DoD Perspective
Real Time Weather in the Cockpit

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DoD Weather Aviation Status

- Current SOP; Pre-Mission Paper METOC brief

- No POR Real Time Delivery of DoD Pedigreed Weather into aircraft. Requires Type A mod to aircraft to add datalink and establish a broadcast network.

- Need
  - Pedigreed, Real-Time and Secure
  - Weather To Avoid, Forecasts and Impacts
DoD Weather Aviation Desires

Desired end game… Large bandwidth GIG access to DoD 4D Weather Cube Service providing current conditions and impacts to specific missions, including alerts and applicable re-routing information

End Game is technically feasible, but difficult to achieve due to:

- Limited Funding
- Limited Bandwidth for existing datalinks
- Interagency Coordination
Notional Weather Delivery Life Cycle Cost (LCC) Estimate

- Relative estimate for 2,000 aircraft for 10 yrs
  - Brown NRE
    - Software mods, aircraft mods, establishment of METOC service
  - Tan Recurring
    - Aircraft kits, subscriptions, air time, software and aircraft maintenance
EDM System

Electronic Data Manager
Digital Kneeboard with Enhanced Situational Awareness

Battlefield situational awareness and mission planning unite in a digital kneeboard form with the Electronic Data Manager.
EDM Features

Benefits

- Reliability proven in-theater
- Lightweight – under 2½ lbs.
- GPS-driven moving map with ability to integrate with BFT network
- Uses standard mission-planning products (AMPS/PFPS/Falconview)
- Readable in sunlight & ANVIS/NVG-compatible
- Two-way situational awareness
- Extended temperature range

Digital Notepad  Blue Force Tracking  Overlay Control
Mission Plan  VMF Messaging  Approach Plates/Check Lists
Raytheon NextGen Weather

- Raytheon developing NextGen DoD Weather Capability
  - Working to develop NextGen weather value chain
    - Meteorological Data collection
    - Data Assimilation
    - 4D Weather Modeling and Forecasting
    - Airframe, Route, Corridor Impact Generation and Dissemination
    - Process Automation

Integrate NextGen Weather into NextGen Automation
Raytheon NextGen Weather Focus: End-to-End Impact/Alert Data Flow

Sensing → Analysis → Modeling & Impacts → Alerts & Visualization → Cockpit Display → AVOI Cap Alert
EDM with Text and Graphic Overlays
EDM with NextGen Overlays
Summary

- Utilizing the VMF K04.13 Basic Weather Report on the existing SA network provides a beneficial option for the basic weather in the cockpit requirements.
  - Is the least cost option
  - Utilizes minimal bandwidth
  - Continuing to work interagency coordination to achieve the end goal

- NextGen capabilities can be integrated into the cockpit via integrated displays or EFBs as additional bandwidth becomes available to provide graphics and other mission information