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# AC478—BLOS Strategy & Roadmapping for UAS

Update to F38 at 2020 Fall Virtual Meetings

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# About AC478 on BLOS Strategy



- Formed in 2019 to focus on setting a robust strategy for a standards-based approach to BVLOS
  - Move away from tactical solution
  - Unlock certification/approval pathways
- Core group of about 18 active participants, pretty much all from Committee F38
- Overall Vision (Condensed Version)

*Routine, commercial operations are enabled through a clear and regulator-accepted, standards-based path to system and operational approval for any operation where the Unmanned Aircraft (UA) may not be visible to the Remote Pilot (RP) or within [direct] radio line of sight.*

*The functions and/or topics needed in supporting standards are clearly identified and prioritized with a plan and sequence for their development.*

# About AC478 on BLOS Strategy

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- Scope of Work
  - Beyond visual or radio line of sight (near or far). This is generically called “BLOS”.
  - Civil, commercial operations; not military, public use, etc.
  - Any operational framework (Part 91, Part 107, Part 135, etc.).
  - Mass of the UA is not a factor. Physical size, however, is relevant as it relates to visibility.
  - The outputs should have relevance internationally.
  - The roadmap and strategy should work with or without UAS Traffic Management (UTM). For the purposes of this work, UTM is one possible mechanism to deliver functions needed for BLOS operations.

# Timeline and Activities

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- Sept-Dec 2019
  - Characterize the problem statement
  - Establish working frameworks, terminology, concepts, and deliverables
  - Evaluate existing BVLOS standard
- 2020
  - Build out deliverables
  - Publish initial strategy and standards roadmap with at least near-term coverage
  - Begin outreach to new standards development
- 2021-Q1
  - Publish ASTM Technical Report: “Beyond Line Of Sight (BLOS) Strategy and Roadmapping for Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS)”
  - Work through initial strategy implementation plan with F38
  - Regulator engagement
- 2021-Q2+
  - Outreach to standards task groups
  - Refinements to strategy and roadmap

# AC478 Initial Deliverables



## Deliver a report containing:

- Strategy and framework concept to establish robustness, scalability, flexibility, and compatibility with regulatory frameworks
- Essential Functions identification and definition
- Common operational scenarios as test cases for the framework
- Standards development roadmap for BLOS
  - Strategic sequencing for standards development for essential functions aligned with reasonable time horizons
  - Consideration of priority of market demands and market relevance of functions
- Draft Terms of Reference (TOR) for standard development needs
  - ‘Prime the pump’ for standards task group work within F38
- A plan for regular maintenance and updates to the report and roadmap

## **Beyond Line Of Sight (BLOS) Strategy and Roadmapping for UAS**

A Technical Report Developed by ASTM AC478 on BLOS

Publication: TBD  
Date: 05 October 2020 (last update)

# Strategy Concept and Framework

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- Robust
  - Far-ranging use cases demand robust underpinnings.
  - Purely tactical solutions are not likely to deliver for the whole industry and may not be right-sized for varied operations.
- Modularity through “Essential Functions”
  - Systems engineering approach to boil down the fundamental needs into a *right-sized* set of “Essential Functions” that can be standardized.
  - “Essential Functions” are all potentially relevant to any BLOS operation.
  - A set of “ingredients” that span both system and operational aspects.
- Scalability & Flexibility
  - Performance measures of Essential Functions must be defined and standardized *without* prescribing the limits of acceptability for a particular CONOPS.
  - Avoids highest/least common denominator problems.
- Implementation Agnostic
  - Method of achieving functional performance is not prescribed.

# Strategy Concept and Framework

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- Transparency
  - System manufacturers and operators report their performance for specific functions transparently in accordance with standardized definitions so that the outcomes are more universal.
- Pathway to Certification/Approval through Assignment of Functions and Performance
  - Needed Essential Functions and level of performance for each function can be selected on an as-needed basis based on the operation/CONOPS desired (risk overlay).
  - Compliance to the applicable standards to the performance level deemed acceptable by regulators creates a standards-based pathway to approval.
  - Regulators are provided a list of ‘ingredients’ (functions) and performance measures to conduct risk evaluations for managing safety. Over time, industry can develop Standard Practices for the application of common use cases as ‘recipes’ that use the right amount of the right ‘ingredients’.

# Essential Functions (Current)

High-level functions that may be needed for any given BLOS operation

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1. Handoff from one pilot to another
2. Link handoff
3. Command system/aircraft
4. RPIC system status notification
5. Aircraft & airborne hazard avoidance
6. Terrain & obstacle avoidance
7. Alerting other airspace users to contingency situations
8. Geo-awareness
9. Maintain operations within limitations
10. Provide cybersecurity
11. Positioning assurance
12. Navigation
13. Time synchronization
14. Remote ID
15. Autonomy & automation
16. Risk evaluation
17. Ability to land safely
18. Weather
19. Path-planning within the rules (4D trajectory)
20. Contingency planning



# Current Status

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- Technical Report is 60-70% complete (current draft is ~52 pages)
- Remaining development:
  - Terms of Reference (about 40% complete)
  - Sequencing of roadmap
  - Additional graphics to illustrate key concepts
  - Final review, editing, and scrubbing
- Initial discussions with ASTM about publishing Technical Report have been initiated. Will ramp up in Dec/Jan.
- Goal is to wrap up development work by end-of-year.
- Focus on publishing in 2021-Q1.
  - Original goal was November 2020 F38 meetings.



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# **AC377 Autonomy Design and Operations in Aviation - Overview**

## **ASTM F38 Meeting**

### **November 4, 2020**

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# ASTM AC377

## Started Fall 2017

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### **Motivation:**

- Autonomy has great promise to improve safety and transform aviation
- ASTM Standards should be consistent with respect to automation and autonomy

### **Task Group Objectives:**

- Develop a short and long term strategy towards aviation autonomy standards within ASTM
- Cross Cutting Task group
- Develop terminology
- Develop guidance regarding roles/classes of automation for hardware, software and human interaction
- Make recommendations regarding standards needs and appropriate technical committee to develop and manage the standards.
- Identify appropriate subject matter experts

