

Drone Demonstration Workshop: so you've got the drone in the box on the floor of your office...

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I-95 Corridor Coalition

A partnership of transportation agencies to accelerate transportation system improvements

Today's Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Session 1: DOT Agency UAS Use Applications
 - Samuel Nelson, MassDOT
 - Dwayne Day, Delaware DOT
- Session 2: Law Enforcement & Public Safety Use Cases
 - Sgt. Darren Foster, Maine State Police
 - Sgt. Michael George and Tpr Brian Doak, Mass State Policy
- Session 3: Emergency Response
 - Marc Brunelle, York County EMA
 - Arthur Villator, Maine Channel 8
- Lunch
- Roundtable Discussion
- Demonstrations



The Coalition is..... more than I-95

Multi-modal • Multi-jurisdictional • Multi-disciplinary











Formed in 1993, the I-95 Corridor Coalition is a partnership of multi-state, multi-modal public agencies working together to create a seamless and efficient transportation system.

16 states + D.C.

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In the Corridor

Largest Economy in the World

\$4.7 Trillion 40% of US GDP

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Major Seaports \$172 Billion Imports 34% of U.S. total 37%

Of America's population: 110 Million people



What we do...



PEOPLE

In short, the I-95CC helps agencies tackle the sticky issues and get solutions across the finish line.

- Create a forum for public agencies to address transportation issues of common interest
- Establish a key network of transportation professionals
- Provide training (e.g., Freight Academy)

TOOLS & DATA: Support data acquisition and tool development





RESOURCES

- Compete for grants
- Extension of agency staff
- Partner with FHWA to explore policy implementation

Session 1: DOT Agency UAS Use Applications

Samuel Nelson, MassDOT

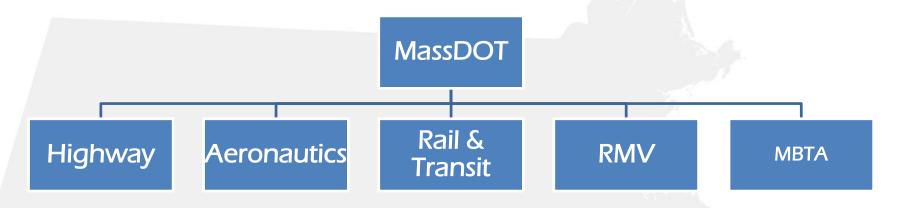


Interstate-95 Corridor Coalition UAS Workgroup

Samuel Nelson, Project Manager MassDOT

Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT)





- November 1, 2009. The Commonwealth integrated its transportation agencies and authorities into a new streamlined Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT)
- MassDOT is an organization with over 10,000 employees working to simplify and streamline the transportation system while making it more accountable and accessible
- MassDOT Aeronautics is conducting a Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) pilot program for the use of UAVs in transportation use cases, Interim Drone Policy Presented on 10/16/2017 by Administrator Dr. J. DeCarlo to MassDOT Board of Directors.

Overview



- Drones are widely available and are an opportunity for MassDOT and the MBTA as potentially <u>cost effective</u> and useful tools to support our missions and core activities, including:
 - Asset management and infrastructure inspections;
 - Drones will NOT be used for surveillance or intentional collection of Personally Identifiable Information
- A policy will insure that internal usage will meet:
 - Legal, standardized methods to access drones, and
 - Support and oversight to operate drones safely and effectively
- Staff Requests that both Boards vote to adopt the interim drone policy. A draft/suggested policy has been provided

Statement of Purpose



- Facilitate the adoption of drones across MassDOT in a manner that is:
 - Safe
- Cost effective
- Secure
- Incentivize applied research to enable UAS operations and develop counter-UAS solutions

APPROACH







Agenda





Developing a Comprehensive Drone Program



Review of Use Cases and UAS Operations

Growing Capability to Support Multi-Modal Needs Across Commonwealth



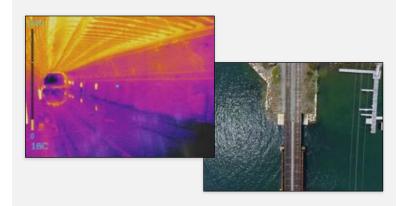
AERONAUTICS

- Runway/taxiway/apron pavement inspection
- General airport inspections
- Obstacle/obstruction analysis to ensure clear approach and departure flight paths



RAIL & TRANSIT/MBTA

- Rail inspection
- Rail obstructions
- 3rd rail inspection
- Tunnel inspection (testing)



HIGHWAY

- Pavement inspection
- Bridge inspection
- Environmental inspection (stormwater management)
- Construction site monitoring
- Incident response
- Asset management





 Addressing multi-modal needs across MassDOT and the MBTA, and becoming a shared service for Commonwealth agencies

Deploying UAS Resources for Emergency Response Documentation



AIRCRAFT ACCIDENTS

 MassDOT Aeronautics state lead accident investigator



PIPELINE FIRES

- Documented damage due to gas fires
- Performed operations in conjunction with NTSB



EXERCISES

 Demonstrated operational integration of UAS and deconfliction with crewed/manned aircraft



 Working with MEMA and FEMA to support emergency response and to bring capabilities across state lines (UAS and crewed aircraft)

MassDOT UAS Fleet



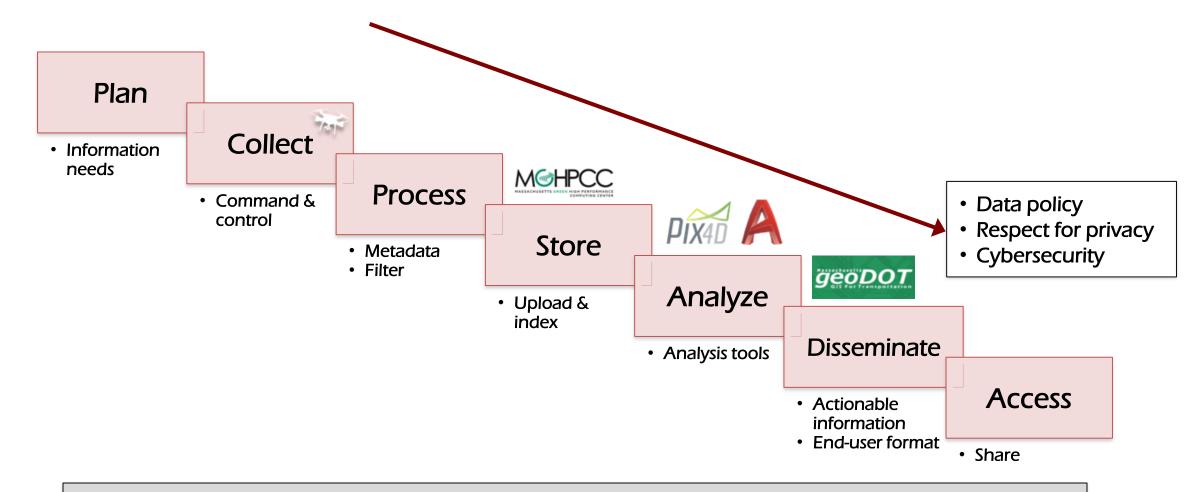
- Fleet selected through evaluation of UAS use cases and analysis of alternatives
- Expanding fleet with new purchases of DJI Mavics, LIDAR, Multispectral sensors, robust computing systems and other specialized systems such as a Fixed sUAS tether.

