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# Making ATM-Weather Integration a Reality

A Concept of Integration (CONINT)  
of Weather Information and Related  
Systems Engineering Artifacts

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# *In the beginning...*

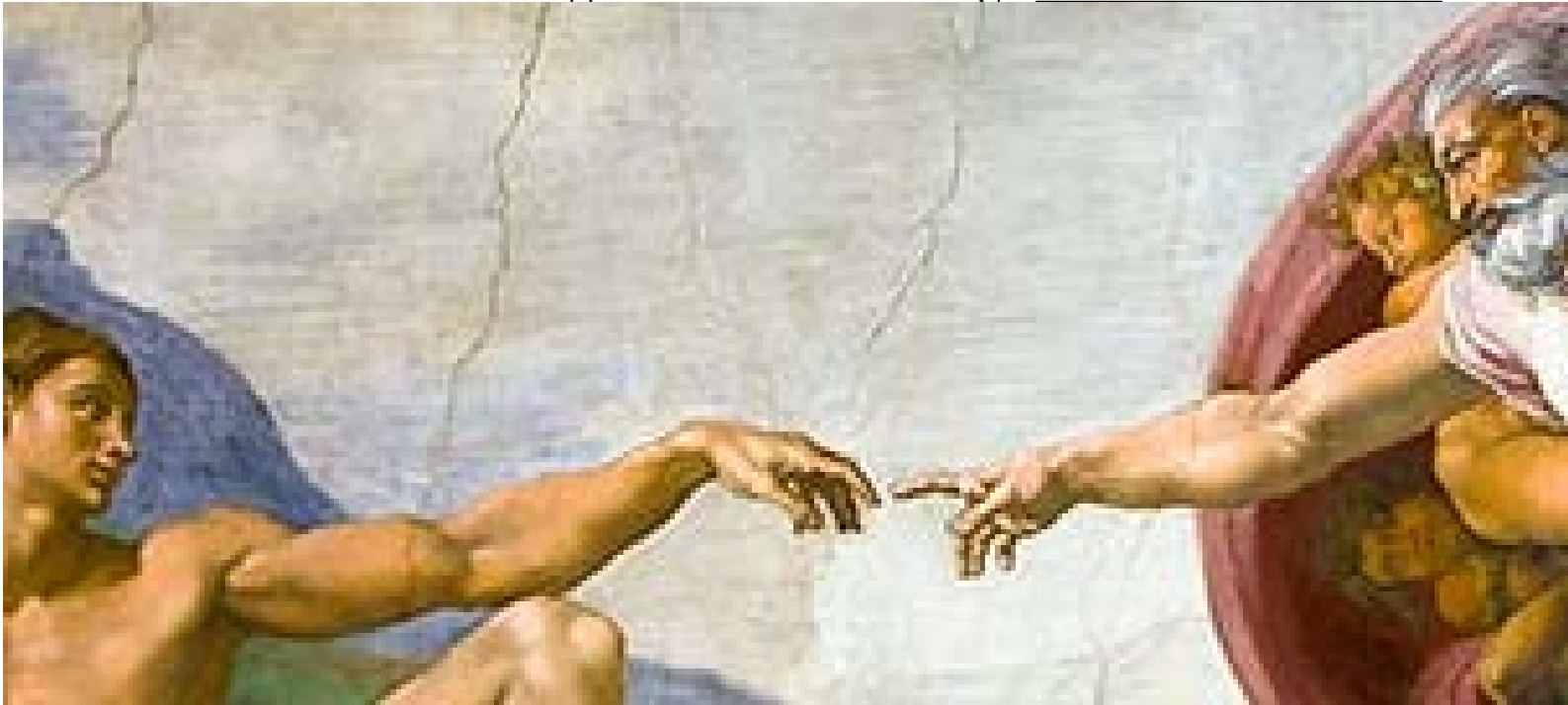
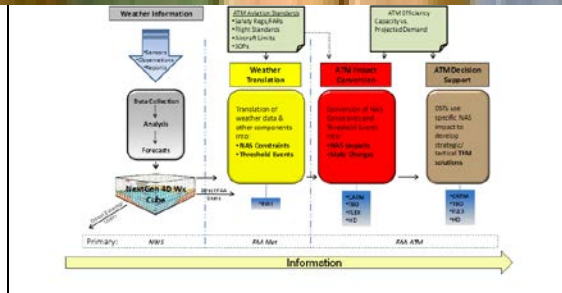
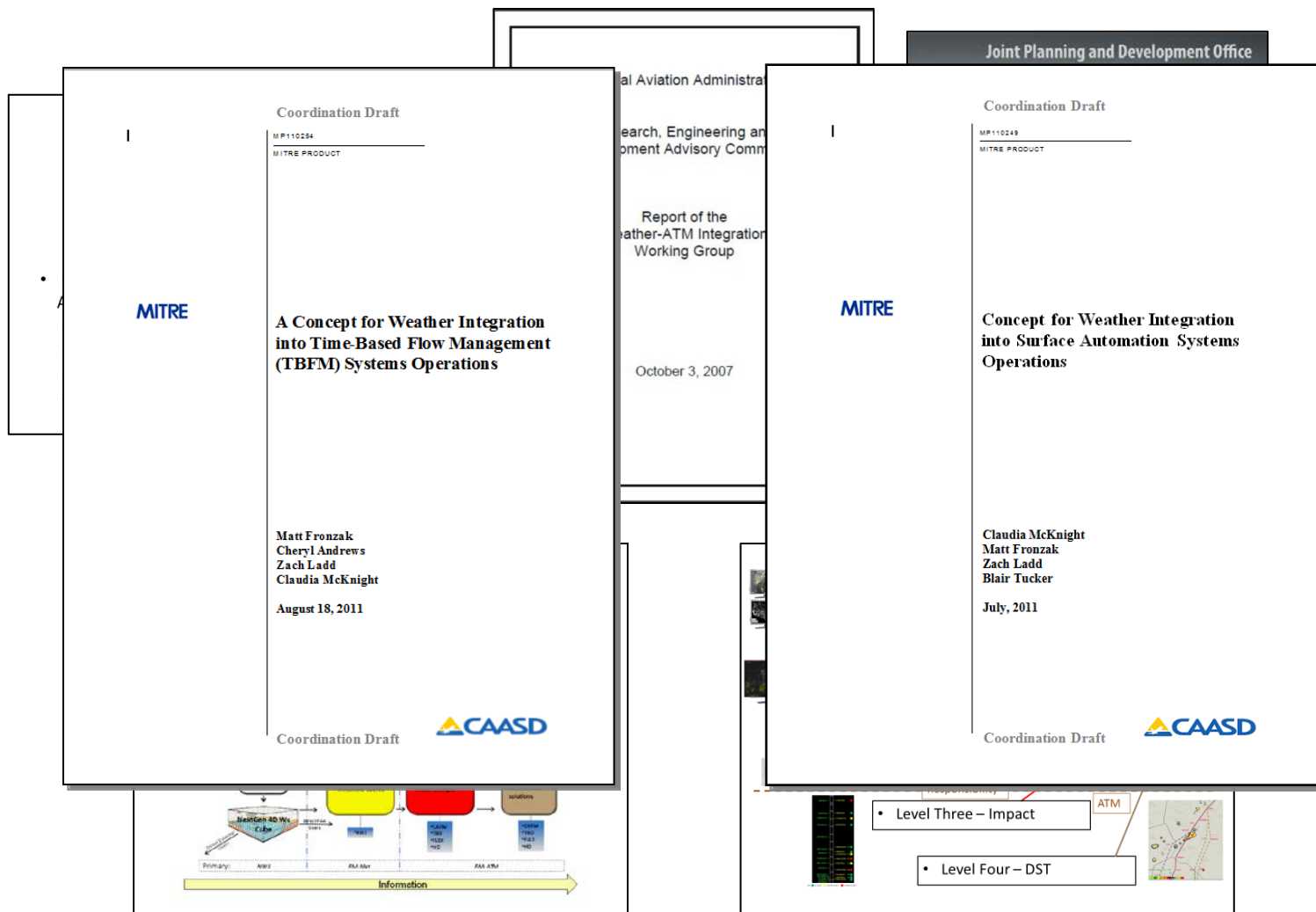


