

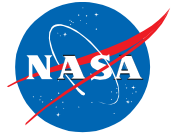


# NASA Update REDAC E&E Subcommittee Meeting

March 2018

# NASA Aeronautics

NASA Aeronautics Vision for Aviation in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century



ARMD continues to evolve and execute the Aeronautics Strategy  
<https://www.nasa.gov/aeroresearch/strategy>



Safe, Efficient Growth in Global Operations



Innovation in Commercial Supersonic Aircraft



Ultra-Efficient Commercial Transports



Transition to Alternative Propulsion and Energy



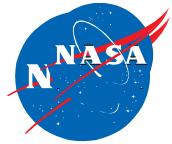
In-Time System-Wide Safety Assurance



Assured Autonomy for Aviation Transformation


U.S. leadership for a new era of flight

# Research Programs align with Strategic Thrusts




MISSION PROGRAMS


## Airspace Operations & Safety Advanced Air Vehicles

 **AOSP**


**Safe, Efficient Growth in Global Operations**



**Real-Time System-Wide Safety Assurance**

 **AAVP**


**Ultra-Efficient Commercial Vehicles**



**Innovation in Commercial Supersonic Aircraft**

**Transition to Alternative Propulsion and Energy**

## Integrated Aviation Systems

 **IASP**


**Flight research-oriented, integrated, system-level R&T that supports all six thrusts**




**X-planes/ test environment**

## Transformative Aeronautical Concepts

SEEDLING PROGRAM

 **TACP**

**High-risk, leap-frog ideas that support all six thrusts**

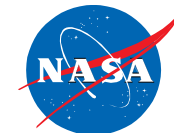


**Critical cross-cutting tool development**

**Assured Autonomy for Aviation Transformation**



# FY 2019 Budget Request - Aeronautics



\$ Millions	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
<b>Aeronautics</b>	<b>\$656.0</b>	<b>\$655.5</b>	<b>\$633.9</b>	<b>\$608.9</b>	<b>\$608.9</b>	<b>\$608.9</b>	<b>\$608.9</b>
Airspace Operations and Safety	140.6		90.8	96.2	120.4	122.7	122.9
Advanced Air Vehicles	274.6		230.6	248.5	257.1	257.8	258.3
Integrated Aviation Systems	125.0		189.2	154.1	106.6	103.3	102.5
Transformative Aeronautics Concepts	115.8		123.3	110.1	124.9	125.1	125.1

*FY 2017 reflects funding amounts specified in Public Law 115-31, Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017. Table does not reflect emergency supplemental funds also appropriated in FY 2017, totaling \$184 million.*

*FY 2018 reflects Continuing Resolution funding as enacted under Public Law 115-56, as amended.*

# Low Boom Flight Demonstrator (LBFD) Update

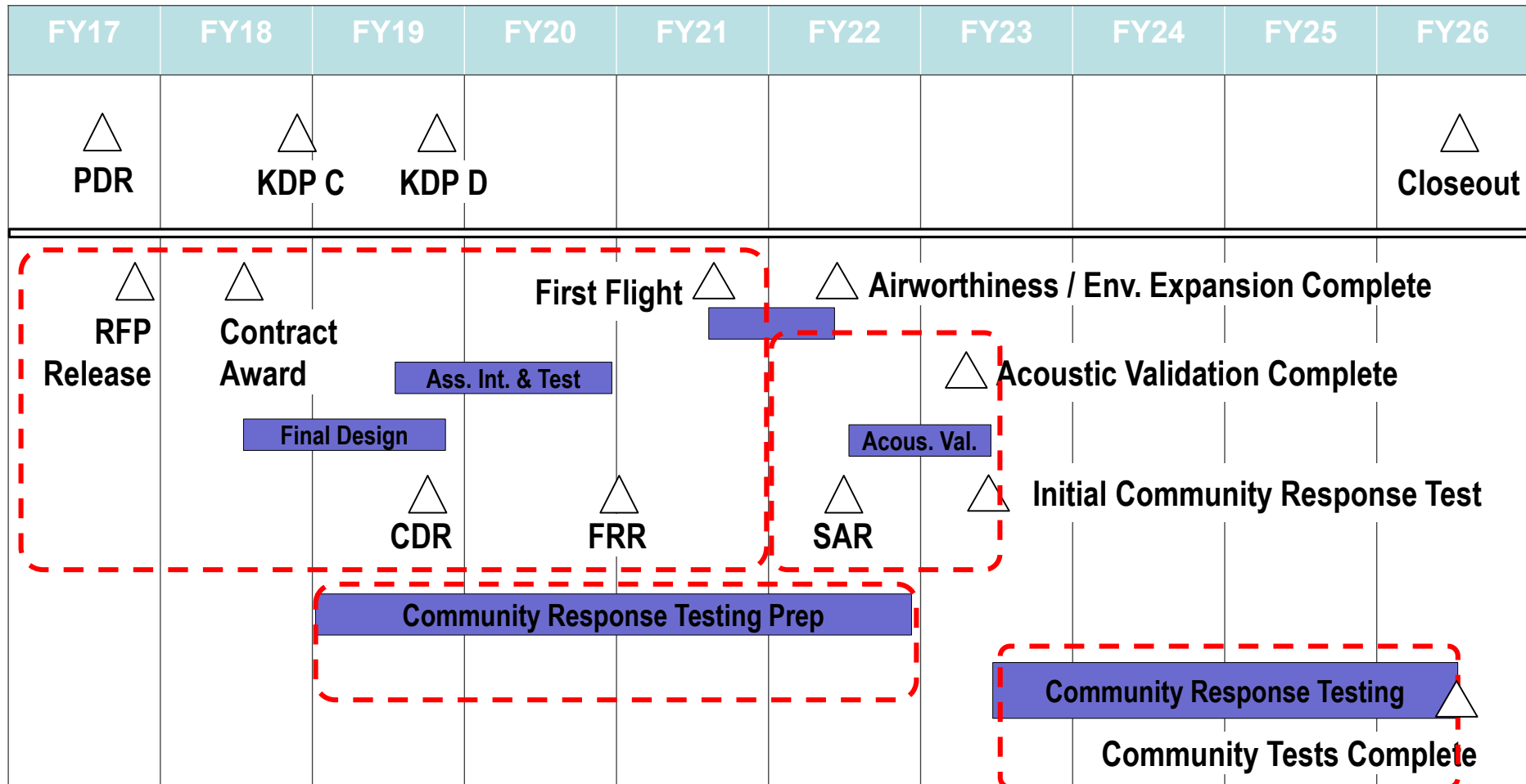
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- Completed Preliminary Design Review
- Project team established and formulation activities on track
- Award Design and Build Contract early 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter FY 2018
- First Flight planned for FY 2021



