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Automatic Transfer of SAR Patterns for AUXSAR

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Automatic Transport of SAR Patterns

Mission Need: Near real-time Search and Rescue (SAR) patterns for forward assets to effectively execute mission.

Project Objectives:

- Demonstrate and evaluate the near real-time transport of Search and Rescue Patterns to forward assets.
- Define required capabilities for deployment/transition.
- Provide system architecture(s), System Dataflow Diagram(s), and Concept of Operations (CONOP) documentation necessary for deployment/transition of the system.
- Inform planned Enterprise Transmit solution being coordinated by CG-761.



POSITION
36:50.190N / 076:17.907W
36:50.190N / 076:17.907W
42:21.310N / 071:03:046W
42:80.872N / 069:35.504W
42:22.062N / 071:03:169W
41:16.185N / 072:54.112W
41:20.635N / 072:05.745W
36:52.915N / 076:21.528W
36:52.915N / 076:21.528W

Key Milestone / Deliverable Schedule:

Project Start.....	12 Nov 14 ✓
Auxiliary Search and Rescue (AUXSAR) Test	10 Sep 15 ✓
★ Sponsor Brief AUXSAR Test	Oct 15
Cutter Test.....	Dec 15
★ Sponsor Brief Cutter Test	Feb 16
Fixed Wing Test.....	Nov 16
★ Sponsor Brief Fixed Wing/ KDP for Rotary Wing	Jan 17
Rotary Wing Test.....	Jun 17
★ Rotary Wing Brief	Jul 17
★ Final Summary Report	Sep 17
Project End.....	Oct 17

★ Indicates RDC product.

Sponsor: CG-761

Stakeholder(s): CG-711, CG-731, CG-751, C3CEN, CG-SAR, CG-5P

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Expected Benefit:

Improve operational performance/efficiency/mission execution/resiliency

Notes:

Response Boat testing cancelled due to SINS II Acquisition

Introduction



AUXSAR



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In Coordination with D1 and D5



Overview



- **Overview of AUXSAR/System Design**
- **AUXSAR Field Test**
- **Potential CONOPS**
- **Path Forward to Transition**





Overview of AUXSAR/System Design



Overview of AUXSAR/System Design



- **Reads Search and Rescue Optimal Planning System (SAROPS) pattern summary Falcon View (FV) format**
 - Recently added the ability to read text search pattern summaries
- **Creates boat and aircraft navigation system input**
 - CG SINS (RB-M, RB-S)
 - CG HC-130J, MH-65, MH-60T (PFPS)
 - CG GCCS .ovl for Mission Suite/Pallet (HU-144/130J)
 - Cutter VEGA (ECS/ECDIS)
 - Garmin Flight Plan (GNS-400, 500, and 600 series, G1000 etc)
 - ForeFlight with FlightStream technology
- **Reads & writes GoogleEarth/CG EGIS .kml**



Overview of AUXSAR/System Design – Generated AUXSAR File Types



- **Response Boat – Small (RB-S) (grp, rte, wpt)**
- **Response Boat – Medium (RB-M) (.rou, .rat from GPSU)**
- **GoogleEarth /eGIS .kml (pattern name)**
- **.xml (PFPS: Large CG Aircraft)**
- **.fpl (Garmin Flight Plan: G1000 etc)**
- **.txt (ForeFlight)**
- **.sar (GPSU: to create RB-M files)**



Overview of AUXSAR/System Design – General Operation



- Search planners create search action
- AUXSAR reads exported SAROPS pattern file
- AUXSAR creates Navigation (NAV) system files
- MS Outlook macro creates email with attached NAV files
- NAV files are emailed to Station/ SAR Resource Unit (SRU)
- Station/SRU uploads to NAV system
- Pattern run as Global Positioning System (GPS) route



Overview of AUXSAR/System Design – Prototype Installations



- **Standard Workstation III (SWIII)**
- **Sector Command Centers (SCC)**
- **Stations in CGOne Network**
- **Mission Suite (130J, 144A)**
- **SBU notebook (Air Stations)**
- **Standalone notebooks**



Overview of AUXSAR/System Design – Computer Environment



- **Javascript in html wrapper (Web Page)**
- **Not installed as a “registered” program**
- **No changes to registry**
- **Interpreted by Internet Explorer (IE) 11 (already approved for Image 7)**
- **Program files stored locally, executed locally**
- **File I/O is all intranet/local**
- **Makes no calls to Internet**
 - Launches Google Earth (or kml associated application) automatically through associated programs in Windows to display patterns



Overview of AUXSAR/System Design – AUXSAR Interface



Welcome to AUXSAR II

AUXSAR imports SAROPS Search Action Plans and creates search pattern input files for vessel and aircraft Navigation Systems..
Patterns are drawn immediately in GoogleEarth or ArcGIS Desktop ("eGIS").

