

# Applications of a Surveillance Database and Server

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*Detect the Difference*

## Credits

- Greg Berkebile
- Todd Pittman
- USAF 84<sup>th</sup> RADES

## Overview

Surveillance Data Networks, seem to make sense but how do I use them?

What does Network Enabled Operations mean to me?

Is there any practical use of SDN, or is it just a science project?



## Case Study

- Customer Motivation
- Networks of Real-Time Surveillance Data
- Architecture of the Database and Server
- Examples
- Conclusion

A Real-world application of a networked surveillance data

# Customer Motivation

- Customer: 84<sup>th</sup> Radar Evaluation Squadron (USAF/ACC)
- Charged with monitoring, evaluating, and optimizing performance of all U.S. ground based air surveillance resources
- Desire: Develop an automated tool to keep tabs on performance of (eventually) over 200 radar sites



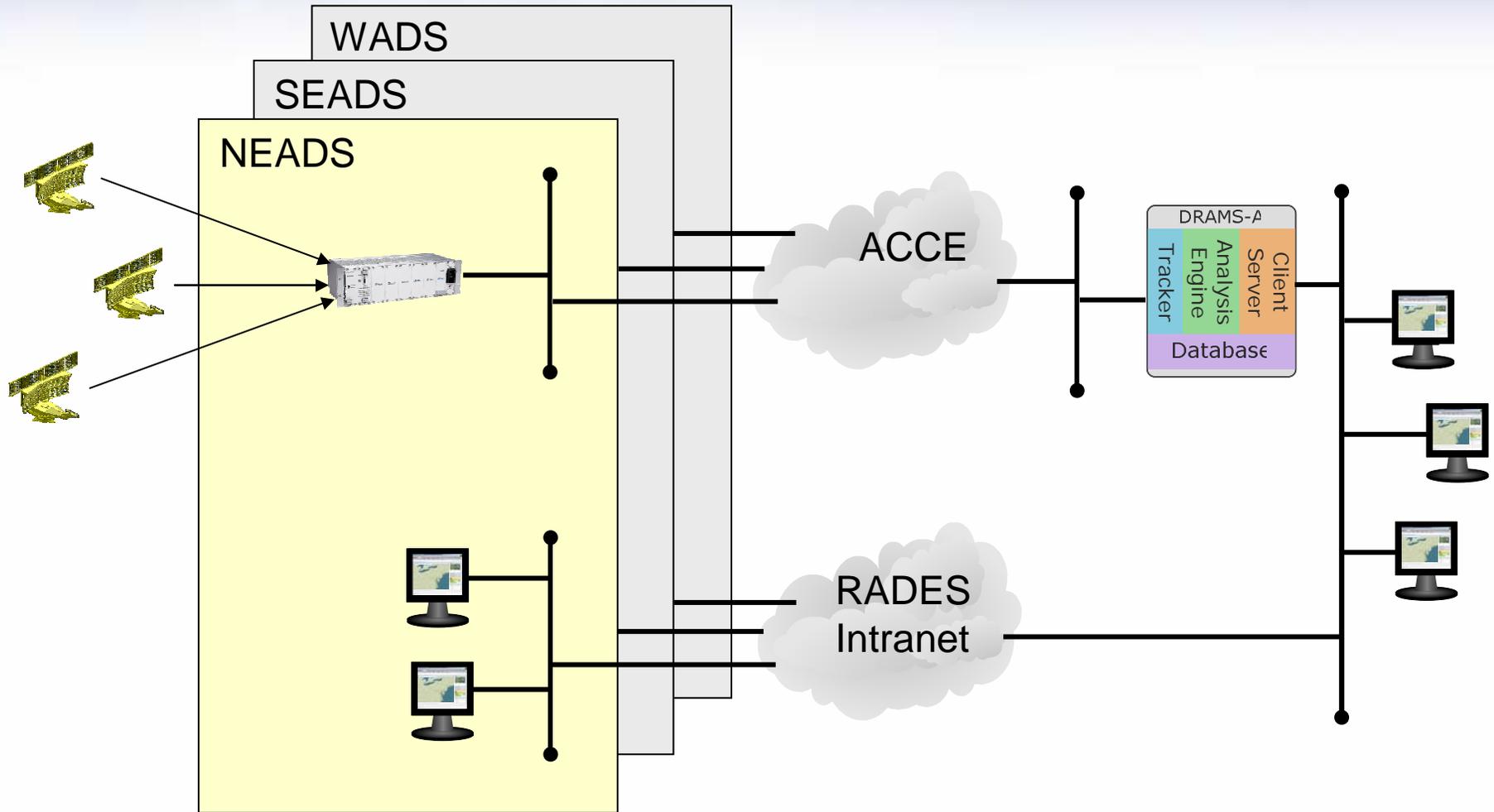
Manpower  
Down  
60%



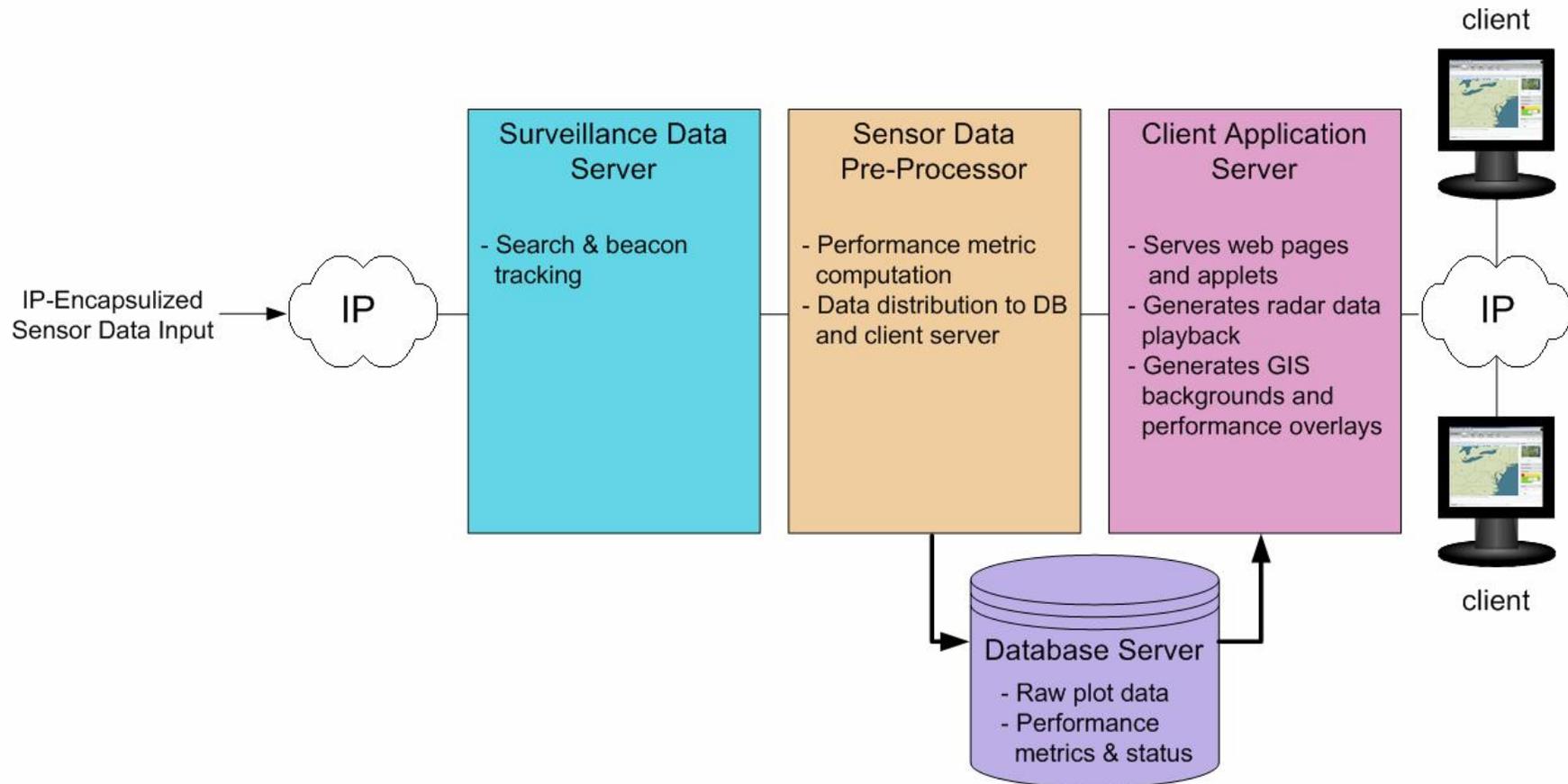
Radars  
Up  
300%

They built a network of Surveillance Data and an application that resides on the network

