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# The Role of New Technologies

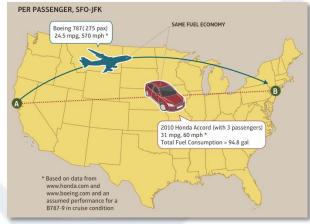
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# **Record of Technology Achievement**

- Over the past 30+ years, fuel burn improvements of approx. 70% achieved through aircraft technologies
- Key advances from aerodynamic, propulsion, and structural improvements
- Significant environmental gains: continuous reductions in absolute number of people exposed to objectionable noise, significant reductions in NO<sub>x</sub>, other harmful emissions
- Significant reductions in fuel burn and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
- Fully loaded B787 SFO-JFK yields similar fuel efficiency of a 2010 Honda Accord (with three passengers) at almost 10 x the speed





# U.S. Aviation Environmental & Energy Policy

Policy statement affirms environmental and energy policy for U.S. civil aviation. The overarching environmental performance goal is environmental protection that allows sustained aviation growth.

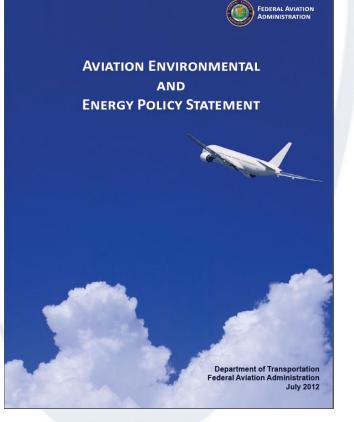
#### Key Aspects of Policy Statement:

E&E Policy Framework and Principles

- 1. Limit and reduce future aviation environmental impacts to levels that protect public health and welfare.
- 2. Ensure energy availability and sustainability.

Aviation E&E Goals: Noise, Air Quality, Energy, Climate and Water Quality

Aviation E&E Strategies: Five Pillar Approach





#### **5-Pillar Environmental Approach**

To increase mobility with reduced environmental impacts and enhanced energy efficiency and security

- P1: Better Scientific Understanding and Improved Tools for Integrated Environmental Analysis
- **P2: Mature New Aircraft Technologies** 
  - **P3: Develop Aviation Alternative Fuels**
  - P4: Develop and Implement Clean, Quiet and Energy Efficient Operational Procedures
  - P5: Policies, Environmental Standards, Market Based Measures and Environmental Management System



Implementation Plan March 2012





#### **Reducing Aviation's Environmental Footprint**

To increase mobility with reduced environmental impacts and enhanced energy efficiency and security, we need to:

	Aircraft & Engine Design	Fuel Composition	Fuel Production	Operations
NOISE: Reduce noise impacts of flights	x			х
AIR QUALITY: Reduce NOx, SOx, and soot emissions	X	Х		Х
CLIMATE: Reduce GHG emissions and their impacts		Х	х	x
SUSTAINABILITY: Develop sustainable alternative fuels			х	

#### P2: Mature New Aircraft Technologies



### **U.S. Aircraft Technology Goals**

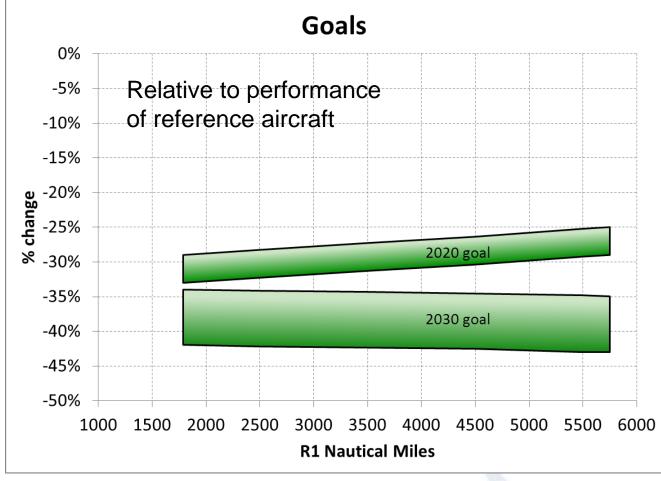
- Environmental and energy drivers are shaping future aircraft and propulsion system design
- U.S. National Plan for Aeronautics R&D laying foundation for next three generations of aircraft: N+1 (2017), N+2 (2025), N+3 (2030-35)