NAV System files are placed in the default AUXSAR folder "c:\auxsar\package\"

BROWSE to a SAROPS Pattern, as FV. Edit the parameters & Press "Create Pattern."

CASE:	<input type="text" value="Name"/>	PATTERN:	<input type="text" value="Name"/>
SA Width:	<input type="text" value="nm"/>	SA Length:	<input type="text" value="nm"/>
CSP LAT:	<input type="text" value="Decimal Deg"/>	(D-M_S):	<input type="text" value="(Deg-Min_Sec)"/> <input type="text" value="(Deg DecMin)"/>
CSP LON:	<input type="text" value="Decimal Deg"/>	(D-M_S):	<input type="text" value="(Deg-Min_Sec)"/> <input type="text" value="(Deg DecMin)"/>
Major Axis:	<input type="text" value="Deg T"/>		
Track Space::	<input type="text" value="in nm"/>		
First Turn:	<input type="text" value="RIGHT"/> ▼		
Move CSP to:	<input type="text" value="NO"/> ▼		
Search Speed::	<input type="text" value="kts"/>		
Pattern Source:	<input type="text" value="AUXSAR"/> ▼		
Pattern Type:	<input type="text" value="Parallel"/> ▼		
Legs:	<input type="text" value="Number of Legs"/>	"Fitted" A&B	<input type="text"/>
SRU MMSI:	<input type="text" value="SRU MMSI"/>		

FITTED:

1. Browse to SAR file
2. Select the file
3. Fields are imported
4. Add missing data and/or modify search
5. Create patterns



Overview of AUXSAR/System Design – CASE/Pattern/CSP



CASE:	A-1-1501-Visual	PATTERN:	A-1-1501-Visual	
SA Width:	37.7	SA Length:	21.8	
CSP LAT:	35.05	(D-M_S):	35-2' 59.999" N	35-3'
CSP LON:	-75.419	(D-M_S):	75-25' 8.3999" W	75-25.14'

- **A CASE may have many PATTERNS**
 - PATTERN name becomes file name
 - CSP LAT/LON in decimal degrees
 - LAT/LON convention for sign (“-” West LON)
 - CSP LAT and LON shown in additional formats
 - Deg-Minutes_Decimal Seconds
 - Deg-Decimal Minutes



