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Mission:

Acquire, deliver and sustain reliable GPS capabilities to America's warfighters, our allies, and civil users



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Deliver and Sustain Global Navigation and Timing Service



GPS Overview



Civil Cooperation

- 1+ Billion civil & commercial users
- Search and Rescue
- Civil Signals
- L2C (2nd Civil Signal)
- L5 (Safety of Life)
- L1C (International)



Spectrum

- World Radio Conference
- International
 Telecommunication Union
- Bilateral Agreements
- Adjacent Band Interference



Department of Transportation

Federal Aviation Administration

Department of Homeland Security

• U.S. Coast Guard

38 Satellites / 31 Set Healthy Baseline Constellation: 24 Satellites

Satellite Block	Quantity	Average Age	Oldest
GPS IIA	5	20.5	23.9
GPS IIR	12	12.8	17.2
GPS IIR-M	7	7.2	9.1
GPS IIF	7	1.8	4.4
Constellation	31	10.3	23.9



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Department of Defense

- Services (Army, Navy, AF, USMC)
- Agencies (NGA & DISA)
- US Naval Observatory
- PNT EXCOMS
- GPS Partnership Council

Maintenance/Security

- All Level I and Level II
 - Worldwide Infrastructure
 - NATO Repair Facility
- Develop & Publish ICDs Annually – ICWG: Worldwide Involvement
- Update www.GPS.gov Webpage
- Load Operational Software on over 1 million SAASM Receivers
- Distribute PRNs for the World
 Including 90 for GNSS

International Cooperation

- 57 Authorized Allied Users – 25+ Years of Cooperation
- GNSS
 - Russia GLONASS
 - Europe Galileo
 - China BeiDou
 - Japan QZSS
 - India IRNSS



GPS Signal-in-Space Performance

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Best performance 46.6 cm User Range Error (URE) 8 Jun 13; best weekly average 58.7 cm URE 18 Aug 14!



GPS Performance – Past 12 Months





- Newest block of GPS satellites
 - 4 civil and 4 military signals:
 L1 C/A, L1C, L2C, L5; L1/L2 P(Y), L1/L2M
 - First satellites to broadcast common L1C signal
 - Three improved Rubidium atomic clocks
- SV07/08 contract awarded 31 Mar 14
- Navigation payload panel began space environment testing at Lockheed Martin's Colorado facility Sep 2014
- GPS III Non-Flight Satellite Testbed accomplished launch processing at Cape Canaveral; reduced risk for integration & test and launch processing
- GPS III SV01 available for launch starting 2016



Lockheed-Martin (Waterton, CO) - Prime



Ground Segment Status

- Current system Operational Control Segment (OCS)
 - Flying GPS constellation on Architecture Evolution Plan (AEP) and Launch & Early Orbit, Anomaly, and Disposal Operations (LADO) software systems
 - Cyber security enhancements in progress
- Next Generation Operational Control System (OCX)
 - Modernized command & control system with M-Code, modern civil, signal monitoring, info assurance infrastructure and improved PNT performance
 - OCX Block 0 supports launch & checkout for GPS III and is in integration & test; Raytheon (Aurora, CO) - Prime
 - OCX Block 1 supports transition from OCS in 2018
 - Successfully completed 3 GPS III launch exercises



Monitor Station



Ground Antenna



Now on The Air: Modernized Civil Signals

- The United States Air Force initiated continuous CNAV message broadcast (L2C & L5) on 28 Apr 14
- CNAV Data message uploaded twice a week; daily by Dec 2014
- Position accuracy not guaranteed during pre-operational deployment
 - L2C message currently set "healthy"
 - L5 message set "unhealthy" until sufficient monitoring capability established
- Expected Performance for users:
 - During first 24 hours after upload, CNAV performs as LNAV
 - Expect divergence between CNAV & LNAV as CNAV data ages until next CNAV upload









Effect of Upload Frequency on CNAV User Range Error

- Improved tools reduce age of data & CNAV User Ranging Error (URE)
- Initial, twice-a-week upload (Apr 2014) drives high CNAV URE



RMS URE Driven by Upload Latency & Integration with AEP

Challenge to the world-wide community: What are you seeing? How are you using these signals? Do these signals impact your use of codeless access?



Questions?

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