



GPS Policy, Management & Modernization



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GPS Background

- Active program for 30 years
 - Created from separate programs in 1973
 - Developmental satellites began launch in 1978; operational satellites in 1989
 - Initial Operational Capability in 1993; Full Operational Capability in 1995
- Designed as a dual-use system
 - Military applications for US and Allied use
 - Civilian applications for worldwide use
- Consistent U.S. National Policy from both Executive and Legislative branches
 - Presidential Decision Directive March 1996
 - U.S. Public Law December 1997
- IGEB to manage GPS as a national asset -- increases user trust in GPS as a dual-use system

GPS is a Clear "Public Good"

- GPS services are like a "super lighthouse"
 - That the U.S. built and provides for free
- •GPS receivers are like AM/FM radios
 - Without advertising
- GPS is not a public utility or like cable TV
 - Hard to meter, no hard connection required
 - Marginal direct cost of a user is zero
- Even a "private" organization would need government powers or assistance
 - To collect fees
 - Liability shield for safety of life uses



Policy Principles

- No direct user fees for civil GPS services
- Protect the current radionavigation spectrum from disruption and interference
- Open public signal structure for all civil services
 - Promotes equal access for user equipment manufacture, applications development and valueadded services
 - Ensures open market driven competition
- Use of GPS time, geodesy, and signal standards
- Global compatibility & interoperability of future systems with GPS
- Recognition of national and international security issues and protecting against misuse

International Cooperation Summary

• U.S. goals

- Support GPS Policy Principles
- Promote Peaceful Civil, Commercial, & Scientific Uses of GPS Worldwide
- US is continuing to work with interested nations on the adoption of safety-of-life augmentations
- US is cooperating with Japan in developing the QZSS under the auspices of the 1998 US-Japan Joint Statement
- No recent discussions with Russia
- Negotiations with the European Commission on Galileo continue
 - Progress is being made on signal structures compatible with National Security
 - Other contentious issues are also being addressed and an overall cooperative agreement is nearing completion

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Interagency GPS Executive Board

- U.S. GPS Policy of 1996 called for a permanent Interagency GPS Executive Board (IGEB) to manage GPS and its federal augmentations
 - Recognizes dual-use nature of GPS
 - Provides national perspective on policy matters
 - Promotes international acceptance of GPS as a global positioning, navigation & timing "public good"
- IGEB charter signed by Secretaries of Defense and Transportation in early 1997
- IGEB recognized by Public Law

IGEB has met 11 times since 1st meeting in 1997







Senior Steering Group (SSG)/ Executive Secretariat

- SSG established in 2000 to facilitate IGEB decision making without continuous involvement of principals
 - Prepares recommendations for the IGEB
 - Empowered to make decisions as necessary
 - Oversees Stewardship Funding process
 - Membership includes Exec Sec Director, delegates of IGEB
 Principals & additional representatives from operating agencies
- Executive Secretariat established in 1999 at the Dept. of Commerce and staffed by IGEB agency representatives
 - Tracks GPS & augmentation programs and policy matters, identifies issues, facilitates policy discussions, and administers ad hoc working groups
 - Coordinates & disseminates information among IGEB agencies
 - Provides administrative support to IGEB, including administration of the GPS Stewardship Fund

Independent Assessment Team (IAT) & GPS International Working Group (GIWG)

- IAT provides independent assessments on all aspects of satellite-based positioning and timing services to improve service and ensure a balance between National Security, Civil, Commercial, and Scientific equities
 - GPS & Modernization plans for GPS
 - Fielding and modernization of GPS augmentations
 - Members with satellite navigation expertise are drawn from industry, academia, and prior government service
- GIWG is led by the State Department and is responsible for GPS and augmentation international cooperation
 - Outreach missions, exhibits, venues
 - Bi-lateral and multi-lateral international Satellite Navigation discussions and meetings such as:
 - UN Activities
 - Japan/US/ & EC/US Consultations
 - Other regional/national Consultations

GPS System Engineering Forum (GSEF) & Ad Hoc Working Groups

- GSEF established in 2002 to provide a forum for discussion of system engineering issues relative to GPS and GPS augmentations that influence or are influenced by managerial and policy decisions
 - Co-chaired by the Air Force and FAA
 - Accepts tasking from the IGEB for resolution of GPS and/or augmentation system engineering issues
 - Issues will be framed for decision by the IGEB in consultation with responsible Air Force and FAA/Coast Guard system development authorities

Ad Hoc Working Groups (examples)

- L5 Compatibility
- GPS Spectrum Defense
- GPS Timing
- GPS Public Outreach

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GPS Constellation Status

27 Operating Satellites (to ensure 24)

- 18 Block II/IIA satellites operational
- 9 Block IIR satellites operational
 - 11 of 21 Block IIR satellites available
 - Modernizing up to 8 Block IIR satellites
 - Most recent launch: 22 Dec 03 (SVN 47)
- Next Launch: 20 Mar 04 (GPS IIR-11)
- Continuously assessing constellation health to determine launch need
- Global civil service performance commitment has been met continuously since Dec 93