Overview of AUXSAR/System Design – Create Pattern Files

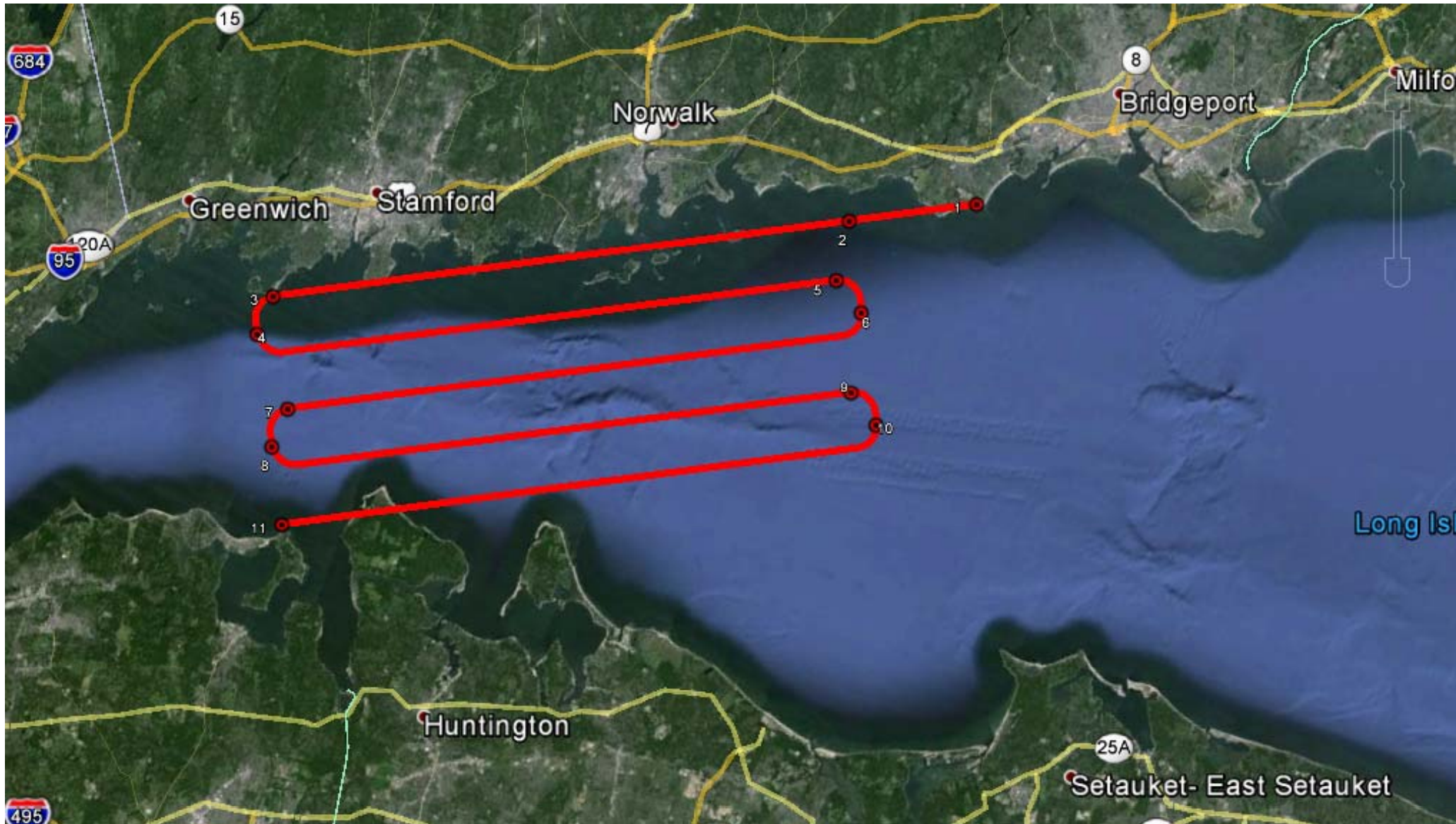


Search Speed (kts):	<input type="text" value="120"/>
Pattern Source:	<input style="border-bottom: 1px solid black;" type="text" value="SAROPS"/>
Pattern Type:	<input style="border-bottom: 1px solid black;" type="text" value="Parallel"/>
Number of Legs:	<input type="text" value="12"/>
SRU MMSI:	<input type="text" value="SRU MMSI"/>
<input type="button" value="Create Pattern Files"/>	

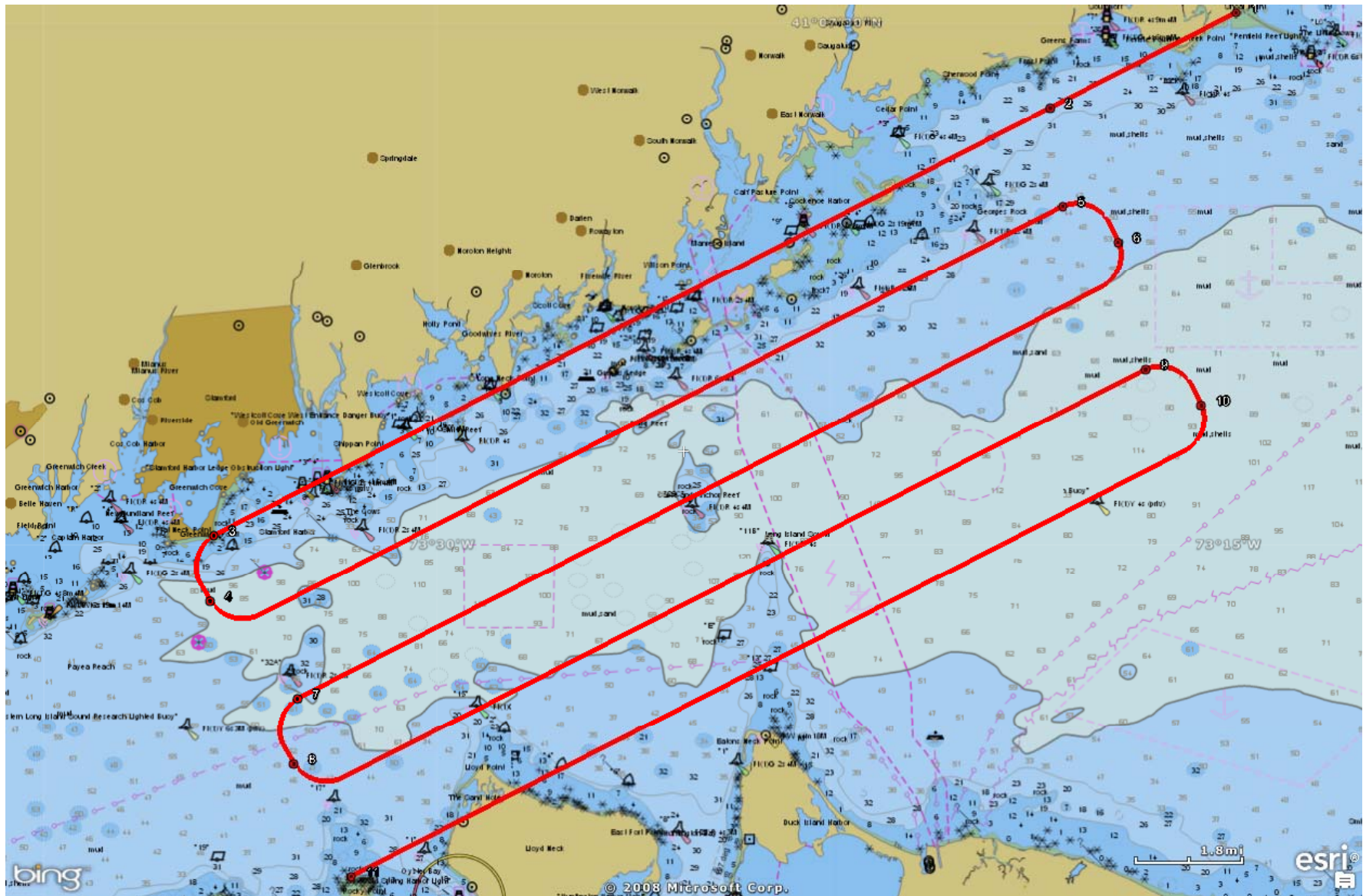
- Press “*Create Pattern Files*”



