

Briefing to FAA SMS Staff  
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# SMS IN PRACTICAL TERMS LESSONS LEARNED



Applying a quality  
management system to  
safety.

# RELEVANT INCIDENT



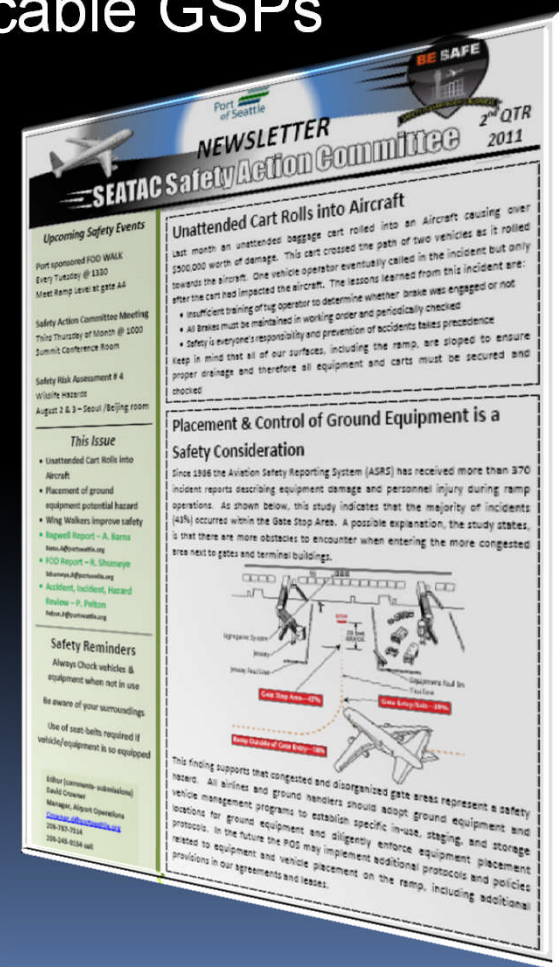
# SMS PROGRAM OVERSIGHT

- Surface Management Systems (SMS)
- Information Management - ACC
- Hazard Identification and Mitigation
- Accident/Incident Investigation
- Ramp Management
- Safety Risk Assessments (SRAs)
- Safety Action Committee
- Safety Training
- Ramp Use Planning
- Ramp Insurance Auditing
- Extended FOD Management
- Baggage Makeup Inspections



# OUR SUCCESSES

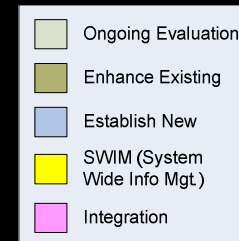
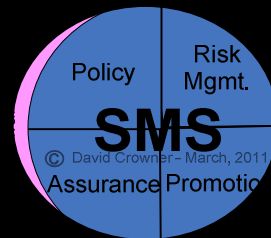
- 787-SAFE phone number established
- Rules & Regs changed – S.A.F.E program
- ISAGO certification required for all applicable GSPs
- FOD assignments/walks conducted
- Ramp cleaning contracted
- Special SMS duties assigned
- Safety Newsletters published
- NPRM comments delivered
- GAO briefing completed
- 4 SRAs completed and documented



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Start with the  
core principles

We are already safety focused

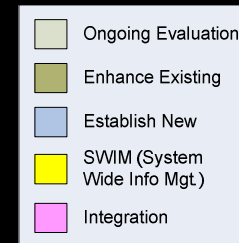
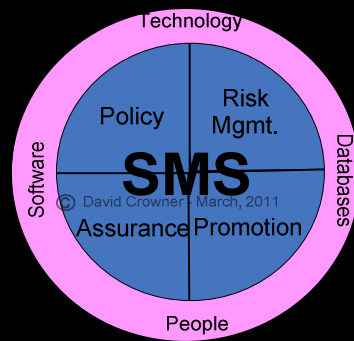


