

HF Subcommittee Summary

September 7-8, 2016

The HF Subcommittee was briefed on Agency's establishment of a UAS Board, which will oversee the development of a UAS Implementation Plan and has directed the Agency to establish research Priorities and resourcing needs. The Subcommittee viewed this as a positive step in the right direction. The Subcommittee was unable to establish the extent to which the prioritization of Human Factors research will be influenced by consultation with experts in industry and government experts as previously recommended. This recommendation sought the establishment of guidelines that would be shared with the UAS industry in the short term, as well as inputs for the alignment of HF research to FAA UAS research and implementation plans. It was recommended that the FAA reach out quickly and provide current UAS HF guidance to industry and manufacturers to influence current and future UAV products.

Action:

FAA should reach out to UAV industry and manufacturers quickly about UAV Human Factors guidance that is available now and brief the REDAC HF Subcommittee at the next session on their efforts.