# GRAND FORKS REGION UNIMANNED AVIATION BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT ROADMAP



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# **PURPOSE**

 To describe options for developing unmanned aviation-related business in the Grand Forks/Red River Valley region



#### **OVERVIEW**

- UAS industry overview
- Current UAS assets and infrastructure
- Needed infrastructure
- Competitors
- Long term UAS market assessment
- Near term business opportunities and tailored strategies



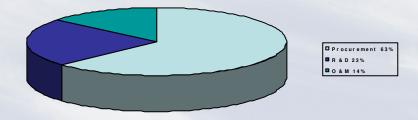
### 1. UAS INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

- What is the current size of the UAS market?
- What are the likely dynamics of the market over the next decade?
- Which segments will see the largest growth?
- What will be the regional trends in research and production?
- Is a civilian market likely to emerge over the next decade?

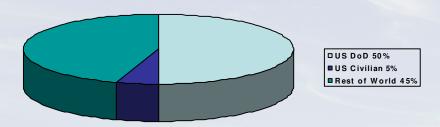


# **CURRENT MARKET SIZE**

U.S. DoD: \$12.2B over FY2007-11 @ 46% growth rate



**■** Worldwide: \$24.4B over FY2007-11, over 50 countries



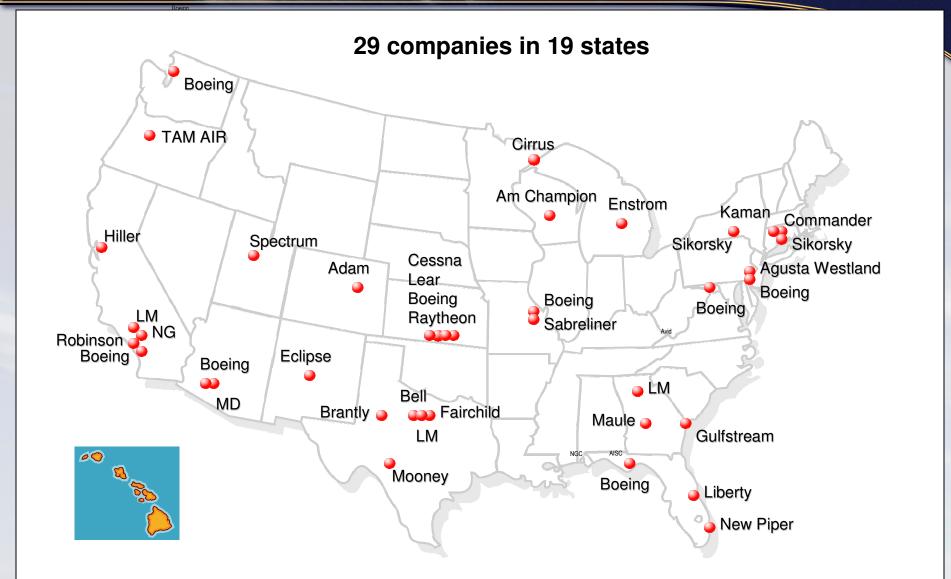


# **MARKET DYNAMICS & GROWTH**

- Airspace regulations = largest single dynamic for next decade
  - 107 COA requests in 2006 to 428 in 2010 (400%)
  - 5 SAC requests in 2005-06 to 42 in 2010 (840%)
  - "File & fly" above 50K ft and below 1K ft by 2012-2016
- Largest growth segments over coming decade:
  - Customer: DoD @ 46% and \$800M through 2011
  - Category: Small UASs



# MANNED AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY





# **UNMANNED AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY**





# CIVILIAN MARKET EMERGENCE

- Precision Agriculture
  - 2000 RPHs (ex. Yamaha R-Max) & 5000 pilots in Japan since 1990
  - Cropcam, Calmar Labs, AeroView Int'l
- Cinematography
  - Coptervision since 1998
- Weather/Climate Studies
  - Aerosonde since 1996
- Today: Service recipients (customers) must be the UAS owner/operator

