Another factor in the amount of spectrum required for ATM is the heavy workload at the test ranges. At some ranges it is necessary to simultaneously run from 12 to 13 to as many as 18 to 20 separate signals. The actual number being transmitted in the range area depends on the type of tests that are scheduled for that particular day. Since mutual interference typically limits the number of simultaneous ATM signals in the available bandwidth to only 12 or 13, it is only possible to exceed this number if receiver antenna discrimination or natural terrain shielding is available.

Aeronautical testing is now conducted on a very tight time schedule. Flight programs that suffer longer than normal delays will incur cost overruns. Test flight delays as a result of insufficient spectrum for simultaneous operations could add several months to larger test programs. The loss of the entire band could limit the ability to effectively schedule simultaneous test events on some ranges. Flight test and range personnel, as well as specialized hardware, will be idle during delays in testing. The Air Force stated that the anticipated delays in program test schedules resulting from the loss of the entire band would create an estimated 15 percent increase in time required for range operations. Using an estimate of \$1 million per day and 200 test days per range, a 15 percent increase in the test time translates to an additional \$180 million per year, assuming that the redesigned antennas fit within existing enclosures. Over a 5 year period, this is an increase of approximately \$900 million.<sup>129</sup>

The ATM band for primary Government and commercial flight testing is the 1435-1525 MHz. This band is currently used very heavily and is extremely congested. The 2360-2390 MHz band is being used to support some current and future flight test operations and will be used to relieve the growing congestion in the 1435-1525 MHz band. All indications are that the use of ATM in the future is expected to increase. Figure 3-5 shows the increase in data requirements for ATM as a function of time. The number of parameters monitored during a test and data rates required is also expected to increase. Thus, the bandwidth required for each test is

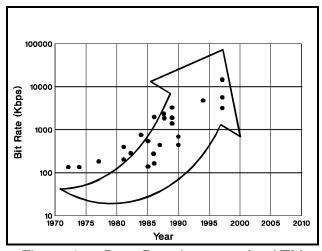


Figure 3-5. Data Requirements for ATM

growing as well as the number of tests that are needed. Based on these factors, the congestion resulting from the loss of the 2310-2360 MHz potion of the band, and the excessive reallocation cost, reallocation of the entire 2360-2390 MHz band is not considered an option. However, reallocating a portion of the band is possible without complete disruption of the ATM operations in the band.

Wideband ATM is becoming increasingly more important as a result of the high data rates and the corresponding high bandwidths anticipated for future flight test telemetry. Since there is only 30 MHz remaining in the 2360-2390 MHz band, reallocation of a large part of the band would all but eliminate the ability to perform wideband ATM functions.<sup>o</sup> However, reallocating a 5 MHz segment would still leave 25 MHz of spectrum that could satisfy many of the anticipated wideband ATM spectrum requirements. Reallocating spectrum in the 2360-2390 MHz near the edges of the band versus the middle of the band will also minimize the impact on ATM operations.

The Air Force states that the reallocation of a portion of the band will have an impact on flight test programs. In Table 3-5 the Air Force provided examples of the impact that the loss of the 2360-2365 MHz band segment will have on flight test missions at the Air Force Flight Test Center (AFFTC) at Edwards AFB, CA.<sup>130</sup> The Air Force states that the reallocation of the 2360-2365 MHz band segment to the private sector would reduce the amount of spectrum available to the DoD for aeronautical telemetry by 17 percent. The Air Force estimates that the loss of this spectrum will result in \$1.5 billion in additional weapons system program costs over the next 10 years, caused by the cancellation of missions due to spectrum unavailability. The Air Force adds that multiple schedule slips with potential impacts with associated costs in delayed Milestone II and III decisions would also result, the cost of which is not included in the estimates provided in Table 3-5.<sup>131</sup>

