

U. S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Air and Marine



CBP UAS Mission Prioritization Process



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CBP UAS Prioritization



- Tier 1 National CBP/DHS Missions
- Tier 2 CBP Missions
(Prioritized by annual Air Council)
- Tier 3 Other Federal/State/Local Missions
(Resources Permitting)



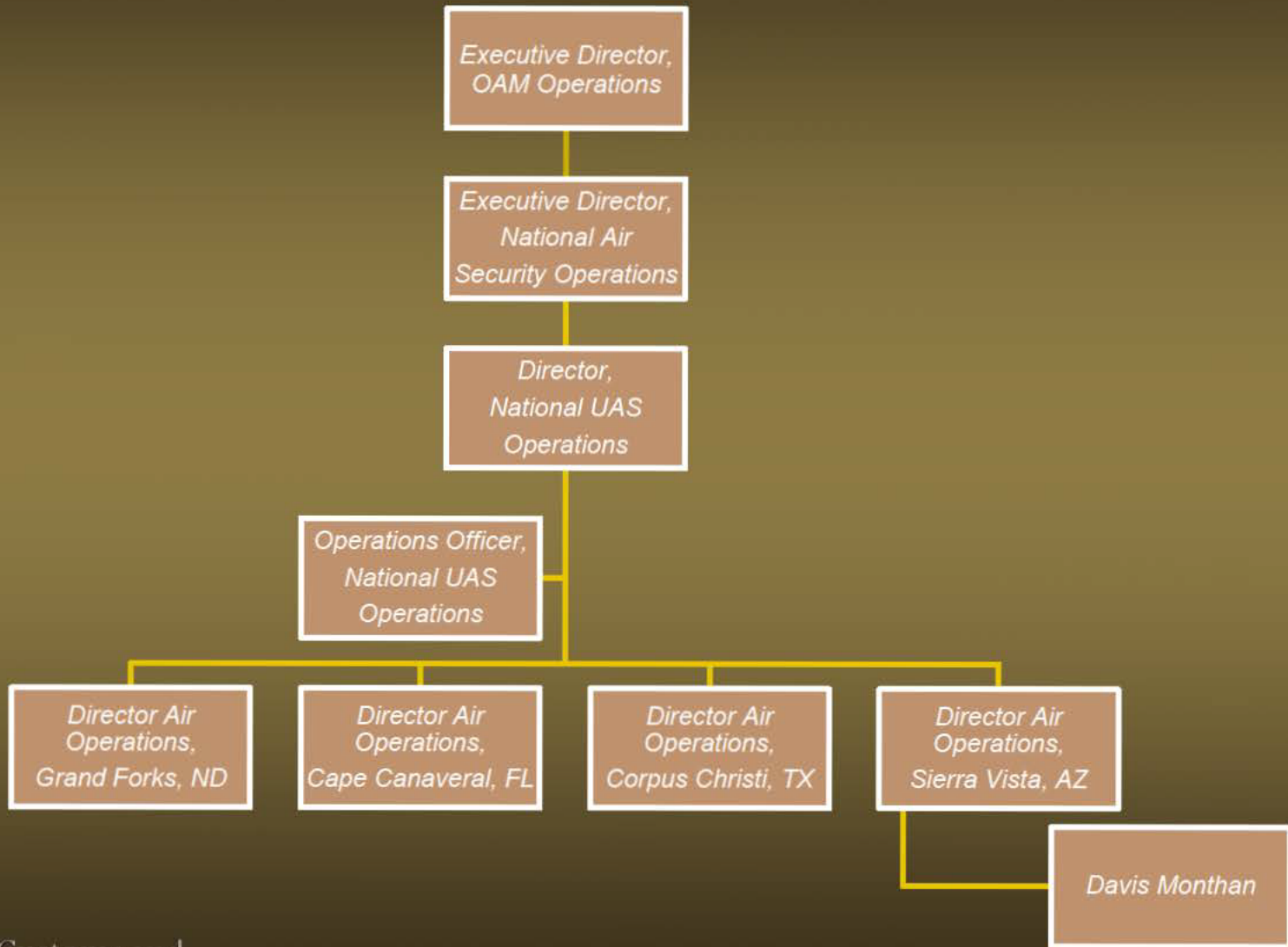