Overview of AUXSAR/System Design – Pattern Viewed in Google Earth



Overview of AUXSAR/System Design – Pattern Viewed in CG EGIS



Overview of AUXSAR/System Design – Pattern Converted to ForeFlight



41.12757N/73.24587W 41.1049N/73.30497W 41.00233N/73.57086W 41.00141N...





AUXSAR Field Test



AUXSAR Field Test – Garmin GPSmap 496 In Flight



AUXSAR Field Test – Garmin GNS 530W Autopilot In Flight



AUXSAR Field Test – Garmin G1000/Autopilot Mar 2014



AUXSAR Field Test – ForeFlight Received In Flight Jan 2015



AUXSAR Field Test – HC-130J 0.1 TS PS, 180 kts



A/S Elizabeth City In Flight

“It flew fine without incident or issues.”

“.. images of the SAP I flew today. Everything worked well. I played around ..with waypoint sequencing and found that Point to Point worked best for total coverage.”

LT Greg Rehlender
Ops Support Chief
LE/LMR Division Chief



AUXSAR Field Test – HH-65 0.1 nm TS PS, 90 kts



Aviation Training Center (ATC) Simulator

“Attached is the AUXSAR pattern on the MDL Card. The Flight Manager and Flight Director worked great; note the XTRK of 0.0 NM. This is key if the trackspace is 0.1 NM.”

(Note: flown hands’s off)