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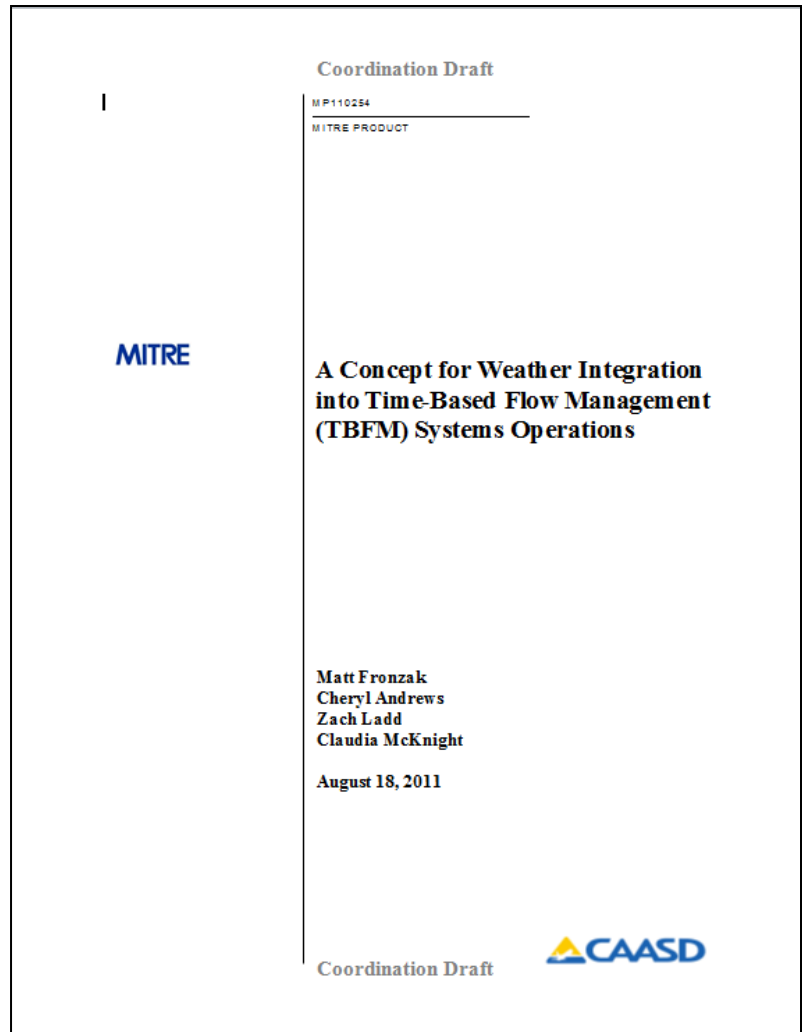
# In The Beginning...