# AC377 advises ASTM Standards Committees



**F37 Light  
Sport Aircraft**

**F38 Unmanned  
Aircraft  
Systems**

**AC377  
Autonomy  
Design and  
Operations in  
Aviation**

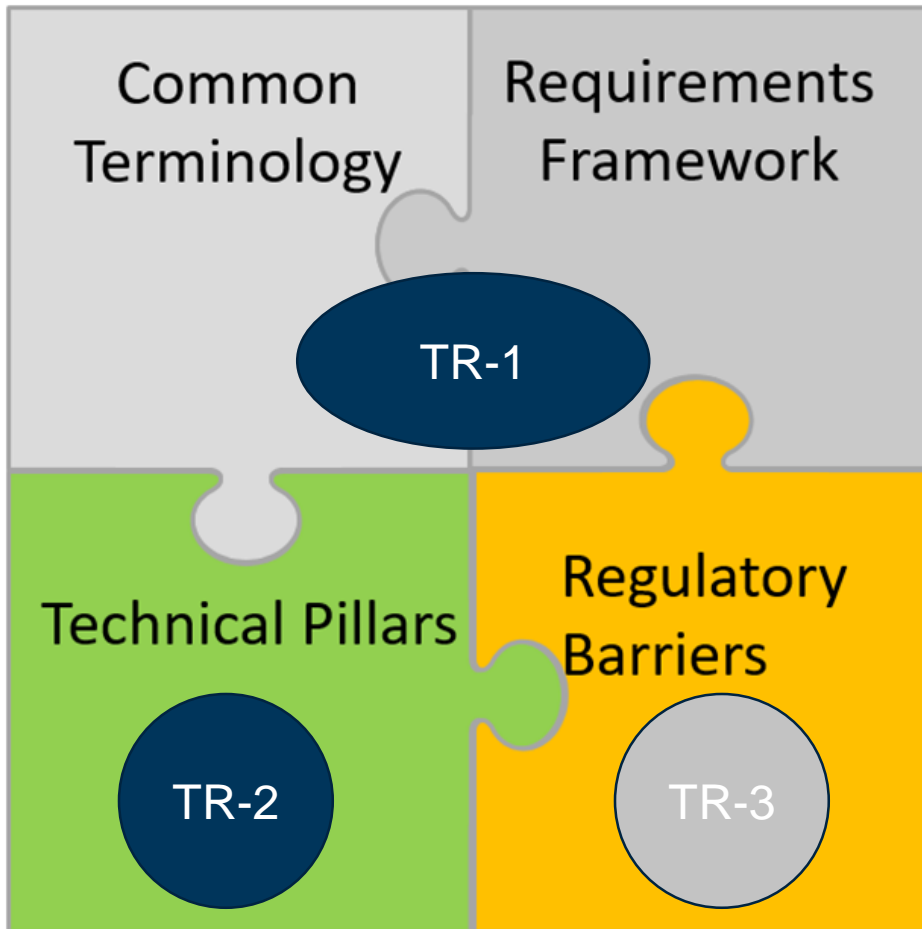
**F39 Aircraft  
Systems**

**F44 General  
Aviation  
Aircraft**

## **4 Areas of Focus for AC377:**

- **Terminology**
- **Requirements framework for certification**
- **Design “pillars” of autonomy**
- **Regulatory barriers**

# AC377 produces Technical Reports with recommendations



Bring stakeholders together from industry, government, academia, research, operations, etc.

Build consensus recommendations regarding autonomy for standards committees

Publish recommendations in the form of Technical Reports:

- Terminology and Requirements Framework – 2019
- Technical Pillars – 2020
- Regulatory Barriers - 2021

# Common Terminology



“Language, and primarily written language, is the prerequisite for our modern technology” – Wolfgang Teubert

- Goal: Promote consistent standards development and reuse
- Reviewed multiple government and industry sources of terminology and definitions
- Wrote own definitions as a last resort
- Produced definitions for 51 terms

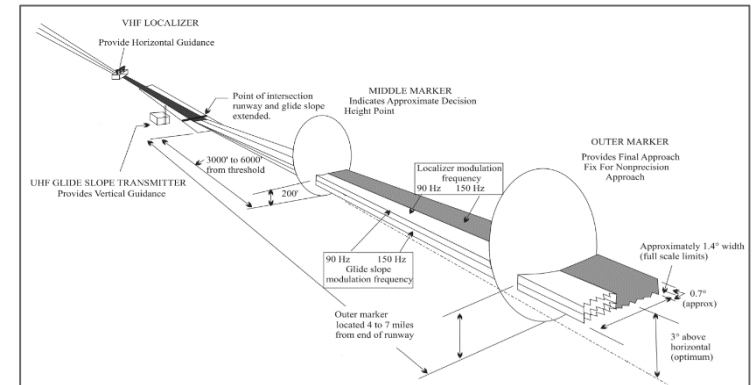


**What about Levels of Automation?**

# Key Terms from Report



- **Automated or Automatic System:** Hardware and software that automate a **pre-defined process** without the need for human intervention, an individual may monitor and override.



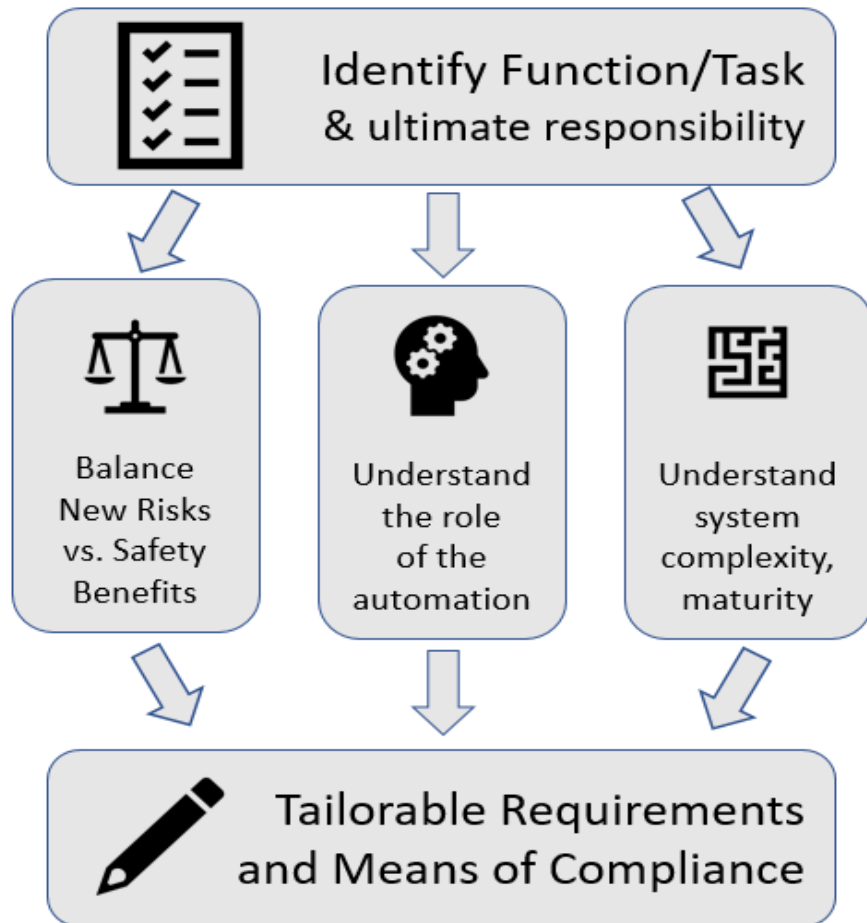
Example: Cat III Landing System

- **Autonomous System:** Hardware, software, or a combination of the two, that **enable a system to make decisions** independently and self-sufficiently. Autonomous systems are self-directed toward a goal governed by rules and strategies that direct their behavior.