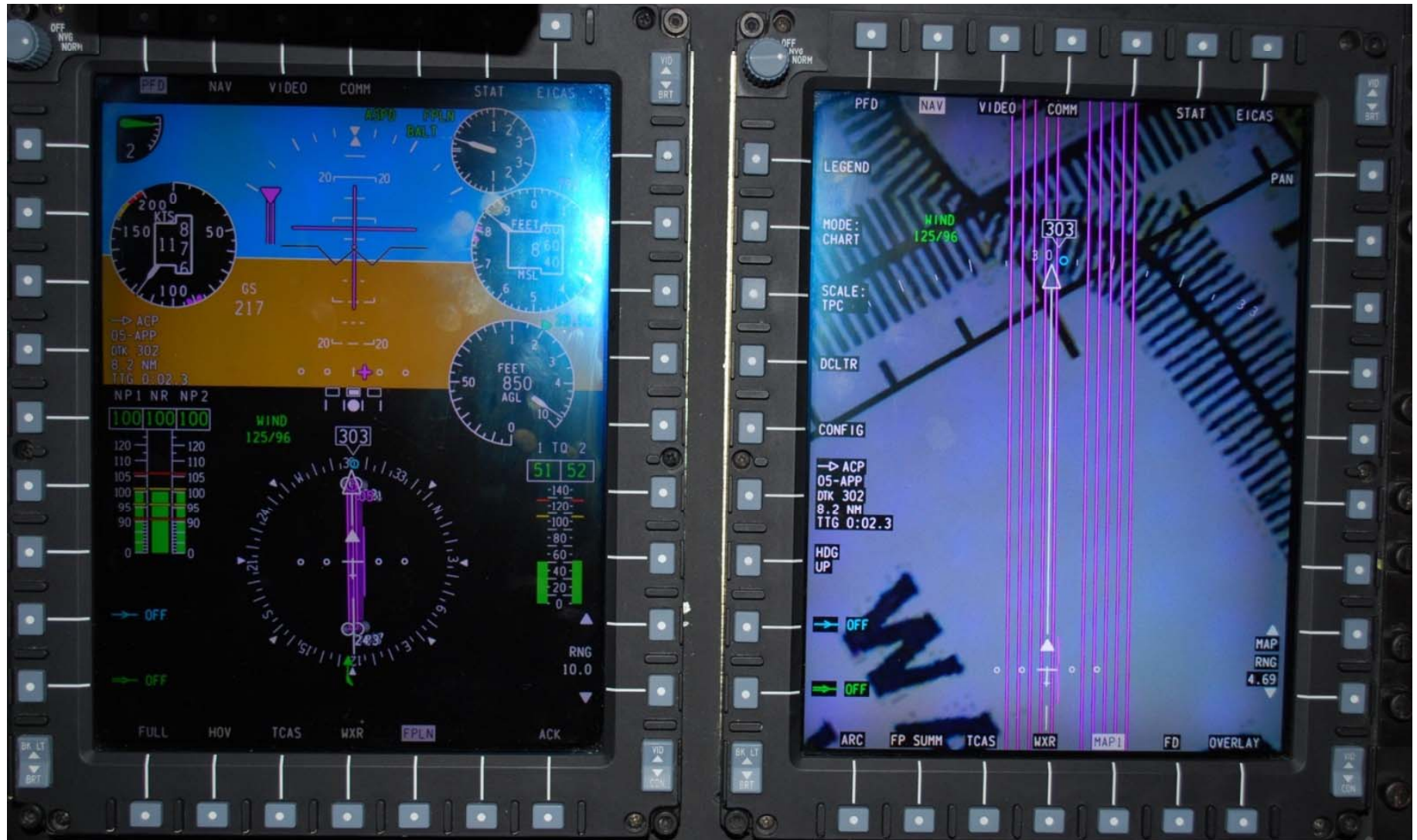
LT Ron Green
H-65 Stan Branch
ATC Mobile