# What is a CONINT?

- Modeled after CONOPS
- Describes the target ATC/TFM system or capability
- Describes weather integration
- Postulates a concept of integrating weather into the target ATC/TFM system or capability
- Provides post-integration example(s) of the system or capability





# TBFM Weather Integration Phase 1 (Level 1 – Weather on the Glass)

## Description

- CIWS imagery overlay on TMA PGUI

## Schedule

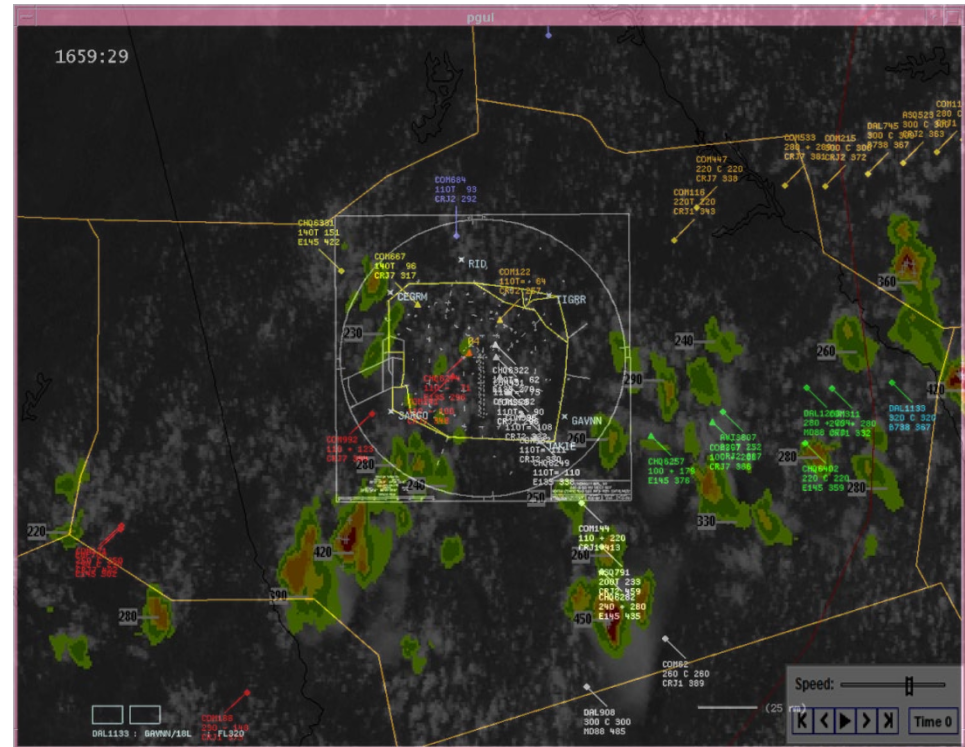
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## Benefits