	DJI Phantom 4	DJI Inspire 2	DJI Matrice 210	Yuneec H520	SenseFly ebee	Delair UX11
# Purchased	5	2	1	1	1	1
Sensors	HD Camera	HD Camera 6K Camera	HD Camera; 30x Optical Zoom; IR (thermal) Camera	HD Camera	S.O.D.A. RGB Sensor ¹	Hi Res, Low/No Distortion
Features	-Robust Comms. Links -Cost effective EO Vehicle	-Dual Operator Mode -Retractable Landing Gear	All-weather; Upward Gimbal; Dual Payload Capable	All-weather; 6 Rotors; 360° View	RTK/PPK Accuracy² 20 mile range 2.8ghz	PPK Accuracy ² ; 33 mile/Unlimited range 2.8ghz/4G/LT E



Data Pilot General Process





• Building comprehensive approach to data analytics and security necessary to enable drone benefits and ensure mission success

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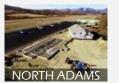
Review of Use Cases and UAS Operations

Comprehensive Approach Allows UAS Support to Expand Across Commonwealth





Emergency Response Vigilant Guard Drill



Aeronautics Document Building Move



Highway District 1 Roof Inspection



Highway District 2 Woronocco Bridge



Highway District 2 Agawam Bridge



WORCESTER

Highway District 3 (L) MassPike Thermal Imaging (R) Headquarters Construction



Emergency Response Pipeline Fire



State House Dome







MBTA Subway Drill



Highway District 5 Cohasset Bridge



Highway District 5 I-495 Lobes



Centralized

Distributed

Categories of Use Cases and Data Products



USE DATA	DATA PRODUCTS		
Public Relations	Imagery & video		
Asset management/inspection	Imagery & GIS orthomosaics/3D Models		
Construction site monitoring	GIS orthomosaics/3D Models & CAD terrain elevations (DSM/DTM Contours)		
Thermography	Infrared imagery & video		
Incident/Emergency Response	Imagery, video & live-streaming video – TETHERED OPS		

Documented Replacement of Commonwealth Avenue Bridge



- Documented progress of Commonwealth Ave Replacement Bridge in downtown Boston
 Flew 11 missions over 3 weeks: July-August 2018
 - July 20 July 28 August 10 August 1 dening of the Comm Ave/BU Bridge sidewalks from this great photo from the

Demonstrated Drone Team's capability, and provided valuable lessons learned











State House Dome Inspection



- State House requested Drone Team support to capture discoloration of dome's gold leaf
- Coordinated with FAA to allow flight close to Boston Logan Airport
- Careful flight planning to ensure safe operations around historic and complex structure



Details

- Flew mission day before Thanksgiving
- Great support from State House authority for access and ground crowd control
- "This gives me what I need" to plan repairs – State House authority representative

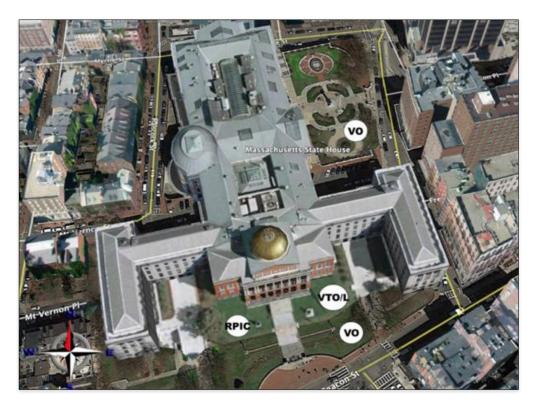
Elements of Drone Mission





Many elements are required to safely and successfully execute a mission:

- Class B Airspace
- Privacy concerns
- Collision avoidance Public safety
- Visual observers
- Stakeholder interaction



Google Earth image showing locations of:

- Remote Pilot-in-Command (RPIC)
- Visual Observers (VO) for safety
- Vertical Take-Off and Landing (VTO/L) location for UAS

State House Dome Video Footage





Imagery of damage

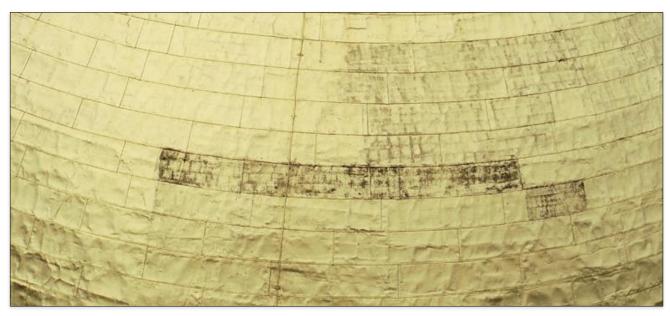
IR imagery of damage

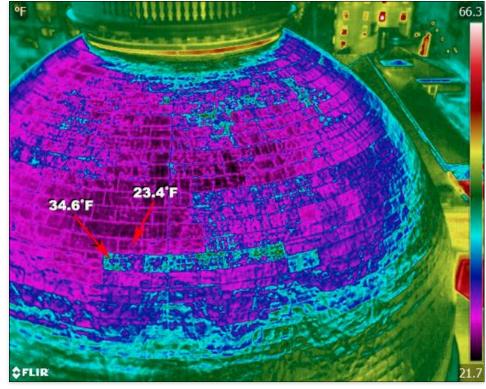
State House Dome Inspection Infrared Sensor



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Demonstrated use of IR (thermal) camera to detect problem area





Successful Use of Drone Data

New Highway District 3 Headquarters



Difficult site topography created construction challenges

■ Site surface model created using drone mapping tools; used to evaluate site conditions and test 'fit'









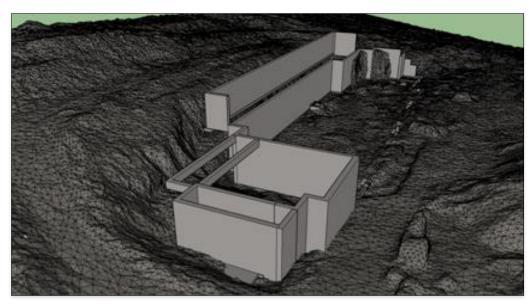
Photomosaics show changes over time



District Application of Drone Data Construction of Highway District 3 Headquarters

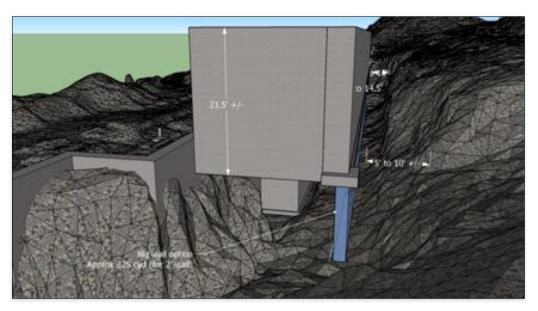


Combine CAD model of building with terrain model generated from drone data



"The information we received and the processing done by Jason's team allowed us to make construction decisions that would have otherwise cost us significant amounts of time and money."

