





UAS PROGRAM OVERVIEW



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Acronyms



- sUAS: small unmanned aircraft system
- UAS: unmanned aircraft system
- UAV: unmanned aerial vehicle
- COA: Certificate of Authorization
- VLOS: visual line-of-sight
- PIC: pilot-in-command
- VO: visual observer
- FAA: Federal Aviation Administration
- ATC: air traffic control
- AGL: above ground level
- IC: Incident Commander

Used interchangeably to describe drones!





Who is in this class?



- Environmental Health
- Fire Department
- Hazmat
- Professional Drone Pilots
- Industry
- Military
- Law Enforcement



Los Angeles City



Los Angeles City – 4,000,000 People!



Port of Los Angeles – *Big Industry!*



LA City Refineries – 3 of them!





Mission Statement



The members of the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) Unmanned Aircraft Systems Unit (UASU) shall provide aerial observation support for the LAFD and other public safety entities within the City of Los Angeles, and through established mutual aid agreements within the County of Los Angeles. Missions will be accomplished efficiently and safely while respecting the law and the privacy of the citizens we serve.

Los Angeles Fire Department

Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) Operations Manual, 2017



Program Objectives



- Be on the cutting edge.
- Be an innovation leader to the fire service and the hazmat world.
- Improve situational awareness and safety.
- Increase environmental enforcement.
- Save the city \$\$.



What are we talking about today?



- Small unmanned aircraft systems (sUAS) <55 lbs.
- Below 400 feet AGL
- Capable of transmitting data to the ground
- Controlled by pilot on the ground
- Visual line of sight (VLOS)





- More cost effective than using manned aircraft
- Ideal for missions that are dangerous or unreachable
 - Humans are not put at risk
 - Continuous operations are possible







LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT 🛢 UAS 🥭

Unmanned Systems Potential Applications





Arctic Research	Pollution Moni
Firefighting	Storm Research
Flood Monitoring	HAZMAT Detec
Crop Dusting	Asset Monitori
Mining	Event Security
Farming	Port Security
Aerial Photography	Construction
Real Estate	Cargo
Communications	Broadcasting

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Industrial Logistics	Search & Rescue
Pollution Monitoring	Volcanic Research
Storm Research	Pipeline Monitoring
HAZMAT Detection	Filmmaking
Asset Monitoring	Crowd Control
Event Security	Aerial News Coverage
Port Security	Wildlife Monitoring
Construction	Forensic Photography
Cargo	Power line Surveying
Broadcasting	Damage Assessments





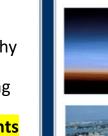














Fire Department Applications







Situational Awareness







Situational Awareness

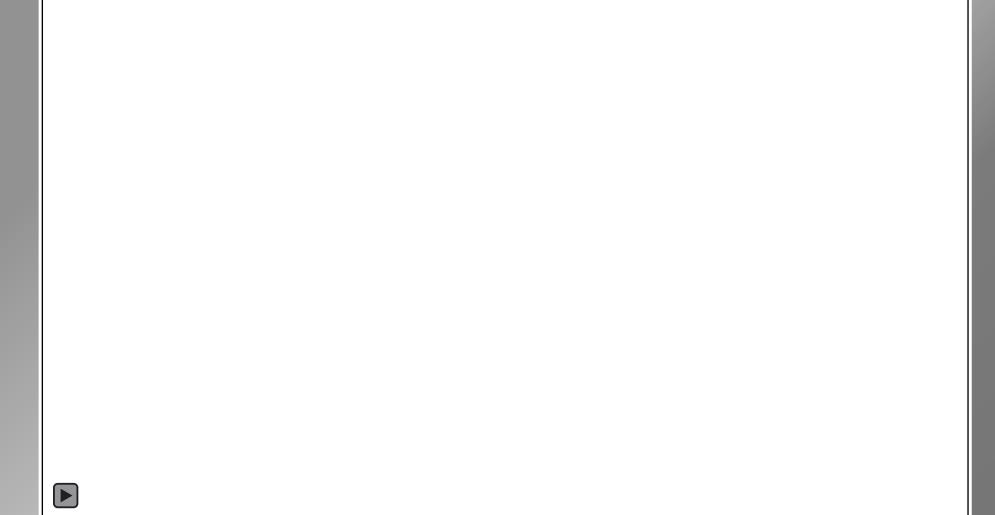






Situational Awareness









The View from a UAS

200' AGL 100' AGL 50' AGL	25' AGL



FAA Rules



- Part 107: Rules for commercial drone operation
- **Part 91:** General operating and flight rules for civil aircraft
- **Part 21:** Regulates the approval of aircraft design and production organizations and the certification of aircraft products, parts and appliances





Categories of Drone Use



- HOBBY Recreational use
- CIVIL Commercial operations
- PUBLIC Government use only









- A drone operator is considered a hobbyist as long as the flight is for enjoyment and not for work, business purposes, or for compensation or hire
- Pass The Recreational UAS Safety Test (TRUST)
- Follow recreational model aircraft rules
- Adhere to federal rules such as:
 - 400 feet max altitude
 - Register drone
 - Visual line-of-sight or use VO





Civil Drone Use (Commercial)

- Use of drone footage for compensation or sale is considered commercial operation or business use
 - Ex: real estate photos, wedding photography, marketing
- Part 107 requires commercial drone operators to obtain a license
 - Must pass a 60-question multiple choice test and a TSA background check
 - Test is taken at FAA testing centers, cost \$175, license is valid for 2 years











- Public drone use as defined by the FAA under Part 91 means a public or government entity
- Government agencies (such as police, sheriff, fire) are able to apply to FAA to obtain authorization to operate drones through a Certificate of Authorization (COA)
 - Basic COA is called a "Blanket COA" and gives you ability to fly in any uncontrolled airspace
 - "Jurisdictional COA" is location bound and includes additional authorizations



Public Safety UAS Program

Phased Approach

- Blanket COA
 - Must operate within VLOS
 - VO must be used at all times
 - Daytime operations only
 - 200 feet AGL
 - Must stay 2-5 nautical miles away from all public-use airports or heliports
 - The drone must be registered and display its aircraft registration number
 - A Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) must typically be issued for each operation
- Jurisdictional COA
 - Location bound
 - More autonomy
 - Nighttime operations
 - Fly in controlled airspace
 - 400 feet AGL (possibly above)









COA vs Part 107



Certificate of Authorization (COA)

- Issued to an agency
- Takes multiple months to obtain
- More flexibility (with waivers)
- Updated every 2 years
- Develop your own training program and self-certify
- Required to report stats to FAA
- Liability is often on the agency

Part 107 License

- Issued to individual drone pilot
- Easier and faster to obtain
- Certificate to fly under FAA's Small UAS Rule (Part 107)
- Initial license test
- Recertify every 2 years
- Liability on the pilot



COA vs Part 107



- Evenly split among public safety agencies utilizing UAVs today
- Our opinion GET BOTH
- Both allow you to operate UAVs as a public safety agency, however each method affords you different options and possibilities







- Have your city, county, or state attorney's office draft a letter (known as a Declaration Letter) declaring that your agency is in fact a subdivision of government
- Once the FAA verifies your status, they provide you access to an online portal on the FAA website where you submit the COA documentation



COA Process – Critical Elements

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How to Obtain a COA?