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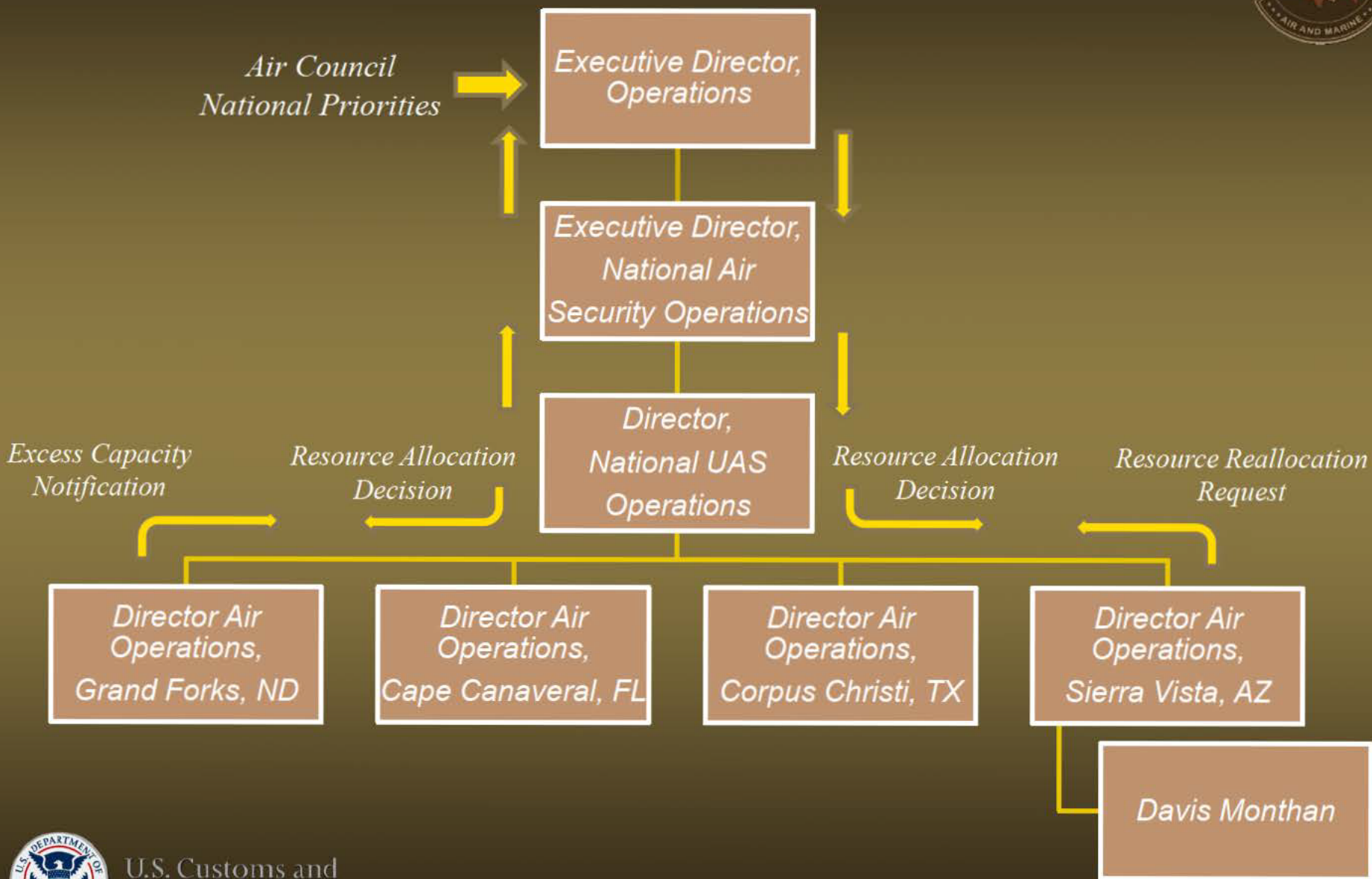
- Responsible for all daily UAS operations
- Works with JFC / STC to ensure mission priorities achieved
- Oversees resource allocation between sites
- Organizes, trains, and equips UAS personnel
- Responsible for all UAS support requests
- Analyzes mission results--provides Air Council with asset allocation recommendations



