

Offshore approach gap analysis

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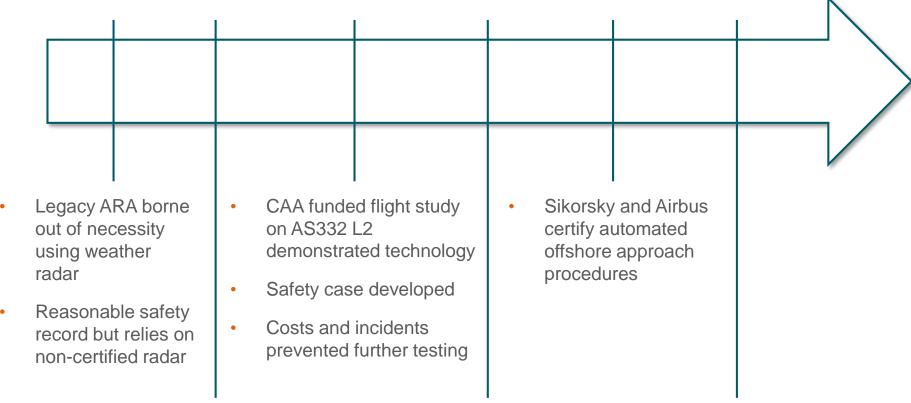




Discussion topics

- Introduction, background and motivation
- The different approach profiles
- Common hazards with the offset approach
- Conclusions and next steps

Introduction, background and motivation

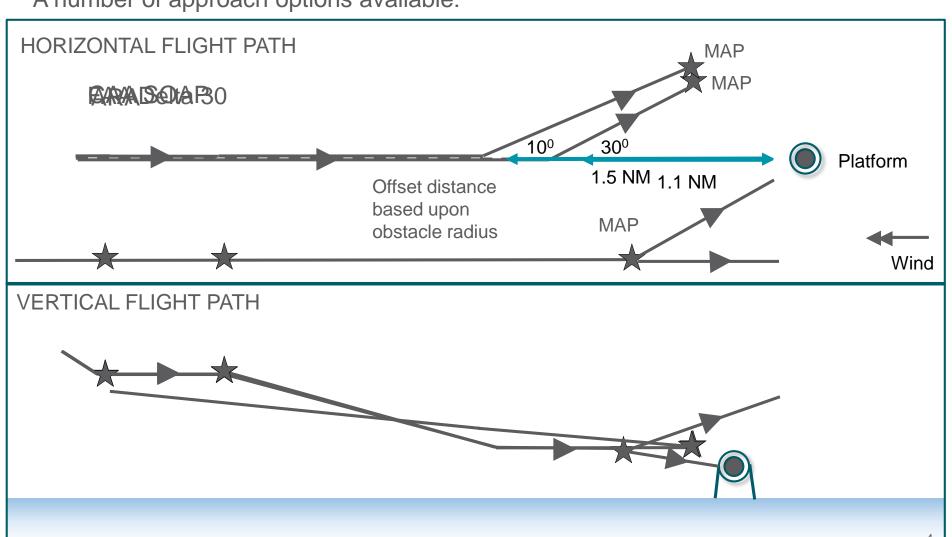


- SBAS technology permitted development of new approach
- SOAP offset approach developed to improve safety