Obtain your COA at

https://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offi ces/ato/service_units/systemops/aaim/organizations/uas/

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Part 107 Rules



- Weigh less than 55 lbs.
- Maintain visual line of sight (VLOS)
- No aided visual devices except corrective lenses
- May use visual observer (VO) but not required
- PIC or VO cannot act for more than one operation at a time
- Max speed of 100 MPH
- Max altitude of 400 feet AGL
- Minimum weather visibility of 3 miles







Part 107 Rules (cont.)





- Operate in B, C, D, and E airspace only with ATC permission
- Yield right of way to manned aircraft
- Night operations with appropriate anti-collision lighting
- No operations from a moving aircraft
- No operations from a moving vehicle "unless in a sparsely populated area"
- No careless or reckless operations
- No carriage of hazardous materials





Part 107 Rules (cont.)



- PIC must hold a valid Part 107 remote pilot certificate
- Complete a preflight inspection prior to each flight
- Drone >0.55 lbs (250 g) must be registered with FAA



- No operation of aircraft if physical or mental condition would interfere with safe operation
- External load operations only allowed if it does not affect flight characteristics or controllability





Part 107 Rules (cont.)



- Upon request by FAA make sUAS and/or records available for inspection or testing
- Report to FAA within 10 days of serious injury or property damage of at least \$500
- Deviation from Part 107 rules is allowed only if in-flight emergency









Allows routine operation of sUAS at night under two conditions:

- 1. The remote PIC must complete an updated initial knowledge test online recurrent training, and
- The sUAS must have anti-collision lighting visible for at least three (3) statute miles that has a flash rate sufficient to avoid a collision.











- 4 categories for flying over people
- Sustained flight over an open air assembly includes:
 - Hovering above the heads of persons,
 - Flying back and forth overhead, or
 - Circling above in such a way that the sUAS remains above some part of the assembly.
- Does not include a brief, one time transiting over a portion of the assembled gathering





Operations Over People (CAT 1)

- Less than 0.55 lbs (250 g)
- Laceration protection
- No sustained flight over openair assemblies unless compliant with Remote ID





Operations Over People (CAT 2)



- Greater than 0.55 lbs (250 g)
- Impact energy equivalent to under 11 ft-pounds of solid object
- Laceration protection
- No sustained flight over openair assemblies unless compliant with Remote ID





Operations Over People (CAT 3)



- Greater than 0.55 lbs (250 g)
- Impact energy equivalent to under 25 ft-pounds of solid object
- Laceration protection
- Cannot fly over open-air assemblies of people
- Can only fly over people if:
 - Within or over a closed- or restricted-access site and all people on site are on notice that a sUAS may fly over them; or
 - The sUAS does not maintain sustained flight over any person unless that person is participating directly in the operation or located under a covered structure or inside a stationary vehicle.



Operations Over People (CAT 4)



- Airworthiness certificate under Part 21
- Can fly over people so long as the operating limitations specified in the approved Flight Manual or as otherwise specified by the Administrator do not prohibit operations over people
- No sustained flight over open-air assemblies unless compliant with Remote ID

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Operations Over Moving Vehicles



- Allowed if drone meets the requirements of Category 1, 2, 3 and either:
 - Remains within or over a closed or restricted access site, and all people within the closed or restricted access site must be on notice that a sUAS may fly over them, or
 - Does not maintain sustained flight over moving vehicles
- A remote pilot may also conduct operations over moving vehicles with category 4 drones under certain conditions.





Remote ID Requirements



- Remote ID is the ability of a drone in flight to provide info to other parties
- Helps the FAA, law enforcement, and other agencies find the control station when a drone is flying in an unsafe manner or where it is not allowed to fly
- Will provide info such as the drone's:
 - Identity
 - Location
 - Altitude
 - Control station location
 - Take-off location
- Will take effect September 16, 2023







- Senate Bill 807 (2016)
 - Provides immunity for first responders who damage a UAS that was obstructing them while performing emergency services







- Assembly Bill 1680 (2016)
 - This law updates section 402 of the penal code to include UAV operations that interfere with emergency services.
 - Makes it a misdemeanor to interfere with the activities of first responders during an emergency.







- Assembly Bill 856 (2015)
 - No drone operator is allowed to fly over someone without their permission to take pictures.
 - Prohibits capture of pictures or recordings of people doing personal, private, or family-related activities without permission.
 - Implemented as a direct response to the press invasion of public figures and celebrities.





- Assembly Bill 2655 (Invasion of Privacy)
 - Forbids first responders from photographing a crime scene unless they have a legitimate reason to do so. Any kind of photography is included—even drone photography.







- Restricted Tool Use
 - Prohibits the use of a motorized vehicle or equipment within any state wilderness, cultural preserve, or natural preserve within the California State Park System unless specifically permitted by the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation









State Highway System

- Hobby and Civil drone pilots may not fly a drone over the State Highway System in California–unless you have a Caltrans encroachment permit
- Highway includes:
 - Shoulders, weigh stations, berms, islands, vista spots, rest places, state highways, and interstates, etc.







- Unauthorized Communications with Prisons and Prisoners [4570-4577]
 - A Person who knowingly and willfully flies an unmanned aircraft system over or above the property of a state prison, jail, juvenile hall, camp, or ranch is guilty of an infraction, punishable by a fine of \$500.