Constellation Performance January 1-September 11, 2002

Specification values from the Standard Positioning Service Performance Standard, October, 2001

PDOP Availability

Specification - PDOP of 6 or Less, 98% of the time Actual - 99.9%

Horizontal Service Availability

Specification - 95% Threshold of 36 meters, 99% of the Time Actual – 3.53 meters

Vertical Service Availability

Specification - 95% Threshold of 77 meters, 99% of the Time or Better Actual - 5.01 meters

User Range Error

Specification - 6 meters or Less, Constellation Average <u>Actual - 1.43 meters</u>

System accuracy and availability far exceed current specifications, but not current requirements

GPS Modernization Plan



Increasing System Capabilities

Increasing Defense/Civil Benefit

Block IIA/IIR

- Basic GPS
- Std Service (36m/77m/40 ns horizontal/vertical/time)
 - Single frequency (L1)
 - Coarse acquisition (C/A) code navigation
- Precise Service (3.7m/5.3m)
 - Two frequencies (L1 & L2)
 - P-code navigation

Block IIR-M, IIF

IIR-M: IIA/IIR capabilities plus

- 2nd civil signal (L2C)
- Earth coverage military code
- Basic anti-jam power (+7dB)

IIF: IIR-M capability plus

• 3rd civil signal (L5)

Block III

Evolutionary acquisition:

- Increased anti-jam power (+20dB)
- Increased accuracy (1.2m/4.8m)
- Satellite Crosslinks
 - Controlled integrity
- Backward compatibility
- Increased security
- Assured availability
- System survivability





GPS III Architecture Studies underway to define capabilities
GPS III satellite launches to begin in 2012 timeframe



GPS Modernization Schedule

Activity	Implementation Date FY05 PB
SA set to zero	May 2000
GPS IIR-M Enhancements - New L2 Civil (L2C) Signal - M-code on L1 & L2	1 st launch Feb 2005
GPS IIF Enhancements - New L2 Civil (L2C) Signal - M-code on L1 & L2 - L5	1 st launch 2006
 GPS III Enhancements New L2 Civil (L2C) Signal M-code on L1 & L2 with greater power L5 Future Capabilities 	1 st launch ~ 2012
OCS Enhancements	On-going

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GPS STEWARDSHIP FUND

- Selection criteria for Agency-proposed projects:
 - Clear, national-level benefit
 - Priority to projects reflecting dual-use nature of GPS
 - Expenditures must fall outside normal agency budgets and benefit two or more IGEB member agencies
 - Agency Cost Sharing is encouraged

Stewardship Funds Currently Support Several Projects Important to GPS Modernization

L1 Civil Signal Modernization

 Joint military and civil study to assess the benefits of an additional civil signal at L1, known as L1C

– L1 C/A will continue to transmit indefinitely

- Outreach to GPS community to determine needs and requirements
 - Feedback will be documented and form basis of signal design

Potential benefits are significant

- Increased robustness and potentially accuracy for civil users
- Complementary to modernized GPS L2C and L5 signals
- Compatible with next generation Galileo and QZSS

For additional information contact: L1C_GPS@USGS.gov

Civil GPS PNT Analysis of Alternatives (AoA)

- In general an AoA provides a reliable, objective assessment of the options for meeting user needs
- For GPS will provide the tools to effectively identify and validate <u>GPS</u> requirements vs. PNT requirements
 - Effectiveness and Cost Analysis to compare the allocation of systems
 - GPS Signal from Space
 - Augmentations
 - User Equipment
 - Other Systems or Operational Procedures



Civil Signal Monitoring

Global Dual Monitoring System (GDMS) Study

- Explore use of existing resources
- Identify Performance Measures
- Develop architecture and algorithms
- Demonstrate data collection and processing
- Modernized Monitor Station Receiver Element (MMSRE) – civil component
 - First Full Monitoring of Civil Signals by the GPS Master Control Station from 5 Air Force Monitoring Stations
 - Improved Civil Signal Accuracy
- GDGPS
 - Explore the feasibility of using the NASA differential GPS network (a subset of the IGS network) as an integrity monitor

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SUMMARY

- **Consistent GPS Policy (Executive and Legislative)** • combined with a dual-service system exceeding performance standards has resulted in tremendous benefits to civilian and military users
 - The IGEB, established by Presidential Policy and recognized by Public Law has been meeting since 1997
 - Underlying groups and processes have been formalized in order to manage interagency issues without continuous senior-level intervention
 - Civil agencies participate in Department of Defense acquisition, system development and requirements/capabilities processes
- Modernization is underway to steadily improve both • civil and military services
 - New signals are the primary focus of civil GPS modernization
 - Several IGEB-funded projects are underway that should make important contributions to modernization 28





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