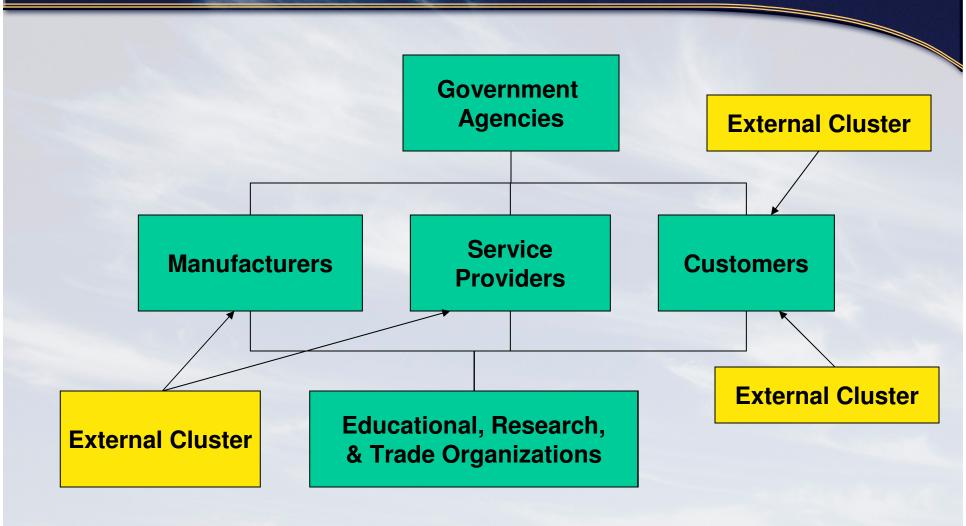


# 2. CURRENT ASSETS & INFRASTRUCTURE

- Influential, supportive, accessible, & responsive Congressional delegation and State officials
- Educated, stable, motivated, & productive workforce
- Schools & curricula to produce an aviation workforce
- Aviator-friendly state laws for aviation insurance
- Transportation and information infrastructure to support new & expanding businesses
- 83% VFR flying weather per year
- Uncrowded skies (3.6 flying hours/square mile/year)