UAS Policy Development

- Will overlap with everything in your program
- Funding sources
- Privacy requirements
- Training requirements
- Need to update annually
- 80% of what is in your policy will be driven by other groups







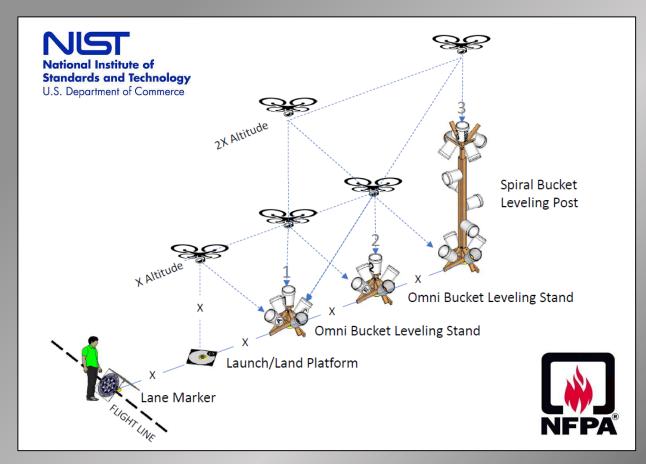
LAFD Training Requirements

- Policy and procedures in place
- Required to maintain Part 107 certification
- Mandatory 10 hours of logged flight time prior to department certification
- Nighttime operation training
- NIST lane training method (Man 1 & Man 2)
- Passing multiple real-life flights and annual evaluations
- Written department test





Evaluation/Qualification



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1. Flight Manual	1.11	a. Battery strength confirmed				
a. Maneuvers			PS signal			
b. Aircraft assembly and disassembly		21. Controller signal check				
c.Warnings		22. Fly Mode confirmed (GPS lock)				
d. Emergency Procedures		23. Confirm	n Gimbal d	peration		
e. Alerts		24, Camera				
f. Aircraft care and maintenance		25. Camera	a at 90dec	ree position		
2. LAFD UAS Program Policy				efore Launch		
a. FAA PART 107 vs. COA responsibilities				TAKEOFF		
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4. Airspace Authorization		28. Operate	or "Take-C)ff"		
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8. Safety Briefing		b. Ba	ttery%		Controller strength	
9. Weather briefed		c. Ca	тега гесс	rding, video on	tablet or display	
10. Launch and recovery site identified				PILOT JUDGEI	MENT	
a. Coordinates recorded		31. Demon	strates go	od ADM/CRM/C	RM	
b. Launch and recovery area appropriate				LIGHT MANEU		
11. System Inspection		32. Takeoff	ſ			
a. Aircraft preflight		33. Altitude	e control, T	urns, Rotation,		
 b. Controller buttons and control sticks check 		34. Climbs,	, descents	, landing (auto,	Manual)	
c. Display/Tablet verified functioning properly		35. Pattern	ı work (dis	cretion of IP)		
12. Battery voltage checks		36. Orienta	ition aware	eness		
a. Aircraft (>90%)		37. Altitude	e control, T	urns, Rotation,		
b. Camera (>90%)		38. Fly to P	OI and co	illect data demo	nstrating gimbal position	
c. Controller (>90%)		a. Initiate and execute photo				
d. Tablet (>50%)		39. Climb,	depart and	d return visually	home	
13. Aircraft Assembly		a. Demonstrate Return Home functions			unctions	
a. Gimbal foam removed		c. Ability to change flight settings in flight			gs in flight	
b. Camera		d. Ma	anual flight	(no GPS lock)		
i. SD card formatted			EME	RGENCY PRO	CEDURES	
ii. Camera settings confirmed		40, Lost Lir	nk			
iii. Camera attached to gimbal		41, Motor s	shutdown :	sequence		
c. Props attached		42. Pause i	in flight			
d. Aircraft battery installed		43. Near-n	niss proce	dures		
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14. Flight objective briefed		44. Return				
15. Controller powered ON		45, Regain	manual c	ontrol		
16. Aircraft powered ON		46. Abort L	anding			
17. Tablet powered ON				DING AND POS	ST FLIGHT	
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19. Aircraft connection confirmed		48, Post Fli	ight protoc	ol and inspectio	n	
Pilot Statement: I have been briefed on the reason for this ev	aluation flight a	and understan	d that I wil	l remain as pilot	-in-command of the aircraft d	

Pilot's Signature (Sign Prior to Flight)

Remarks:

Evaluator's Signature



Pre-Flight Plan



- Correct equipment for the job
- Equipment in good condition
- Weather
- Airspace authorization
- Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFRs)
- Interference/obstacles
- People
- Other hazards
- Flight management software for documentation



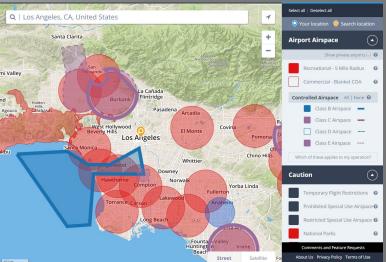


Notifications



- Notice to Airman (NOTAM)
 - Required by COA
- Low Altitude Authorization and Notification Capability (LAANC)
 - Controlled airspace
- System Operations Support Center (SOSC) Desk
 - eCOÀ
- ATC
- Metro Dispatch
- LAFD Air Ops
- LAPD Air Ops
- Port PD



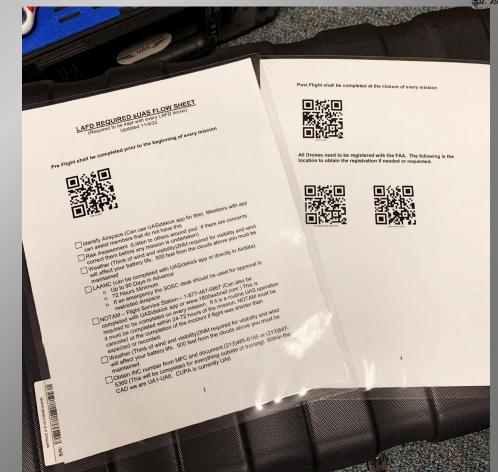




UAS Flow Sheet

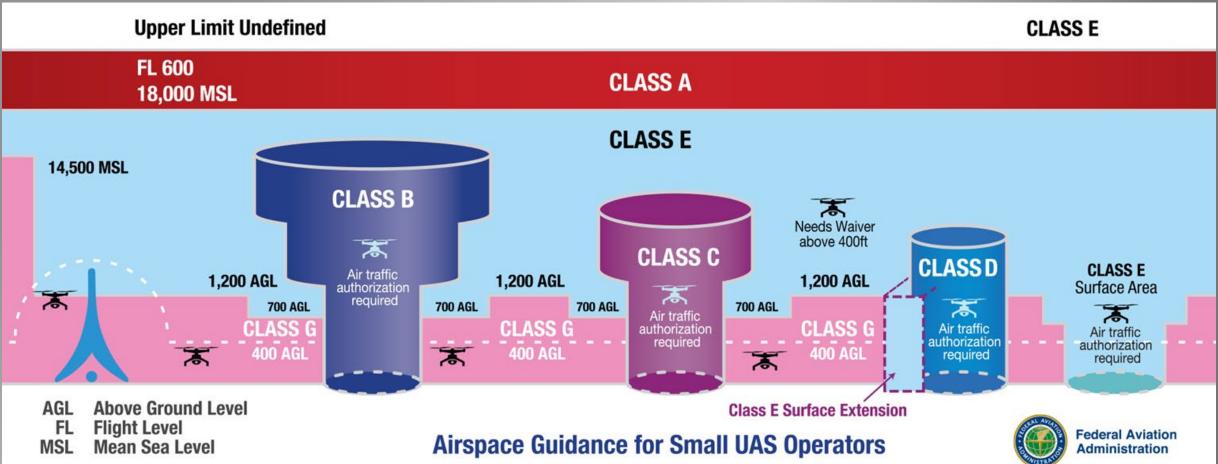


- Developed to assist the pilots with understanding and adhering to all of the flight requirements
- Includes:
 - Registration,
 - Copy of COA
 - Pre-flight/post-flight
 - Notifications
 - Documents and forms