Barry LorionDistrict Highway Director, District 3



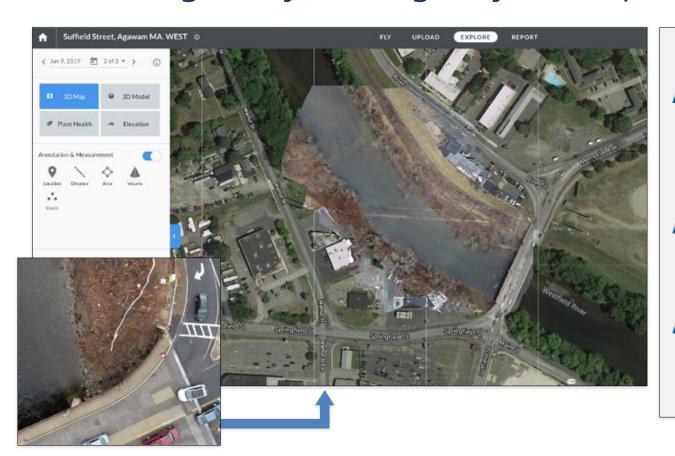
"Use of the drone-derived data revealed \$300,000 fill underestimate. Early identification of the gap saved the project money and time."

– Jason BenoitSpecial Projects Manager, District 3

Expanding Use for Environmental Inspection Agawam Bridge, West Springfield



Working closely with Highway District personnel for environmental inspection



Details

- Use drones for existing conditions survey of bridge embankments in locations that could be impacted by construction and erosion
- Photo documentation for combined storm water and sewer pipe outlet required before construction
- Grade profile of the West Springfield embankment/flood control levee and coffer dam inspections

Woronocco Bridge

District 2, Westfield River, Russell



- UAS allowed field engineers to monitor structural condition of abandoned bridge, out of service since 1984
- UAS allows access in complex terrain; inspection of unsafe structure





Airplane Accident Investigation



Supporting NTSB by documenting accidents



Orange Municipal Airport, Orange, MA (9/26/17) (Photo courtesy of MassDOT Aeronautics)



Cranland Airport, Hanson, MA (8/24/18) (Photo courtesy of MassDOT Aeronautics)

Deploying Drones for Emergency Response Lawrence Pipeline Fires & Aircraft Accident



- Immediate emergency response capabilities deployed for documentation of homes after pipeline fires, and for aircraft accident
 - Coordinated with NTSB (lead agency for investigation) to image damaged structures
 - All necessary waivers and authorizations quickly secured to enable mission



Details

- Team dispatched September 14-16 (days immediately after explosions) to provided real-time coverage and damage assessment of impacted areas
- Successful state and federal coordination
- 3D models created using drone imagery
- Immediate transition to scene of aircraft accident, also coordinating with NTSB





Emergency Response Preparedness Vigilant Guard



- Developing concepts of operation to support emergency response
 - Vigilant Guard: multi-agency bi-annual exercise to demonstrate collaboration for a variety of emergency response scenarios: dam damage, stadium attack, and coastline flooding
- Participated in multi-vehicle, multi-mode (manned & unmanned) simultaneous operations





Details

- November 2018
- Deconflicted with multiple other UAS and manned aircraft
- Coordinated with ~25 other agencies
- Identified as key contributor in exercise, and to document activity



MBTA Subway Evacuation Drill







- Support MBTA at Fenway Station for 16 December drill of train derailment
- Provided video for first responders to use to assess evacuation during interagency coordination exercise (MBTA, MBTA Transit Police, Boston EMS, Boston Fire)



Public Relations Documentation



North Adams Airport Building Relocation

- Documented relocation of existing building for airport manager
- Coordinated with airport manager to allow UAS operations at active airport







Session 1: DOT Agency UAS Use Applications

Dwayne Day, Delaware DOT







Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) in Delaware Dwayne Day, Homeland Security Planner, DelDOT







UAVs and DelDOT: How it Began



• Punkin Chunkin 2014

• DJI Phantom 3

Downlink to Smart Phone



Security Concerns



- UAS pose a potential threat to security. Small UAS can be used by criminals and terrorists for espionage, surveillance, and intelligence gathering at critical government and industrial facilities.
- Criminals are also using unmanned aircraft to smuggle drugs and contraband across U.S. borders and over prison walls and fences.
- Somewhat larger UAS could be used to carry out terrorist attacks by serving as platforms to deliver explosives or chemical, biological, radiological, or nuclear weapons. Chemical and biological agents pose a particular concern, as UAS used for aerial pesticide applications could readily serve as platforms to carry out attacks.
- Small UAS could similarly be used to disperse small amounts of certain agents that may be lethal in minute quantities. Even a hoax attack—for example, releasing a powdery substance and making false claims that it contains anthrax virus—could cause widespread panic.
- UAS could also be used as platforms for firearms or other weapons.



• Homeland Security Advisory Council HSAC is briefed.

• Decision is based to create a UAV Sub-committee to further investigate the use of UAVs in Delaware and keep the HSAC informed.

• Dwayne Day was elected the Chairman of the Committee.

HSAC UAV Committee Membership



- Delaware Department of Transportation
- Delaware State Fire School
- Delaware Department of Agriculture
- University of Delaware
- Delaware State Police
- Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security
- Delaware National Guard
- Dover Air Force Base
- Wilmington Police Department
- Private Hobbyist

UAS Committees



- The HSAC UAS Committee splits into three more defined UAS Committees.
- 1. Delaware UAV Task Force January 2016
 - Focus was on the Economic Development of UAS into Delaware.
- 2. UAS Training and Certification Steering committee.
 - Develop a UAS training and certification program for state agency pilots.
- 3. Homeland Security Advisory Councils UAS committee shifted the focus to the nefarious use of UAS....Counter UAS.

UAS Training and Certification Steering Committee.



UAS Academy out of Virginia provided the initial UAS Training for the committee members.

