Unmanned Aircraft System Operations in Papahānaumokuākea



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Summary of UAS in PMNM

- 9 permitted activities (first project in 2014)
- 75 individuals accessed PMNM for supporting UAS activities
 - 9 NOAA and FWS personnel (pilot study)
 - 58 NMFS personnel (cetacean research, monk seal monitoring, and marine debris surveys)
 - 2 FWS education and outreach
 - 6 60 Minutes film crew









PUMA AE (all environment)

Range: Line of sight

Endurance: 3.5+ hours

Speed: 37-83 km/h, 20 to

45 knots

Wing Span: 9.2 ft (2.8 m)

Length: 4.6 ft (1.4 m)

Weight: 13.5 lbs (6.1 kg)

APH-22 (Hexacopter)

Range: Line of sight

Endurance: 18-25 min

Speed: 20 m/sec. (39

Knots)

Wing Span: 32.4 in

Length: 32.4 in

Weight: 6 lbs (2.7 kg)

IVAN (quadcopter)

Range: 2 miles (but operate line of sight)

Endurance: 14-20 min

Speed: 20 m/sec. (39

Knots)

Wing Span: 21.25 in

Length: 21.25 in

Weight: 9.3 lbs (4.2 kg)

Flightwave Edge

Range: 100 km

Endurance: 112 minutes

Speed: 58 mph

Wingspan: 51 in.

Length: 32 in.

Weight: 2.65 lbs.



Phantom Pro

Range: 4 miles

Endurance: 30 min

Speed: 45 mph

Length: 13.8 inches

Weight: 3 lbs



Mavic Pro

Range: 4 miles

Endurance: 30 min.

Speed: 40 mph

Length: 13 in.

Weight: 1.6 lbs



Results

- 25+ hours recorded total flight time
- 30+ flight missions
- 0 bird strikes
- Limited monk seal response (looking at approach distance of 100 feet but no fleeing)



Mahalo!