# LBFD Project Life Cycle



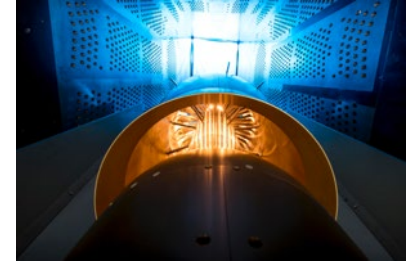
## Major Reviews

PDR, Preliminary Design Review  
FRR, Flight Readiness Review

CDR, Critical Design Review  
SAR, System Acceptance Review

# Enabling U.S. Leadership in Subsonic Transport Markets

- Suite of 5 Key Technologies coupled into Transformative Configurations will Win the Subsonic Transport Future
  - Light Weight, Very High Aspect Ratio Wings
  - Propulsion – Airframe Integration, Especially Boundary Layer Ingestion
  - Tailored Non-Circular Fuselage
  - Hybrid Electric Propulsion
  - Small Core Turbine Engines
- ARMD is advancing these key technologies to create market opportunities



Boundary Layer Ingestion



Very High Aspect Ratio Wing



Hybrid Electric Propulsion

# Subsonic Transport Technology Strategy

Ensuring U.S. technological leadership



***Prove out  
transformational  
propulsion  
technologies***

***Prove out  
transformational  
airframe  
technologies***

Energy usage  
reduced by more  
than

60%

Harmful  
emissions reduced  
by more than

90%

Objectionable  
noise reduced  
by more than

65%

**Current  
Generation**

**Next Generation  
-Transitional-**

**Future Generations  
-Transformational-**



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**Create technology pathway for U.S.  
competitive leadership**

2040

2030

2020



# Emerging Aviation Markets

Global Race to Achieve Leadership



## Urban Air Mobility Example



Ehang - China



E-Volo - Germany



Joby - US

**And many other U.S. and international competitors have the same vision and are capable of innovative vehicle design, development and flight demonstration**

The race to capture the market will be won based on...

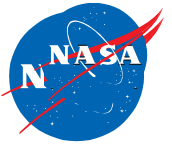
- Ability to safety certify innovative aviation technologies and configurations
- Achieving equitable community noise standards
- Enabling safe airspace access at high densities
- Achieving safe vertiport infrastructure standards

But most demonstrations and early market growth are overseas – all four key issues easier to manage in many other countries. The U.S. must lead or fall behind.