Example: Autonomous Aerial Cargo/Utility System

# Requirements Framework



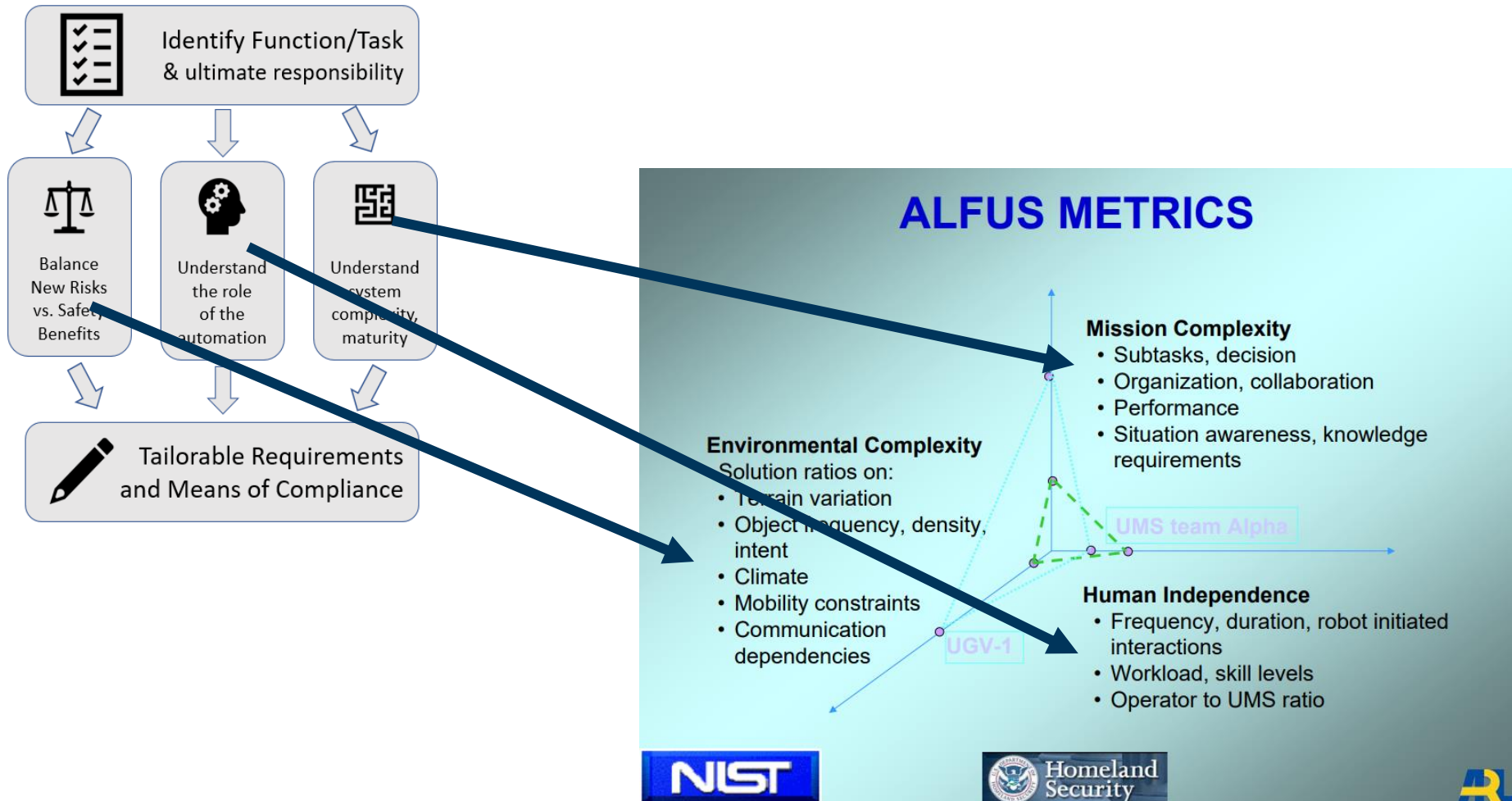
Decompose the function that is being automated

Then look at 3 sets of questions:

- Risks vs. benefits of the automation
- Role of the automation
- Complexity and maturity of the automation



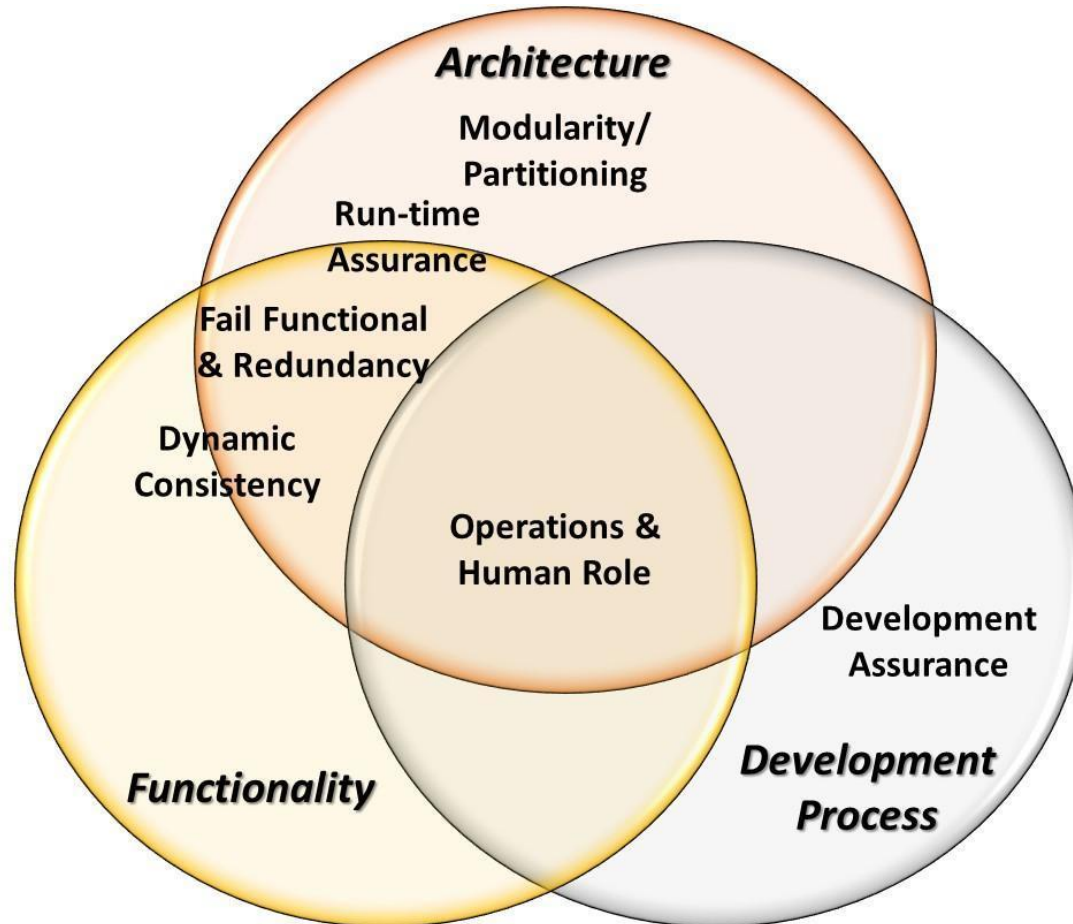
# Alignment



# Pillars of Autonomy



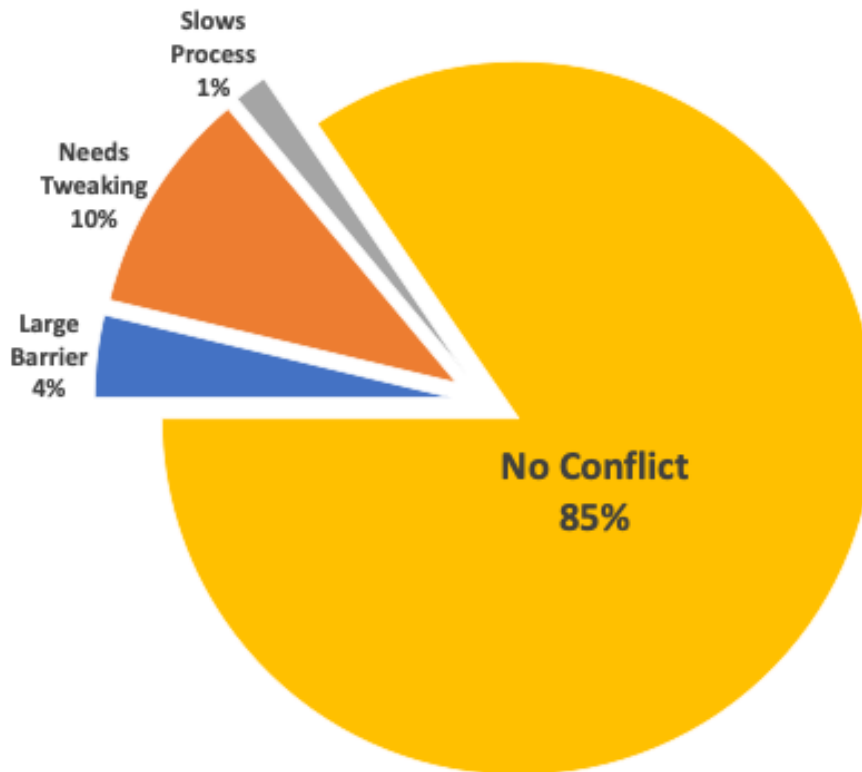
What are the foundational technologies that can safely enable autonomy?



