Very High Frequency Omnidirectional Range (VOR) Minimum Operational Network (MON)

Program Update

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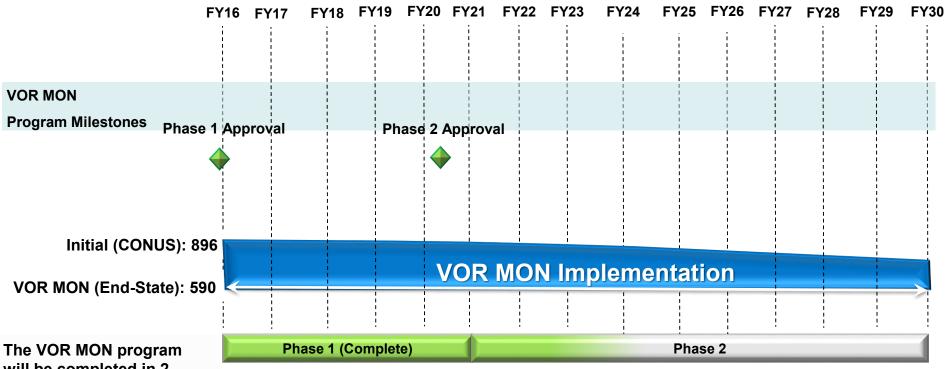


Program Overview

- The VOR MON program is optimizing the VOR network in the contiguous United States (CONUS) to provide a backup conventional service in the event of an unplanned Global Positioning System (GPS) outage.
- In order to establish the VOR MON, new VOR Standard Service Volumes (SSVs) are being implemented to provide VOR signal coverage starting at 5,000' Above Ground Level (AGL).
- During an unplanned GPS outage, aircraft will be able to continue VOR-to-VOR navigation or proceed to a MON airport and conduct a VOR, Localizer LOC), or Instrument Landing System (ILS) approach.
- 306 VORs that do not meet the VOR MON criteria are planned for discontinuance.



VOR MON Program Timeline



- will be completed in 2 Phases:
- Phase 1: FY16 FY20 Phase 2: FY21 - FY30
- Published Final Policy FRN: "Provision of Navigation Services for the Next Generation Air Transportation System (NextGen) Transition to Performance Based Navigation (PBN) - 07/26/2016
- Removed, Replaced, Amended affected Instrument Flight Procedures (IFPs)
- Discontinued 82 VORs

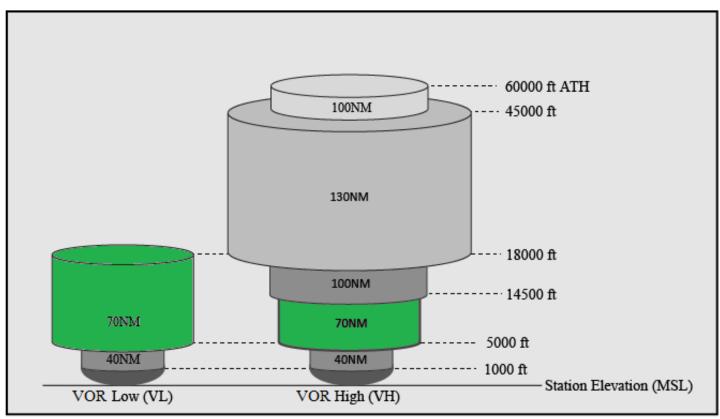
- Received Phase 2 Program Approval 03/18/2020
- Continue IFP work
- Plan to discontinue approximately 224 VORs
 - As of 4/20/23, discontinued 67 VORs



VOR MON Establishment



New VOR Standard Service Volumes



Mean Sea level (MSL) Above Transmitter Height (ATH)



Frequency Changes

144 Frequency Changes Required

58 Frequency Changes Completed



New VOR SSV Publication

491 new VOR SSVs must be implemented

242 new VOR SSVs published



VOR Discontinuance



VOR Discontinuance

306 VORs Planned for Discontinuance

149 VORs Discontinued

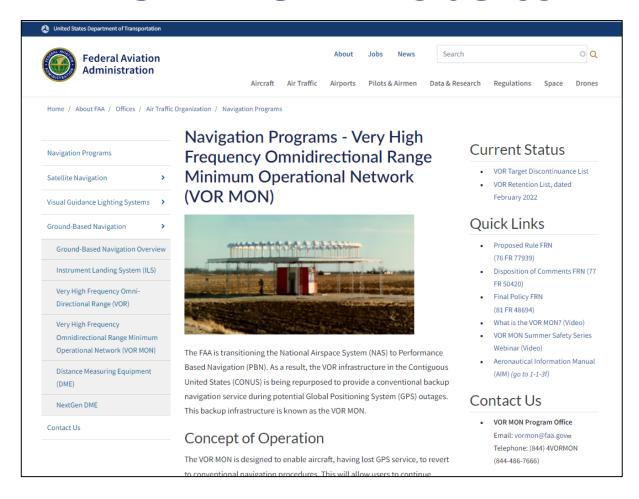


Summary

- 242 out of 491 new VOR SSVs have been published
- 149 out of 306 VORs have been discontinued



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Questions