	N+1 (2015) CONVENTIONAL CONFIGURATION RELATIVE TO 1998	N+2 (2020-25) UNCONVENTIONAL CONFIGURATION RELATIVE TO 1998	N+3 (2030-35) ADVANCED CONCEPTS RELATIVE TO 2005			
NOISE	-32 dB cum below Stage 4	-42 dB cum below Stage 4	-71 dB cum below Stage 4			
LTO NOX EMISSIONS (BELOW CAEP 6)	-60%	-75%	better than -75%			
AIRCRAFT FUEL BURN	-33%	-50%	better than -70%			

Advanced engine technologies and dramatic changes in airframe configuration will be key contributors to a carbon-neutral commercial aviation system.



### ICAO Independent Experts Aircraft Technology Goals

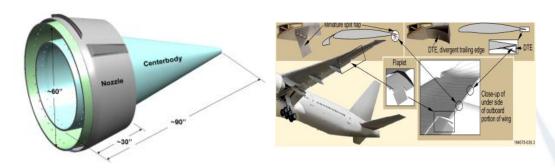


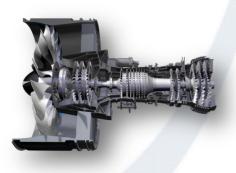


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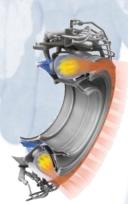
**Continuous Lower Energy, Emissions and Noise** 

- 5 year effort to accelerate technology development and commercialization with 50 percent cost share
  - FAA budget: US\$125 million
  - Industry budget: US\$125 million+
- Mixed portfolio of technologies
  - Engine: GE, Honeywell, Pratt & Whitney, Rolls-Royce
  - Aircraft: Boeing
  - Alternative Fuels: Boeing, Honeywell, Rolls-Royce











### **Boeing-FAA ecoDemonstrator**

Recently completed testing of 737 in Glasgow, Montana

CLEEN funded adaptive wing trailing edges

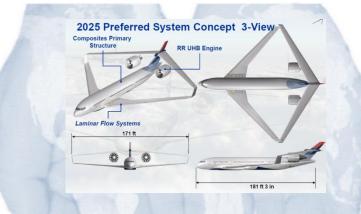
Better aerodynamic performance, reduced fuel burn, emissions and noise

Photo: Boeing

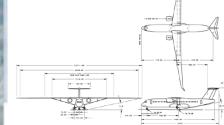


# **Novel Ideas**

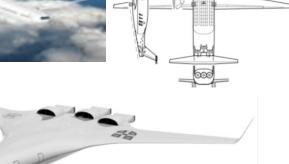
- Integrating engine, airframe and operations could lead to a step-change in environmental performance
- Some Examples:
  - Analysis of Mission Specification
  - NASA Environmentally Responsible Aviation and N+3 projects
  - Silent Aircraft Initiative
- Reduced cruise Mach number with unswept wings
- Change to configuration to allow larger bypass ratio engines
- Lifting fuselage
- Engines flush-mounted at aft fuselage with boundary layer ingestion





