre-RFC-1203 "Data ID Other Than 2". Karl Kovach (Aerospace Corp.) presented as a special topic, Data ID Issue. There are to be text changes for 2023.

Sumi	ummary of PRAT Action Items created during 2022 PICWG						
Yr	#	Description	Originator	POC	Notes		
2022	1	Reassess the relevance of the ISF 5.73 factor to the definition of MSF and develop any requirements baseline changes needed to satisfy any consistency shortfalls or operational needs	Team		26 Oct 22: Initiated at the 2022 Public ICWG. Consider developing a special topic presentation for the 2023 Public ICWG.		
2022	2	Baseline search for Bnom to determine if there are other documents that may require an update	2022 PICWG Team	Jason Bolger (SAIC - SE&I)	I		
2022	3	Investigate CNAV Schedules Technical Baseline changes for 2023 Public Documents Updates	2022 PICWG Team		26 Oct 22: Include FAA (Jason Burns), CGJ (Army, Navy, Civils), SAIC - SE&I (Straton), PNT-MAT during this investigation.		
2022	4	Determine if a clarifying note is needed on equal applicability of the b _{nom} computation for LNAV and CNAV	Dan Godwin	1	26 Oct 22: Initiated at the 2022 Public ICWG. Originator specifically asked a Concern be created to implement this effort.		

Appendix B – Meeting Attendees

Aaron Kuhn (SAIC - SE&I)
Andrew Hansen (DoT)
Anne Kastenholz (Boeing)
Barbara Hemmerich Shaw (SAIC - SE&I)
Bert Hayden (Aerospace Corp.)
Bill Witwicki (Boeing)
Brent Renfro (University of Texas)
Brett Kachel (SAIC - SE&I)
Cheryl Ford (PNT Program Office)
Claudina Tiznado (L3Harris)
Capt Andrew Sweeten (USSF – SSC/CG)
CWO Frank Crisafulli (USCG)
Dan Godwin (USSF – SSC/CG)
Danielle Mansour (SAIC - SE&I)
Danny Froerer (SAIC - SE&I)
Denis Bouvet (Thales)
Don Latterman (SAIC - SE&I)
Eduardo Villalba
Emily Reed
Ettore Canestri (Europa)
Fan Liu
Gary Hallbauer
Greg Hatten
Ha Nguyen (FAA)
Hamza Abduselam (FAA)
Hernando Valencia
James (JP) Fernow (MITRE)
James Lake
Jamie Dougherty
Jason Bolger (SAIC - SE&I)
Jason Burns (FAA)
Jeff Crum (LMCO)
Jeff Stevens (MITRE)
Jim Semler (L3Harris)
Joanna Hinks
John Emilian (MITRE)
John Studenny
Jon Maenpa (Raytheon)
Karl Kovach (Aerospace Corp.)
Kevin Lui
Laura Duffy
Lewis Benham
Major Stewart C Brandon (USSF – SSC/CG)
Michael H Cole (Aerospace Corp.)

Mikael Mabilleau (Europa)
Miquela Stein (ARL:UT)
Mary Villegas (MITRE)
Matt Forsyth (LMCO)
Nancy Morrison (LMCO)
Nandhini Sudarsanan (SAIC - SE&I)
Parker Owen (Boeing)
Patrick J. Oliver (SAIC - SE&I)
Pervis Basic (DoT)
Peter Stacey
Ralph Anthony (SAIC - SE&I)
Randall Grossman (SAIC - SE&I)
Randy Sena
Ranwa Haddad (Aerospace Corp.)
Rex Clair (LMCO)
Rhonda Slattery (Aerospace Corp.)
Rick Hamilton (USCG)
Roger Kirpes (BAE)
Shayne Douglass (SAIC - SE&I)
Steven Hutsell (USSF - 2SOPS)
Tim Cashin
Todd Kawakami (NGA)
Todd Walter
Vince Quan (SAIC - SE&I)
Wanda Alex
Wayne Su (SAIC - SE&I)

Unresolved Attendee Information:

Unknown Participant #1 (brjohnson)
Unknown Participant #2 (jowen)
Unknown Participant #4 (via phone)

Appendix C – Acronyms and Terms

Acronyms

Acronym	Meaning
CEI	Clock, Ephemeris, Integrity (Data Set)
CNAV	Civil Navigation
FAS	Final Approach Segment
GNSS	Global Navigation Satellite System
GPS	Global Positioning System
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
ICWG	Interface Control Working Group
ION	Institute of Navigation
IRN	Interface Control Document (ICD) Revision Notice
ISC	Inter-Signal Correction
ISD	Integrity Support Data
IS	Interface Specification
ISF	Integrity Status Flag
ISM	Integrity Support Message
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
LNAV	Legacy Navigation
MOPS	Minimum Operational Performance Specification
MSF	Major Service Failure
MSB	Most Significant Bit
OCX	Next Generation Operational Control System
PA	Public Affairs
PRAT	Public Requirements Accountability Tool
RFC	Request for Change
SARPS	Standards and Recommended Practices
SME	Subject Matter Expert
USCG	United States Coast Guard
XML	eXtensible Markup Language

Parameters Mentioned

Term	Meaning
b _{nom}	Additive Term for Nominal Pseudorange Error Bias
R _{sat}	Satellite Fault Rate
T _{GD}	Group Delay Differential
t _{oa}	Almanac Reference Time
t _{op}	CEI Data Sequence Propagation Time of Week
WN _{op}	CEI Data Sequence Propagation Week Number