Roadmapping Breakout
Session Overview

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Definition

Roadmap: a specialized type of strategic plan that outlines activities an organization can undertake over specified time frames to achieve stated goals and outcomes.
Roadmap Elements

- Goals
- Milestones
- Gaps and barriers
- Action items
- Priorities and timelines
Roadmap Elements, cont.

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Goals for Today’s Breakout Sessions

- Build on priorities expressed during yesterday afternoon’s group discussion
- Breakouts for EP, SVO, and Other
- 3 x 30 minute sessions for participation in multiple topics
  - Encouraged to rotate, but may repeat
- Process
  - Facilitators briefly surmise previous sessions
  - Clarify goals, milestones, gaps & barriers as needed (~5 minutes)
  - Primary focus is on identifying possible technical approaches and supporting actions (e.g. studies) and pre-competitive products (~15 minutes)
  - Briefly consider desired (but realistic) timeframe for key products (~5 minutes)
  - Today’s focus on capturing action space of participants; refinement comes later
  - Express dissent but allow majority to continue
Questions / Comments ?
Simplified Vehicle Operations
Example Roadmap
Decomposition

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Top-Level ODM Barriers & SVO

Current General Aviation (GA) Aircraft compared to Commercial Airliners

- **Poor Aerodynamic and Propulsive Efficiencies**
  - Aerodynamic efficiency measured as Lift/Drag ratio is 9-11 compared to 17-20.
  - (Thermal) x (propulsive efficiency) of 20-24% compared to 36-40%.

- **Poor Emissions**
  - High Hydrocarbon, Green House Gas emissions, particulates and lead pollution.

- **Poor Community Noise**
  - Similar levels and certification compliance with few improvements for the past 50 years.

- **Poor Comparative Safety**
  - Accident rate 56x worse than airlines, 15x worse than autos per 100 million vehicle miles traveled.

- **Poor Ride Quality**
  - Low wing loading leads to bumpy ride along with gust sensitivity. (Note, technology needed for SVO also applicable to active gust alleviation)

- **Poor Dispatch Reliability Rate**
  - Maintenance and weather sensitivity result in <70% rate for trip completion.

- **Substantially Higher Operating Costs**
  - Compared to all other transportation options (car, airline, train).

- **Onerous Training Requirements**
  - Currently only 0.18% of the U.S. population is capable of flying GA aircraft compared to 69% who have a driver’s license.
SVO Roadmap: Goals

- Flight systems, interfaces, and operations that make ODM aviation as accessible and practical as driving + safer

- Simplified control of conventional and novel aircraft configurations

- Approach aligned with developing and operationally proving technologies beneficial to transport and other aviation operations
SVO System Elements

- Pilot
- Aircraft and systems
- Remote support (e.g. dispatch, ground-pilot)
- Airspace System & Operations
  - Relatively inflexible in the near-term
  - Must design for the present and possible futures
  - Some near-term operational simplification possible by limiting navigation and operation options (...with some negatives)
1) System concepts, integration, and evaluation
2) Augmented Flight Path Control
3) Autonomous vehicle awareness, hazard avoidance
4) Decision support for flight management
5) Ultra-reliable, part 23 systems
6) Remote flight and decision support

A) Airspace Operations, ATC interaction
B) Pilot certification and training
Milestones: 3 SVO Epochs, 10 years?

- **SVO-1**, (2016-2026): Foundational Precedents & Capabilities
- **SVO-2**: (2021-2036): SPC, Simplified Pilot Certificate
- **SVO-3**, (2031-2051): Autonomous Operations,
SVO-1: Foundational Precedent and Supporting Capabilities

- Demonstrate transition of key skill/capability from pilot to aircraft
  - E.g., Simplified path control
- Moderate workload peaks and specialized skills
- Mitigate pilot as single-point of failure (...automation back-stops pilot)
- Other considerations:
  - Expect only incremental airworthiness certification accommodation, but lays foundation for future
  - Current FAA training required (e.g. ab initio-to IFR in minimum of 70 hours with combined private-instrument curriculum), but new pilots capable of more confident, near-all weather ops.
  - Benefits/grows thin-haul, air taxi, current and early adopter private-pilot markets
  - Operational experience for SVO-2, Part 121, and UAS applications
  - Operate within current and planned NextGen Airspace
**Milestones: 3 Epochs of SVO**

- **SVO-2 (2021 – 2036): SPC, Simplified Pilot Certificate**
  - Simplified training & licensing based on research and operational experience from SVO-1
  - Regulatory changes to knowledge, training, and experience requirements
    - Goal ab initio to near-all weather pilot in <40 hours (similar to driver training)
    - Reduced training, experience requirements for Thin-Haul pilots
  - New flight system, interfaces, and operation standards that allow updates to training and operational regulations in Part 61, 91, and 135 taking full advantage of technology
    - E.g. possible expansions to Part 135 operations
  - Initial airspace accommodations for simpler & higher-volume operations
    - Automated management of non-towered airports
    - More frequent use of data comm.
Milestones: 3 Epochs of SVO

**SVO-3 (2031 - 2051): Autonomous Operations**

- Combination of aircraft and any off-board board support shoulder command responsibility; nominally accommodates user direction, but may modify or inhibit if deemed unsafe or disruptive

- Vehicle, automation, and airspace fully integrated
  - >>10x current operations
  - Runway independent operations very common
  - No need for voice communication
Example SVO-1, Gaps and Barriers

- Knowledge
- Standards
- Regulatory
- Economic
- Public acceptance
Example SVO-1, Gaps and Barriers

Knowledge

• Optimal roles, responsibilities, interfaces for simplified path control, systems, and mission management
• Autonomous situation awareness, decision support, hazard protection with CRM-like interaction
  ▪ E.g. context aware including own limits,
• Ultra-high integrity, available systems with graceful degradation
• Alternate systems for safe recovery (e.g. ballistic chute)
• Aids to simplify interactions with current and planned ATM system

Standards

Regulatory

Economic

Public acceptance
Example SVO-1, Gaps and Barriers

- **Knowledge**
- **Standards**
  - Design & flying qualities standards for simplified path control, normal and degraded modes
  - SVO equivalent of Basic-T & GAMA Publication #10
  - Standard architecture & AC23.1309 analysis
  - Minimum operatizing performance standards avionics

- **Regulatory**
- **Economic**
- **Public acceptance**
Example SVO-1, Gaps and Barriers

- **Knowledge**
- **Standards**
- **Regulatory**
  - Certification standards for core capabilities
  - Modified training and operational regs.
- **Economic**
- **Public acceptance**
Example SVO-1, Gaps and Barriers

- Knowledge
- Standards
- Regulatory
- Economic
  - Reusable, open architecture/design for flight-critical systems, reduced non-recurring development costs
- Public acceptance
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- Standards
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- Economic
- Public acceptance
  - Traveling demonstration for travel and transportation trade-shows
Summary

- Examples only—not constraints
- Time today is limited
  - Big picture, avoid weeds
  - Will flesh-out post workshop

Questions?