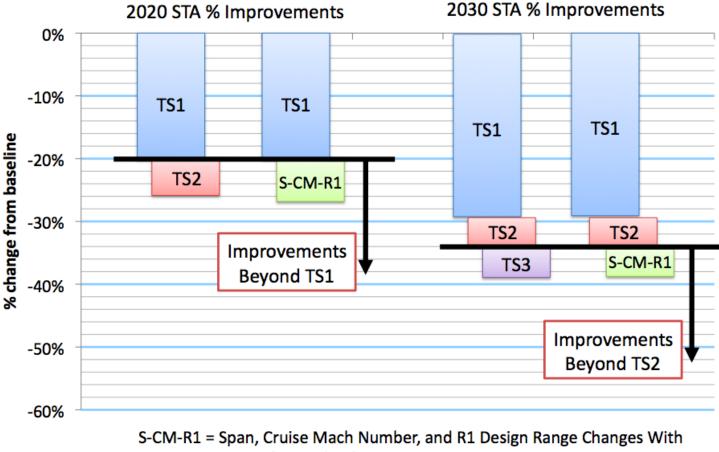








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No Further Technology Improvements

STA = Small-Twin Aisle TS = Technology Scenario



# Other U.S. and International Technology Efforts

 FAA has made continued progress on ground-based cleaner technology at airports via the Voluntary Airport Low Emission Program (VALE)

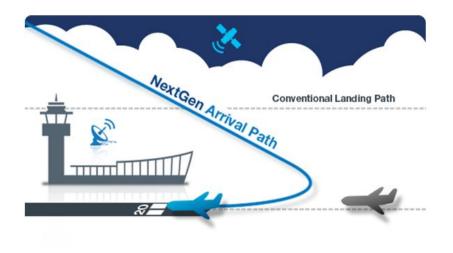
 ICAO Committee on Aviation Environmental Protection (CAEP) making continued progress on an aircraft CO<sub>2</sub> standard





## Improving Aircraft Fuel Efficiency...

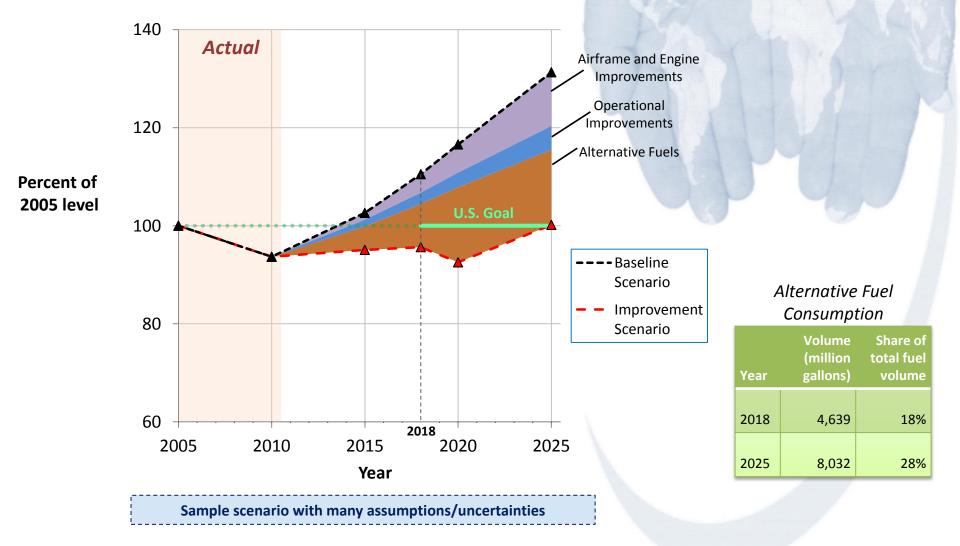
- Via both technology and operational improvement results in less fuel needed for a given aviation demand level and
- Increases alternative fuel viability as less alternative fuel feedstock will have to be grown







## Sample Life-Cycle CO2 Reductions Emissions for U.S. System



# **Closing Observations**

Aviation greenhouse gas emissions may prove a significant long-term challenge to mobility but other impacts remain important

Aircraft technology is a major approach to reducing aviation GHG emissions

Need a balanced approach considering aircraft technology, fuels and operational improvements