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Flight Awareness Collaboration Tool

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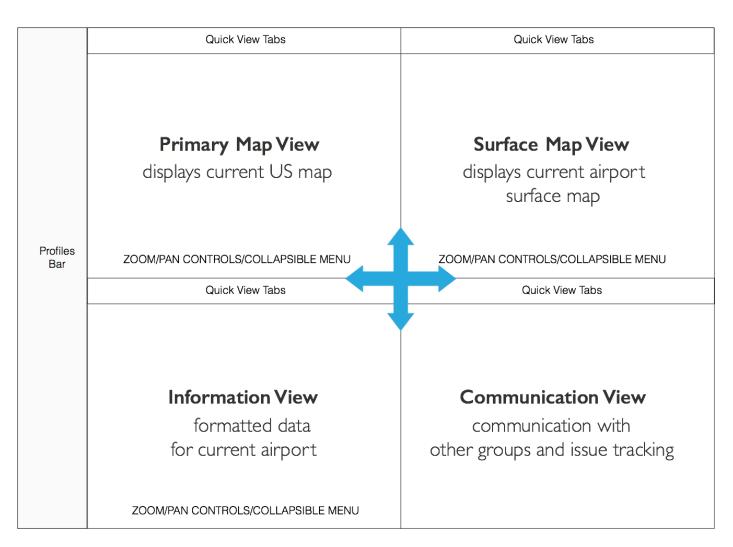
Flight Awareness Collaboration Tool



- Created the "Flight Awareness Collaboration Tool" (FACT)
- Concentrates information about winter weather events on one display
- Supports collaboration between airline operations center, air traffic control, airport authority, and de-icing operators
- Web-based application
- Includes:
 - Weather status and forecasts
 - FAA data from the System Wide Information Management system
 - Reporting of runway closures for snow/ice treatment
 - Airport runway configuration (capacity)
 - De-icing operations
 - FAA actions (e.g., ground stops, miles-in-trail, etc.)

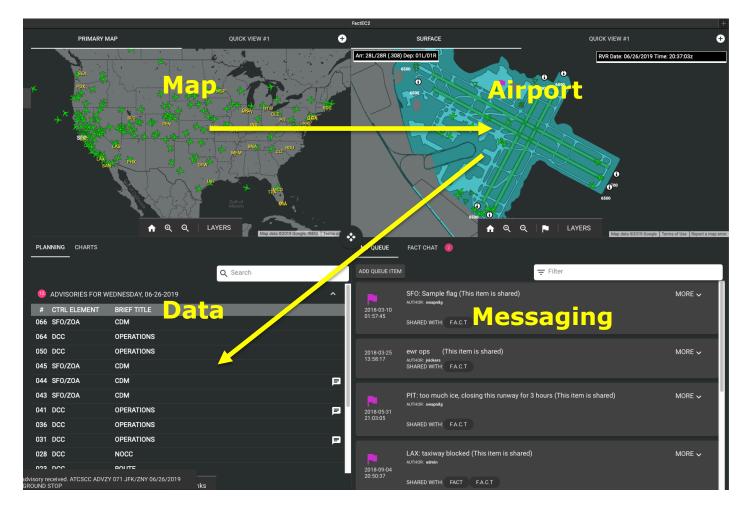
FACT Information Architecture





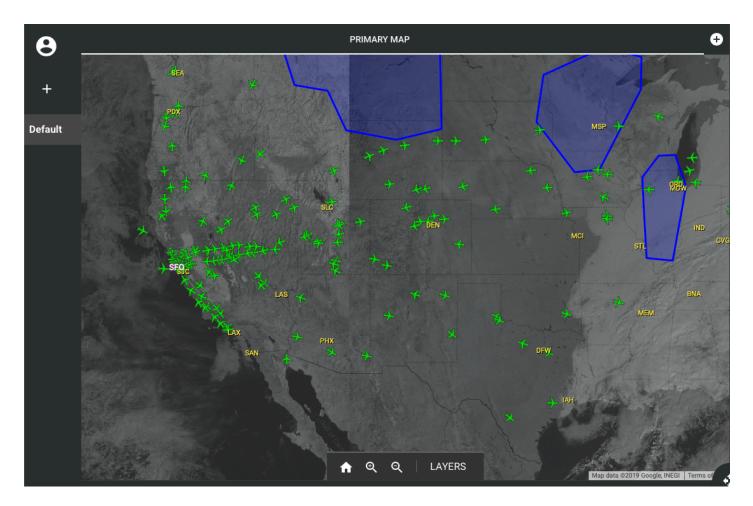
FACT User Interface





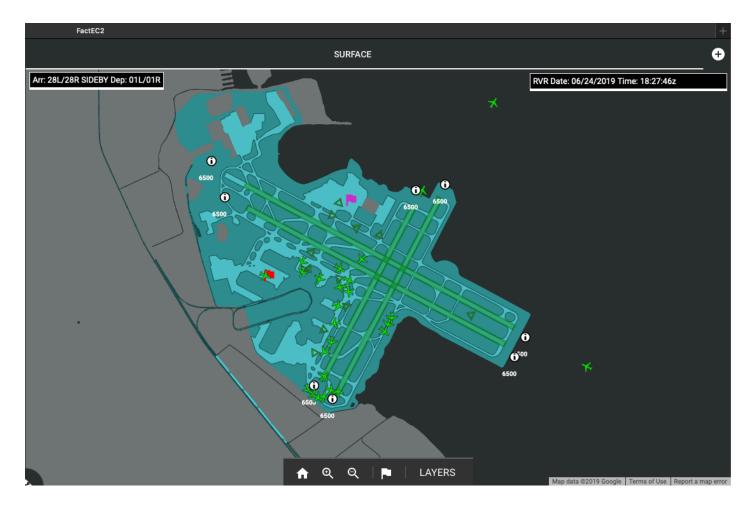
FACT Primary Map View





FACT Surface Map View





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FACT Information View (Webscraped)