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Integration is key

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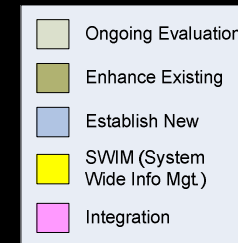
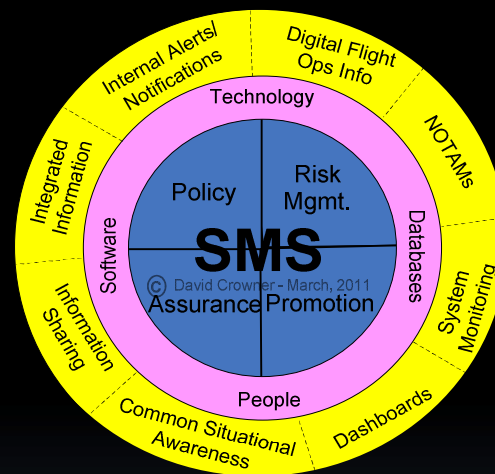


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Expand your  
awareness

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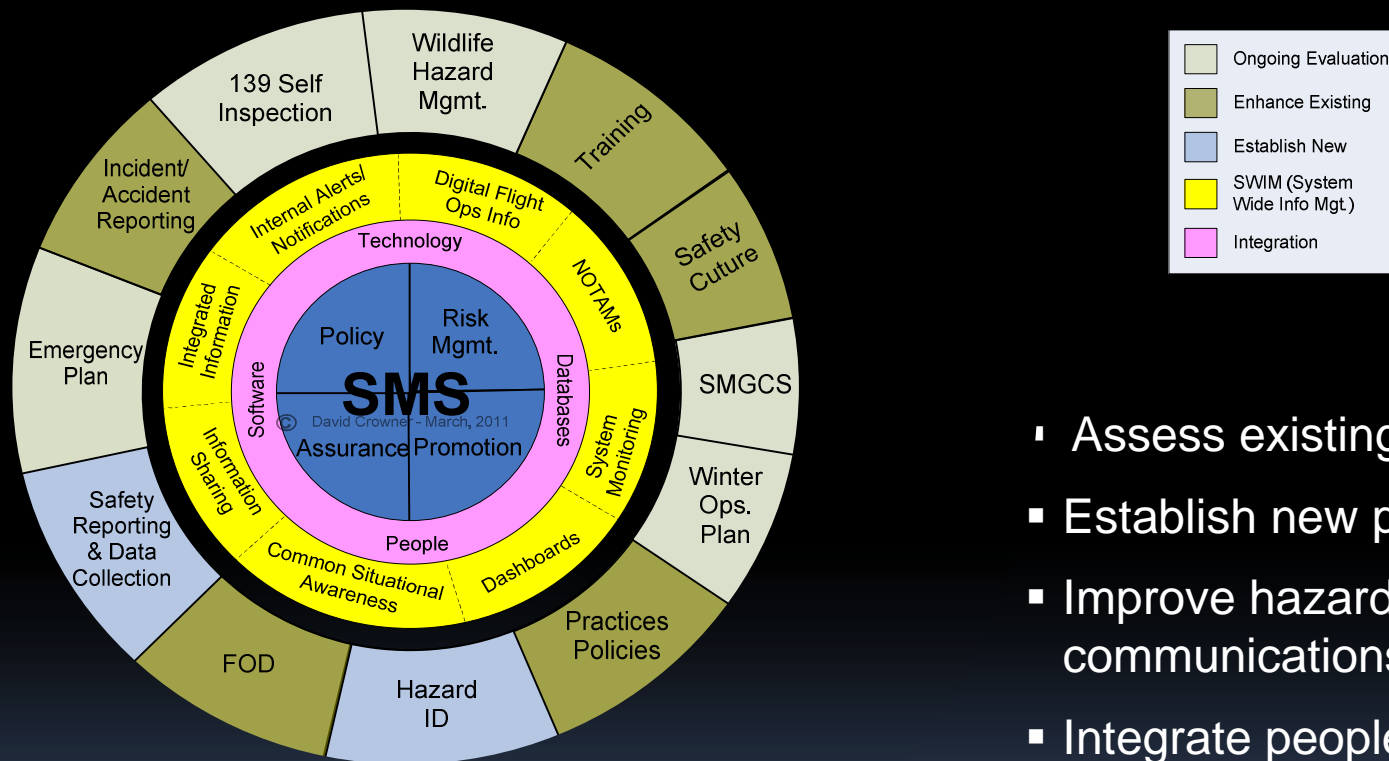