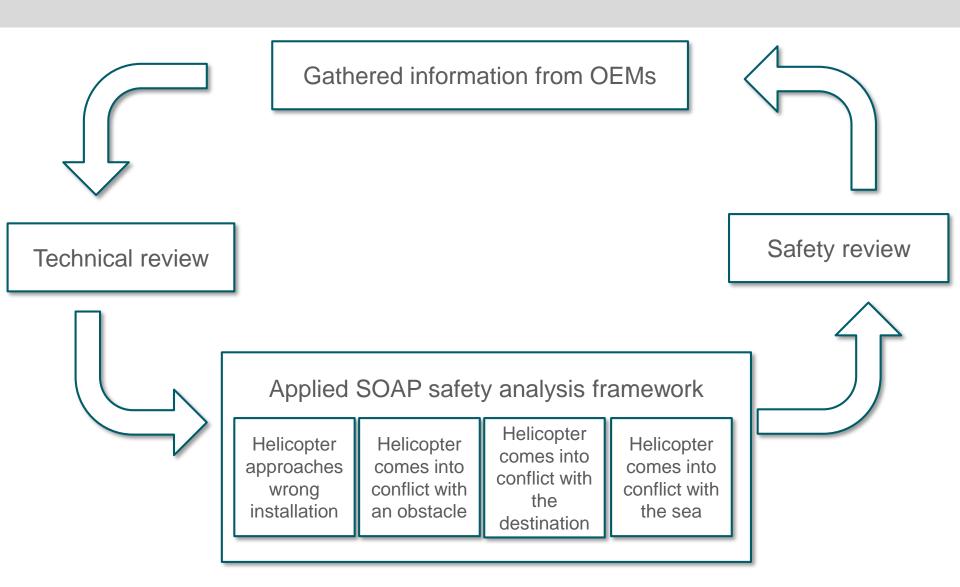
- OEMs start development of approach procedures
- Although OEM procedures look like SOAP, need for a project to investigate and compare OEM to SOAP

Approach profiles, ARA, Delta 30 and SOAP

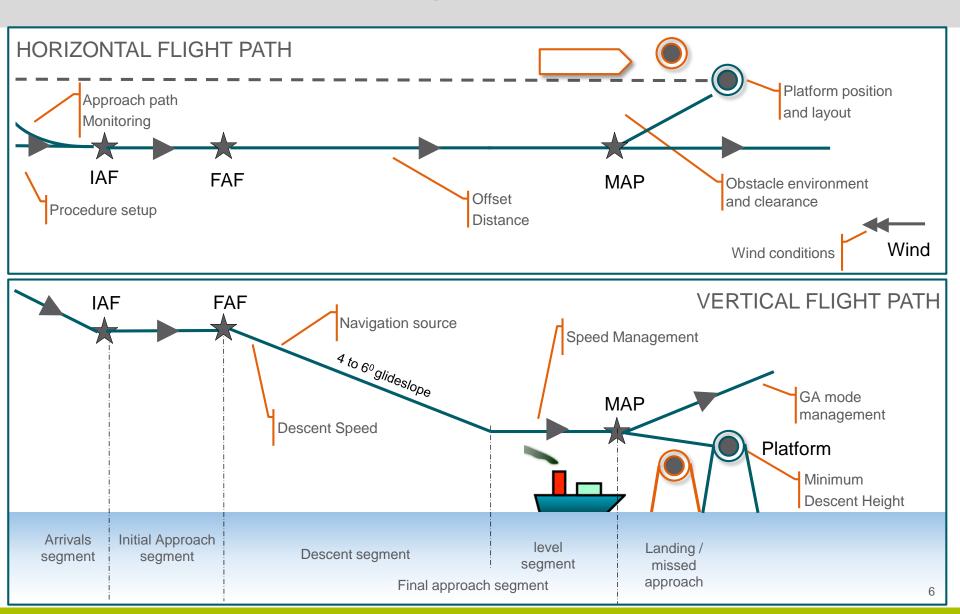
A number of approach options available:



Study approach and analysis



The offset procedure - good practice



Summary of key risk areas

- Navigational/obstacle database
 - Management, display and interpretation of fixed and mobile obstacles
 - Managed, quality assured database
- Offset and MDH/A to suit obstacle environment / conditions
- Speed management throughout in all conditions
 - AFCS drop out
 - Engine failures
- Human Machine Interface and associated procedures

Conclusions and next steps

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- Generally OEM procedures follow SOAP but variation does occur
- Safety concerns remain, which stretch beyond offshore ops

Next steps

- Follow-up with OEMs to share outputs
- Conduct detailed safety assessment to assist operational approval
- Look toward in-service trials and development of GM/AMC



Any questions

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