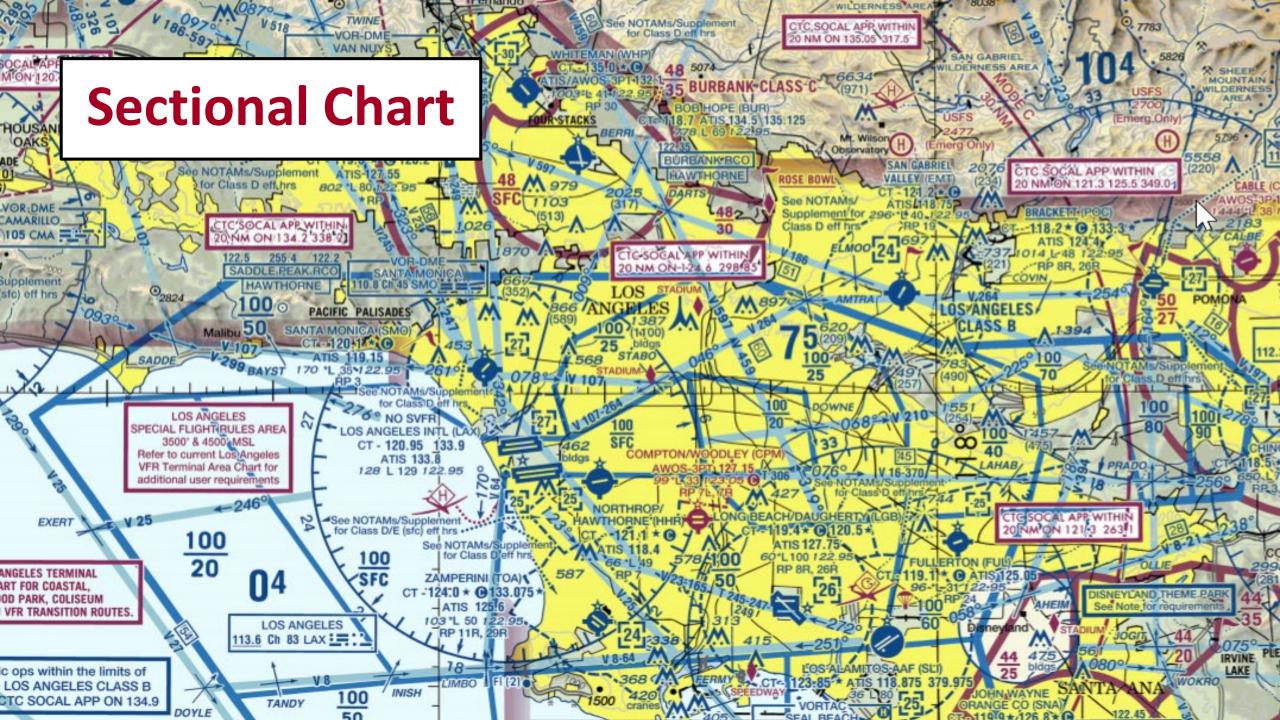








Airspace





Airspace Apps

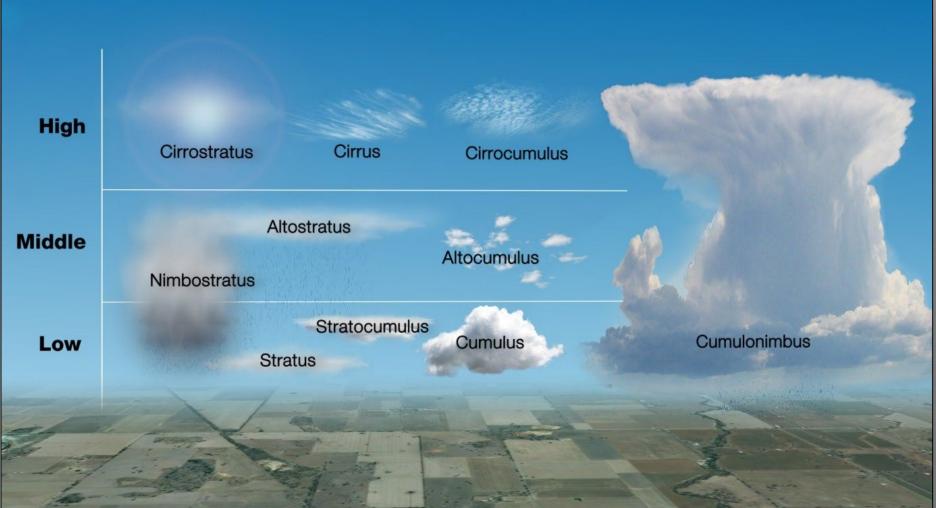






Weather











- Public Sentiment
 - Privacy Concerns
 - Potential for Damage to Public Property
- Unintended Consequences
- Political Impact
- Foreign Drones
- Weather
- Accidents

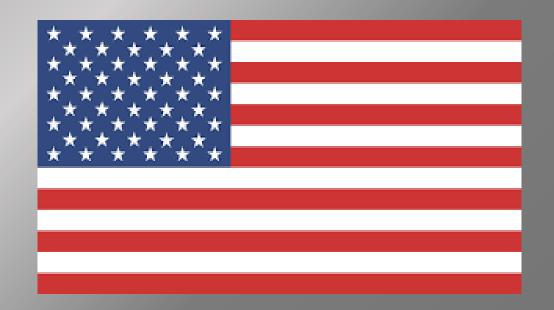




Foreign-Made Drones



- Concerns with foreign-made drones and the information being gathered
- Unable to fly over certain Federal locations if using foreign products
- Possible new software that will allow foreign products to be locked
- Federal concerns and confusion
- More difficult to purchase





How to keep track of your data!