# Regulatory Barriers



**Regulatory Barriers to Autonomy**  
**Categorization of Part 91 Regulatory Language - 3,171 Lines Assessed**



Our aviation system was developed on the assumption of the human performing most of the functions

As functionality is shifted from humans entirely to systems without potential human direct oversight, we must understand the compatibility with the aviation regulatory system

## Plan for TR3:

Current – Make recommendations based on Part 91 findings

Spring 2021 – Finalize report

Summer 2021 – Publish report

# ASTM Autonomy in Aviation Symposium – Sep 2020



- 445 registered
- 223 unique participants
  - 28 countries
  - 6 continents

## **Roadmapping Effort –**

Identify standards gaps associated with operations crew training and qualifications; systems design and testing; safety case development; and continued safety assurance.

## **Possible new standards –**

Symposium identified desire for test method for measuring how well humans interact with autonomy; inquire if F37, F38, F39, or F44 want to pursue this

# ***Thank you!***



## **Task Group Participation Questions**

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# AC 433

F44.90.01 Advanced Technologies  
Gap Analysis and Activity Update

Nov 3, 2020 | Virtual F38 Meeting  
Tom Gunnarson | Wisk

# F44.90.01 Task Group on Emerging Technology

Chair: Tom Gunnarson,  
Wisk

## Scope:

- Capture information about emerging technology and trends that could be applicable to future aviation standards development.
- The F44 executive subcommittee will use this to establish new work as it applies to General Aviation Aircraft on an as-needed basis.
- It will also share this with other ASTM aviation committees for their consideration.



*AC433 Tasking –  
Gap Analysis  
for the ASTM  
Means of  
Compliance  
for  
EVTOL/UAM  
aircraft*

**Collaboration Area AC433**

- Based on Part 23 performance-based rules (PBR) to accommodate new technologies
- Covers eVTOL aircraft, simplified vehicle operations and complex systems
- 23 work items currently identified

**Co-Chairs: Tom Gunnarson, Anna Dietrich**

- Coordinate and maintain list of action items, priority, time to ballot, leads and updated status
- Bi-monthly update calls and report outs to ASTM, GAMA, authorities

# AC433 Activity Update

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Items are revisions to existing standards and a few are new

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Activity supports cooperation between FAA, EASA and other CAA activity in this trade space

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New items are added as need is discovered

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Items cover wide spectrum from Distributed Electric Propulsion to Handling to Bird Strike

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Several items have been through at least one ballot cycle

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Some items cross to other committees, holistic approach

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Looking for more scoping and drafting support from eVTOL industry

Subject/Title	Distance to Ballot	Industry Priority	Existing Std	Sub Comm	WK number	Lead
Electric Propulsion Unit Design (EPU)	1	1	F3338	F39.05	WK67455	Peter Lyons
Electric Propulsion Energy Storage Systems (ESS)	3	1	NONE	F39.05	WK56255	Tom Gunnarson
Emergency Conditions	5	2	F3083	F44.30	WK68781	Eric Nottorf
Bird Strike	5	2	F3114	F44.30	WK68805	Eric Nottorf
Handling Characteristics	4	2	F3173	F44.20	<del>WK68839</del> WK63578	Mike Feary
Performance	4	2	F3179	F44.20	<del>WK68838</del> WK63580	Nick Borer
Energy Shedding (Crashworthiness)	4	2	F3239	F44.40	WK65629	Tine Tomazic
Electric Propulsion Unit Design (EPU)	1	2	F3338	F39.05	WK66523   (new: WK68764)	William Fletcher
Integral Thrusters	2	2	F3338	F39.05	WK70381	Srinivas Chunduru
Aircraft Powerplant Control and Indication	1	3	F3064	F44.40	WK68803	Carlos Mourão & Herb S
Aircraft Propeller System Installation	1	3	F3065	F44.40	WK68801	Herb Schlickenmaier
Powerplant Hazard Mitigation	1	3	F3066	F44.40	WK68795	Herb Schlickenmaier
Safety Assessment of Systems and Equipment	5	3	F3230	F44.50	WK68765	Ryan Naru
Distributed Electric Propulsion	2	3	F3239	F44.40	WK66028	Herb Schlickenmaier
Inadvertent Icing	3	3	NONE	F44.10	WK68757	Garrett Holand
Simplified Vehicle Operations (SVO)	3	3	NONE	F44.50	WK68767	Carl (Anna) Dietrich
Weight and CG	3	4	F3082	F44.20	WK68849	Larry Van Dyke
Crew Interface - SVO modifications/coordination	5	4	F3117	F44.10	WK68779	Anna Dietrich
Specification for Low-Speed Flight Characteristics of Aircraft	5	4	F3180	F44.20	<del>WK68850</del> WK70924	Nick Borer
Maintenance Standards	5	4	NONE	F44.10 - may move to F46	WK68762	Ryan Naru
Design Loads and Conditions	5	4	F3116	F44.30	Pending	Jose Martin
Acoustic Evaluation Practice	5	5	NONE	F44.10	WK68763	Ryan Naru
Sensor Fusion	5	5	NONE	F44.50	WK68766	David Rottblatt?
Aircraft Electric Propulsion System (EPS) Design & Installation	OBE	OBE	F3239	F44.40	WK65620	Christoph Genster



## AC433 and F38

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- Industry driving innovation and has need for clear certification and operational path
- F38 standards for design, infrastructure, autonomy and operations support eVTOL and AAM:
  - WK62670 - Large UAS Design and Construction
  - WK59317 - Vertiport Design
  - F3269 - Bounding Flight Behavior of Complex Functions Using Run-Time Assurance
  - F3442 – Detect & Avoid
- AC433 facilitation function helps keep efforts on track
- Coordination with other SDOs best for industry success
- Working together “raises all boats”



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# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

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# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