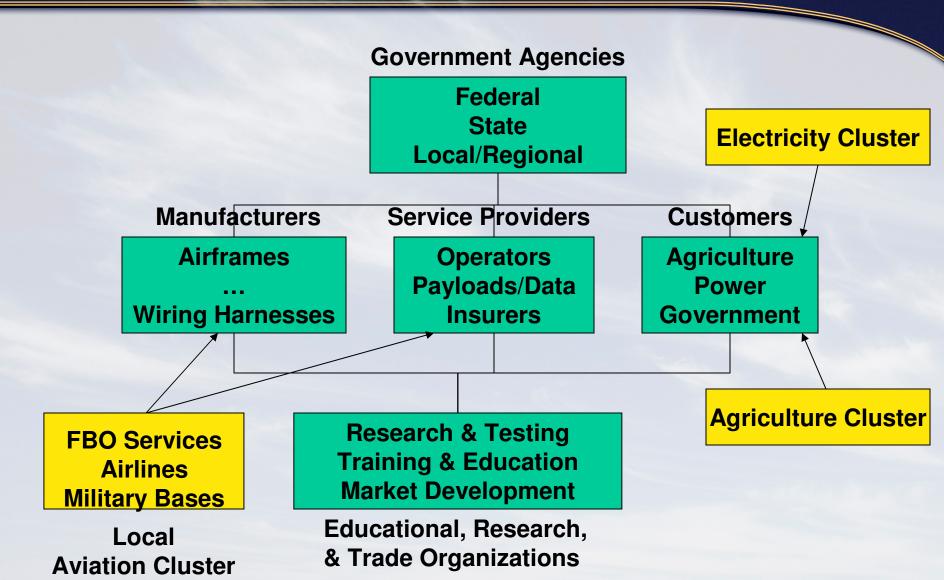


# **ASSETS: CLUSTER APPROACH**





#### **UNMANNED AVIATION CLUSTER**





#### GRAND FORKS UA CLUSTER



Congress FAA, NOAA ND Aeronautics Com

#### **Electricity Cluster**

Minnkota Excel Nodak WAPA

#### Manufacturers

Cirrus Ideal Aerosmith TAG, KMM, et al **Service Providers** 

NDANG
General Atomics
Cropcam, et al

Customers

CBP Minnkota, et al RRVSGA, et al

#### GFK Flt Support Evergreen Eagle FedEx

**Aviation Cluster** 

# UND UAS COE Northland Technical College Lake Region State College GFREDC

**Educational, Research, & Trade Organizations** 

RRVSGA NPPGA NHBGA NDGGA

**Agriculture Cluster** 



#### LOCAL BUSINESS ROLES

#### **Unmanned Aircraft System**

**Tier 1 – Major Components** 

Airframes (Cirrus)

**Engines** 

**Avionics** 

**Payloads** 

#### **Tier 2 - Subcomponents**

Composites, Metals Suppliers

Generators, Propellers, etc (LMG)

Radios, GPS, Transponders, etc

E-O, Gimbals, etc. (KMM – UGSs)

#### Tier 3 – Subassemblies/Parts

Fasteners, Hinges, Handles, etc Coatings (TAG)

Test Equipment (Ideal Aerosmith)

FPAs, Lenses, etc

Wiring Harnesses (KMM)

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# 3. NEEDED INFRASTRUCTURE

- Special use airspace (SUA)
- Runway, hangar, living accommodations within a SUA
- RF Experimental Test Station status (NTIA Red Book)
- Aviation insurer(s) for UASs
- Training/curricula
  - Systems engineering (UND)
  - Photogrammetry/remote sensing/image interpretation (NCTC)
  - Fiberglass manufacturing (HS)



# NOTIONAL UAS PROGRAM

<b>Proposed Course</b>	Similar UND Course(s)	<b>Student Focus</b>
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Intro to Unmanned Aviation\* AVIT 101, 102 All

Airmanship AVIT 102, 142 (cadet program) Pilots

Aviation Weather\* AtSc 231 All

Data Links & Compression\* EE 411 All

Intro to Robotics EE 428, EE 405 Engineers

Human-System Interfaces AVIT 250 All

GPS and INS Navigation\* None Engineers, pilots

Radar Sensing EE 430, AtSc 441 Sensor operators

Electro-optical Sensing\* EE 456 Sensor operators

Electives AVIT 103, 208, 222, 323, 324, 327; ME 446, 449



# 4. COMPETITORS

Facility	SUA?	COA?	Rwy?	Hgr?	RF?	Exp?
Grand Forks AFB						
Nekoma/Park River				?		
Camp Grafton	R5401	n/a				
Regional						
- Smokey Hills ANG, KS	R3601A	n/a				
- Idaho Nat'l Lab, ID						
National						
- TAAC, NM	WSMR					
- Pecos County ADC, TX						
International						
- RATUFC, Finland		n/a			?	
- NEAT, Sweden		n/a			?	



#### 5. LONG TERM MARKET ASSESSMENT





#### 6. BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

- Near term (UASs unable to fly locally)\*
  - 12 NTOs valued at \$11.2M
- Long term (UASs able to fly locally via SUA, COA, or SAW)
  - 19 LTOs valued at over \$7.8 to 15.4M

\*Note: Recent DoD-FAA MOA will allow military UASs to:

- Fly within LOS of a non-dual use Class D airfield w/COA
- Fly UAS <20 lb within LOS over gov't land w/out a COA



# **NEAR TERM OPPORTUNITIES**

NTO#	Business	Description
1	attraction	Local Raytheon sensor service center (NTO 10)
2	attraction	Local General Atomics ops/maintenance office
3	attraction	UND human factors studies for General Atomics
4	creation	Newly formed local UAS ops/mx business
5	expansion	UND training Army Fire Scout pilots
6	expansion	UND training Navy Fire Scout pilots
7	expansion	UND training Army Warrior pilots
8	expansion	TAG anodizing Honeywell TPE331 engine parts
9	expansion	TAG anodizing Rolls Royce AE3007 engine parts
10	expansion	Raytheon subcontracts sensor servicing to Ideal
11	retention	<b>Ideal Aerosmith assumes GFAFBs PMEL functions</b>
12	retention	Alion develops anti-ice coating for UASs