- Chain of Custody for photographs and videos captured
- Public request for records
- Flight management software





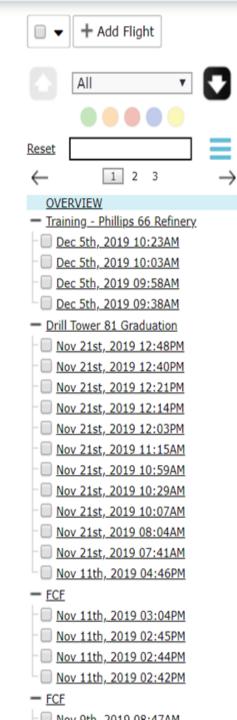


Flight Management Software

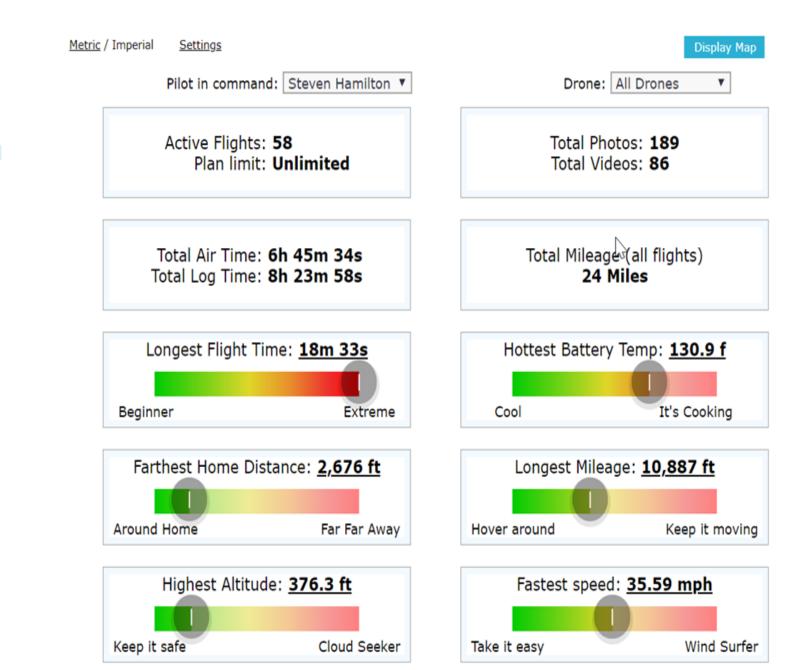


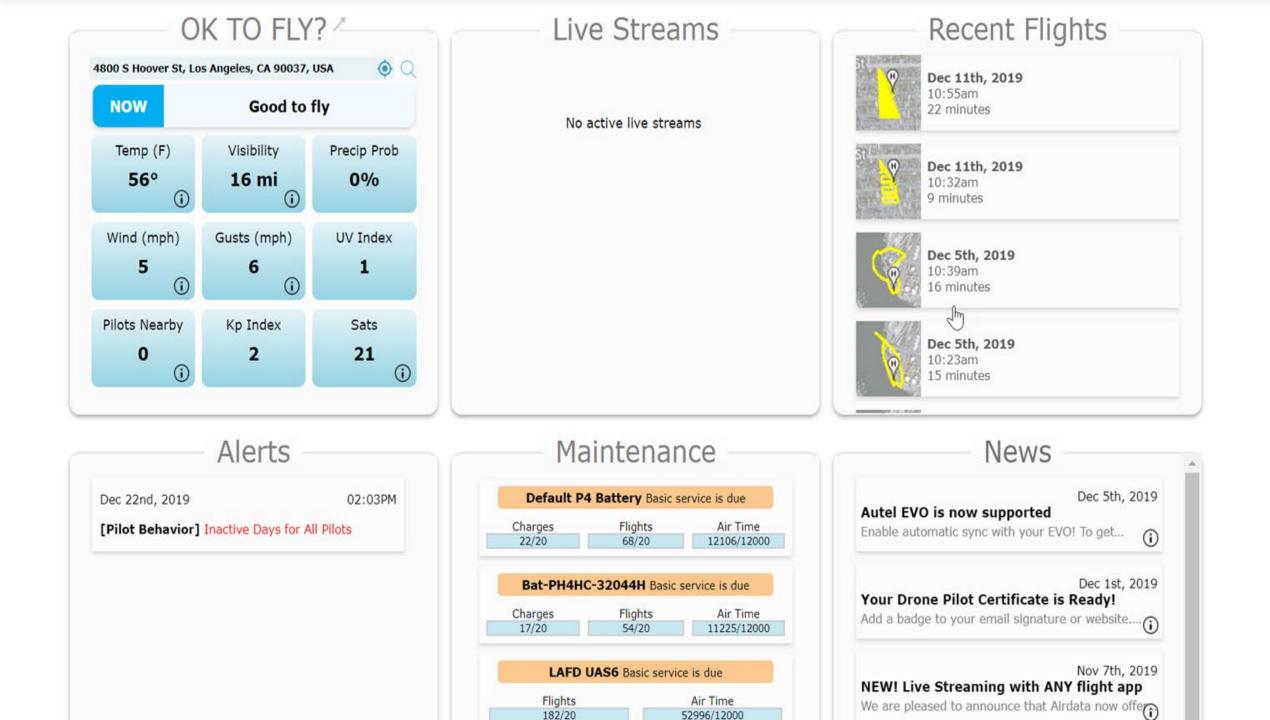
- Live streaming
- Pilot information
- Warnings that are issued when flying
- Precise flight path
- Drone health including batteries
- Pilot checklist
- Hours logged





UPLOAD FLIGHTS MY BADGE REPORTS





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OVERVIEW

Arthur Rodriguez David Danielson Derrick Ward Kurt Corral LAFD FIRE Rene Gonzalez Richard Fields Robert Smith Steven Hamilton

Name	1 Email	Total Flights	Total Hours	Days since last flight	🔶 Next Doc Expiration 🔶
Arthur Rodriguez	lafduasrodriguez@gmail.com	<u>13</u>	2.2	19	
David Danielson	LAFDUASDanielson@gmail.com	<u>437</u>	41.8	51	
Derrick Ward	lafduasward@gmail.com	<u>229</u>	17.7	67	
Kurt Corral	lafduascorral@gmail.com		0		
LAFD FIRE	lafduasprogram@gmail.com	<u>22</u>	2	72	2
Rene Gonzalez	lafduasgonzalez@gmail.com	1	0	39	~
Richard Fields	richard.fields@lacity.org		0		
Robert Smith	resmith5566@yahoo.com		0		
Steven Hamilton	lafduashamilton@gmail.com	<u>58</u>	6.7	25	

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What equipment do we have?