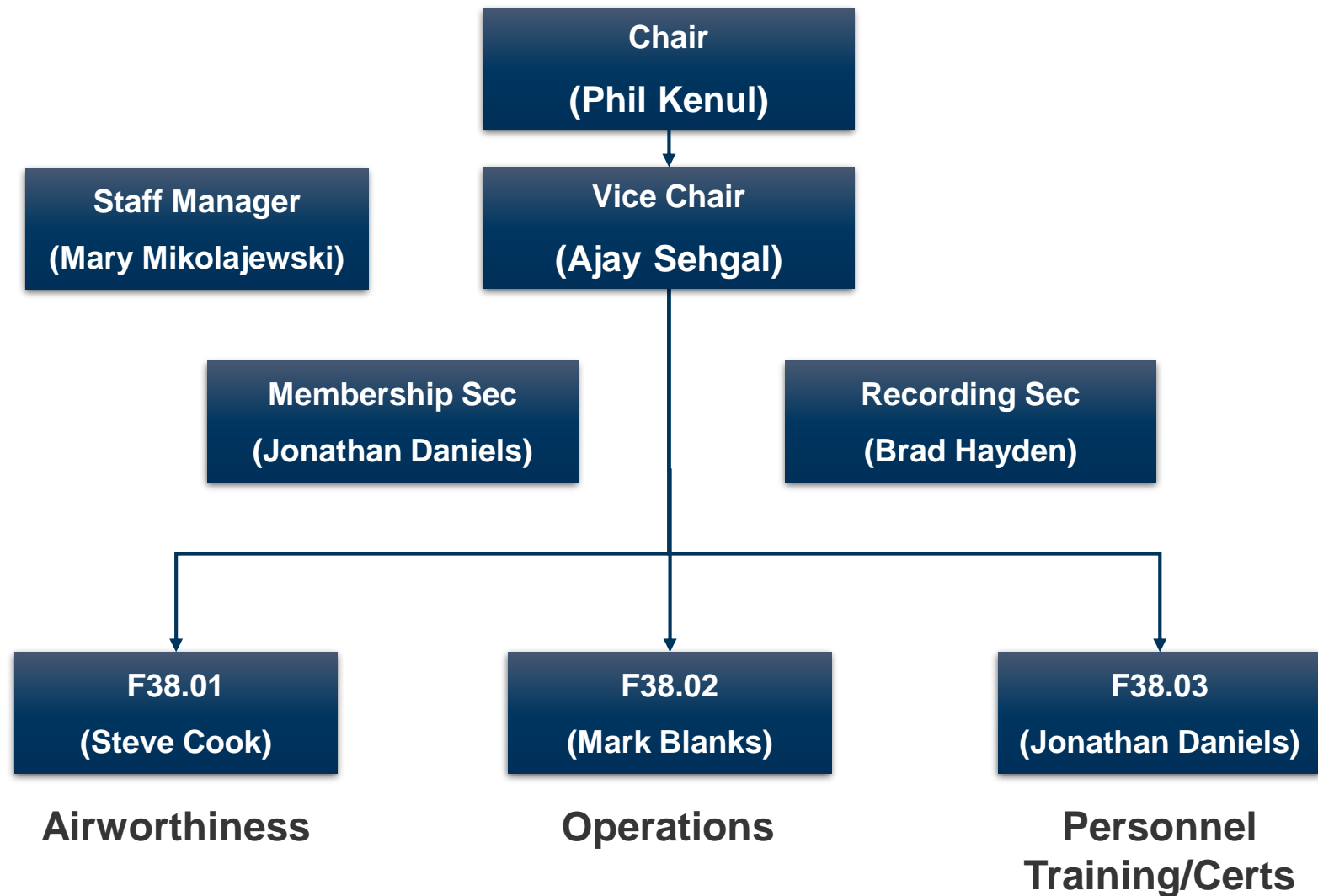
## AGENDA



- 2018 Roadmap Overview
  - Approach / Criteria
  - Current Status
- 2020 & Beyond Roadmap
  - ANSI (2020) Roadmap Gap Analysis
  - New Scope – Optionally Piloted Aircraft
  - ASTM Administrative Collaborations (AC377, AC433, AC478)
  - Other New Topics ?
  - Priorities ?
  - Common standards with other ASTM aviation committees ?

# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

## Technical Committee Organization



# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

## Approach / Criteria used for 2018 Roadmap



- UAS Standards Roadmap
  - Identify Requirements- **WHAT?**
  - Identify efforts already completed / in work- **WHO?**
  - Identify GAPS- **WHAT / WHO?**
- Prioritized (ASTM F38) standards based on-
  - FAA strategy/guidance
  - User demand signal(s)
- Developed timeline based on-
  - Priority
  - Resource(s) availability
  - Level of complexity/maturity (TRL etc.)

**ANSI Roadmap  
Version 1  
Dec 2018**





# 2018 Standards Roadmap



PERSONNEL TRAINING, QUALIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION		PERSONNEL TRAINING, QUALIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION			
FORM 853		FORM 853			
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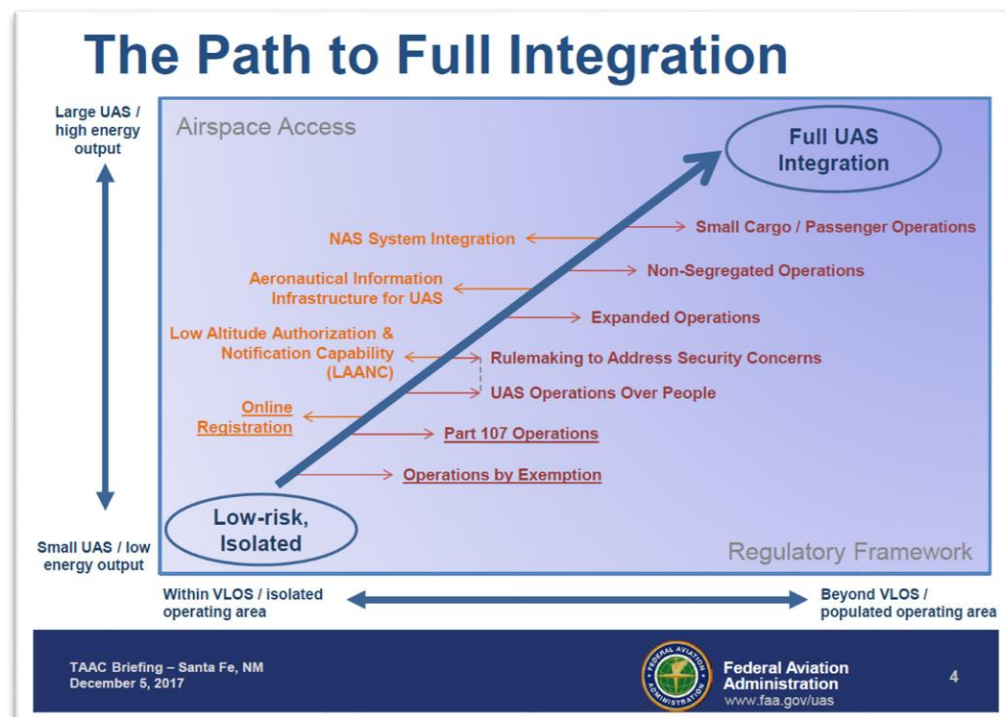
# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

## 2018 Standards Roadmap



FAA REGULATORY FRAMEWORK					
CURRENT		NEAR TERM (12 - 18 months)		INTERMEDIATE TERM (18 - 36 months)	LONG TERM (> 36 months)
14 CFR Part 107 (sUAS)	Part 107 Waivers	Operations over people	Expanded Operations	Integrated NAS Operations	Small Cargo / Passenger Operations

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<b>F38.01</b>	<b>ALTERNATE THRESHOLDS</b>				
<b>F38.02</b>	<b>OPERATIONS</b>				
<b>F38.03</b>	<b>PERSONNEL TRAINING, QUALIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION</b>				



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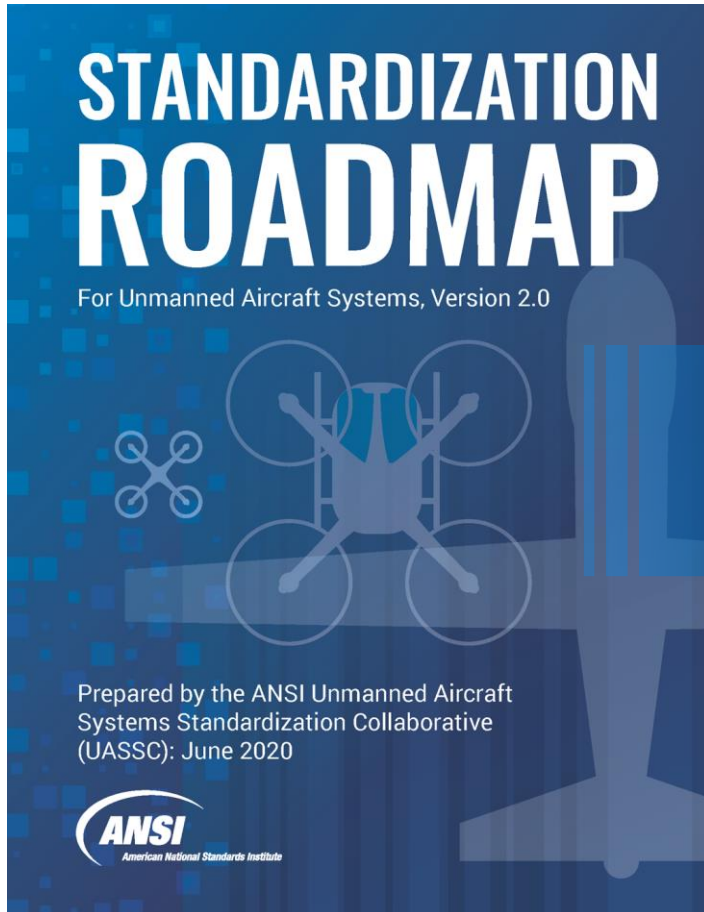
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## ANSI (2020) Gap Analysis



- Version 2.0 published in June 2020
- Identified **71** Total Gaps  
(Gap means No Published Standard)
- F38 identified, prioritized, and made recommendations for a total of **71** gaps, in the topical areas of:
  - Airworthiness (19) (section 6)
  - Flight operations (45) (sections 7-9)
  - Personnel training, qual. and cert. (7) (section 10)