# LONG TERM OPPORTUNITIES 1

LTO#	Business	Description
1	attraction	Cold weather test/exercise site for Army/AAI RQ-7
2	attraction	Cold weather test/exercise site for Army/NGC MQ-8
3	attraction	Cold weather test/exercise site for Army/GA MQ-1C
4	attraction	DHS/TSA demo for rail/power line surveillance
5	attraction	NDHP demo for accident reconstruction
6	attraction	ND sheriffs demo for marijuana interdiction
7	attraction	NDDOT demo for route planning, flood warning
8	attraction	Precision ag for RRV sugar beet growers
9	attraction	Precision ag for RRV potato growers
10	attraction	Precision ag for RRV bean growers

# LONG TERM OPPORTUNITIES 2

LTO#	Business	Description
11	attraction	Precision ag for RRV small grain growers
12	attraction	Cattle monitoring for ND stockmen associations
13	attraction	RR Water Basin Board demo for dam inspection
14	attraction	Power line patrol for Minnkota Power
15	creation	Newly formed local precision ag business (LTO 8-11)
16	creation	Create UAS-oriented airport(s)
17	expansion	Predator & Cirrus wiring harness work sub to KMM
18	expansion	KMM/Packet Digital ground sensors to CBP
19	expansion	ND insurance brokers offer UAS coverage



# VALUE & LIKELIHOOD

**Estimated** 

**Annual** 

Value

\$1 <b>M</b> +	•NTO 5 •NTO 7 •LTO 8 •LTO 11	•NTO 6 •LTO 9 •LTO 10	NTO 2
\$100K-\$1M	•NTO 8	•NTO 4 •NTO 12 •LTO 2 •LTO 3 •LTO 17 •LTO 18 •LTO 19	•NTO 1 •NTO 10 •NTO 11 •LTO 1 •LTO 14 •LTO 15 •LTO 16
\$10K-\$100K		•NTO 3 •NTO 9 •LTO 4 •LTO 13	•LTO 5 •LTO 6 •LTO 7 •LTO 12

Probability:

High

Medium

Low



# **NEAR TERM OPPORTUNITY 8**



- Opportunity: Anodizing magnesium parts for Predator B TPE331 engines
- **Provider: Technology Applications Group (TAG Bill Elmquist)**
- Est Value: \$300-700K/yr **Customer: Honeywell**
- Issue: Uses epoxy paint for corrosion control



# **NEAR TERM OPPORTUNITY 5/6**

- Opportunity: Airmanship training of non-rated UAS pilots
  - UND trains 45 Army cadets/year
  - UND operates S-300 helos, manned version of Fire Scout UAS
  - No airmanship training provided Army & Navy enlisted pilots
- Provider: UND Odegard School
- Customer(s): Army (Fire Scout, Warrior), Navy (Fire Scout)
- Est. Value: \$1.6M to \$6.8M/year
- Issues: Army & Navy buy-in (\$)
- Next Step: Convince Army/TRADOC/UAS TSM of value of instilling airmanship in UAS pilots via flight training



# **UAS PILOT TRAINING**





- Soldier/Sailor + UND training = MQ-8B Fire Scout UAS pilot
- Better airmanship = Fewer "pilot error" mishaps
  - = Greater mission effectiveness



