



121.5 MHz Phase Out Update



121.5 MHz Satellite Processing
Terminates February 1, 2009

**121.5 MHz
ELT**

***Get the Fix...
Switch to 406***



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Overview

- NSARC 121.5 MHz Phase Out Working Group
- Education and Outreach activities
- Response to 121.5 MHz beacons



Outreach

- Air Shows
- AOPA Expos
- CG Innovation Expo
- AOPA articles and survey
- Press Releases, articles, interviews, blogs
- FAA Safety Team (FAAST) Notice
recommend that pilots monitor 121.5 MHz and report any audible alerts to the nearest air traffic control tower. Aircraft owners were also encouraged to consider upgrading to a 406 MHz ELT or at least a PLB .
- FCC Public Notice (14 Jan) reminded users of the termination
- Mass mailings and emails
- Coordination w/ FCC on illegal sales of 121.5 beacons



Response





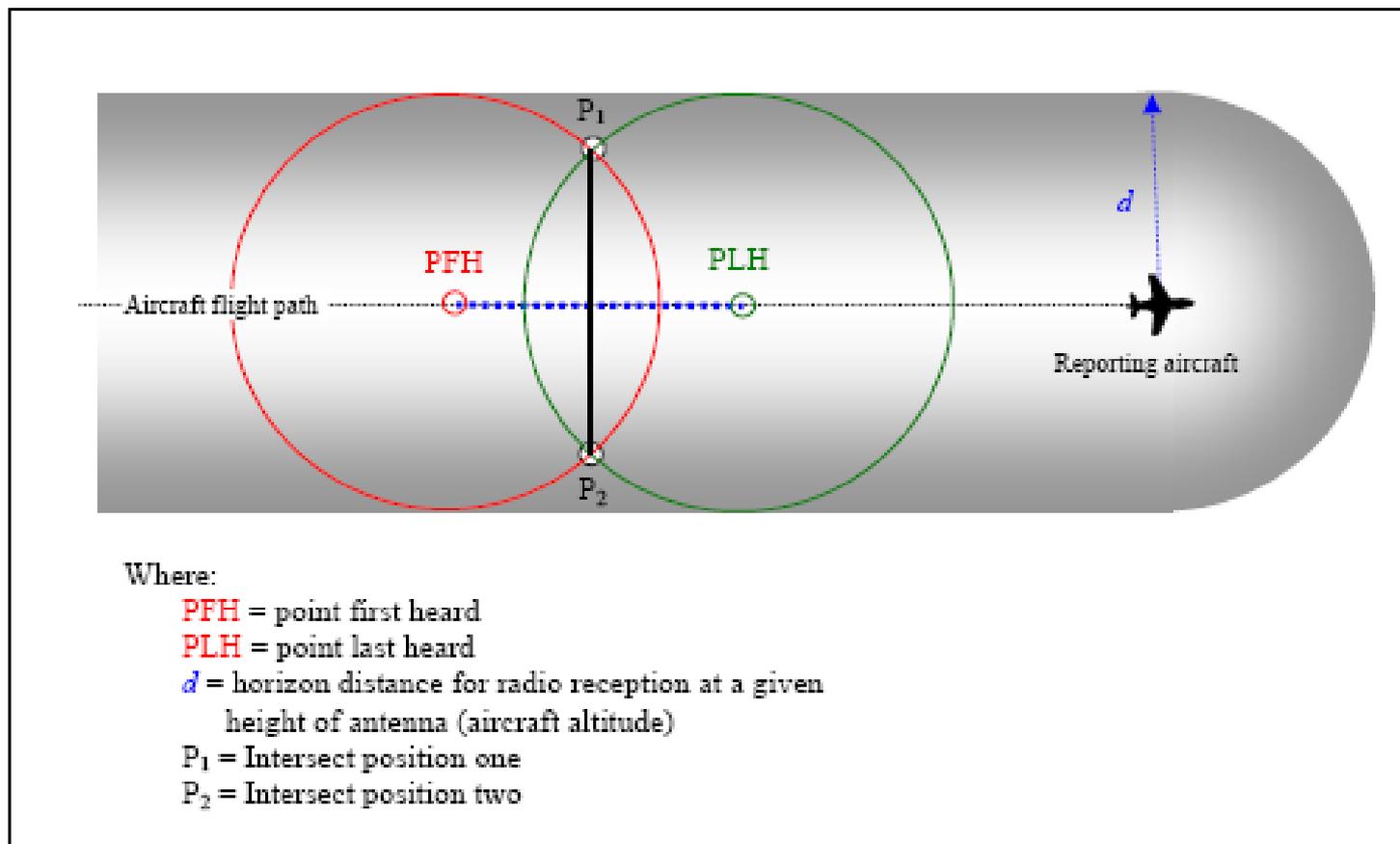
Response

- CG msg to RCCs: Policy for responding to audible 121.5 MHz beacon alerts
- CG & AF guidance: Search planning for audible alerts
- Coordination w/ FAA on detailed reports



No More 121.5 Satellite Alerting

Search Planning for Audible 121.5 MHz Distress Beacon Alerts



- Audible Beacon Alert; Geometry for typical case where reporting aircraft passes within reception range of beacon signal



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Any Questions???



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