Membership:

Delaware Department of Transportation

Delaware Emergency Management Agency

Delaware State Police

Delaware State Fire School

Wilmington Police Department

Dover Police Department

Department of Corrections

Ocean View Police Department

UAS Training and Certification Committee "Focus"



- The committee focuses on four areas of UAS flying.
 - Maintenance
 - Operations
 - Safety
 - Training

Maintenance, Operation, Safety, and Training (MOST)

- Expands on Federal/State requirements
 - Developing flight training standards
 - Conduct training programs/classes for State Agencies
- State Agency Coordination
 - Mission Collaboration
 - Standards Development
 - Best practices
 - Aircraft troubleshooting

UAS Training and Certification Committee "Focus"



- All Public Agency pilots that are part of the program are trained to the same level.
- All Public Agencies fly the same DJI Operating System Platform.
- This ensures that the pilots and aircraft are interchangeable between agencies.
- A core group of pilots have had additional training from UAS Academy in Tactical Operations and fly together routinely. This has become a small tactical team available for call out by Emergency Managers.



DelDOT's UAV Program









DelDOT UAV Operational Policy



DelDOT has developed an UAV Operating Policy for flying UAVs that identifies;

- 1) Program Oversight along with Operational Directives
- 2) Division Participation
- 3) Equipment
- 4) Training & Certification,
- 5) Flight Planning & Operations.

The policy requires a two-manned approach with a pilot and visual observer for each flight, even though the FAA 107 rule only requires a pilot.

All UAS missions whether they are flown by DelDOT or a hired contractor, if flying on a DelDOT project require a pre-flight plan to be filed with the TMC in advance of the mission.



DelDOT Pilot Qualification

Once the pilot has a remote pilot certificate they will have to attend a Pilot Qualification course that teaches basic UAV maneuvers for their particular aircraft.

Before the pilot can have their training records signed off as a DelDOT Certified UAV pilot they will need to show their ability to fly ten basic maneuvers.

UAV Pilots will be required to fly 3 flights within a 90 day period for proficiency.

DelDOT sUAV Pilots



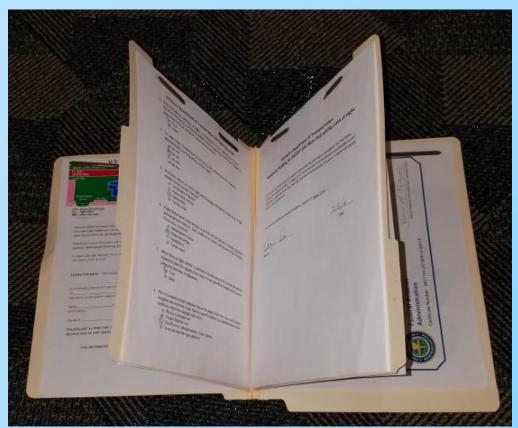
Nine DelDOT FAA 107 Pilots.

- District Engineer (M&O)
- Surveyor (M&O)
- Project Manager (M&O) (Commercial Pilot)
- Safety Officer (Traffic)
- Special Events Manager (Traffic)
- Assistant Director (Finance) (Female)
- Homeland Security Planner (UAS Program Manager)
- TMC Supervisor
- Right of Way Agent
- 6 more individuals are starting their 107 training this month.

DelDOT Training Records



- All DelDOT Pilots have a training record.
- FAA test results
- UAV Pilot Training and Certification Checklist
- DelDOT Pilot Application
- UAV Mandatory Reading for Night Flying
- UAV Night Flying Quiz
- UAV Training Certificates



The DelDOT Qualification Checklist



Ground School for FAA Remote Pilot Certificate	(Optional)	Date:
Pass FAA Unmanned Aircraft General Exam (Required)		Date:
Pilot Qualification Course (Required)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Date:
Tactical Operations Training Course (Optional)		Date:
Indoor Flying Course (Optional)		Date:
<u>Required Mar</u>	<u>neuvers</u>	
Minimum Obstacle Clearance Altitude (MOCA)	Date:	Evaluator Initials:
Accuracy Landing	Date:	Evaluator Initials:
Complex Figure 8	Date:	Evaluator Initials:
Blind Landing	Date:	Evaluator Initials:
Road Course	Date:	Evaluator Initials:
Point of Interest	Date:	Evaluator Initials:
Waypoint	Date:	Evaluator Initials:
Reveal	Date:	Evaluator Initials:
Standoff Distance	Date:	Evaluator Initials:
Long Distance Orientation	Date:	Evaluator Initials:
ATTI Mode Flying	Date:	Evaluator Initials:
y that the above named UAV Pilot has meet all th g and Certification Program and is authorized to	-	ed by <u>DelDOT's</u> UAV
	Date:	
e Day		

sUAS Specialized Training



- Tactical Operations UAS Academy
- Indoor Flying UAS Academy
- Search & Rescue, FLIR, Night Ops DartDrones
- Night Flying Qualified DelDOT
- 8 Pilots are Level 1 Thermography Certified FLIR
- Drone HAZMAT Course Magda International (in development)
- Every year we try to send 4 5 UAS Pilots to conferences to learn the latest UAS Technology.
 - AUVSI 2015
 - National Public Safety UAS Conference 2016
 - InterDrone 2017 & 2018
 - AUVSI Exponential 2019

DelDOT Advance sUAS Pilot Training (Being Developed)



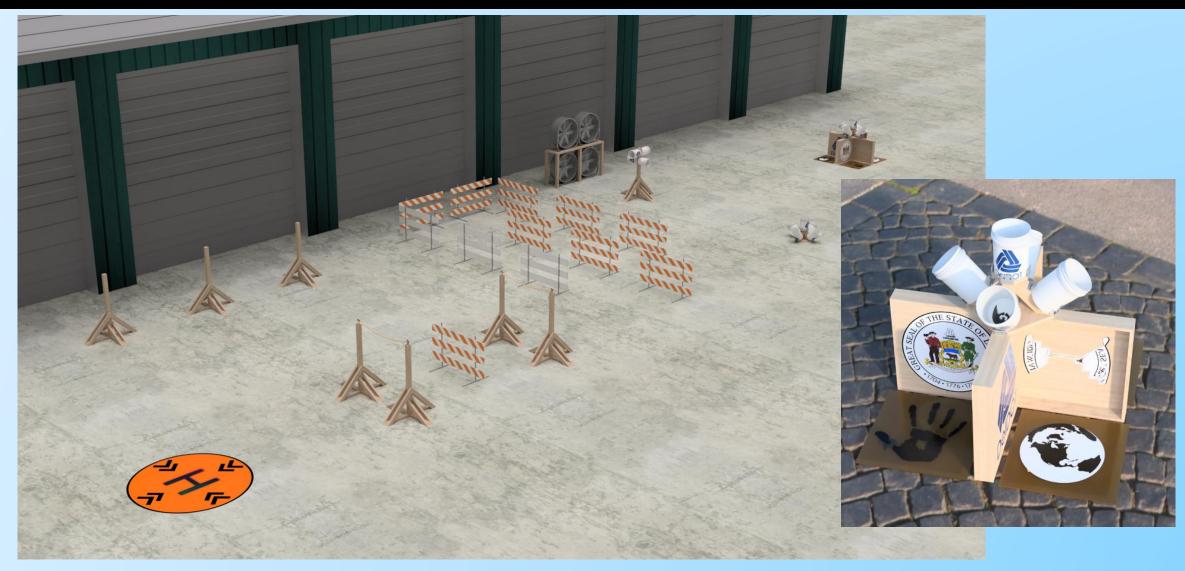
- Based off of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 2400; Standard for Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS) for Public Safety Operations.
- Applying the concept of using props while testing the pilots ability to perform aerial maneuvers.