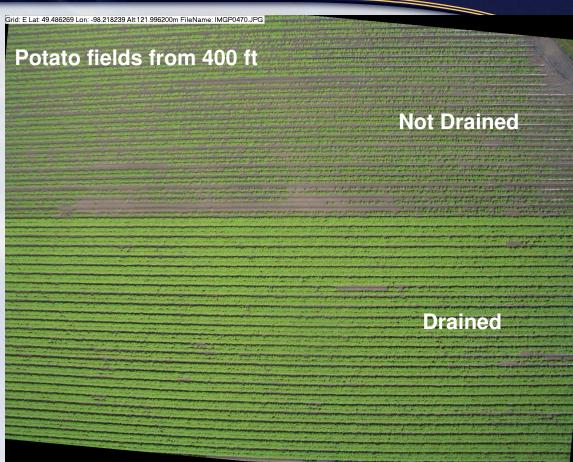
# LONG TERM OPPORTUNITY

- Opportunity: Precision agriculture by UAS
- Provider: Cropcam, AeroView, Yamaha, or a new company
- Customer(s): Red River Valley Sugarbeet Growers Assn.
  - Northern Plains Potato Growers Assn.
  - Northarvest Bean Growers Assn.
  - North Dakota Grain Growers Assn.
- **Est Value:** \$7.8M to \$15.4M/year (=5 to 10% of crop value saved)
- Issues: FAA regulation of small UASs
- Next Steps: Arrange meeting between growers and providers
  - Petition FAA for relief from Policy 05-01 (SAC rqmt) for small UASs
  - Arrange for UAS insurance coverage



# PRECISION AGRICULTURE





UAS + MSI camera + Photogrammetry = Improved crops



#### OPPORTUNITIES BY CLUSTER



Congress FAA, NOAA ND Aeronautics Com

#### **Electricity Cluster**

Minnkota Excel Nodak WAPA

Manufacturers

Cirrus Ideal Aerosmith TAG, KMM, et al **Service Providers** 

NDANG
General Atomics
Cropcam, et al

Customers

CBP Minnkota, et al RRVSGA, et al

GFK Flt Support Evergreen Eagle FedEx

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# GOVERNMENT CLUSTER

Attraction	LTO 4 DHS/TSA Demo
	LTO 5 NDHP Demo
	LTO 6 ND Sheriffs Demo
	LTO 7 NDDOT Demo
	LTO 13 RRV Water Board Demo
Creation	Government Agencies
Expansion	Congress FAA, NOAA ND Aeronautics Com
Retention	Est Value = \$250K
	30



### MANUFACTURERS CLUSTER

**NTOs LTOs** Attraction Creation Manufacturers **Cirrus Ideal Aerosmith Expansion** TAG, KMM, et al NTO 8 Honeywell (TAG) LTO 17 Wiring Harnesses (KMM) NTO 9 Rolls Royce (TAG) LTO 19 Insurance NTO 10 Raytheon (Ideal Aero) Retention **Est Value = \$1,370K** 



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# SERVICE PROVIDERS CLUSTER

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NTOs			LTOs
Attraction  NTO 1 Raytheon  NTO 2 Gen Atomics			LTO 1 Cold Wx RQ-7 LTO 2 Cold Wx MQ-8 LTO 3 Cold Wx MQ-1
Creation NTO 4 New Ops/Mx	Service	Providers	LTO 16 UAS Airports
Expansion  NTO 10 Ideal Aero	General At	a, USAF omics/CBP m, et al	LTO 18 Packet Digital LTO 19 Insurance
(Raytheon sub)  Retention  NTO 11 Ideal Aero PMEL		Est Value =	= \$3,450K