AUXSAR Field Test – MH-60T 0.1 nm TS PS, 90 kts



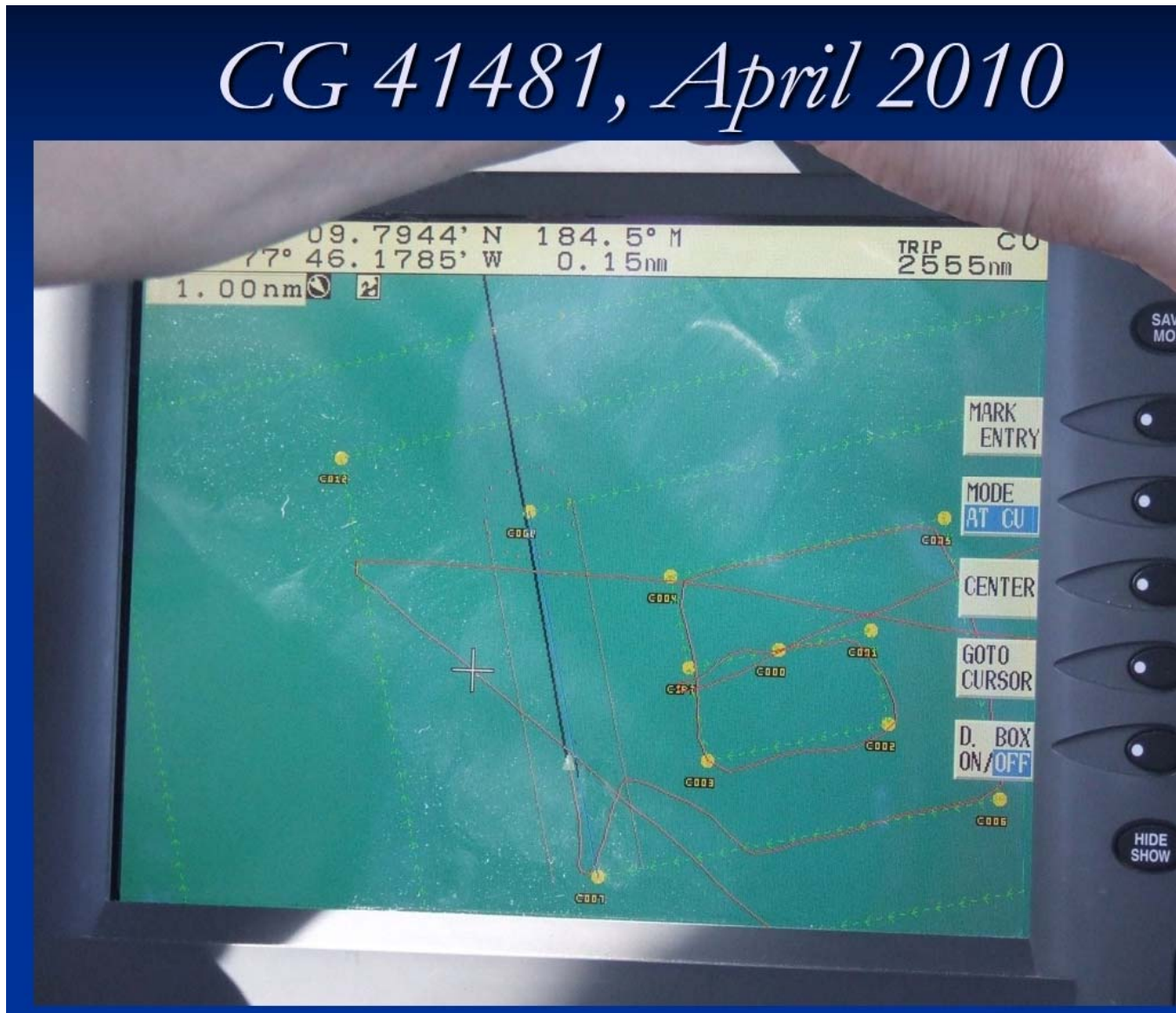
ATC SIM



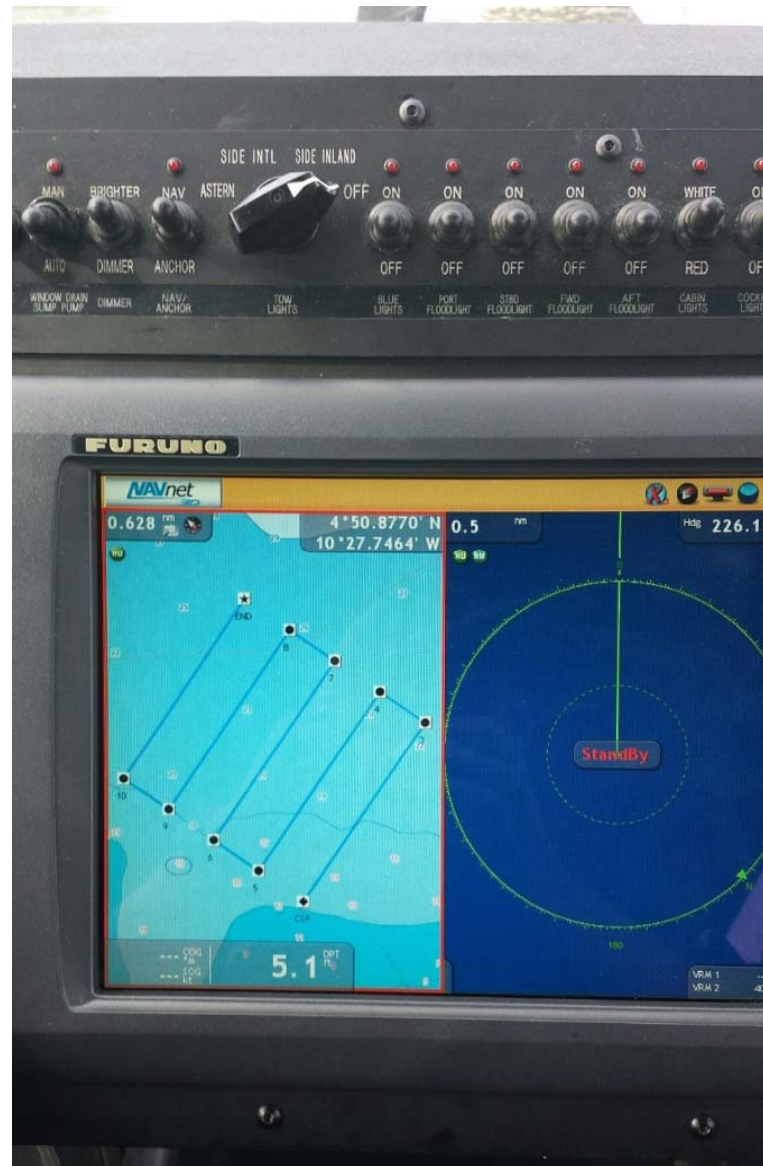
AUXSAR Field Test – SINS



CG 41481, April 2010



AUXSAR Field Test – RB-S, SOI June 2015

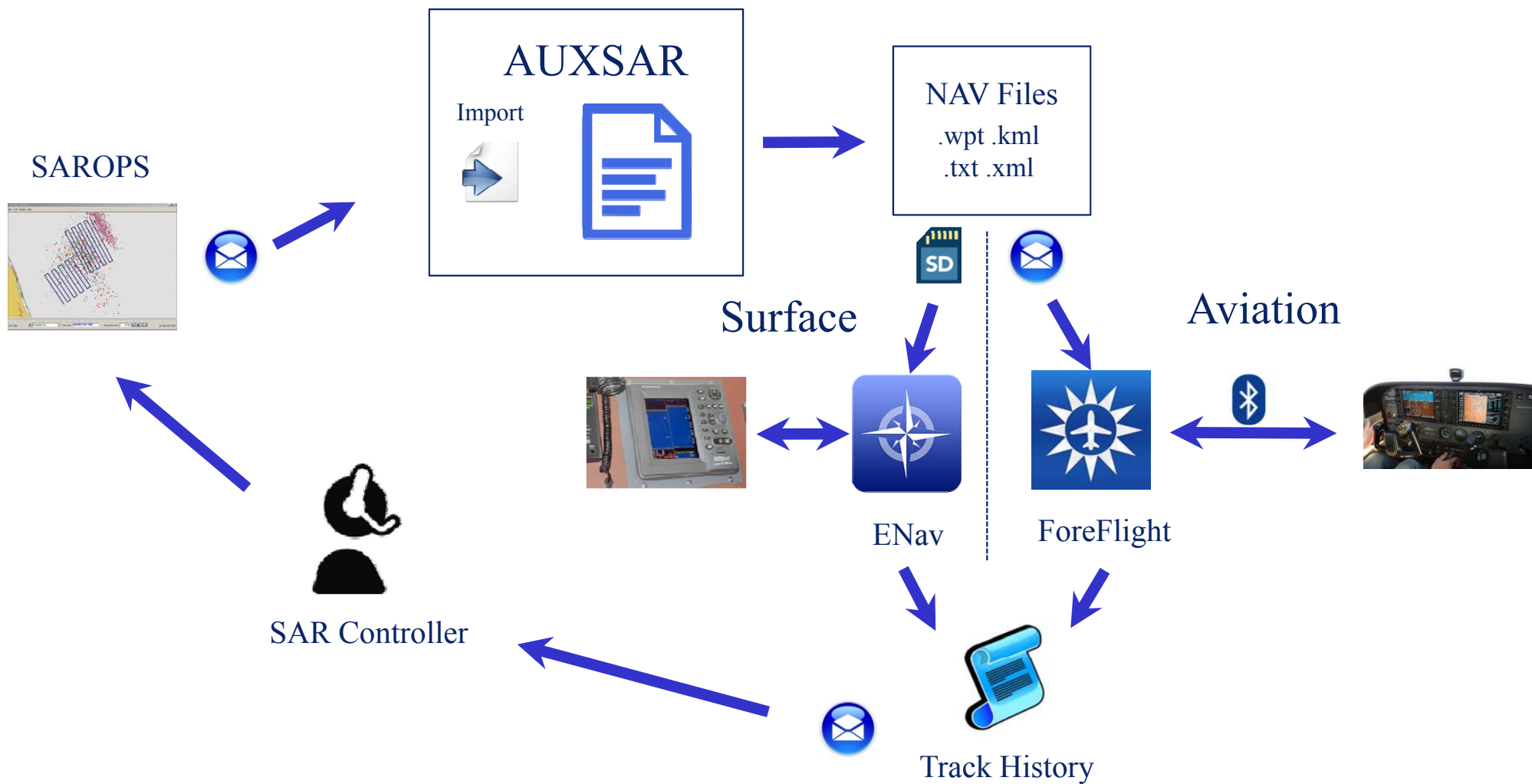




Potential CONOPS



Potential CONOPS – Basic Flow



Potential CONOPS – Benefits



- **For an RB-S significantly less work inputting a SAR pattern**
 - Over 850 key strokes for an 11 leg pattern!
- **Ensures pattern accuracy**
 - Prevents data entry errors
 - Ensures the pattern requested is the pattern searched
- **Helps with pre voyage/per flight planning (Geographic Information System (GIS) overlays)**
 - Navigation hazards
 - Weather hazards
 - Restricted/controlled area situational awareness