The Air Force states that the loss of the 2360-2365 MHz band will also have an impact on the development of the nation's theater and national missile defense programs. The 2360-2390 MHz band or portions of the band are used for transfer of in-flight data during development and operational testing. Current Army systems, Theater High Altitude Air Defense (THAAD) and the National Missile Defense (NMD) programs require approximately 20 MHz of bandwidth in the 2360-2390 MHz band. The Navy Theater Ballistic Missile Defense (TBMD) program will require greater bandwidths extending to approximately 30 MHz. The Air Force states that while it may be possible to conduct some of the less complex test using some other frequencies, the loss of available bandwidth will make some data collection requirements impossible. The Air Force maintains that the current allocation is marginally sufficient to meet known and projected ballistic missile defense requirements. Any further reduction will require flight hardware redesign efforts, which are unfunded within these programs.<sup>132</sup>

The DoD has stated that reallocation of the upper 5 MHz (2385-2390 MHz) instead of the lower 5 MHz (2360-2365 MHz) would minimize the impact on military flight test operations. The DoD maintains that reallocating the 2385-2390 MHz band segment will reduce costly modifications to the F-22 and other aircraft test programs. The DoD states that in order to minimize the impact on flight test operations the implementation date of the reallocation should be 2007. Furthermore, the DoD states that 10 military sites and additional civilian sites to be identified by AFTRCC must be protected from 2007 to 2010.<sup>133</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>o</sup> An issue identified in the Preliminary Agenda (Resolution GTPLEN1-4) for the World Radiocommunications Conference 2001 is to consider the spectrum requirements for wideband aeronautical telemetry in the bands between 3 and 30 GHz.

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## Table 3-5.

# Examples of AFFTC Projects Impacted by the Loss of the 2360-2365 MHz Band Segment<sup>134</sup>

AFFTC PROJECT	IMPACT ON AFFTC PROJECT	
F-22	The F-22 Engineering Manufacturing and Development (EMD) program is scheduled to fly through FY02. The program is estimated to support about 3,000 sorties in the EMD phase. The loss of the 2360-2365 MHz band segment would delay about 500 sorties past the estimated completion date. Based on a cost of \$3 million per aircraft per month, it is estimated a \$125 million program cost increase ((500/12)x\$3 million). This does not address additional contract costs, or additional cost due to a 8 month slippage (17 percent of 48 months total flying program length) to Milestone III decision.	
Joint Strike Fighter	The Joint Strike Fighter is currently in phase II (Dem/Val). The program estimate is for a \$2.2 billion dollar effort with 24 flights per month over 6 months (144 sorties). A loss of the 2360-2365 MHz band segment would extend the program another month to accomplish 24 delayed flights. This would result in an estimated 1 month slip in the Milestone II decision. The additional month slip would cost the program an additional \$42 million (2.2 billion/52 months program length). The EMD phase of the program is scheduled to fly 3,000 sorties in 36 months. A loss of the 2360-2365 MHz band segment would delay about 500 sorties past the estimated completion date. Based on a cost of \$3 million per aircraft per month and an effective sortie rate per aircraft around 12 sorties per month. It is estimated a that there will be a \$125 million program cost increase ((500/12)x\$3 million) in flight costs. The EMD program is a \$16 billion (\$16 billion over 78 months results in \$205million per month). Based on 10 functional aircraft flying 12 sorties each per month, a slip of 5 months is estimated to make up the 500 sorties. This would require a contract extension costing almost \$1 billion. This does not address additional costs due to a 5 month slippage to the milestone III decision.	
Airborne Laser Lab	The Dem/Val of the Airborne Laser Lab will be impacted by the loss of the 2360- 2365 MHz band segment. This 73 month program is estimated to cost \$210,000 per month. Based on 270 flight hours with 17 percent delayed due to spectrum non-availability (46 hours). The 17 percent delay would cause a 6 month slip (based on 36 flying months) with a \$1.2 million additional program cost.	
F-16	\$75 million resulting from numerous 1 to 3 month program slips.	
F-15	\$50 million resulting from numerous 1 to 3 month program slips.	
B-1	\$15 million resulting from numerous 1 to 3 month program slips.	
B-2	\$15 million resulting from numerous 1 to 3 month program slips.	
V-22	\$30 million resulting from numerous 3 to 6 month program slips.	