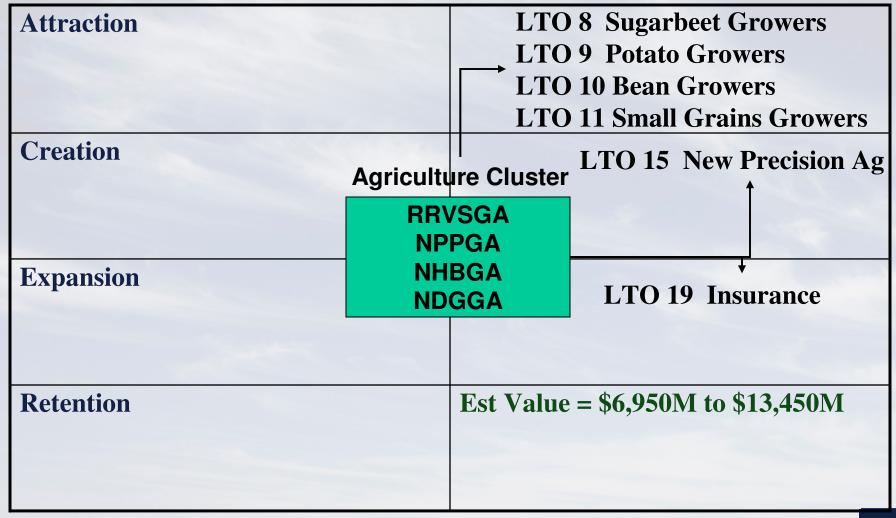


# **EDUCATION & TRADE CLUSTER**

Attraction		
NTO 3 Human Fa	actors Studies	
	Educationa	I, Research,
Creation		ganizations
L,	Northland Tec	AS COE hnical College State College
Expansion		EDC
NTO 5 Army MQ-8 Training		
NTO 6 Navy MQ-	-8 Training —	
NTO 7 Army MQ	-1 Training	
Retention		Est Value = \$9,050M
NTO 12 Anti-ice coating		



### AGRICULTURE CLUSTER





# **ELECTRICITY CLUSTER**

Attraction		O 4 DHS/TSA Demo O 14 Power Line Patrol
Creation		
	<b>Electricity Cluster</b>	
Expansion	Minnkota Excel Nodak WAPA	LTO 19 Insurance
Retention	Est Valu	1e = \$400K



# TAILORED STRATEGIES

- Activities
- Arrange meeting with Growers & Providers

Conduct demonstration over selected field(s)

- Sponsor/fund start-up of local Provider

- Local Provider serves Growers outside RRV and ND, other crops **Exploratory Talks** 

Gate 1

**Demonstration** 

Gate 2

Local Business Establishment

Gate 3

Regional Business Expansion

- **Timeline/Exit Criteria**
- 3 mos before season
- Growers elect to fund demo
- 6 mos during season
- Decision criteria met for crop improvement
- 2-4 years in business
- Provider consistently shows profit



# ROADMAP WBS (NTO)

Discuss WBS NTO chart (handout)



# ROADMAP WBS (LTO)

Discuss WBS LTO chart (handout)



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- 31 May 07 DoD-FAA MOA signed, will allow UAS pattern work at GFAFB
- Jun 07 Arrival of first NDANG MQ-1/Predator
- 25-27 Jun First UAS flights in R5401 (Raytheon Cobra for UND)
- 20 Sep 07 CBP/AMO "Rollout" ceremony at GFIA with Predator B fly-in (POC: John Kimmel)
- Oct 07 Arrival of first CBP Predator B and GCS
- Mar 08 CBP Predator B operations start
- Mar/Apr 08 Third RRV UAS Action Summit held



#### **NEXT STEPS**

- Evaluate/prioritize/select specific NTOs and LTOs to pursue
- Develop detailed business development plans for each
- Tailor infrastructure investments to support BD efforts
  - Invest in R5401 or new R-area over GFAFB?
- Implement BD plans (customer visits, infrastructure RFPs)



### **FUTURE MTSI ROLES**

- Supporting initial UND offerings of UAS courses
  - MTSI teaches 3-day course on unmanned aviation
  - Taught at Ga Tech, MIT, ERAU, AIAA, AFTPS, NTPS
  - Continuing Ed credit given at Ga Tech
- Flying power line patrol for Minnkota
  - Flew fixed and rotary wing UAS utility demos in Texas
- Flying rail/power line demo for DHS/TSA
  - Have discussed UAS demos with TSA rail/power offices
  - Have conducted UAS demos for DHS, USCG, DARPA, etc.
- Planning/conducting precision agriculture UAS demonstrations
  - MTSI's staff has veteran flight test planners



# **FUTURE CEO PRAXIS ROLES**

- Organizing future UAS Action Summits
- Serving as liaison between UAS vendors and Grand Forks community
- Conducting due diligence of interested UAS vendors for Grand Forks



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# QUESTIONS?