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## ANSI (2020) Gap Analysis - Summary



## CH 6 (AW)

ID	Topic	Description	Due date			Status			Comments
			Start	End	Frequency	Start	End	Frequency	
1	Math	Algebra 1: Linear Equations and Functions. Topics include: Slope, Linear Equations, Linear Functions, Linear Inequalities, Systems of Linear Equations and Inequalities, Linear Functions and Graphs, Linear Regression, Linear Models, Linear Transformations, Linear Algebra, Linear Calculus, Linear Statistics, Linear Probability, Linear Geometry, Linear Trigonometry, Linear Calculus, Linear Statistics, Linear Probability, Linear Geometry, Linear Trigonometry, Linear Calculus, Linear Statistics, Linear Probability, Linear Geometry, Linear Trigonometry, Linear Calculus, Linear Statistics, Linear Probability, Linear Geometry, Linear Trigonometry, Linear Calculus, Linear Statistics, Linear Probability, Linear Geometry, Linear Trigonometry, Linear Calculus, Linear Statistics, Linear Probability, Linear Geometry, Linear Trigonometry, Linear Calculus, Linear Statistics, Linear Probability, Linear Geometry, Linear Trigonometry, Linear Calculus, Linear Statistics, Linear Probability, Linear Geometry, Linear Trigonometry, Linear Calculus, 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## CH 7-9 (Flt Ops)

ID		Task	Responsible	Start Date	End Date	Status	Progress	Comments
01	01.01	Task 1.1.1	Responsible 1	2023-01-01	2023-01-31	Completed	100%	Task 1.1.1 completed successfully.
02	02.01	Task 2.1.1	Responsible 2	2023-02-01	2023-02-28	In Progress	50%	Task 2.1.1 in progress.
03	03.01	Task 3.1.1	Responsible 3	2023-03-01	2023-03-31	Not Started	0%	Task 3.1.1 not started.
04	04.01	Task 4.1.1	Responsible 4	2023-04-01	2023-04-30	Completed	100%	Task 4.1.1 completed successfully.
05	05.01	Task 5.1.1	Responsible 5	2023-05-01	2023-05-31	In Progress	75%	Task 5.1.1 in progress.
06	06.01	Task 6.1.1	Responsible 6	2023-06-01	2023-06-30	Not Started	0%	Task 6.1.1 not started.
07	07.01	Task 7.1.1	Responsible 7	2023-07-01	2023-07-31	Completed	100%	Task 7.1.1 completed successfully.
08	08.01	Task 8.1.1	Responsible 8	2023-08-01	2023-08-31	In Progress	60%	Task 8.1.1 in progress.
09	09.01	Task 9.1.1	Responsible 9	2023-09-01	2023-09-30	Not Started	0%	Task 9.1.1 not started.
10	10.01	Task 10.1.1	Responsible 10	2023-10-01	2023-10-31	Completed	100%	Task 10.1.1 completed successfully.
11	11.01	Task 11.1.1	Responsible 11	2023-11-01	2023-11-30	In Progress	40%	Task 11.1.1 in progress.
12	12.01	Task 12.1.1	Responsible 12	2023-12-01	2023-12-31	Not Started	0%	Task 12.1.1 not started.

## CH 10 (Personnel)

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# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

## ANSI (2020) Gap Analysis - Summary



Chapter	Subject	Total Gaps Reviewed	F38 Sub-committee			F38 Recommended Action			
			F38.01	F38.02	F38.03	In Work or on F38 Roadmap	Add to F38 Roadmap		NO ACTION
							Collaborate with Other Committee(s) / Orgs.	New Standards	
6	Airworthiness	19	X			5	1	1	12
7	Flight Operations	13		X		5	-	3	5
8	Infrastructure Inspections / Commercial Services	19		X		-	-	2	17
9	Public Safety Operations	13		X		-	4	-	9
10	Personnel Qualifications	7			X	-	-	-	7
						10	5	6	50
						11			

# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

## ANSI (2020) Gap Analysis - Summary



### In Work / Already on F38 Roadmap

- D&C Standard(s) for Control Segment
- Detect and Avoid Capabilities
- Power Sources and Propulsion Systems
- Parachute or Drag Chute
- Maintenance & Inspection of UAS
- Privacy (Update upon rulemaking)
- UAS Operations and Weather
- Remote ID – Direct Broadcast
- Remote ID – Network Publishing
- Aerodrome Facilities for UAS

*Standards in Italicized Text → Collaboration with other committees / organizations*

### Add to F38 Roadmap

- *Avionics and Subsystems* – **F39 TC**
- Autonomous Operations
- Beyond Visual Line of Sight (BVLOS)
- Geo-fence Exchange
- Geo-fence Provisioning and Handling
- Inspection of Building Facades
- Bridge Inspections
- *Collaboration with DroneResponders*
- *sUAS for Public Safety Operations*
- *Hazardous Materials Response and Transport using UAS*
- *Forensic Investigations Photogrammetry*
- *Integration of UAS into FEMS Operations Section, Air Operations Branch*

# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

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# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

## New Scope – Optionally Piloted Aircraft (Definitions)



### FAA (8900.1 CHG 625, Volume 16, Chapter 1, Section 2) OPA Definition –

An aircraft having UAS technology *that can be flown unmanned and retains the capability of being flown by a Pilot Onboard* (PO) using conventional control methods.

### Transport Canada definition for Optionally Piloted Aircraft (OPA) –

An aircraft that is *integrated with UAV technology and still retains the capability of being flown by an onboard pilot* using conventional control methods. Transport Canada frequently defines RPAS as including a Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPA) or Optionally Piloted Aircraft (OPA);

### JARUS defines OPA in JAR\_DEL\_Glossary\_D –

A *manned aircraft that can be flown by a remote pilot from a location not onboard* the aircraft.

#### Common Theme

Has the ability to be flown  
with NO pilot on board  
or  
with a pilot onboard

# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

## New Scope – Optionally Piloted Aircraft (Bylaws Update)



2.1 The objective of the F38 Committee is to establish the standards forming the basis for same-day File-and-Fly access to the civil airspace for unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) **and Optionally Piloted Aircraft (OPA)**. The Committee will work with certification bodies and all stakeholders to develop standards and publications for use by end users as guidance to certify UAS and OPA for flight in relevant civil airspace. Ultimately, the desire is to reduce the regulatory burden on the industry and leverage standards to allow technology to be readily adopted in a streamlined certification process where appropriate.

4.1 The Scope of the Committee shall be the development of standards and guidance materials for UAS **and OPA**.

4.2 The focus of the committee shall be the development of standards and publications including (but not necessarily limited to):

