



Interoperability to unlock the UAS and UAM Airspace

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Woolpert at a Glance





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Current Woolpert UAS/UAM Engagements

- ATRD Project to Develop Vertiport Advisory Circular
- **Pavement Inspection**-Development of an Advisory Circular and Demonstrations at Savannah, Reno and Cincinnati-Data Standards and Operational Guidelines
- **Obstructions**-Surveys of Safety Critical Obstruction Data, Woolpert tasked with Technical Work to develop standards, testing at William J. Hughes FAA Tech Center, Granbury, TX, Cincinnati-West, Lanai
- **ARFF**-Developing best practices for using UAS for live monitoring of ARFF event and accident reconstruction in conjunction with the NTSB
- **Perimeter Security**-developing best practices for perimeter inspections, working with the Tech Center and with Knoxville airport as part of Safe Skies Alliance work
- Large UAS Airfield Design-incorporating multiple existing Advisory Circulars while defining special considerations for large UAS

Interoperability Considerations

- How Do We Unlock the Potential?
- How do we accomplish an equivalent technological maturity to the 100+ years of automobiles and aircraft?
- 3 Key Building Blocks-Safety-Capacity-Common Language
- What does crawl-walk-run look like?
- Layers of awareness: Central/Network monitoring and flight intent distribution, Communication of Intent, Adjustments to Trajectories, Scheduling of Vertiport Resources

- System Components
- Vehicles
- Vertiports
- En Route Unmanned Traffic Management

Current Approach

- The FAA is encouraging open-source solutions and distributed providers
- Performance-Based Solutions that are influenced by a Congress of Industry
- NASA's NARI efforts to participate with manufacturers/sites
- FAA and State BEYOND programs to demonstrate repeatable, scalable environments
- Move away from exception-based decisions and create system solutions
- Consider Payload/Package solutions, Inspection solutions, People-moving solutions

Safety

- An efficient and capable system will depend on the exchange of intent information
- A safe system will depend on layers of safety, not relying on any single component for safety
- Design to safety standards that reflect the Risk Management Safety framework the FAA has developed in the last 15 years
- Safety depends on understanding the intent of each vehicle/facility
- Situational awareness created by sharing intent also enables capacity

Interoperability

- More intent information is needed than an identification and a current position
- Will it be TCAS-like? Connected to flight control systems?
- Initially will it be pure visual skills?
- Standardization of Vertiport details
- Standardization of obstacle data
- NOTAM's?
- Trajectory Based Operation problem and solution, but calculated trajectories will need to be commonly understood
- The emerging markets of UAS and UAM will still need to share airspace-will "no transponder" flights be updated to a Remote ID-type of standard?
- Likely to be a central automation system that will help facilitate connections, on-board software to provide solutions

Capacity

- Capacity is closely linked to Interoperability
- The FAA doesn't own the airspace, the U.S. public owns the airspace
- How can the FAA meet their goal to be the "neutral shepherd" that facilitates access to airspace fairly?
- Segregation of Airspace is a solution that only works in low volume
- Integrated Airspace is necessary to preserve airspace rights of transit
- Example: A single two-lane road can carry approx. 1500 cars per hour in one direction. Do we expect to operate at a similar scale? If so how many vertiports are required?
- Node-to-node or point-to-point?
- Will it be a new kind of airspace? Multi-mode requirements?

Capacity (continued)

- Will a vehicle land, change out batteries and be ready for a new flight quickly? Or will it need to land and charge?
- If batteries weigh 2000-3000 lbs, what does that do to the vertiport design?
- Would a vertiport look like an automatic carwash with a lane that the vehicle lands, passengers disembark, batteries are changed out, new passengers load and it departs?
- Will vertiports be single pads owned by individual entities?
- Due to challenges of power reserves/endurance, queuing for an arrival spot will be undesirable









Thank You!

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DW Digital Imagery & Associates, LLC

<u>Utilizing Underwater Drone Technology for Aquatic</u> <u>Surveys & Search / Rescue Operations</u>



Company History & Industry Experience

- Established as An LLC: June 30, 2017 / Frisco, TX
- Founder/Owner/CEO: Jonathan Denton
- Currently Have 4 Drones In our Fleet including
- 1 underwater drone
- Service Geography: (<u>North / East) Texas</u> & <u>Southern Oklahoma</u>
- Aerial drones are all manufactured and supported by DJI
- Aquatic drones are all manufactured and supported by QYSEA
- All Pilots FAA Part 107 Certified / TWIC Clearances
- Fully insured for all industry jobs (\$1,000,000 Liability)
- 8 Years Combined Drone Technology Experience
- 15 Years Combined Experience
 - GIS
 - Remote Sensing
 - Real-Estate Photography
 - Surveying & Insurance Inspections
 - Aquatic Surveys





- Current Partners:
 - Subcontract Drone Aerial Services:





DRONE BASE

• Custom Solutions & Technology Consulting:







Reputable Brands Currently on the Market



QYSEA Fifish Models & Capabilities

QYSEA Fifish W6

Geneinno Titan T1

- Topacc Chasing M2 (<u>Price: \$5,200)</u> Mapping Sonar, 1,500 ft. depth, Extra Grabber & Lighting Attachments
- Geneinno Titan T1 <u>(Price: \$3,000)</u> 2,000 ft. depth along with extra Grabber Attachment
- QYSEA Fifish V6 Basic Model (<u>Price: \$1,500</u>) Extra Lighting Attachments Available
- QYSEA Fifish V6S- (Price: \$3,200) Grabbing & Light Attachments
- QYSEA Fifish P3 (Price: \$3,500) Longer battery Life & 1,000 ft. in Depth
- QYSEA Fifish V6 Pro Plus <u>(Price: \$12,000)</u> 1,500 ft. in Depth, Stabilizing Sonar in 4 Knots of current, Measurement Laser for Inspections
- QYSEA Fifish W6 <u>(Price: \$30,000)</u> 1,500 ft. in Depth, Stabilizing & Mapping Sonar, Extra Lighting & Grabber Attachments

New Service: <u>Underwater Inspection Service Capabilities &</u> <u>Technology</u>



Services Offerings

- Aquatic surveys for water treatment structures (tanks & retention ponds, dams, swimming pools, maritime shipping, and elevated storage tanks.
- Search and Rescue footage for first responders
 - Deliverables
 - ➢ High-resolution photos and videos for analysis.

Mobile Technology

- All data is captured using industry standard apps on (IOS Apple) Tablets:
 - QYSEA Fifish V6 mobile app

Sensor & Camera Technology

- Cameras: 32 Mega-Pixel Resolution for Still Photos
- Video Capabilities: 2.7K, 4K & 6K Quality

Bringing Added Value

- Cost-effective & more efficient than hiring a certified diver.
- Industrial grade lighting for extremely murky and turbid situations
- Affordable sonar capabilities for Bathymetry mapping and 3-D measurements



DWDI Turnaround for Reporting

- Reporting generated by DWDI ranges from 24 72 hrs. for individual jobs
- Fifish V6 app downloads videos and still photos directly to the remote controller when inspections are finished.
 - DW Digital Imagery will deliver final images and video through Private AWS cloud server.



Project Examples

- <u>Shipyard Inspections</u>
- <u>Maintenance</u>
- Exploration

Future Offerings

- 5 cm accuracy Survey-grade sonar mapping with underwater drone technology
- Consulting Services for First Responders

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SmartDrone

Smart. Accurate. Affordable LiDAR technology

Who is "SmartDrone"?



- □ Industrial manufacturer of small drones that help customers optimize their time, money and resources!
- Privately-held company, backed by *investor* capital. Opened the doors in *April 2020*
- □ Team of *World-class engineers*, image scientists and IoT specialists, who are also *Part 107 certified remote pilots*
- Generation Work with *Land Surveyors* to increase the efficiency of their *data collection* and meet customer expectations
- □ Preparing to launch our first product called, the *Discovery* platform that will retail for *less than \$50K*

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Lots of other surveying/mapping drones...





SmartDrone's Value-Proposition



- Size Smaller than 90% of the drone-based LiDAR solutions available in the market
- Accuracy LiDAR collection that meets and/or exceeds the national standards for 1-foot contours
- □ In-Field Validation Ability to process data in the field, without the need for internet connectivity
- **Ease of use** Shorter learning curve. Can be powered-up and flying within 5 mins
- Open-source software Don't have to pay for expensive data processing software or subscriptions
- **Everything** you need to get started comes in an *airline-rated carry case*
- □ Concierge-level technical support and warranty coverage



Size: 3ft x 3ft x 1.5ft

LiDAR vs Photogrammetry



LiDAR

<u>Pros:</u>

- More accurate and reliable data
- Canopy penetration (trees & vegetation)
- Shorter processing times (mins vs hours)
- Reduced risk with less reliance on human input

<u>Cons:</u>

- Can be expensive, with high start-up costs



Size: 6ft x 6ft x 3ft

Photogrammetry

<u>Pros:</u>

- Inexpensive, low start-up costs

<u>Cons:</u>

- Cannot penetrate canopy (trees & vegetation)
- Less accurate data
- Longer processing times (hours vs mins)
- More cost associated with data processing



Size: 1ft x 1ft x 1ft

QGround Control - Mission planning App



QGround Control -

- **FREE** download on either iOS or Android
- Flight/Mission planning software
- Works on MAVLink enabled drones
- Supports PX4 Pro and ArduPilot
- Grid, Cross-hatch or Waypoint missions
- Plan, Upload, Fly!