- 1 DJI Inspire 1
- 5 DJI Phantom 4 Pros
- 2 DJI Matrice 210's with thermal and cameras
- 2 DJI Matrice 100's with thermal and cameras
- 1 DJI Matrice 600
- 3 DJI Mavic Enterprise Dual (thermal)
- 1 DJI Mavic 2 Thermal Advanced
- 2 DJI Mavic Zooms
- 2 Autel Evo 2 Dual Thermal
- 8 Autel Nano's
- Remote battery charging equipment
- Large external battery chargers
- Lighting
- Department flow sheets with every drone
- LiveU streaming equipment
- Airdata flight management software





What equipment do you need?



- Multiple platforms
- You will have issues if you only have one drone
- How will you fix and pay for your equipment when in breaks?
- Some equipment will not be allowed on Federal sites
- Figure out what you will be using them for to help make your decision





How much will it cost?

- You can run a drone unit for \$10,000
- How much do drones cost? Free or all the way up to \$50,000 for a drone
 - Might be able to get others to pay for your equipment (Donations)
 - Grants are another option for equipment
- Helicopter costs over \$500/hr while drone costs about \$4/hr
- Drones are disposable and people are not
- You need to create value in what you are using the drones for







What if you crash or lose your drone?



- Proper FAA notifications?
- What procedures will your department have?
- Replacement cost?
- Was it a training issue or a misuse of equipment?
- It will happen you just need to do everything you can to reduce the possibility
- If flying with multiple drone's create a deconfliction zone with other drone's

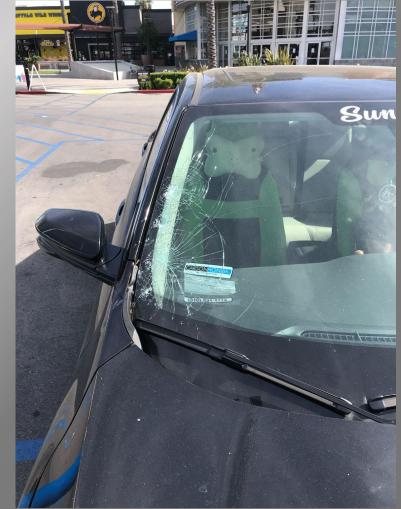




Drone Crash



















LAFD CUPA Case Examples



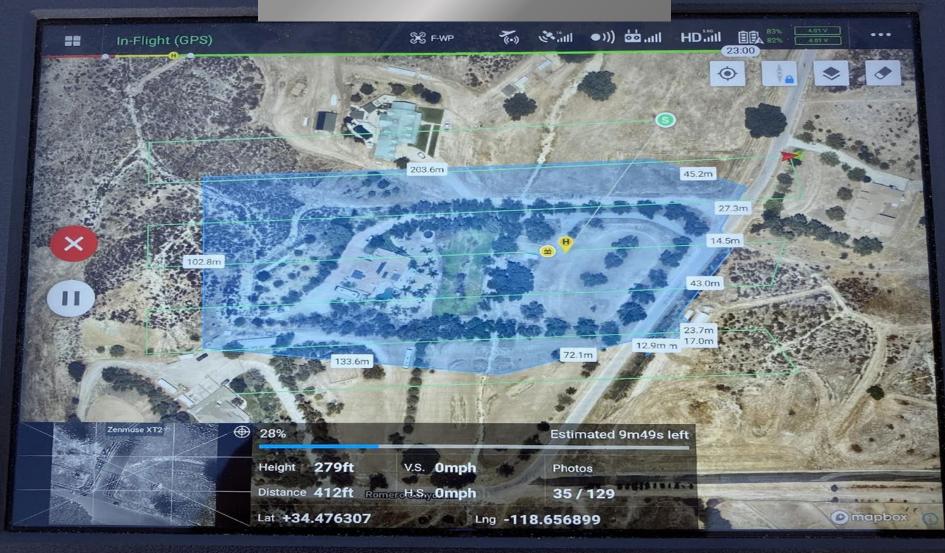
- Monitor hazardous materials releases
- Confirm releases have been corrected properly
- Locate hazardous materials at facilities with limited access
- Address City Council and public complaints
- Verify facility site map information
- Assist LAFD resources (i.e. JHAT, Squads, Brush fires, Swiftwater, and Cliff rescue)
- Map terrain in either 2D and 3D

Mapping

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Bad Elf GPS Device



- Allows us to create a perimeter within minutes
- Can be used for brush fires and hazardous material releases



























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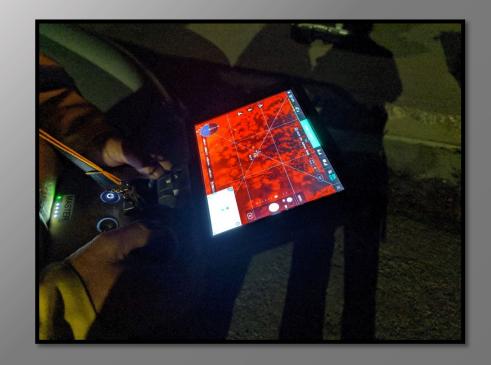








- Some drones have internal software that will keep you from flying in certain areas
 More problematic depending on what drones
 you are operating
- DJI drones frequently affected Qualified Entities Program (QEP) required to override geofencing
 - Need to keep updated
 - Each person is listed through an email
 AND the drone being operated





Is it safe to fly in a hazardous area?

https://youtu.be/4CBzW5PjqxM







How to decon the drone? Or just throw in trash?

<u>https://youtu.be/jNR-TW -OSs</u>





Live Streaming to the IC LiveU/Airdata/Live Deck/Wireless HDMP







Live Streaming (cont.)



- Can use 5 cell carriers at one time to send the information
- Will store the information and send when in reception
- < 1 second delay time</p>
- Can send the signal to YouTube
 SECURED
- Battery time over 5 hours
- Worn as backpack
- Anyone granted access can grab the feed and use the image
- Currently department is working with Citizen app to live stream to members





Live Stream Using Airdata



- Great budget friendly option when using multiple platforms
- Works with all drones
- Difficult when there is limited reception
- Can send the live stream to anyone via link





Autel (Live Deck)



- Works without cellular reception
- Almost zero effort to get it up and running
- Plugs into any computer or monitor via HDMI, USB, or Ethernet ports
- Video is displayed at full HD resolution from up to 4.4 miles away
- Limited to the computer/monitor it is connected to





Wireless HDMI



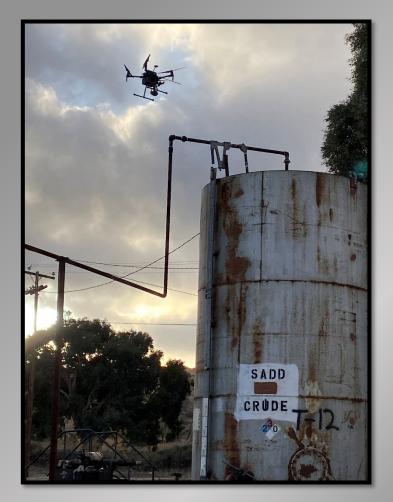
- Able to connect Remote to TV
 monitor remotely
- Works great when there is no cell reception





Examples for drone use!