Advanced Course Rendering





DelDOT Training Facility



DelDOT pilots are trained on how to fly UAVs at the State Fire School. Courses are taught by members of the Training and Certification Steering committee.



DelDOT sUAS Inventory



•	DJI Ins	spire 1	l Pro	4	4
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•	DJI Phantom 4 Pro	5
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•	DJI	Mavic	Air	_	1
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- DJI Mavic Pro
- DJI Mavic 2 Enterprise
- DJI M210

16 Total



Different tools in the tool box

DelDOT sUAS Inventory...Cont.



- Primary drones used
 - DJI Phantom 4 Pro



- 30X Zoom Camera
- Thermal Camera





FAA Registration



- All of our drones are registered under the traditional Aircraft Registration under 14 CFR Part 47.
 - An original Aircraft Registration Application; AC Form 8050-1
 - A Notarized Affidavit; AC Form 8050-88
 - A copy of the original receipt.
 - No charge for Government (State) agencies.
 - Send everything to Oklahoma City and wait about 6 weeks for your registration and N-number.
 - You can still fly your drone as long as you have a copy of your registration application with you.

Insurance



- We met with the State Insurance Coverage Administrator and she advised us that drone pilots from state agencies are covered under the state.
- County Public agencies had to get their own insurance policy.
- We had to provide all the registration numbers, pilot licenses, and a copy of the training program.

DelDOT Drone Bus



- Video downlink capability into the Transportation Management Center.
- Mobile TMC is used for long duration UAS operations



FAA Waivers



January 2016 - 1st Certificate of Authorization (COA)

June 2016 - FAA released Part 107

Government agencies have two options for operating drones under 55 pounds.

- 1. Fly under 14 CFR part 107.
- 2. Operate with a Certificate of Waiver or Authorization (COA) to be able to self-certify UAS and operators for flights performing governmental functions. (A FAA Remote Pilots License meets this requirement)

April 2018 – 2nd Certificate of Authorization (COA)

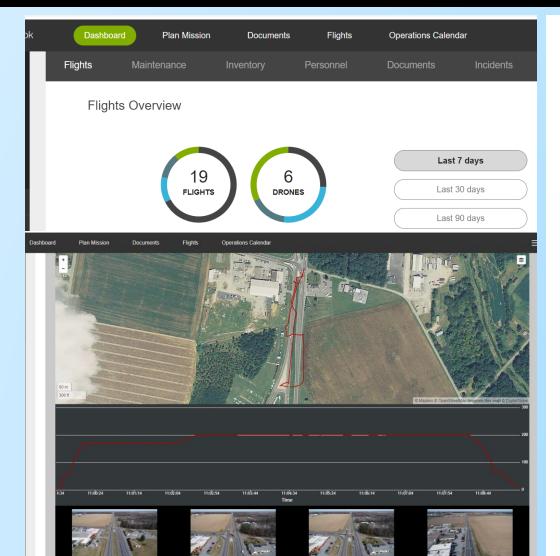
Fly within Class D airspace at ILG and KDOV

April 2018 – 107 Waiver for Night Operations

August 2018 – 107 Waiver for Class D airspace around Dover AFB

Drone LogBook







Date	Flight name	Drone	Duration	Location
2019-03-07 09:50:51 14:50:51 UTC	Flight 2019-03-07 09:50:51	TMC - N808WL DJI/Phantom 4 Pro	00:02:43	US 301 Toll, New Castle County US 301 Toll Delaware 19709 US (39.425684440505, -75.76264151274)
Landing Tim	e:14:53:34 UTC Flight Ty	pe: Commercial - Photo/Video		
Personnel: (Equipment o Nb landing: Conditions:	nboard: B13 1 Distance: 761.15 feet	rise: Day Christopher Marsh [Visual Obser Max altitude: 226.38 feet F Wind: 8.79 miles/hour (270°)		
	IGC File			KML File

Date	Flight name	Drone	Duration	Location
2019-03-01 01:41:20 06:41:20 UTC	Flight 2019-03-01 01:41:20	TMC - N862QG DJI/Matrice 210	00:08:53	TMC 169 Brick Store Landing Road Smyrna DE 19977 US (39.31867281396407, -75.60641126848742)
Operation To Personnel: Equipment of Nb landing: Conditions:	onboard: XT2 (TMC), TMC 1 Distance: 1837.27 fe	nrise: Night I Christopher Marsh [Visual Obser		
	IGC File			KML File

Date	Flight name	Drone	Duration	Location
2019-02-21 15:52:25 20:52:25 UTC	Flight 2019-02-21 15:52:25	TMC - N862QG DJI/Matrice 210	00:03:28	TMC 169 Brick Store Landing Road Smyrna DE 19977 US (39.31867281396407, -75.60641126848742)
Operation T Personnel: Equipment of Nb landing: Conditions:	onboard: TMC 4 B, TMC 4 A 1 Distance: 4215.88 fee	rise: Day Lawson [Visual Observer] Pilot		%
IGC File KML File				

Funding



Training courses were paid for through the Homeland Security grant. Approximately \$80K

Drones were bought by DelDOT through various funding streams.

- State Funds
- Special Event Funds
- State Transportation Innovation Councils (STIC) Funds 80/20

Modifications on the Drone bus were done in-house by DelDOT employees.

Thermal cameras and Zoom cameras were purchased through the Homeland Security grant.

Video and Photo Processing



- Your going to think you are taking fantastic videos...reality is your first couple of videos will probably make someone motion sick.
- We use Adobe Premiere 15 to process the videos.
- Only about 3 pictures can be sent through the state email system. No videos, they are much too large.
- We have used Drop Box, flash drives, SD cards, in-house drives on our servers.
- IT folks might get upset with the amount of space that you will use to save your videos.