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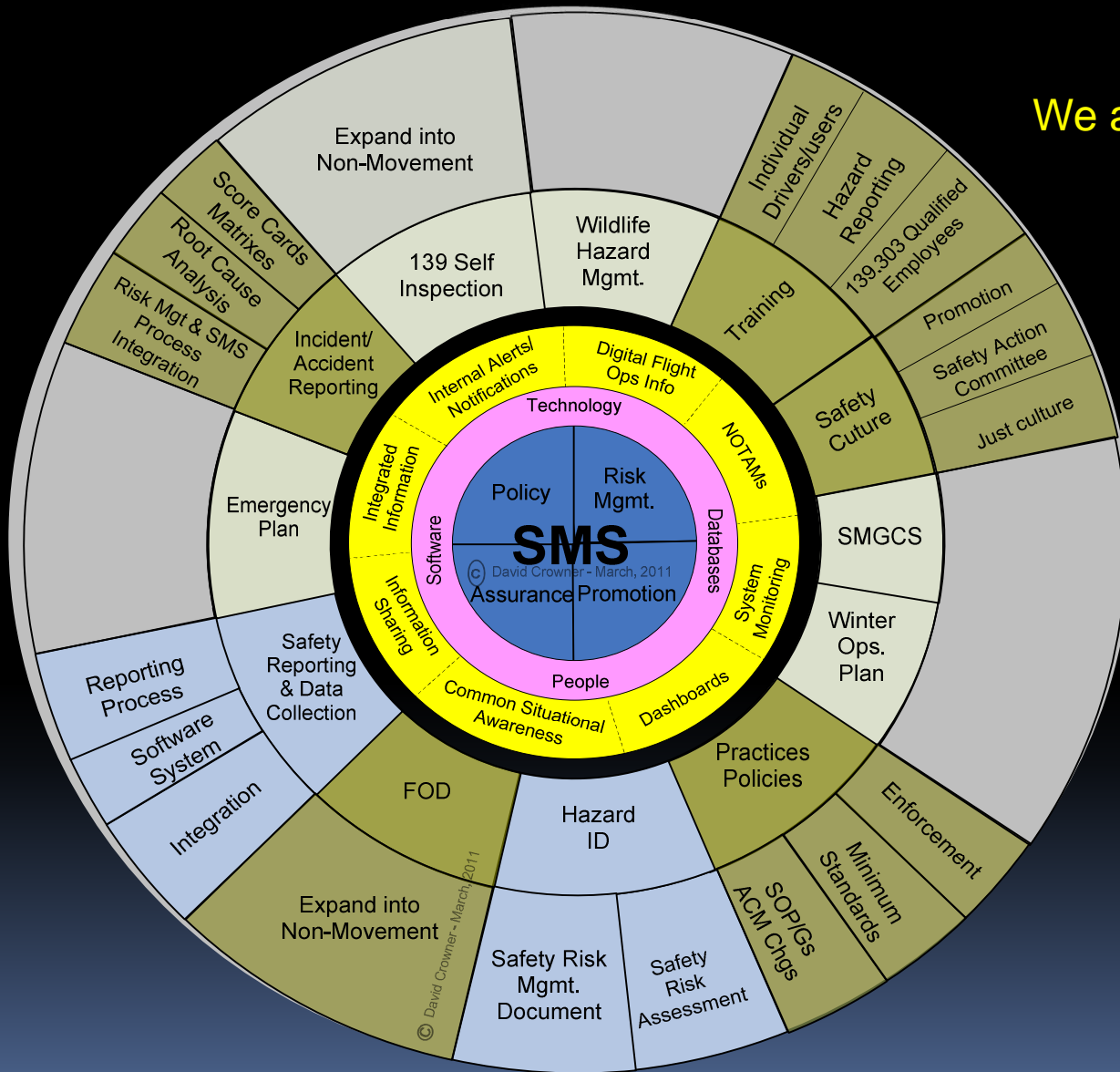