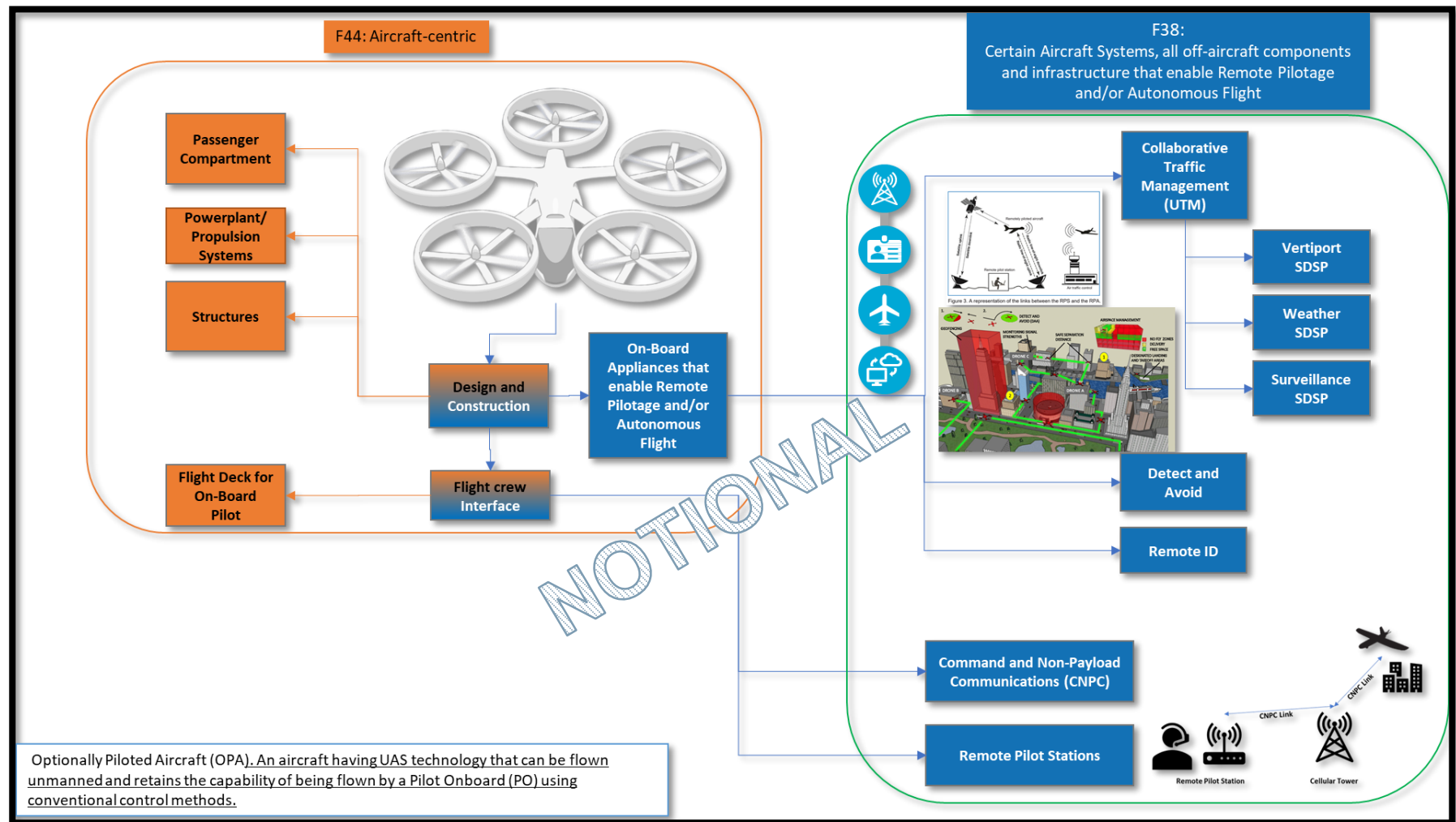
4.2.1 Minimum safety, performance, and flight proficiency requirements for UAS.

**4.2.2 Minimum safety, performance, and flight proficiency requirements for OPA, when acting as part of an unmanned and/or remotely piloted aircraft system.**

**4.3 The work of this Committee will be coordinated with other ASTM Aviation Committees having mutual interest, including but not limited to F37 Light Sport Aircraft, F39 Aircraft Systems, F44 General Aviation Aircraft, and F46 Aerospace Personnel.**

**4.3.1 A framework to define clear roles and responsibilities for applications with human onboard the aircraft shall be maintained to prevent duplication of effort between F37, F38, F39, F44, and F46.**

## New Scope – Optionally Piloted Aircraft (R&R Example)



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## New Scope – Optionally Piloted Aircraft (R&R Framework)



Area / System		Technical Committee				
		F37	F38	F39	F44	F46
Airworthiness	Air Vehicle Structures					
	Cockpit Design					
	Pasenger Compartment					
	Powerplant / Propulsion					
	Systems & Equipment					
Operations	Communications					
	Networking					
	Airspace Integration					
	Airspace Procedures					
	Infrastructure					
Personnel Training, Certification	Technicians					
	Maintainers					
	Remote Pilot / Operator					
	Observers					

### Responsible –

The committee(s) which are part of the working task group and contribute(s) towards standard development through shared responsibility (as determined by the *Accountable* committee) in accomplishing tasks/activities related to –

- TOR (Terms of Reference) development,
- Specific section(s) write-up,
- Technical discussions,
- Admin ballots to gather formal feedback, etc.

### Accountable –

The committee that has ultimate accountability and authority (**belly button**) over the standard. The committee -

- Has formal jurisdiction over the standard,
- Assigns and registers Work item,
- Finalizes TOR, and
- Conducts ballots and manages the standard

### Consult –

The committee(s) which are invited to participate to provide –

- Feedback regarding the standard TOR,
- Technical content, and
- Comments outside formal balloting process

### Inform –

The committee(s) that are not expected to be a part of the standard development but are kept in the loop for situational awareness of the related activities.

# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

## New Scope – Optionally Piloted Aircraft (R&R Examples)



Area / System (OPA)	Technical Committee				
	F37	F38	F39	F44	F46
Design and Testing of LSA Propellers	A	C	R	I	I
UTM (UAS Traffic Management)	I	A	R	I	I
Electric Propulsion Units	C	C	A	C	I
Flight Data and Voice Recorders	R	C	C	A	I
Autonomous Nav System Technicians	I	C	C	I	A
EXAMPLES					
A - Accountable      R - Responsible      C - Consult      I - Inform					

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## AC377 Autonomy Design and Operations in Aviation

5 Nov 2020

Andy Lacher  
Aerospace and Autonomous Systems Research  
Noblis - Federal Civilian Solutions

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# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

## Administrative Collaborations (AC377)

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### **Roadmapping Effort –**

Identify standards gaps associated with operations crew training and qualifications; systems design and testing; safety case development; and continued safety assurance.

### **Possible new standards –**

Symposium identified desire for test method for measuring how well humans interact with autonomy; inquire if F37, F38, F39, or F44 want to pursue this





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**AC433** Gap Analysis for the ASTM MOC for eVTOL/UAM A/C

5 Nov 2020

Tom Gunnarson  
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# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

## Administrative Collaborations (AC433)

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- Industry driving innovation and has need for clear certification and operational path
- F38 standards for design, infrastructure, autonomy and operations support eVTOL and AAM:
  - WK62670 - Large UAS Design and Construction
  - WK59317 - Vertiport Design
  - F3269 - Bounding Flight Behavior of Complex Functions Using Run-Time Assurance
  - F3442 – Detect & Avoid
- AC433 facilitation function helps keep efforts on track
- Coordination with other SDOs best for industry success
- Working together “raises all boats”

# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

## Administrative Collaborations (AC433)



- **AC433 covers eVTOL aircraft, simplified vehicle operations, and complex systems**
- **AC433, F37, F38 and F44 common elements:**
  - Vertiports, Large UAS
  - DAA, BVLOS
  - Electric energy storage and propulsion
  - Safety Assessment of Systems, Acoustic Evaluation
- **Ideas for discussion**
  - Expand WK 62670 Large UAS for passengers (after CAA acceptance)
  - Work with F46 (personnel training for maintenance, Vertiport ops) on respective F38 standards
  - Apply F38 autonomy standards to F37 proposal for LSA autonomy trials



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# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

## AC478 BLOS Strategy & Roadmapping for UAS

5 Nov 2020

Adam Morrison  
Streamline Designs

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# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

## Administrative Collaborations (AC478)

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- Handoff from one pilot to another
- Link handoff
- Command system/aircraft
- RPIC system status notification
- Aircraft & airborne hazard avoidance
- Terrain & obstacle avoidance
- Alerting other airspace users to contingency situations
- Geo-awareness
- Maintain operations within limitations
- Provide cybersecurity
- Positioning assurance
- Navigation
- Time synchronization
- Remote ID
- Autonomy & automation
- Risk evaluation
- Ability to land safely
- Weather
- Path-planning within the rules (4D trajectory)
- Contingency planning

# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

## Administrative Collaborations (AC478)



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### Navigation for UAS

#### **Develop a Standard Specification for Positioning Assurance of UAS**

The following topics could be considered:

- Definition of Positioning Assurance
- Performance measure(s) for positioning assurance (including error and units of measurement)
- Level of service measures to provide a means to compare actual performance to the required performance for the operation
- Define how a manufacturer or operator establishes and makes information available, especially for safe BLOS operations
- Define any requirements for general airworthiness and instructions for continued airworthiness



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## 2020 & Beyond- SUMMARY

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- Continue with existing standards work
- Complete Mapping out ANSI roadmap against current F38 work
- EXCOM to review and finalize
  - New TOPICS
    - OPA, Derived from AC377, AC433, AC498, etc.
  - Priorities
    - Regulator strategy / guidance, Resource(s) availability
- Update F38 Roadmap



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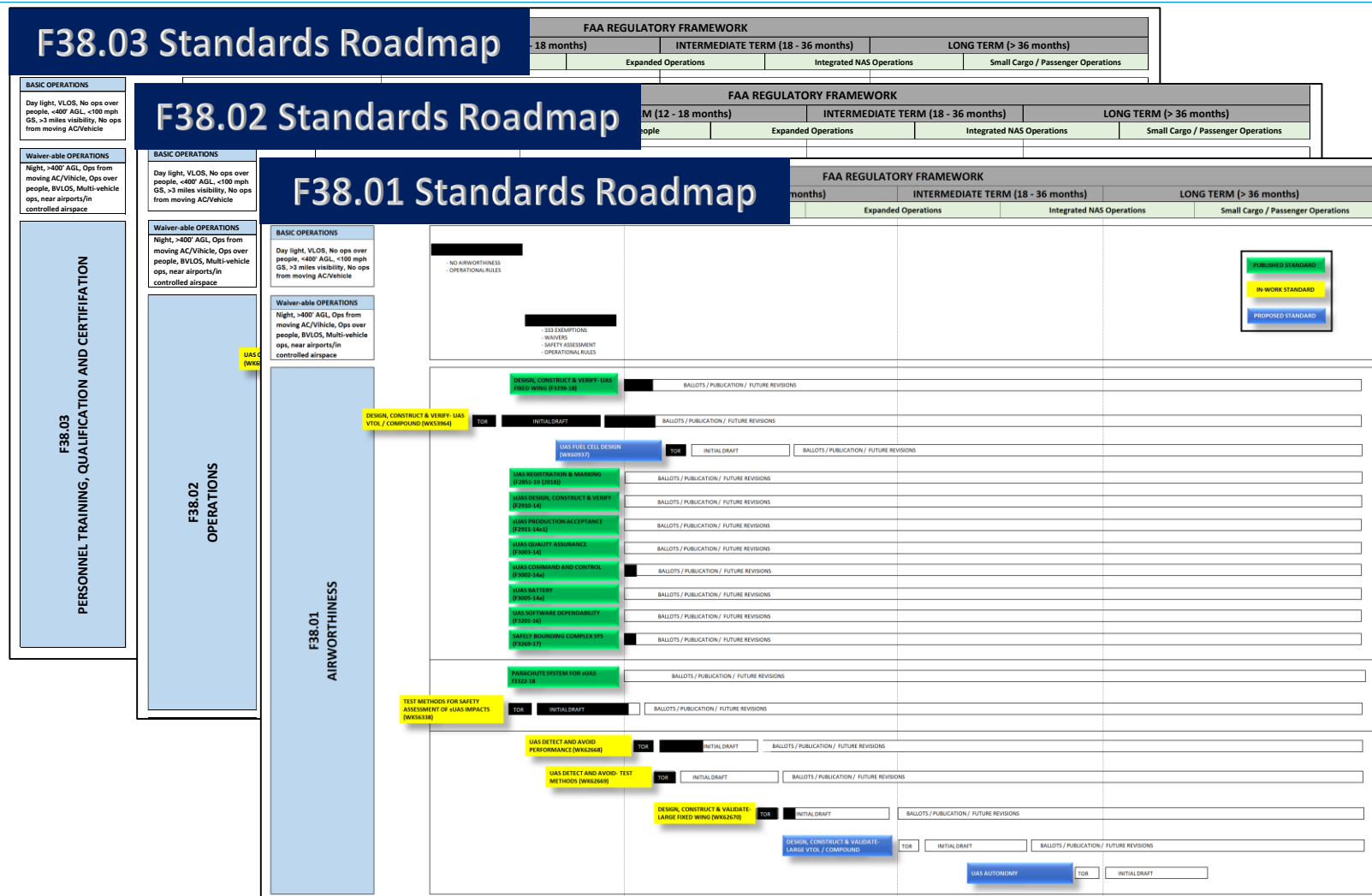
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# F38 UAS Standards Roadmap

## 2018 Standards Roadmap



# F38.01 (Airworthiness) Standards Summary



## PUBLISHED

- **F2851-10**      **UAS Registration and Marking**
- **F2910-14**      **Design, Construct and Test of sUAS**
- **F2911-14e1**      **Production Acceptance of sUAS**
- **F3002-14a**      **Design of Command and Control System for sUAS**
- **F3003-14**      **Quality Assurance of sUAS**
- **F3005-14a**      **Use of Batteries in sUAS**
- **F3201-16**      **Ensuring Dependability of Software for UAS**
- **F3269-17**      **Methods of Safely Bound Flight Behavior of UAS containing Complex Systems**
- **F3298-19**      **Design, Construction, and Verification of Lightweight UAS**
- **F3322-18**      **Parachutes for sUAS**
- **F3389/F3389M-20**      **Test Method for Assessing Safety of sUAS Impacts**
- **F3442/F3442M-20**      **Detect and Avoid Performance Requirements**

## IN-WORK

- **WK56338**      **Safety of UAS for Flying Over People**
- **WK60937**      **Design of Fuel Cells for UAS**
- **WK62668**      **Detect and Avoid Performance Requirements**
- **WK62669**      **Detect and Avoid Test Methods**
- **WK62670**      **Design, Construction and Verification for Large UAS**
- **WK69690**      **Surveillance UTM Supplemental Data Service Provider (SDSP) Performance**
- **WK70877**      **Showing Durability and Reliability Means of Compliance for UAS**
- **WK72960**      **Verification of Light Weight UAS**

# F38.02 (Flight Operations) Standards Summary



## PUBLISHED

- **F2849-10** Handling of UAS at Divert Airfields
- **F2909-19** Continued Airworthiness of Lightweight UAS
- **F3178-16** Operational Risk Assessment of sUAS
- **F3196-18** Beyond Visual Line of Sight (BVLOS) Operations for sUAS
- **F3411-19** Remote ID and Tracking

## IN-WORK

- **WK59317** Vertiport Design
- **WK63418** Service provided under UAS Traffic Management (UTM)
- **WK65042** UAS Operations over People
- **WK69335** Framework for Using ASTM Standards International for UAS
- **WK73142** Weather Supplemental Data Service Provider (SDSP) Performance

# F38.03 (Personnel Qual/Training) Standards Summary



## PUBLISHED

- **F2908-18**      **Aircraft Flight Manual for UAS**
- **F3266-18**      **Training for Remote Pilot in Command of UAS Endorsement**
- **F3330-18**      **Training and Development of Training Manuals for the UAS Operator**
- **F3341/F3341M-20**      **Standard Terminology for UAS**
- **F3364-19**      **UAS Operator Independent Audit Programs**
- **F3365-19**      **Compliance Audits to ASTM Standards on UAS**
- **F3366-19**      **General Maintenance Manual (GMM) for sUAS**
- **F3379-20**      **Training for Public Safety Remote Pilot of UAS**

## IN-WORK

- **WK61763**      **Training for Remote Pilot Instructor (RPI) of UAS**
- **WK62734**      **Development of Maintenance Manual for Lightweight UAS**
- **WK62741**      **Training UAS Visual Observers**
- **WK62744**      **General Operations Manual for Professional Operator of Light UAS**
- **WK63407**      **Required Product Information to be Provided with a sUAS**
- **WK67357**      **Light UAS Manufacturers Quality Assurance System**