Uses for DelDOT



- Situational Awareness
- Debris Assessments
- Traffic Mitigation
- Stock Pile Estimations
- Bridge Inspections
- Aerial photography of traffic projects
- Archeological inspections/photos
- Dune Erosion pre and post storm

Royal Farms in Milford, Rt. 1





Route 1 & 16 Intersection





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SR 1 AT SR 16 BRIDGE RENDERING







Delaware Department of Transportation SR 1 AND SR 16 GRADE SEPARATED INTERSECTION

Firefly Festival Lot 18...Tent Campers

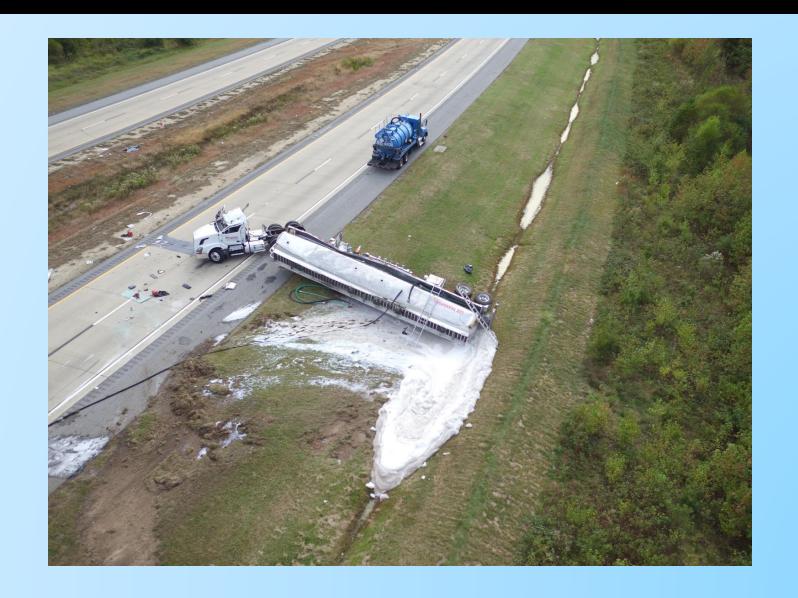






Tanker Rollover Rt 1





Future DelDOT UAVs



Tethered Drones



Unmanned Maritime Drones

Questions or Comments



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Session 2: Law Enforcement & Public Safety Use Cases

Sgt. Darren Foster, Maine State Police





UAV'S IN PUBLIC SAFETY

Applications by Maine State Police



BACKGROUND:

- 2017 State Legislature passes bill to allow the use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles for Law Enforcement
- May 2017 MSP trained 3 Crash Reconstruction Experts and 2 Pilots in UAV operation.
- June 2017 Purchased 3 DJI Matrice 200 UAV's for Crash Reconstruction purposes
- ▶ To Date -
 - ▶ 48 Crash Reconstruction Mapping Flights
 - ▶ 17 Crime Scene Mapping Flights
 - ▶ 5 Fire Scene Mapping Flights
 - ▶ 16 Search/Rescue Flights

UAV APPLICATIONS FOR CRASH INVESTIGATION

Overhead Photos to show collision



UAV APPLICATIONS FOR CRASH INVESTIGATION

► Scene Documentation



UAV APPLICATIONS FOR CRASH INVESTIGATION

▶ Scene Analysis



- ▶ Time on Scene
 - ▶ The longer the roadway is obstructed, the greater the risk of secondary crashes.
 - Roadway shut downs have a huge economic impact
 - ► Shut downs place tremendous strain on public safety assets and can hinder a response in an emergency

- ▶ Time on Scene
 - ► A Typical Forensic Mapping takes 1 to 2 hours and we collect 200 300 points. Roadway must typically be shut down for officer safety.
 - ▶ The UAV can collect 100 to 200 photographs which can generate a point cloud containing millions of points in a 10 15 minute flight. Roadway can generally stay open.

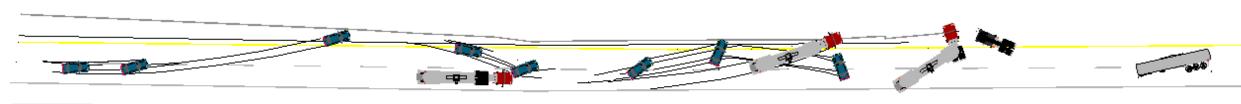
- ▶ Time on Scene
 - ▶ The UAV doesn't care about scene complexity





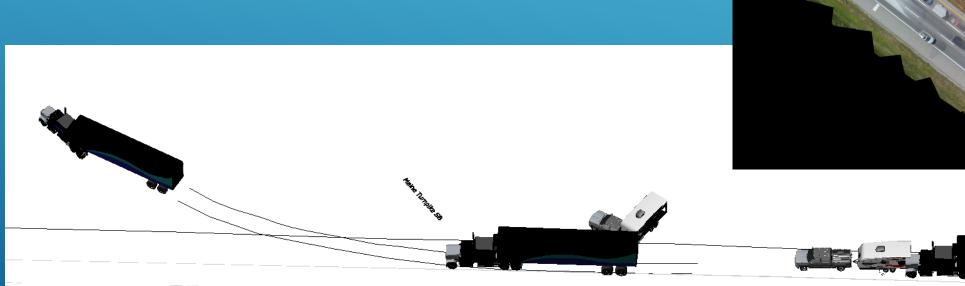
- ► Time On Scene Mapping: 3 Hours
- ► Road completely shut down 1 hour
- ► Traffic in shoulder 3 hours





1295 Southbound

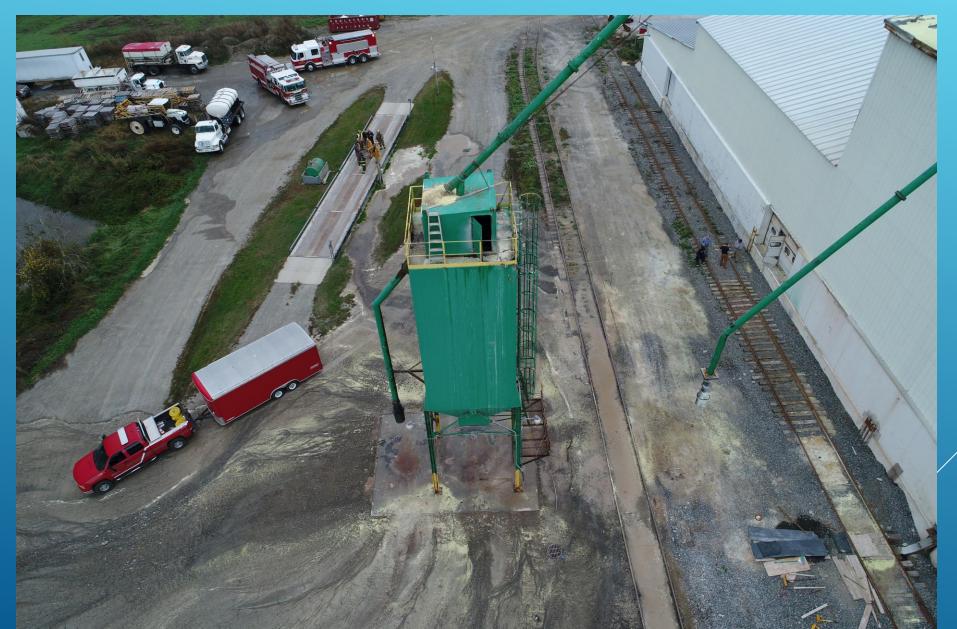
- ▶ UAV set up- 15 minutes
- ▶ UAV Flight Time 11 minutes
- ▶ 2 lanes of travel fully left open
- ▶ Time on scene 1 hour

















Session 3: Emergency Response

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UAS Workshop

New England Highway Operations Group

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Today's Presentation

sUAS – Unmanned Aerial Systems

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- ✓ Feel free to raise your hand for questions; we'll do our best to answer them for the benefit of the whole audience or plan to meet one on one

Background & Introduction

In winter 2016 Art Cleaves, Director of York County EMA tapped the resources of a volunteer IMAT Team to create the sUAS Initiative.

