

1999 FEDERAL RADIONAVIGATION PLAN and DEVELOPMENT OF THE 2001 EDITION

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Overview

- 1999 Federal Radionavigation Plan (FRP)
- Schedule for 2001 FRP
- Structure of 2001 FRP
- Systems Policy/Plan in 2001 FRP



Background

- The Federal Radionavigation Plan is source for U.S. radionavigation policies & plans
 - Common-Use Systems (Military/Civil)
 - Mandated by the INMARSAT ACT of 1978
 - Recodified in 1998 National Defense Authorization Act
 - Jointly Published by DOT and DOD Biennially
- 1999 FRP Published in February 2000



- GPS Reiterates U.S. Commitment
 - SPS Available Free of Direct Charge
 - PPS Available Only to Military & Civil
 Users Authorized by Department of Defense
 - Additional Civil Signals
 - 2nd C/A coded Civil Signal at 1227.6 MHz (L2)
 - 3rd Civil Signal at 1176.45 MHz (L5) for Safety-of-Life Applications



- Maritime DGPS
 - FOC achieved on March 15, 1999
- Nationwide DGPS
 - Expanding Maritime DGPS to cover entire U.S.
 - Single Coverage in 2002 (IOC)
 - Double Coverage in 2003 (FOC)
- Aeronautical Augmentations (WAAS/LAAS)
 - WAAS: Initial Capability by end of 2000
 - LAAS: CAT I Specifications completed



- Marine Radiobeacons
 - Non-DGPS have been Phased Out
- VOR/DME
 - Phasedown expected to begin in 2008
- TACAN
 - Target Date to begin Phasedown is 2008
- Aeronautical Nondirectional Beacons (NDBs)
 - Stand-alone NDBs to be Phased out after 2008
 - Separate transition plan for Alaska



- Precision Approach Systems
 - Instrument Landing System (ILS)
 - CAT I expected to begin Phasedown in 2008
 - CAT II/III Phasedown not expected before 2015
 - Microwave Landing System (MLS)
 - CAT I Phasedown expected to begin in 2008
 - CAT II/III development program canceled



Loran-C

- Will be operated in the short term
- The Administration will continue to evaluate the long-term need for Loran-C
- Users will be given reasonable notice if USG concludes that Loran-C is not needed nor cost effective



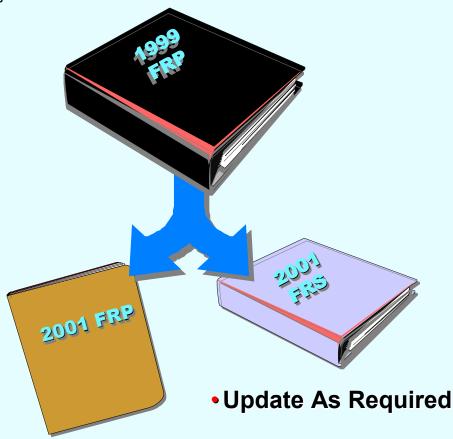
More on Loran-C

- Received \$25M in FY01 Appropriations to continue maintenance and upgrade
- Recapitalization Underway to:
 - Replace aging, unsupportable equipment
 - Reduce recurring operating expenses
 - Increase equipment reliability
 - Automate & remove Loran station personnel
 - Explore contracting out support infrastructure
- C.G. partnering with FAA on projects/studies to improve Loran-C technology.



- User Conferences held in March and June
- Began drafting 2001 FRP in April 2000
- Will complete draft document in Jan 2001
- Begin Formal Clearance in Jan/Feb 2001
- SECDOT/SECDEF Signatures by July 2001
- Publish 2001 FRP in July/August, 2001





May Update Annually

- Convert 1999 FRP into 2 documents
- FRP 2001
 - Focus on Policy and Operating Plans
- FRS (Federal Radionavigation Systems)
 - Descriptive



- Concise statement of Federal policy
- Short enough to permit annual review/update
 - Maintain current
 - Track any changes in policy
- Secretary Signature



FRS

- Relatively static
- System descriptive material
- Describe Federal organizations and processes
- Update only as required
 - Less often than FRP
- Possible Assistant Secretary Signature



SYSTEMS POLICIES/PLANS IN 2001 FRP

- New Signal Specifications for SPS (without SA)
- First launch of Blk II F satellite may be extended to 2006
- Service date for NDGPS FOC may need to be extended to end of 2004
- Service date for WAAS extended to end of 2002
- Date to begin phase down of VOR/DMEs, CAT I ILSs and land-based TACANS extended to 2010
- Decommissioning of stand-alone NDBs extended to 2010



Loran-C in the 2001 FRP

- The Government will continue to operate and modernize Loran-C
- The Administration will continue to evaluate the long-term need for Loran-C
 - Capabilities of GPS and its augmentations, including interference mitigation.
 - User equipment availability, cost & acceptance,
 - International commitments,
 - Outcome of investigations by FAA on improved Loran-C technology.



Summary

- 1999 FRP reiterates commitment to GPS
 - SPS Available Free of Direct Charge
 - GPS Modernization proceeding with two additional Civil Signals
 - Fielding of GPS Augmentations proceeding
 - Continue evaluating the need for Loran-C
- Next Plan will be Published in 2001
 - Two Documents
 - FRP Updated Annually
 - FRS Updated as needed
 - Revised schedules for operating plans