http://qgroundcontrol.com/



CloudCompare – Data processing & analysis



CloudCompare -

- **FREE**, Open-source SW
- Point cloud viewing and analysis
- Runs on Windows, MacOS & Linux
- **Tons of functionality**
 - Rastering, ground elevations, etc
 - Overlay of multiple files
 - Colorized point clouds
 - Contour lines

https://www.danielgm.net/cc/





Summary



Stay tuned for more details on the official product launch (May 2021)

- Continuing to do market validation and customer research
 - Targeting Land Surveyors now
 - Will be looking at other *adjacent industries* in the coming months
- □ Networking with local organizations to get *"plugged into"* the drone market in TX
- □ If you have any questions or want to find out more about *SmartDrone*
 - Check out our website: <u>www.smartdrone.us</u>
 - Send me an email: eric@smartdrone.us
 - Or give us a call: 1.888.708.8818





Thank you for your time and support!

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Introduction to AUVSI



Our Vision

It starts with a world where...

Unmanned systems are everywhere

They help **prevent significant loss of lives**, positively impacting the way we live

They diminish physical boundaries and increase human potential



All Things Unmanned



Our Focus



We provide our members with a unified voice in **advocacy** for policies and regulations that encourage growth and innovation;



We provide **education** within the industry, and to the public and media on the safe and beneficial uses of unmanned systems;



We enable **market growth** by providing our members with custom resources to collaborate with the community and realize their full potential within the industry;



We provide outstanding **member service** to the organizations and individuals that make up the AUVSI community.







Our Advocacy Priorities

Our **policy priorities are created through a consensus process** with our membership.

We work with policy and regulatory bodies in the US and internationally, most notably ICAO, FAA, Congress, and the US **Departments of Transportation** and **Defense**.

State level advocacy focuses primarily on preemption to **maintain uniformity of policy and regulation** to the greatest extent possible



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Our Events













New For 2021

UNMANNED SYSTEMS & ROBOTICS DATABASE

Department of Defense Unmanned Systems Budget Report



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Our Chapters





Our Membership Options

Organizational Membership extends to all employees of an organization, includes access to all our resources and participation in our advocacy work.

Industry-In the business of unmanned systems
-Dues based on revenue
-Standard, Enhanced, Premium optionsStartup-First product released within a year, <\$1M in revenue
-Flat rate for Standard MembershipAssociate-Government agencies, educational institutions,
non-profit trade associations, societies or charities
-Flat rate of \$600

Individual Membership covers one person and is focused on accessing our knowledge resources.



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AUVSI's PREMIERE EVENT – XPO21 VIRTUAL + IN-PERSON

AUVSI XPONENTIAL 2021 is now an expanded hybrid event series, incorporating virtual and inperson experiences to support our mission to convene the unmanned and automated systems community and accelerate innovation and market adoption. This new approach will allow us to continue offering the most comprehensive and relevant sessions on tech and policy developments, while hosting the leading marketplace for B2B connections and transactions.



ONLINE + ATLANTA | HYBRID EVENT SERIES MAY 4 - 6, 2021 | ONLINE AUGUST 16 - 19, 2021 | ATLANTA

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

UNMANNED SYSTEMS	3 Phase Event Virtual
DEFENSE ***	April 13-15 July 27-29 Oct 19-21
BANN BUSINESS OF AUTOMATED MOBILITY FORUM	Virtual June 23-24
FAA UAS	2 Episode Event Virtual
SYMPOSIUM	June 9 – 10 September 14 – 15
AUVSI XPONENTIAL ALL THINGS UNMANNED	In-person Event Atlanta August 16 – 19

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Legislative Update

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North Central Texas Council of Governments

UAS Safety and Integration Task Force Meeting

March 30, 2021

87th Legislative Session

HB 1758 (Krause) - Relating to the operation and use of an unmanned aircraft.

• Heard in House Homeland Security & Public Safety Committee on 3/25

HB 2161 (Raymond) - Relating to analyzing and mitigating transportation security threats in this state.

• Referred to House Homeland Security & Public Safety Committee on 3/25

HB 2957 (Geren) / SB 1583 (Hughes) - Relating to inspections and examinations by the Railroad Commission of Texas of certain sites and facilities conducted using unmanned aircraft.

 Referred to House Energy Resources & to Senate Natural Resources/Economic Development Committee

87th Legislative Session

HB 3251 (Thompson) - Relating to the use of unmanned aircraft.

• Referred to House Homeland Security & Public Safety Committee

HB 3403 (Cyrier) - Relating to the operation of an unmanned aircraft that is outside the direct line of sight of the operator of the aircraft.

• Referred to House Transportation Committee

SB 149 (Powell) - Relating to the prosecution of the offense of operation of an unmanned aircraft over certain facilities.

• Referred to the Senate Natural Resources/Economic Development Committee

Questions and Comments

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