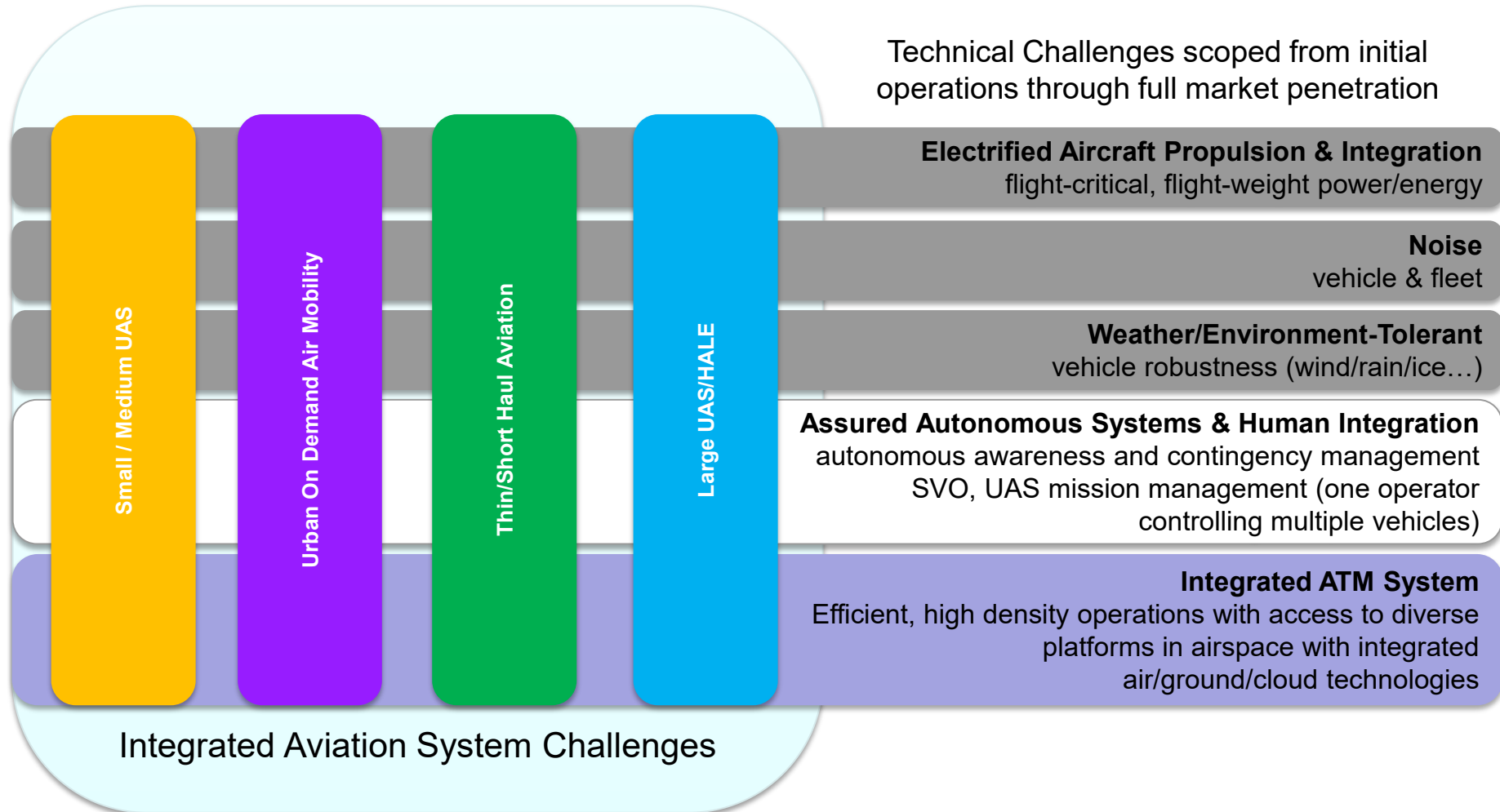
**NASA is adjusting its portfolio to address the issues, support FAA and industry to accelerate U.S. competitive posture, and do it through a technically sound, sustainable and scalable approach**

# Emerging Markets - Integrated Challenges

NASA ARMD Programs pivoting to address complex challenges



ARMD has developed a holistic understanding of the challenges for enabling the enormous potential of emerging aviation global market opportunities



# Laying the Ground Work for Aviation in 2040

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- The global aviation system of 2040 is emerging today – new companies and new systems built on advanced technologies pioneered by NASA based on steady U.S. investment
- Based on what is emerging today, what can we see for 2040:
  - An Urban Air Mobility system that is all electric, autonomous and environmentally friendly moving billions of commuters and packages across the world's megacities. As a result, ground-based traffic congestion will be reduced, local air quality will be improved, and urban areas will be transformed
  - Transformative subsonic airliners developed by U.S. industry will approach near-optimal levels of efficiency, reducing cost and environmental impact, and will continue to enable more people to travel around the world supporting a vibrant and growing U.S. and global economy
  - A growing segment of increasingly affordable and environmentally friendly supersonic air travel. This will once again shrink our world and project U.S. technological leadership.
  - All of this will ride upon a transformed airspace system that provides the access and efficiency to enable this broad range of business models and provides proactive and prognostic "in-time" safety assurance, providing all citizens confidence that every flight is safe and secure.