The DoD states that reallocation of 2385-2390 MHz rather than 2360-2365 MHz would mitigate the impact to all other programs in this band. The DoD states that the test and evaluation community continues to operate as a secondary user in the 2110-2360 MHz band, even though this portion of the spectrum was previously allocated. The DoD maintains that the retention of the 2360-2365 MHz band would allow test ranges to continue operating across a contiguous band of 2310-2385 MHz until new users below 2360 MHz became operational. The DoD further states that a contiguous band also permits more efficient use of the spectrum. The DoD adds that the strategy of using contiguous bandwidth would reduce the impact in program test schedules from approximately \$350 million per year to roughly \$205 million per year. This will result in a savings of \$145 million per year until the lower adjacent band becomes unavailable for telemetry use.<sup>135</sup>

The Air Force states that the loss of any portion of this heavily used band will impact Government and commercial flight testing of manned aircraft. The Air Force states that reallocation of the 2385-2390 MHz band will cost an estimated \$100 million for each of the three major test ranges.<sup>136</sup> This estimate assumes that suitable spectrum will be available for relocation such that current equipment can be retuned and that extensive system modifications will not be required to operate on new frequencies or to avoid interfering with new commercial users. If replacement of major systems is required, relocation costs could be significantly higher.<sup>137</sup>

The Navy states that the loss of the 2385-2390 MHz band will result in program slippages that will impact their ability to test and field aircraft weapon systems. The Navy maintains that losing this additional spectrum will delay the F-18 E/F test and evaluation program as well as other projects at major test ranges. The Navy estimates that the total reallocation cost could exceed \$160 million.<sup>138</sup> This estimate assumes that suitable spectrum will be available for relocation such that current equipment can be retuned and that extensive system modifications will not be required to operate on new frequencies or to avoid interfering with new commercial users. If replacement of major systems is required, relocation costs could be significantly higher.<sup>139</sup>

The Army also uses this band for a variety of in-flight telemetry and other telemetry uses. The Army states that their use could be accommodated in the remaining telemetry spectrum, but programs would be more expensive due to more testing time required to gather data. The Army estimates that the reallocation cost for the 2385-2390 MHz band segment could exceed \$20 million.<sup>140</sup> This estimate assumes that suitable spectrum will be available for relocation such that current equipment can be retuned and that extensive system modifications will not be required to operate on new frequencies or to avoid interfering with new commercial users. If replacement of major systems is required, relocation costs could be significantly higher.<sup>141</sup>

The NSF states that reallocation of the 2385-2390 MHz band will affect the NAIC radar that operates at 2380 MHz with a 20 MHz bandwidth. The NSF states that this radar has just been refurbished with joint NSF and NASA funding. The estimated cost of relocating the radar is approximately \$5 million. The NSF believes that relocating this 1 Megawatt radar will be extremely

difficult, and that the preferred option is to provide protection to it indefinitely, particularly from airborne and satellite downlink transmissions.<sup>142</sup> The area affected is Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

NASA states that the loss of any portion of the 2360-2390 MHz band would impact the Scientific Balloon Program, which is a joint program with the Canadians.<sup>P</sup> NASA states that the new transmitters purchased for the Scientific Balloon Program are multi-band and tunable over the entire 2300-2399.5 MHz band. <sup>143</sup> However, NASA believes that the congestion that currently exists in the band will make it impossible to relocate this activity and that other spectrum would have to be found.<sup>144</sup> NASA states that unavailability of spectrum will mean the loss of three flights per year from resulting from inadequate ground support or not having options to avoid frequency conflicts. NASA states that the direct impact could be expected during the heaviest flight schedule periods of March thru October each year. NASA maintains that because of the time sensitive nature of many of these experiments, delays resulting from the loss of spectrum will probably have the impact of tarnishing the reliability of the Scientific Balloon support capabilities.<sup>145</sup>

NASA states that their Aeronautical Telemetry Program would also suffer as a result of losing more spectrum in the 2360-2390 MHz band. NASA maintains that losing more spectrum without identifying spectrum to replace it is only delaying the problem to a time when it will become more serious because projects are going to higher data rates and higher resolution video. NASA states that studies on data compression have shown only minimal gains in bandwidth resolution which will not come close to keeping up with the increases in bandwidth requirements for ATM. NASA states that the transmitters used in their Aeronautical Telemetry Program are tunable, and if they are able to retune within the same band the estimated reallocation cost will be minimal.