CBP UAS Command and Control



Internal UAS Mission Resourcing



Support Decision Process



Customer submits Aviation Support Request (ASR)
to Director, National UAS Operations



Director, National UAS Operations forwards requirements
to field units



Field units return resource availability and mission impact
(Can we fly mission?)



Support Decision Process



If supportable, XD NASO is provided with mission request,
risk analysis and cost / benefit analysis
(Should we fly mission?)



XD NASO returns decision (XD Operations cc'd)



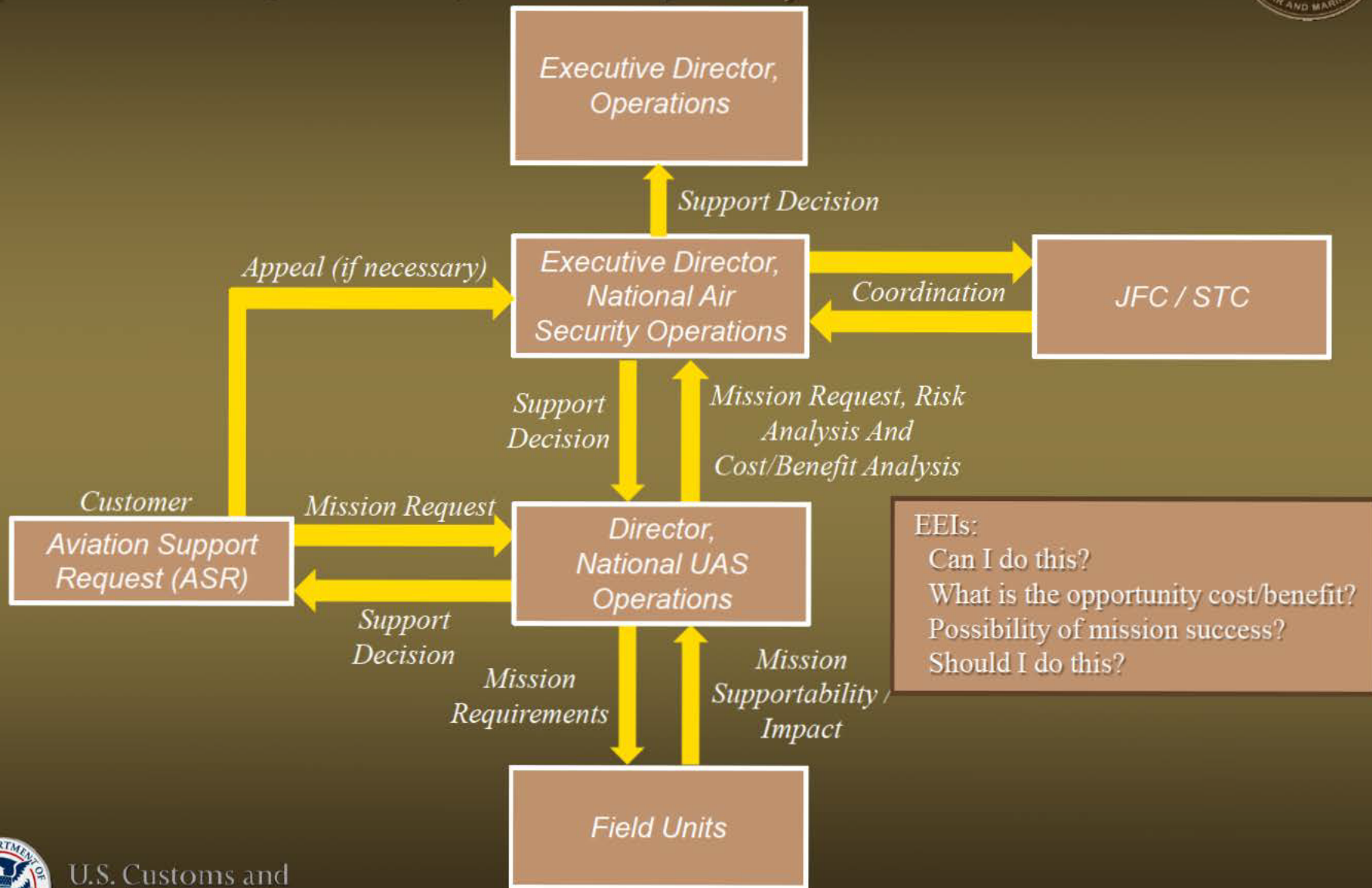
XD NASO coordinates with JFC / STC



Director, National UAS Operations provides decision
to customer



Support Decision Process (Ex. USGS, USFS, FEMA, etc.)



EEIs:
Can I do this?
What is the opportunity cost/benefit?
Possibility of mission success?
Should I do this?



1st Tier: Nationally Directed



Direct to CBP HQ

- Highest priority Support Request
 - International incident (Haiti Earthquake)
 - Terrorist activity
 - Support Request may be “need to know” and may require special handling.



2nd Tier: CBP / NASO Directed



Internal CBP priority and external support request made directly to CBP from other Agencies

- JFC/STC
- National emergencies (hurricanes, fires, flooding)
- NSSE events
- Other agency missions at a HQ level.
- Aircraft/System development



3rd Tier: Local Operations



Direct support to federal, state and local agencies at the field level:

- Shall minimize interference with JFC / STC sorties
- Should incorporate the request into daily mission
- Should maximize training opportunities

