

# UAS Program

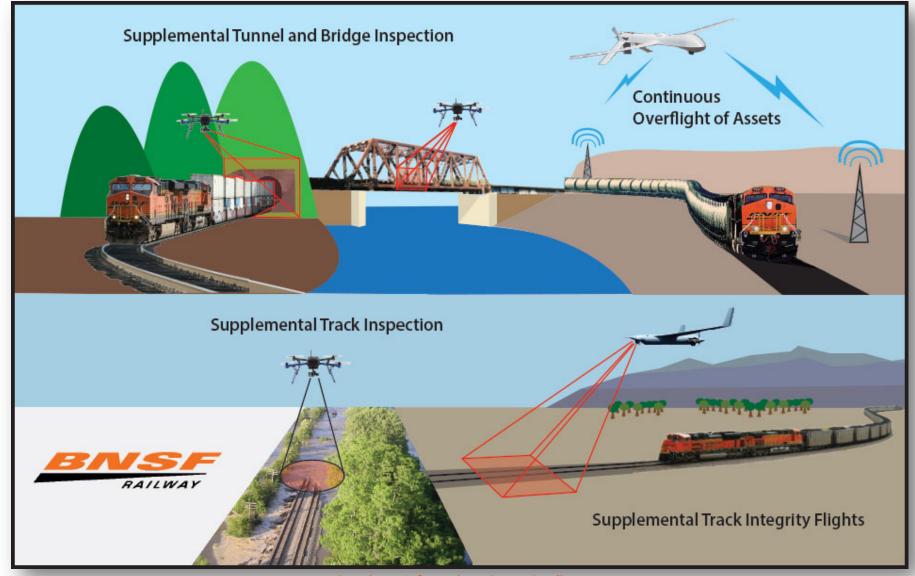
## The Challenges of the Elements



- VLOS
  - Extreme weather challenges
    - Cold weather
    - Hot weather
  - Other inclement weather challenges
    - Rain
    - Wind
- BVLOS
  - Extreme weather challenges
    - Cold weather
    - Hot weather
  - Other inclement weather challenges
    - Icing
    - Wind
- Weather sources

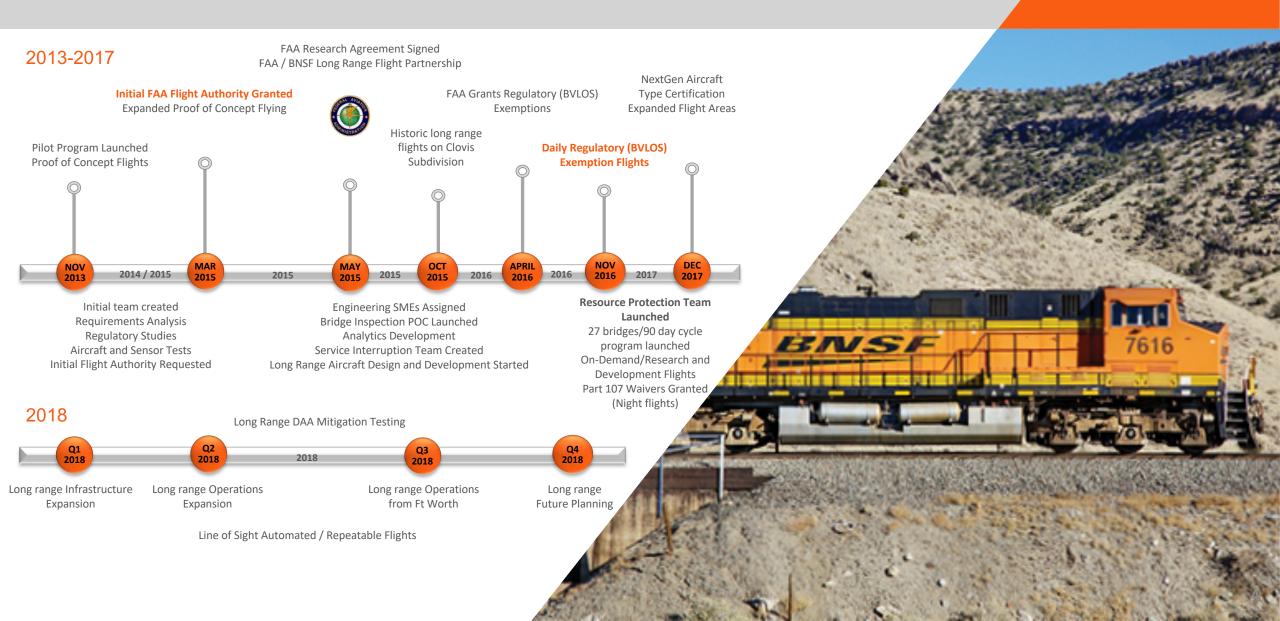
## **Concept of Operations**





## **BNSF UAS Program Timeline**





## VLOS Extreme Weather Challenges



### Cold Weather

- Temperatures above 17°F
- Reduction in battery performance (approx. reduced to 50%)
- Adhere to manufacturers recommendations



#### Hot Weather

- Temperature below 120°F
- Reduction in performance of Ground Control Equipment
- Adhere to manufacturers recommendations



## **VLOS Inclement Weather Challenges**





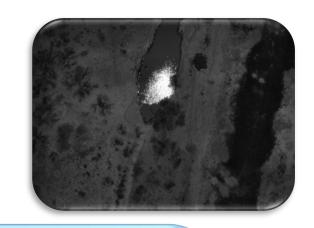


14 CFR §§ 107.51(c) and (d), Operating limitations for small unmanned aircraft, are waived to allow small Unmanned Aircraft operations in reduced visibility and with reduced distance from clouds.

## **BVLOS Extreme Weather Challenges**



- Cold weather 0°F
- Hot weather no published limit as of yet
- Icing / High winds







## Weather Sources