The DOE states that their airborne ranging system has an 11 MHz bandwidth, with the ground uplink operating at 2315.48 MHz and the airborne downlink operating at 2379.8 MHz. The DOE states that the reallocation of the 2385-2390 MHz band will not cause a substantial impact to the airborne downlink if: 1) the authorized bandwidth can be reduced slightly from 11 MHz to 10.4 MHz and 2) the new private sector service has equipment that is not susceptible to relatively low-level emissions from the adjacent band. The DOE believes that since small frequency adjustments can be made to their system there should be no substantial impact.<sup>146</sup>

Footnote US 276 identifies six frequencies in the 2310-2390 MHz band that can be used for commercial ELVs. The six frequencies are: 2312.5 MHz, 2332.5 MHz, 2352.5 MHz, 2364.5 MHz, 2370.5 MHz, and 2382.5 MHz. The allocation of the 2305-2360 MHz band for satellite DARS and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>p</sup> This program was forced to move from its original assignments in the 1400 MHz band to the current assignments between 2365.5 to 2386.5 MHz to avoid interference with the introduction of Canadian Terrestrial-Digital Audio Radio.

WCS leaves only the upper three frequencies available on a primary basis for commercial launch telemetry. The lower three frequencies are still available on a secondary basis and are not protected from interference. These frequencies will support both the ground telemetry for testing and the telemetry for the launch. NASA and the Air Force launch government payloads, including military satellites, weather satellites, data relay satellites, and scientific payloads, among others. NASA and the Air Force have launch sites at several locations in the United States. The Federal Government uses the 2200-2300 MHz band for the launch telemetry. Currently all of the commercial launch telemetry spectrum requirements are being satisfied in the 2200-2300 MHz band. There have been no requests made for the commercial launch telemetry frequencies in the 2360-2390 MHz band.

## **Public Benefit**

The 2385-2390 MHz band is in a region of the radio frequency spectrum where the current state-of-the-art technologies can lead to the early development and implementation of new commercial products and services. The worldwide allocation to fixed, mobile, and radiolocation services provides the flexibility to support a wide variety of new technologies both domestically and potentially for export. While this segment of spectrum is somewhat narrow, the proximity to frequencies already assigned for commercial use; the availability of equipment; and the flexible regulatory structure will enhance its utility for emerging technologies.

A concern in reallocating this band for non-Federal use is that it is immediately adjacent to airborne telemetry systems. Reallocation of the 2385-2390 MHz band must be accompanied by mandatory commercial receiver and transmitter standards to reduce the potential for mutual adjacent band interference.

### **Reallocation Options**

The 2360-2390 MHz band is allocated to the Federal Government for aeronautical flight test telemetry, radars used for scientific observations, and telemetry for commercial launch vehicles. The primary aeronautical telemetry band is the 1435-1525 MHz band which is currently used very heavily by both the Federal Government and the commercial aviation industry. With the extreme congestion in the 1435-1525 MHz band both Federal and commercial users are beginning to move some of their ATM operations to the 2360-2390 MHz band. Previous reductions in the 2310-2390 MHz band have reduced the allocation to only 30 MHz. At the same time, demands for increased bandwidth driven by new information-intensive technologies are being incorporated in U.S. systems. Based on these factors as well as the excessive cost impact to the Federal Government, reallocation of the entire 2360-2390 MHz band is not possible.