After purchasing the first aircraft and navigating the fledgling FAA regulations we learned "day by day".

The purpose of this presentation is to describe the opportunities and considerations for commercial use of Unmanned Aerial Systems in the National Airspace System (NAS) which is controlled by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

YCEMA Objectives

- 1. Support Town, County, State, and Federal Agencies as possible.
- 2. Conduct safe and successful sUAS operations with qualified (FAA Part 107) pilots and Visual Observers (VO).
- 3. Operate *s*UAS IAW Local/State Laws & FAA Regulations.
- 4. Develop Center of Excellence as working model for training and sUAS operations in Maine.

"Potential" Real World Missions

- Structure & other Fires
- Vehicle accidents
- Search & Rescue
- Live Shooter/Stand off / Evac Drill
- HAZMAT Spill
- Damage Assessment –FEMA support
- Dam Inspection/Flooding
- * Indoor fires (Industrial) *

Potential Support to:

- York County Sheriff Office
- Maine IF&W
- Local Fire Departments
- Maine State Police
- Local Law Enforcement
- MEMA/FEMA
- Maine Dept of Transportation
- Department of Environmental Protection
- Public Sector Quasi-Municipal Agencies
- Private Sector Partners Note: "crossing the line"

Overview UAS Section

- Regulatory issues
 - FAA Part 107 (airspace, pilot quals, reporting, limitations, etc)
 - COA Certificate of Authority (Waiver)
 - State Laws & Local Ordinances
- Leadership & Structure
 - Volunteer team –multiple skill sets, varied schedules
 - Policies & Procedures
 - Accountability (Need responsible custody of data)
 - Support from EMA Director
- Equipment (Show & Tell)
 - UAS airframes: DJI S1000, DJI Inspire I, DJI Mavic Pro
 - Capabilities: Recorded Video, Still photos, Thermal, Video Streaming









YCEMA COA

- FAA Certificate of Authorization
 - Public Use Aircraft defined; refer to 49-USC-40125
 - Initial issued 22 April 2016; Renewed -Jun 2018
 - COA may be cancelled at any time by FAA Administrator.
 - Restricts use of sUAS to <55lbs only in Class G airspace at or below 400' AGL.
 - Addendum issued 5 Jun 2017 to permit sUAS night operations.

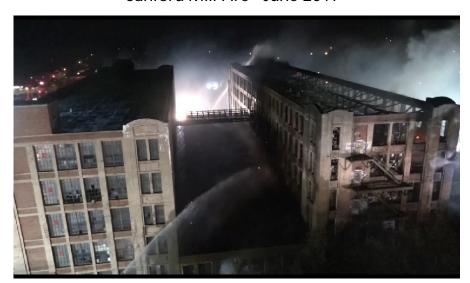
Mission Flying

- Overall Incident briefing
- Approval to fly (Jurisdiction and Incident Commander)
- Risk Assessment Checklist
- With "COA" Public Use Aircraft defined; refer to 49-USC-40125
 - National Defense, Intelligence
 - Firefighting
 - SAR
 - Biological, Geological Resource Management
- Part 107
 - Training
 - Law enforcement activities
 - Damage Assessment

YCEMA OPS Plan

- UAS Operations & Deployment
 - Authorization from EMA Director
 - Pilot in Command (PIC) + 1 or 2 Visual Observers (VO's)
 - PIC must maintain VLOS (<u>V</u>isual <u>L</u>ine <u>Of Sight</u>)
 - Public Civil Liberties & Rights to Privacy Training
 - Archive video & preserve chain of custody
 - Pre-flight checklist
 - Varies per airframe
 - Define mission
 - Conduct Risk Analysis

Sanford Mill Fire - June 2017



Video



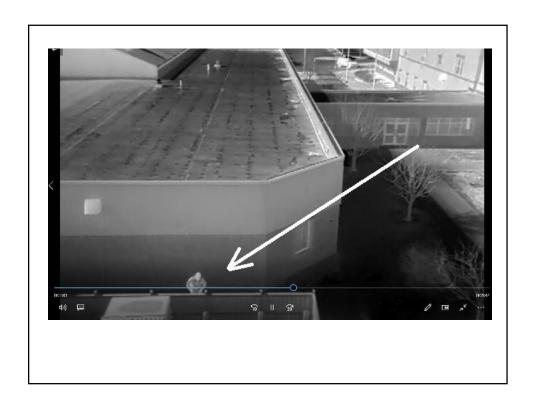


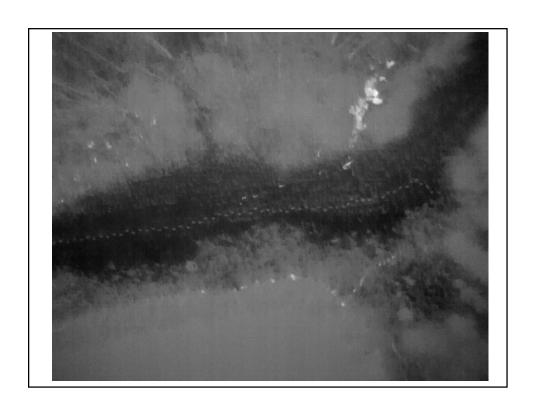
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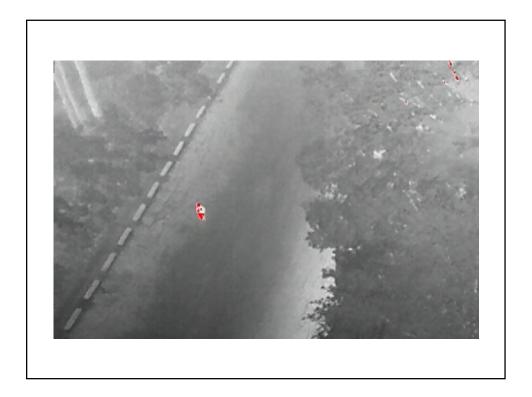
Kennebunk Woods Fire - Thermal