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Flying Drones Indoors!



https://vimeo.com/lafdvideos/insideflying





Hierarchy of Drones Why pay more?





Zenmuse Z30



Specifications

-30x Optical Zoom-180x Digital Zoom-Image Stabilization





Zenmuse Z30 Camera Capabilities







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Specifications

-Thermal/Visual/MSX -6x Zoom









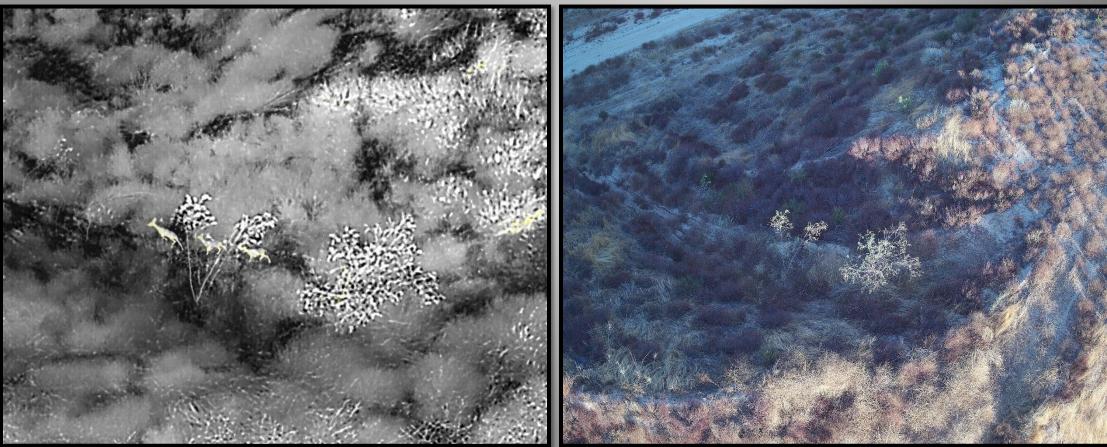






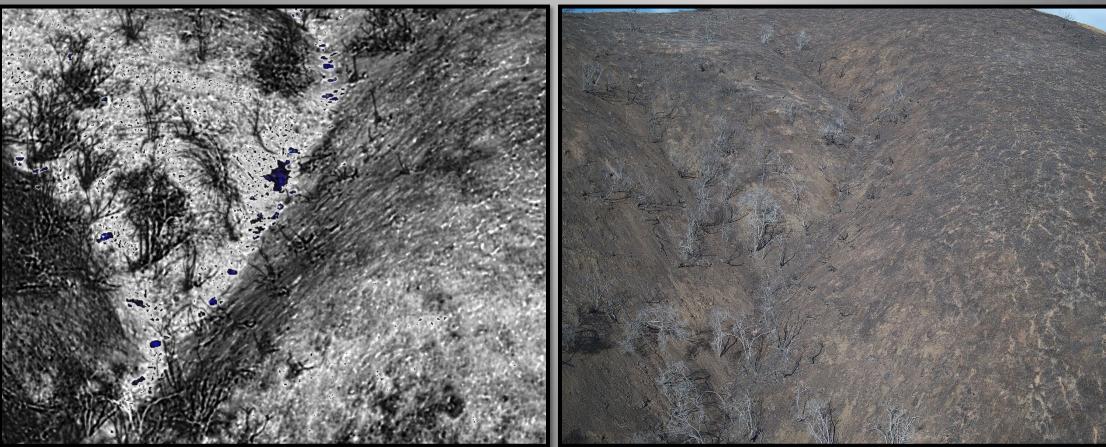
















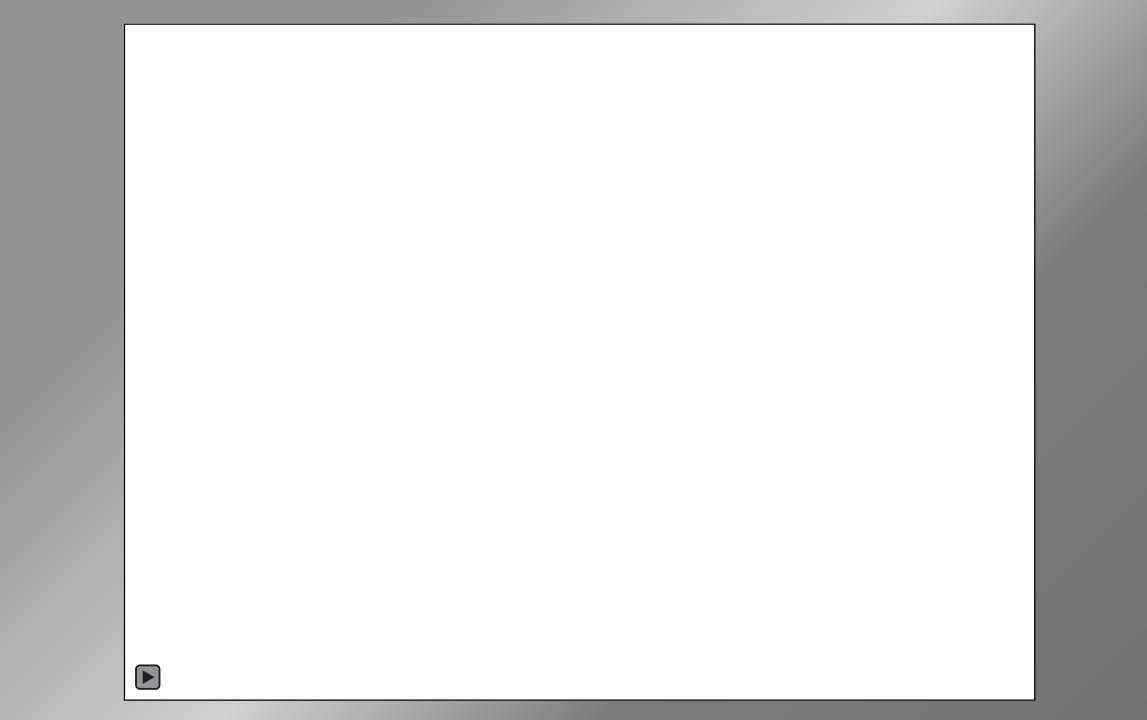


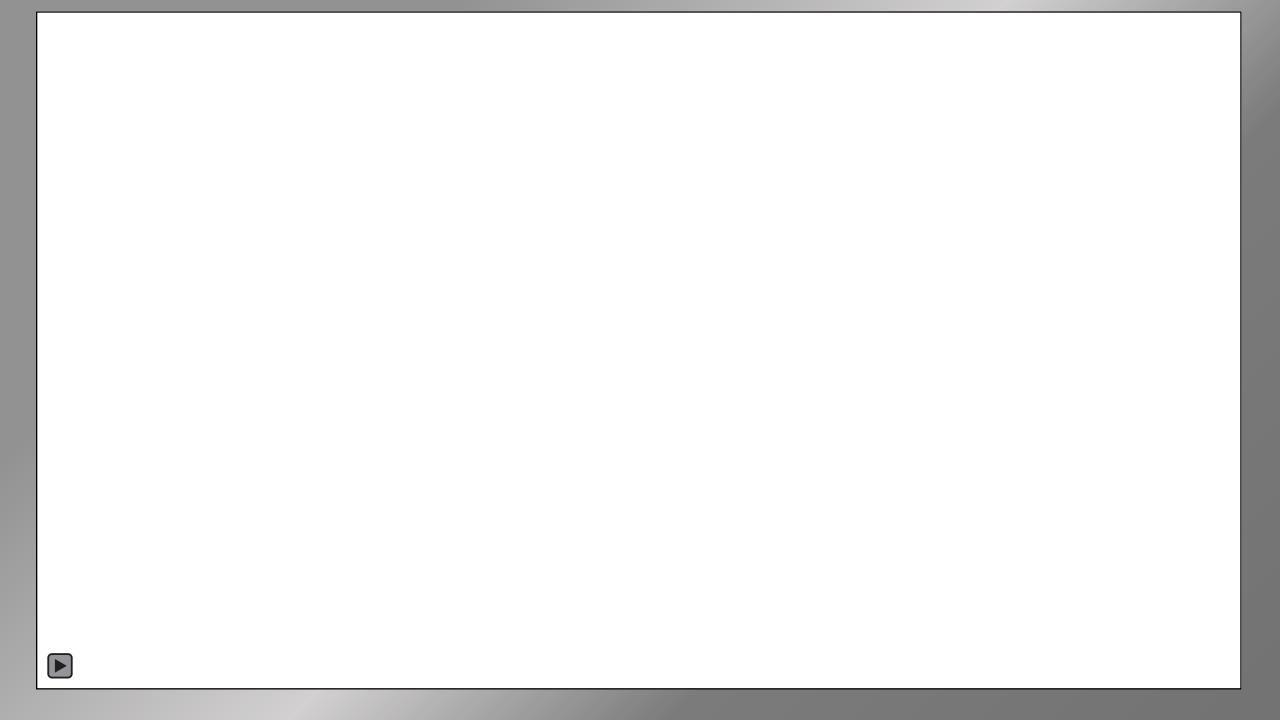








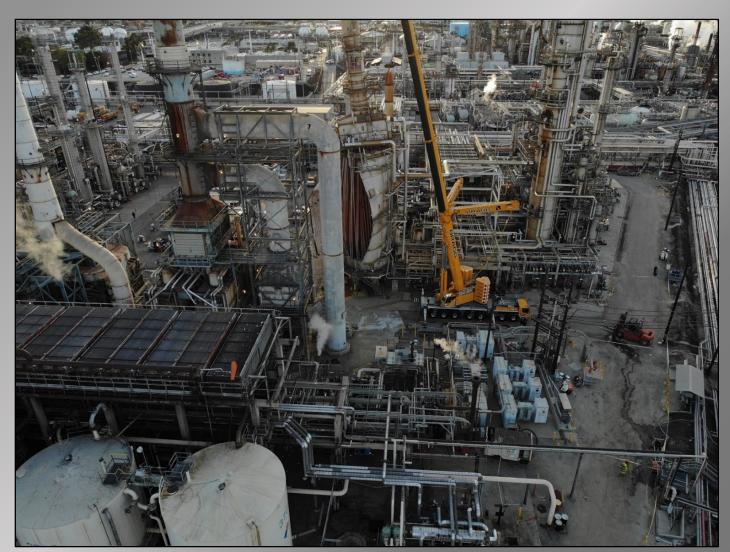
























Personal Radiation Monitor









Personal Radiation Monitor







Multi-gas Meter









Drager Single Gas Meters



- Chlorine, Ammonia and Hydrogen Cyanide single gas meters
- Meters are small and lightweight allowing for smaller drones to carry the payload





Flymotion Chameleon









Chameleon / Drager 8000







Other Attachments













FLIR C360





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MUVE C360 Sensor Overview

- Multi-gas detector fully integrated with the DJI Matrice 210
- Real-time continuous monitoring
- Single action lever design with M210 docking station and the calibration station
- 8-Channel Sensor Block
- The calibration station will be utilized to perform routine sensor calibrations and sensor verifications as needed to ensure confidence in the accuracy of the sensors within the MUVE C360.

Standard Sensors Included

Photoionization Detector (PID)

Lower Explosive Limit (LEL)

Oxygen

Carbon Monoxide

Nitrogen Dioxide

Hydrogen Sulfide

Sulfur Dioxide

Chlorine





Laser Methane Detector





Multi Meter Viewer from Safe Environment









Custom 3D Printed Mounts

















Finished Product