In balancing the public benefits and the impact to the Federal Government, a feasible option is to reallocate the 2385-2390 MHz portion of this band for exclusive non-Federal use. The Federal Government will retain the rest of the band to satisfy current and future ATM flight test spectrum requirements. A large majority of the equipment that operates in the 2360-2390 MHz band is tunable

providing a great deal of flexibility within the band. Loss of this spectrum could however have an impact on simultaneous ATM flight test operations at some test ranges. Retaining the 25 MHz of contiguous spectrum will also permit some wide band ATM operations that are envisioned in the future to continue. Reallocation of the upper portion of the band eliminates the concerns expressed by the DoD with regards to the impact of flight test operations. The loss of the 2385-2390 MHz band segment does impact one of the frequencies planned for use by commercial launch telemetry. Currently there are no commercial launch facilities using the frequencies in the 2360-2390 MHz band. There are also other existing Federal Government communications facilities and frequency bands that are being used to support the commercial launches. Since airborne systems will continue to operate in the adjacent band commercial receiver and transmitter standards must be adopted to minimize potential adjacent band interference. To provide protection to the Arecibo Planetary Radar, airborne transmissions and space-to-Earth transmissions will be prohibited in Puerto Rico.

In order to provide adequate time for engineering studies on spectrum efficient modulation techniques, budgeting, and modification of equipment it will require a minimum of seven years (2005) to reallocate this band for non-Federal use. To minimize the operational impact on flight test programs that are ongoing or planned to begin in the near future continued Federal and commercial use of the 2385-2390 MHz band at the selected sites in Table 3-6 will continue for 2years after the scheduled reallocation date. The geographical representation of the site locations is shown in Figure 3-6.

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#### Table 3-6.<sup>q</sup>

Sites at Which Federal and Commercial Systems in the 2385-2390 MHz Band Will Continue to Operate for 2 Years After the Scheduled Reallocation Date

Location	Coordinates	Protection Radius
Yuma Proving Ground, AZ	32°54'N 114°20'W	160 km
Nellis AFB, NV	37°48'N 116°28'W	160 km
White Sands Missile Range, NM	32°58'N 106°23'W	160 km
Utah Test Range, UT	40°12'N 112°54'W	160 km
China Lake, CA	35°40'N 117°41'W	160 km
Eglin AFB, FL	30°30'N 086°30'W	160 km
Cape Canaveral, FL	28°33'N 080°34'W	160 km
Seattle, WA	47°32'N 122°18'W	160 km
St. Louis, MO	38°45'N 090°22'W	160 km
Palm Beach County, FL	26°54'N 080°19'W	160 km
Barking Sands, HI <sup>r</sup>	22°07'N 159°40'W	160 km
Roosevelt Roads, PR <sup>r</sup>	18°14'N 065°38'W	160 km
Glasglow, MT	48°25'N 106°32'W	160 km
Edwards AFB, CA	34°54'N 117°53'W	100 km
Patuxent River, MD	38°17'N 076°25'W	100 km
Wichita, KS	37°40'N 097°26'W	160 km
Roswell, NM	33°18'N 104°32'W	160 km

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>q</sup> The DoD has raised concerns about the need to include additional military sites in this band. NTIA and DoD will assess the need to include additional sites and work with the FCC during the reallocation process to insure that disruption to critical military operations is minimized.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>r</sup> This site is located outside of the Continental United States.

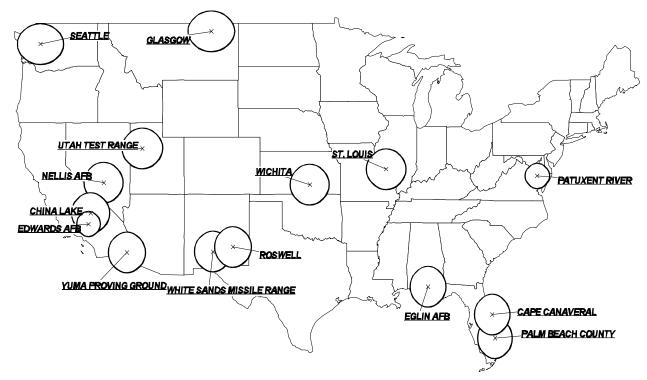


Figure 3-6.

Sites at Which Federal and Commercial Systems in the 2385-2390 MHz Band Will Continue to Operate for 2 Years After the Scheduled Reallocation Date

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