Potential CONOPS – Auxiliary Asset Notes



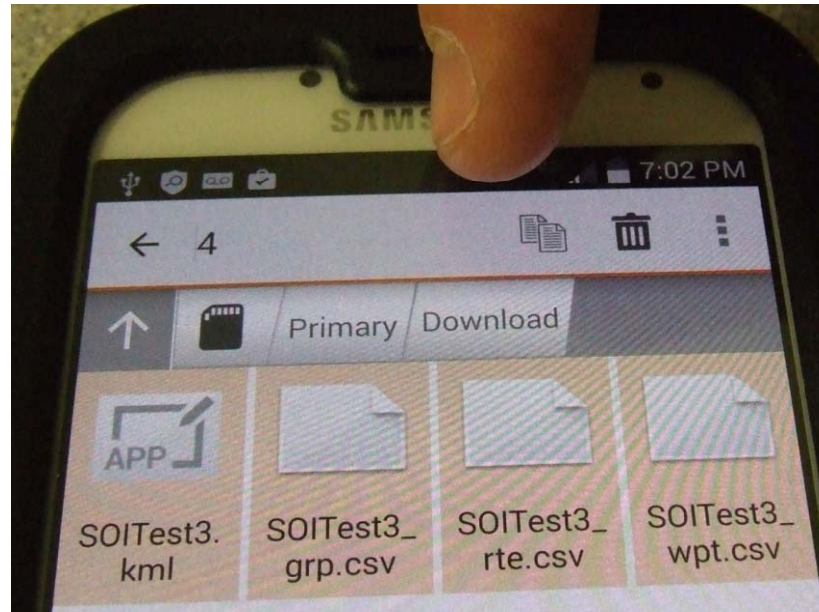
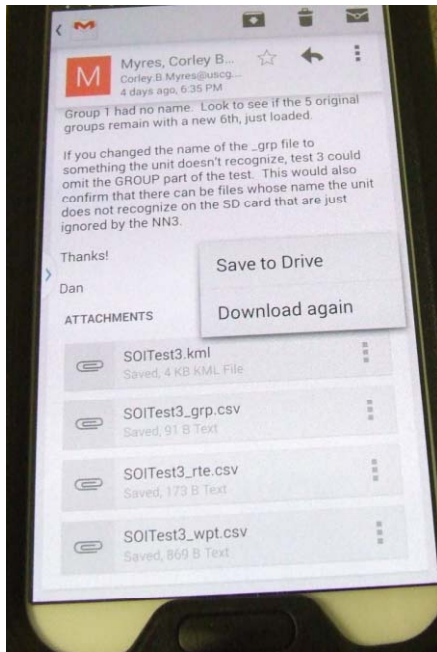
- **Many Auxiliary units are using AUXSAR**
- **Compatible eNavigation systems required**
- **Post sortie feedback loop**
 - Compatible eNavigation systems can download position history on the Secure Digital (SD) card
 - ForeFlight records flight history for AUX Air assets and exports the data via email in a KML format for post sortie analysis by the SAR Controller
- **Email required**
 - Units need to receive email underway/in flight for updates or new tasking



Potential CONOPS – Mobile Comm



- SD card writer to Android phone
- Used to transfer emailed pattern file



Potential CONOPS – Standard CG Asset Limitations



- **RB-S version of SINS clears the route list when importing a pattern**
 - Ensure SD card has routes backed up prior to pattern load
- **HH-60 and HH-65 upload limitations**
 - Only available upon initial startup
 - No in flight load capability





Path Forward to Transition



Path Forward to Transition – Policy



- **Approval for AUXSAR to run on SWIII**
 - Only JavaScript run from IE in SWIII
 - No communications with web services. Html page is local and self contained.
 - Uses MS Outlook and the user's account to send email
- **Trim AUXSAR to function only as a pattern translation interface to various eNav systems**
 - Currently AUXSAR is capable of modifying and creating non standard patterns (Racetrack, Fast Mover, Fitted)



Path Forward to Transition – Verification & Validation



- **Verification and Validation (V&V) of AUXSAR pattern translation**
 - Ensure pattern imported is the pattern exported
 - Ensure pattern uploaded to various systems is the intended pattern
- **If AUXSAR's non standard patterns are desired, those must be V&V'd**
 - Not recommended





Recommendations



Recommendations – Standard CG Assets



- **STEDS solves all requirements listed previously**
 - Units can receive messages/patterns underway/in flight
 - SINS II will incorporate STEDS (all Boats)
 - Vega ECS/ECDIS is STEDS compliant (all Cutters)
 - Minotaur will be STEDS compliant for MPA assets
 - Automatic Identification System (AIS) offers track history through the Nationwide AIS (NAIS) Services through the ESB
- **Recommend STEDS verses AUXSAR for standard CG assets**



Recommendations – Auxiliary Assets



- **Obtain approval for AUXSAR to run on SWIII**
- **Trim AUXSAR to function only as a pattern translation interface to various eNav systems**
- **V&V of AUXSAR pattern translation (trimmed version)**
- **Coordinate with CG-SAR to investigate SAROPS use of non-standard patterns**