- Increased situation awareness
- Better understanding of geospatial relationship between incoming traffic and forecast thunderstorms

## Shortfalls

- Cognitive impact calculation, solution development



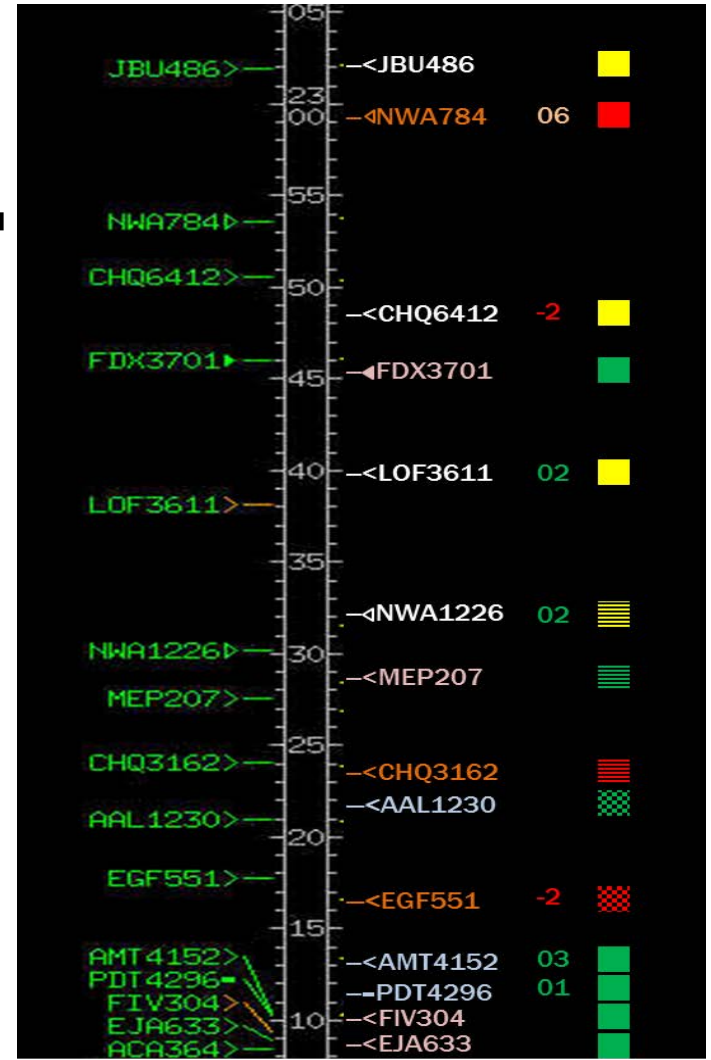
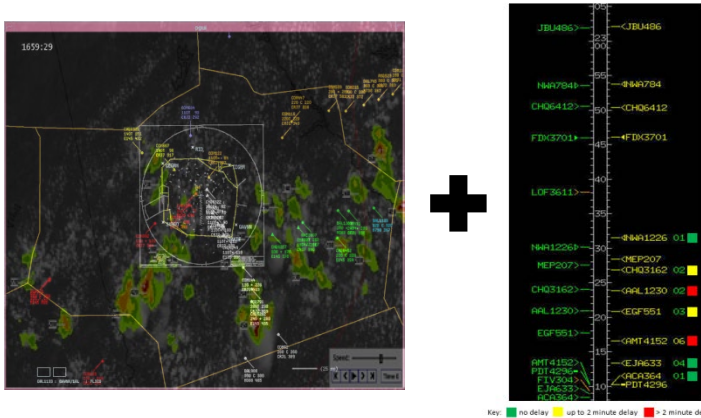
Notional illustration of TMA PGUI with CIWS imagery overlay







# TBFM Weather Integration Phase 3 (Level 4 – Full DST functionality) (Convection)



## Description

- Decision Support System

## Proposed Schedule

- Far-term (2019+)

