

FAA Licensing Interactions

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FAA Licensing

- The FAA seeks to issue a commercial space transportation license or experimental permit when they determine that a commercial entity's proposal will not jeopardize U.S. interests.
- "U.S. interests" are defined as
 - public health and safety,
 - > property,
 - > U.S. national security or foreign policy interests, or
 - > international obligations of the United States.
- Applies to launches, reentries or operation of launch or reentry sites
 - > in the United States, or
 - > by a U.S. citizen outside the United States



NASA Interaction on FAA Licensing

- In support of that effort, NASA (SOMD/LSO) receives all such license/permit requests for review.
- The requests are forwarded to organizations for review as to whether, from an agency perspective, there are any concerns that the activity might jeopardize "U.S. interests."
- Currently, organizations sought for review include
 - > OIIR
 - > OSMA
 - > ESMD