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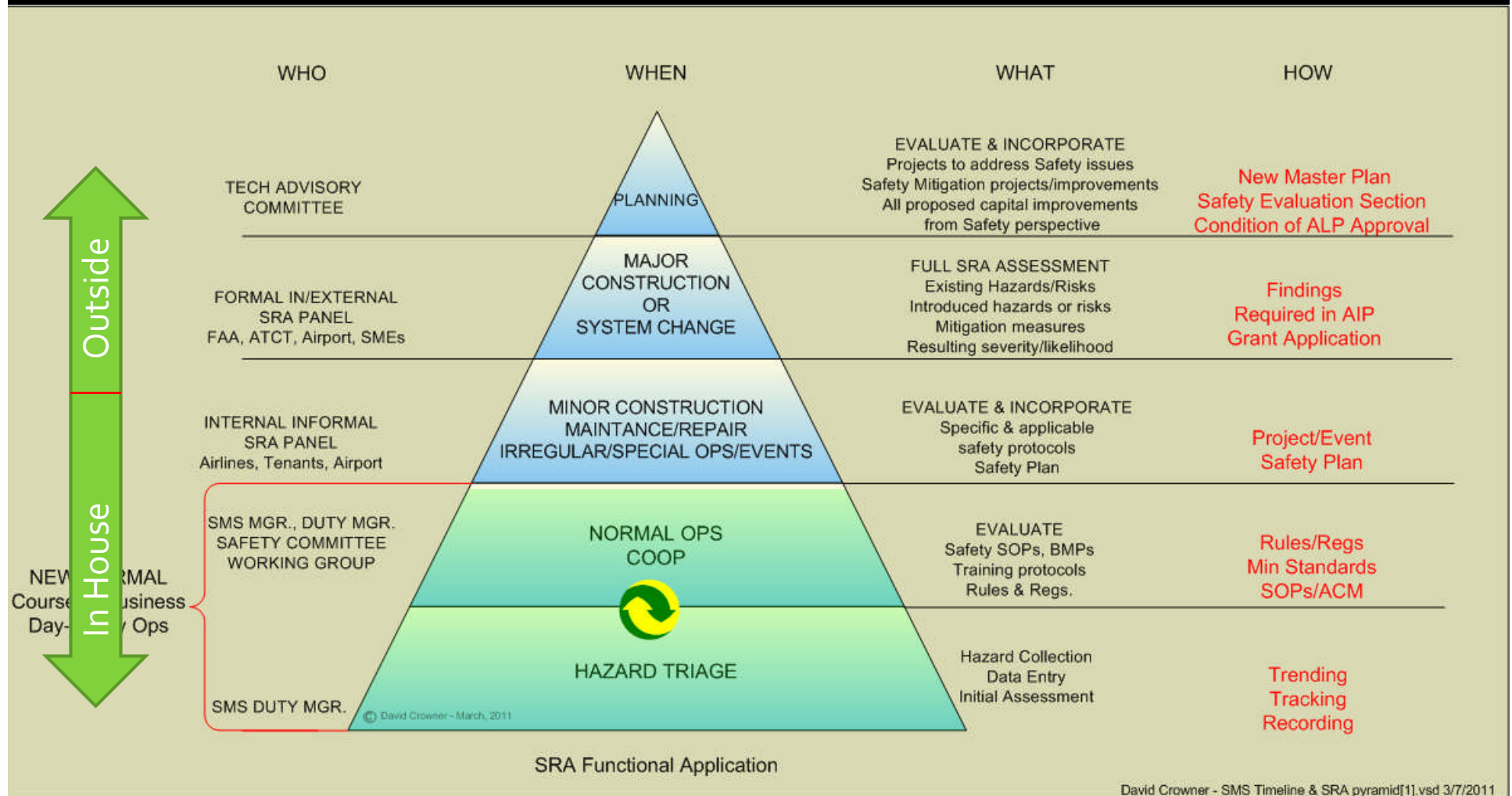