What Did We Accomplish?







The Ability to Communicate with People on the Ground!

- Communicate with resources on the ground
- Assist with crowd control
- Direct people during a hazmat spill
- Communicate with cliff rescue personnel, victims in remote or difficult to access areas







Counter Drone Technology What is the real threat?

- Big deal in the future as more small drones are used in the military world
 - Using drones with machine guns
 - People have tried to assassinate by attaching explosives on drones
 - Drugs and cell phones have been smuggled into jails
 - Fixed wing drones exist that can go for 25 miles
 - The pilot can be very far from the take off location
- Mechanical devices to shoot down drones
- Lasers that can return the drone to the original location or land in pre designated location from up to 1.25 miles away
- Use of eagles to bring drones down







Counter Drone Technology

- Many agencies are using these!
- Detect drones and provide information from 25 miles away
- Will even show what laws have possibly been broken
- Great for TFR's and large scale incidents to help with fixed wing navigation











- Ongoing collaboration with companies about technologies that will assist with hazardous materials identification and location
- Working with companies like DJI, FLIR, Airdata...
 - The Drone Ecosystem
- Constant testing with the capabilities of the drone platforms
- Evolving pilots and program to grow with the technology
- Re-evaluate needs:
 - Equipment
 - Training
 - Funding



Where is the industry going?



- First Person View (FPV) (DJI Avata)
- Longer battery life
- Vertical takeoff and landing (VTOL)
- Realtime 3D plume modeling
- Beyond visual line of sight







https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P3OAXS-_wEo



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