CBP UAS Mission Prioritization Process
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- Tier 1  National CBP/DHS Missions
- Tier 2  CBP Missions
  (Prioritized by annual Air Council)
- Tier 3  Other Federal/State/Local Missions
  (Resources Permitting)
Director, National UAS Operations

- 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
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
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