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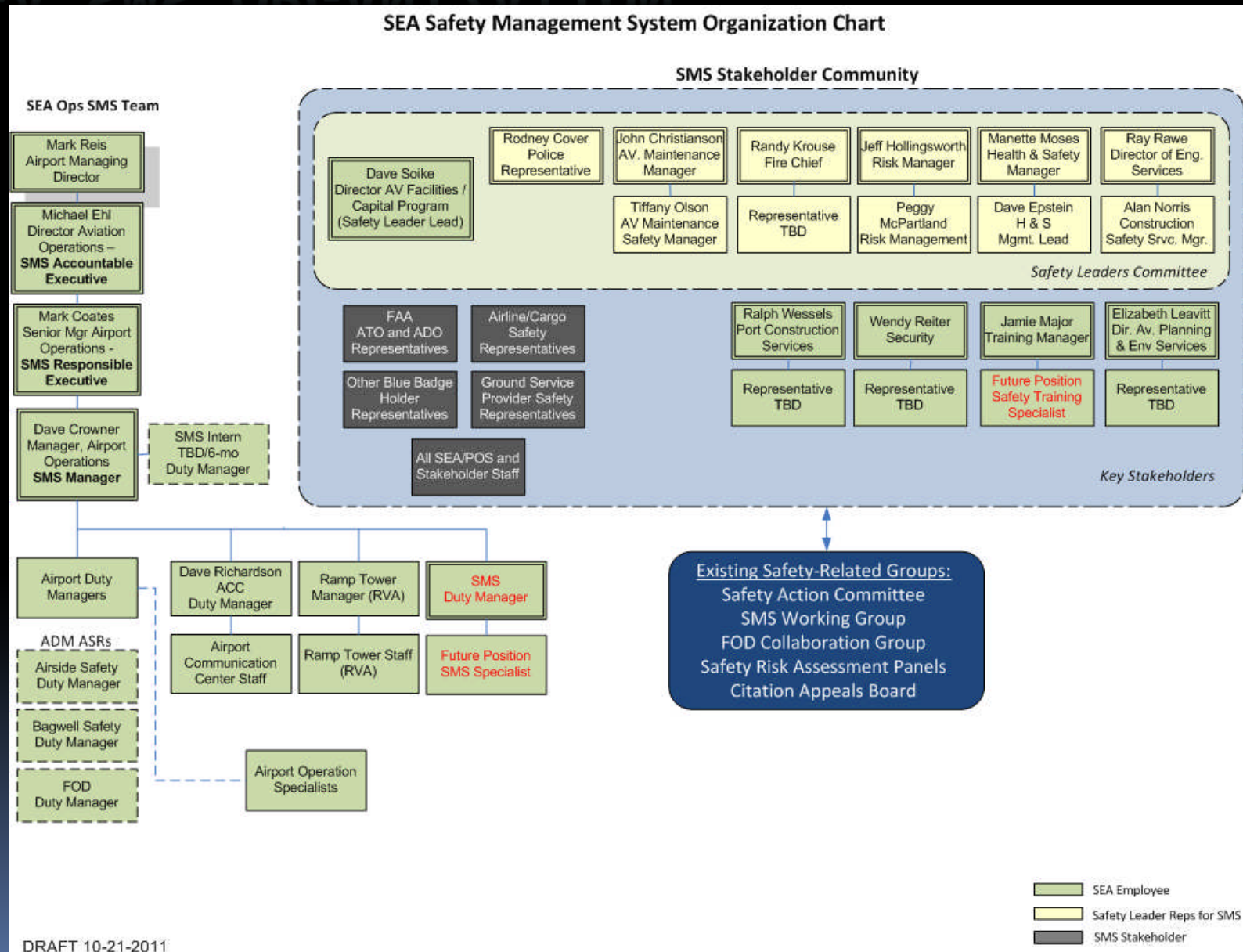
# IMPACT OF AC 150/5370-2F (CONSTRUCTION)