PLANNING CHARTS						
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4 ADVISORIES FOR MC	ONDAY, 06-24-2019		^			
# CTRL ELEMENT	BRIEF TITLE					
074 SFO/ZOA	CDM					
071 DCC	OPERATIONS					
068 SFO/ZOA	CDM		F			
010 DCC	NOCC					
EVENT TIME 24/0115 24 NOCC 06/24/19 SCHED	4/1115 ULED FACILITY OUTAGES					
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FACT Communication View



MY QUEUE	FACT CHAT 2		
ADD QUEUE ITEM		- Filter	
2018-03-10 01:57:45	SFO: Sample flag (This item is shared) AUTHOR: swapnilg		More 🗸
	SHARED WITH: F.A.C.T		
2018-03-25 13:58:17	ewr ops (This item is shared) AUTHOR: jvickers SHARED WITH: F.A.C.T		MORE 🗸
2018-05-31 21:03:05	PIT: too much ice, closing this runway for 3 hours (This ite AUTHOR: swapnilg SHARED WITH: F.A.C.T	em is shared)	MORE 🗸
2018-09-04 20:50:37	LAX: taxiway blocked (This item is shared) AUTHOR: admin SHARED WITH: FACT F.A.C.T		MORE 🗸
2018-10-19 15:30:58	DFW: Unsafe taxiway crossing (This item is shared) AUTHOR: admin		MORE 🗸

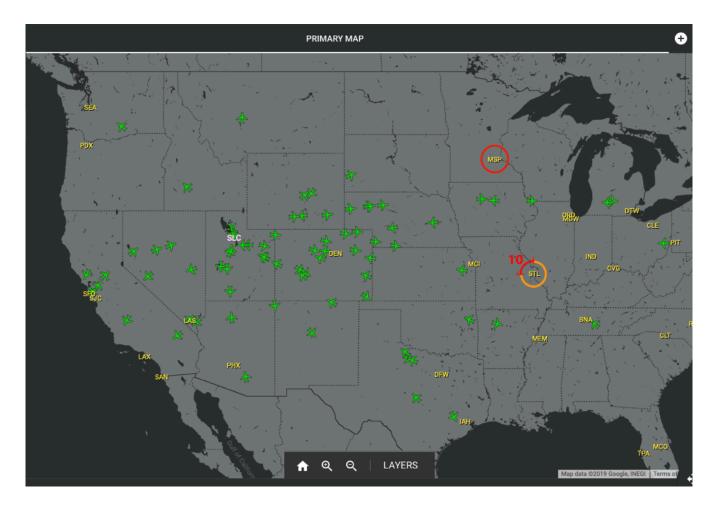
FACT Automation



- As a winter storm develops, the dispatcher must monitor airport conditions in the path of the weather
- Needs to be aware of upcoming holds and evaluate the need for diversions
 - Fuel reserves must be adequate for the situation
- One measure of imminent airport problems is traffic movement at the target airport
 - Comparison of arrival and departure rates compared to normal airport configuration
 - Assessment of traffic movement on the surface
- FACT will monitor this activity and alert the dispatcher about degrading airport conditions
- Dispatcher can contact the aircraft concerned to make plans for holds or diverts
- Will use the features of FACT to learn more about the problems at the airport

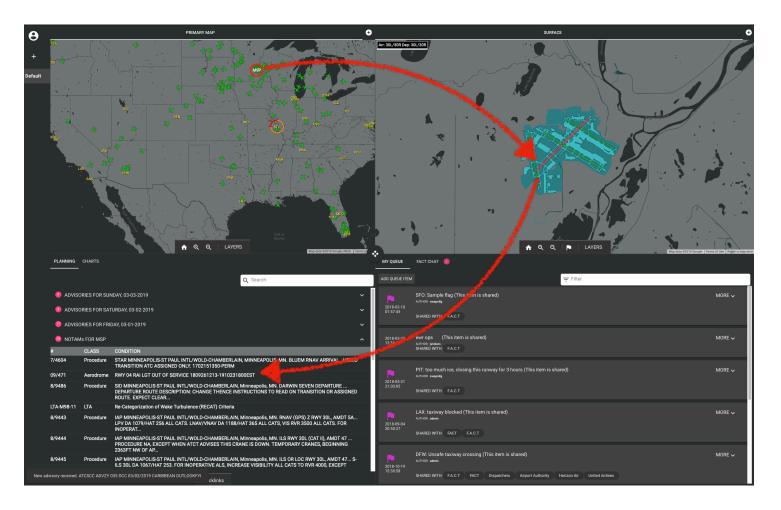
Airport Alerting





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Current Status



- Patented on March 12, 2019
- Available for licensing from NASA
- Working on predictive algorithms