

# Update on FAA's NextGen Program

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### **NextGen: A Priority**

- NextGen budget around \$1 billion per year
- Full commitment of the White House & the Department of Transportation
- Large infrastructure initiative
- Fiscal Concerns
  - Sequestration
  - Continuing Resolutions





# **NextGen**: Delivering safety, sustainability, flexibility and economic viability

### **Today's National Airspace System**

**Ground-based Navigation and Surveillance** 

**Air Traffic Control Communications By Voice** 

**Disconnected Information Systems** 

**Cognitive-Based Air Traffic "Control"** 

**Fragmented Weather Forecasting** 

Airport Operations Limited By Visibility
Conditions

**Forensic Safety Systems** 

Focus on major airports

Inefficient routes & fuel consumption





Satellite-based Navigation and Surveillance

**Routine Information Sent Digitally** 

**Information More Readily Accessible** 

**Automation, Decision Support Tools** 

**Forecasts Embedded into Decisions** 

Operations Continue Into Lower Visibility Conditions

**Prognostic Safety Systems** 

Focus on metropolitan areas

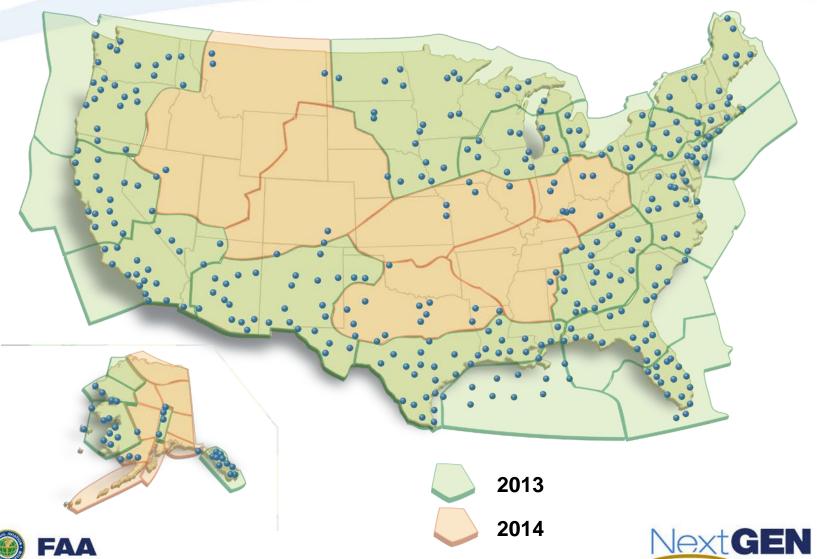
Shorter flight paths/ fuel saving procedures; alternative fuels; reduced noise





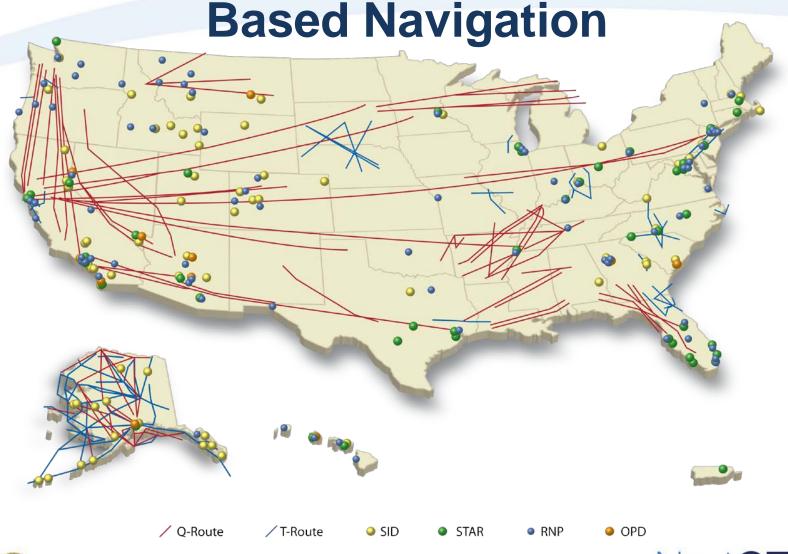


## **Expansion of ADS-B**





Increased Benefits of Performance





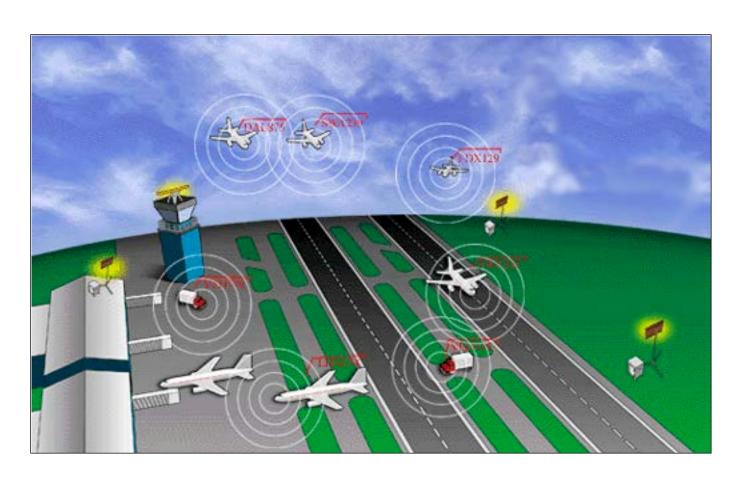






## **Airport Surface Improvements**

### **More Efficient Ground Operations**









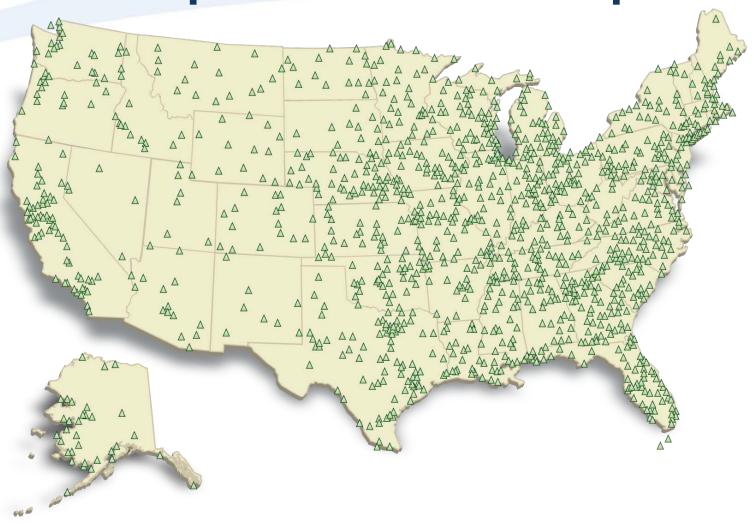
### Latest on DataComm

- Continued development to replace voice communications with data communications
- Data comm services to be deployed incrementally
- Departure clearances begin in 2016
  - Conducting trials at Memphis and Newark
  - Tests help reduce implementation risk
- Initial en route services begin in 2019





The Importance of GA Airports









# NextGen: America's Plan for Modernization

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