## WHO'S ON FIRST?





Despite my best efforts to convince staff that we simply need to document, in accordance with this AC, what we are already doing – the sky is still falling

# SEA SMS ORGANIZATION



# SMS TRAINING – (WHO & WHY)

	All airport badge holders	Airport Staff: Ops, Security, MX, Risk Duty/line managers, supervisors, controllers, agents	Executives & leadership Airport, Ground handler & Airline Executives, Department heads, Senior Management, Station Managers
<b>Safety Orientation</b> Badge issuance and renewal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hazard reporting requirements &amp; practices</li> <li>• Your Role – Safety is everyone's business</li> <li>• Basic Safety awareness</li> <li>• Airport Safety Rules/Requirements</li> <li>• Compliance/enforcement/citations</li> <li>• Recommended BMPs</li> <li>• This training augments your own Company training and Safety requirements</li> <li>• FOD prevention</li> <li>• PPEs</li> </ul>		
<b>SMS Intro &amp; Hazard Mgt.</b> Annually as part of 139 training		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Human Factors</li> <li>▪ FOD Prevention</li> <li>▪ SRA Requirements &amp; process</li> <li>▪ Hazard Investigation &amp; mitigation techniques</li> <li>▪ KPI development &amp; tracking</li> <li>▪ After accident/incident forensics</li> <li>▪ Root Cause Analysis</li> <li>▪ Role in safety culture</li> <li>▪ Non-Punitive policies</li> <li>▪ Safety BMPs</li> <li>▪ Compliance &amp; Enforcement</li> </ul>	
<b>Risk &amp; Quality Management</b> SMS implementation & periodically thereafter			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safety culture development &amp; support</li> <li>• SMS Goals and integration with existing practices/policies</li> <li>• Non-Punitive Policy development</li> <li>• SRA Requirements &amp; challenges</li> <li>• SMS benefits</li> <li>• SMS Roles and Responsibilities</li> <li>• SMS &amp; Risk Management</li> <li>• Safety KPI alignment</li> <li>• SMS's role in decision making</li> </ul>

How Executive Training is received is a good indicator of your executive support.



# SEA SMS ROADMAP:

## SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

### MANAGEMENT COMMITMENT

#### VALUES

We Are:

- Safety focused and aligned
- Proponents of a Just Safety Culture
- Advocates of SMS as a Quality Mgt. system and process
- Collaborative safety partners with our stakeholders
- Safety Management System leaders

#### COMMITMENT

We Pledge To:

- Be committed to safety at all levels of management
- Be accountable for a safe operation of the Airport
- Be engaged in and practice proactive safety measures & management
- Provide the resources necessary for a sustainable SMS program
- Develop, support and enforce policies and procedures to ensure SMS success
- Act in good faith in the management of our SMS program

#### OBJECTIVES

We Will:

- Have open-transparent safety communications
- Establish a proactive safety program through identification, tracking, trending, prioritization and treating of risks and hazards
- Understand and mitigate root causes and trends
- Collaborate and integrate with our Stakeholders, POS staff, Airlines and FAA
- Develop, maintain and promote a hazard reporting system
- Assess, Respond, Triage, and Mitigate all known hazards in a timely manner
- Establish and maintain clear lines of safety accountabilities and authority