## Benefits

- Automated optimized solution recommendations

Notional illustration of TMA TGUI with flight list swap recommendations

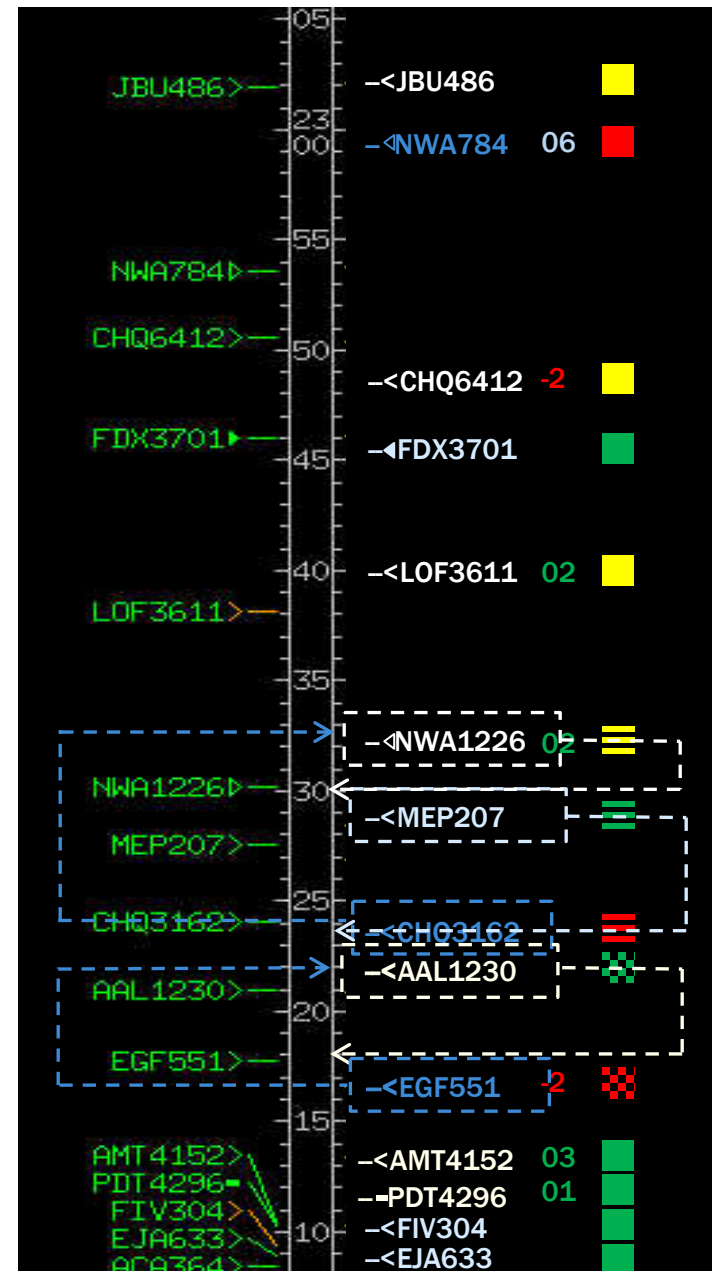




# TBFM Weather Integration Phase 3 (Convection) – Notional DST Operations

## Description

- A mouse click on one of each of the special impact symbols causes the DST recommendations to be graphically displayed
- A quick glance at the TMA PGUI with CIWS overlays suggests that both of the recommendations appear to be good solutions (HOTL)
- One more click on one of each of the special impact symbols executes the flight list changes



Notional illustration of TMA TGUI – times and positions are not to scale







# Related Systems Engineering Documents

The image displays four overlapping document covers, each representing a different stage of systems engineering for the integration of weather information into time-based flow management (TBFM) systems. Each cover includes the MITRE logo, the title of the document, the authors (Matt Fronzak, Zach Ladd, and Donna Medric), the date, and the CAASD logo.

- Document 1 (Leftmost):** "Functional Analysis of the Integration of Weather Information into Time Based Flow Management (TBFM) Systems". Coordination Draft, December 21, 2011.
- Document 2:** "Functional Requirements for the Integration of Weather Information into Time-Based Flow Management (TBFM) Systems". Coordination Draft, March 2012.
- Document 3:** "Performance Requirements for the Integration of Weather Information into Time-Based Flow Management (TBFM) Systems". Coordination Draft, March 2012.
- Document 4 (Rightmost):** "Weather Gap Analysis for the Integration of Weather Information into Time Based Flow Management (TBFM) Systems". Coordination Draft, April 2012.

- Functional Analysis
- Functional Requirements
- Performance Requirements
- Weather Gap Analysis



# Next Steps and Issues

## Next Steps – FY12

- Transition both CONINTs from Coordination Draft to V1.0 by the end of September

## Next Steps – FY13

- Transition all related systems engineering documents from Coordination Draft to V1.0
- Complete a similar set of documents for CATM
- V2.0 of the ATM-Weather Integration Concept Diagram

## Issues

- Engagement strategy
- Weather forecast performance criteria