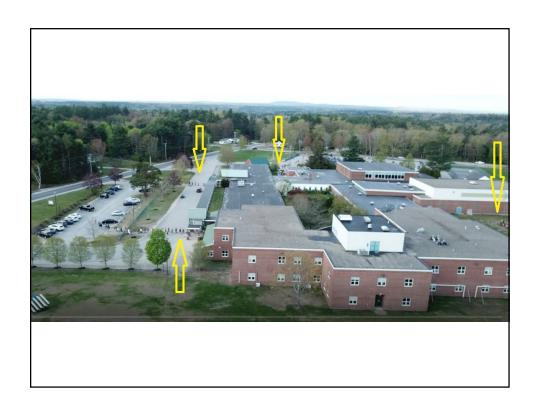


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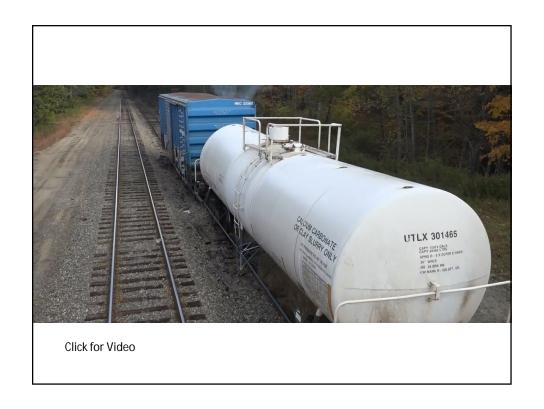
















WHAT COULD POSSIBLY GO WRONG ??



(Click photo for balloon video)

Black Box Data

- Higher end (professional) drones have data logging capabilities.
- Provides similar function to commercial aircraft "black boxes"
- Drone logs hundreds of data points by the second such as:
 - Pilot input from remote controller
 - UAS response to the pilot commands
 - UAS flight attributes such as: Lat/Long position; speed, altitude, etc.
 - This data is important for investigating flight anomalies such as "fly away" scenarios or proving whether or not the UAS was in a certain location at a specific time.

Black Box Data

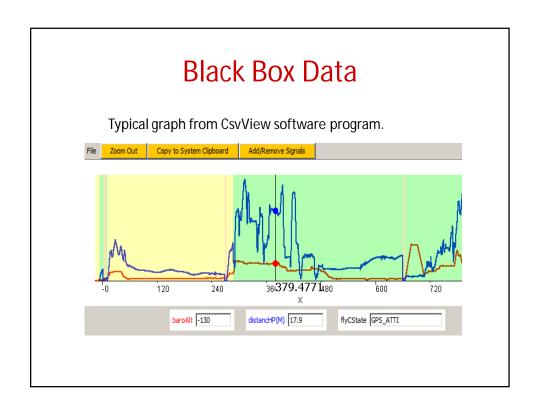
Software used to access the data from a DJI UAS: DJI Assistant 2

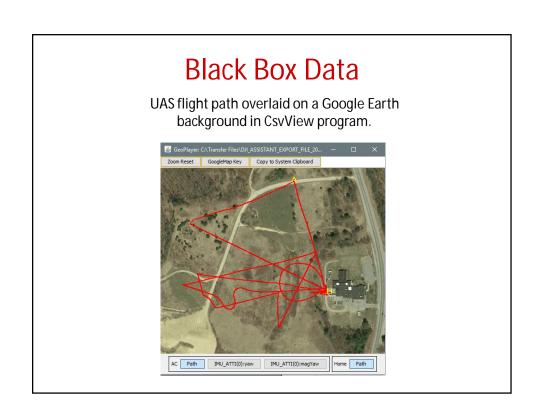
Methods for analyzing the "Black Box" data:

- 1. **Internet based analysis**; www.Airdata.com Free (Basic data analysis) and paid versions (More in-depth analysis)
- 2. User based software programs;

www.DATFILE.net for CsvView, DatCon (Both Freeware).
User can control extent and complexity
of data analysis (Learning curve required).

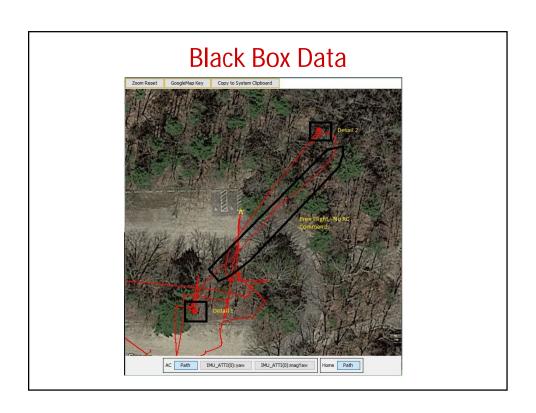
Black Box Data Some of the data points available from the CsvView program. 🚳 SigPicker Empty : C:\Transfer Files\FLY059.csv □ TimeSeriesSignals General ■ General - AirCraftCondition AirCraftCondition -Battery attitudeExperimental ⊕ Battery(0) ⊕ GPS(0) - Motor Speed:RFront Speed:LFront Speed:LBack Speed:RBack -EscTemp:RFront EscTemp:LFront -EscTemp:LBack EscTemp:RBack PPMrecv:RFront PPMrecv:LFront Update Plot





Black Box Data

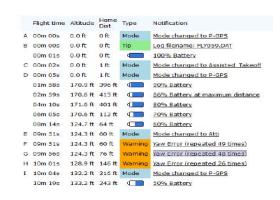
Example of how "Black Box" data analysis helped to explain and rectify a past YCEMA UAS flight anomaly.



Black Box Data



Black Box Data



Perils of third party apps and devices:

- Personal iPhone or Android
- •SAR apps ie. Litchi, DroneSAR, etc.
 - •No support from DJI if UAS lost
- Possible confiscation of personal device
- •Inconsistent operator settings, difficult to create standardization
 - Potential for memory crash, software, firmware conflict.

Continuing Operations

- Aircraft
 - Pre-flight Checklist
 - Airframe Condition (motors, props, cameras, etc)
 - Maintenance & Repair
 - Maintain integrity of digital media
 - Returning to service for next flight
- Pilot
 - FAA Part 107 Qualifications & license renewals
 - Training for Basic Flight and control
 - Logbook entries (dronelogbook.com)
 - IMSAFE (Acronym for pilot readiness)

Area of Rapid Change & Choices of Equipment

- Drone Manufacturers
 - DJI, Yuneec, Holy Stone, GoPro, etc
- Regulation –FAA trying to get out in front
- Technology Every day a new capability
- Reliance on 3rd party apps & implications
- For Example: DroneSense, Airmap, Dronelogbook, Litchi
- → Click for video →



ooking forward to Proposed Changes

- Flight over "people" creates three categories
 - > < .55 lbs
 - > .55 lbs (Mfr injury rating; no exposed props)
 - > 55 lbs (threshold of injury determinant)
- Night Flying
- Pilot renewals (Change in testing requirements)
- Open comment period ending 4/15/19



Thank You

The End