## INDICATORS

ent

ds established

am and 787-SAFE

appropriately categorized

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cable GSPs

all applicable projects

previous year

hln 72 hours

PROACTIVE HAZARD  
IDENTIFICATION & MITIGATION

PROCESSES & COMMUNICATIONS

# SEA BENEFITS-THE INTERNAL “SELL”

- Formalizes safety program
- Ensures regulatory compliance
- Reduces risks

“A safer workplace is a result of identifying hazards and eliminating or reducing the risk to an acceptable level”

- Holds staff and tenants accountable for safety performance
- Establishes safety performance goals
- Facilitates safety ownership through participation

A safer environment =  
Improved opportunities =  
Increased revenue



# SRA RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Choose diverse but complementary panel members
- Facilitator should be independent of issue but understand subject (Can FAA be independent of issue?)
- Allow for conflicting positions but guide discussion back to consensus.
- Keep consequences credible
- Be faithful to the process





## NEXT STEPS

- Develop budget and seek approval
- Post and acquire positions
- Establish transition from project to operations
- Develop and deploy training curriculum for employees, tenants, and executives
- Deploy hazard reporting software (SMS-Pro)
- Develop alternatives to software
  - MAXIMO
- Complete Tech Integration Study



# SYSTEM ISSUES:

STRENGTHS	WEAKNESSES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Most of SMS is already being done</li><li>▪ SMS is a quality management tool for making better, more effective safety decisions</li><li>▪ SMS is the new “Standard of Care”.</li><li>▪ SMS is a proactive/predictive tool</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Lack of program and benefits promotion</li><li>▪ Lack of resources within the FAA</li><li>▪ Lack of training and SMS understanding for many FAA staff</li><li>▪ Dissimilar language in ATO, AVO, ARP etc.</li><li>▪ Authority and responsibilities not clear.</li><li>▪ No common database or information sharing</li></ul>

## RECOMMENDATIONS

- Take an assistance, rather than regulatory posture
- Promote the benefits – better decisions, proactive vs. reactive , predictive
- Train and familiarize staff
- Develop a common hazard data reporting platform that incorporates and correlates Airport, ATC and Pilot information (de-identified of course)
- **Clearly identify roles and responsibilities within and between FAA and Airports for who and when Safety Risk Assessments should be performed**
- Develop cross industry work teams to ensure alignment of programs, processes, and procedures
- Allow for AIP/PFC funds to support mitigation , data collection, technical integration and SRAs

# FAA RISK MATRIX

Severity Likelihood	Minimal 5	Minor 4	Major 3	Hazardous 2	Catastrophic 1
Frequent A					
Probable B					
Remote C					
Extremely Remote D					
Extremely Improbable E					

High Risk
Medium Risk
Low Risk

AC 150/5200-37

# SEA ADOPTED RISK MATRIX

Severity Likelihood	Minimal 5	Minor 4	Major 3	Hazardous 2	Catastrophic 1
Frequent A					
Probable B					
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**\*\* Must have multiple controls (mitigations)**

# THE BIGGER PICTURE:

## SMS GAPS

- Lack of alignment within FAA
- FAA's role in SRAs unclear
  - ATO vs. Airports
  - What if FAA disagrees
  - Will local outcomes be respected
- Non-Airport participation reqs.
  - Airlines, GSPs, etc.
- Certification inspector training
- Funding and costs remain issue

## P139 Safety Enhancements

- Indicated costs underestimated
- Ramp access vs. driver training not clear
- Blurs aircraft operator and airport roles
- Lack of training curriculum standards
- Increased training  $\neq$  greater safety
- No English language requirement
- Lacks integration with SMS NPRM

# SUMMARY & QUESTIONS

**“Safe Does not Equal Risk Free”**

*“Ships are safe in the harbor, but  
that’s not what ships are for”*

William Shedd