# Network of Surveillance Data



# Application Architecture



# Achieved Benefits

## Requirement

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## How Achieved

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## Example





Lightboard

Data Monitor

Site Listing

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Live CONUS 04-12-05 20:21:11 (Z)



38 57 49 N 77 5 4 W



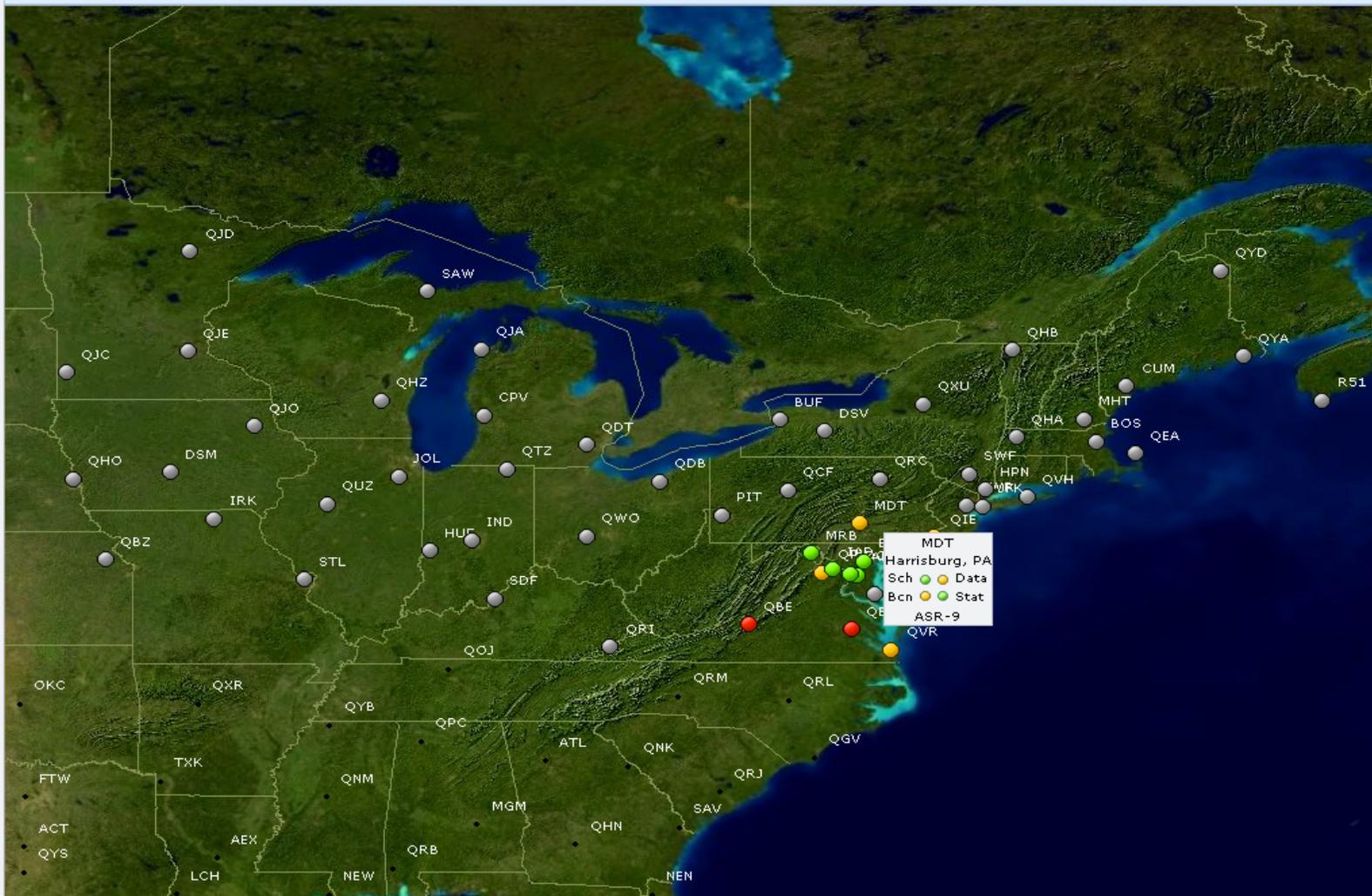


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Live NEADS 04-12-05 20:22:12 (Z)



40 12 35 N 76 52 7 W

**Site Selection**

Show: **NEADS**

ID	Location	State
MRB	Martinsburg	WV
STL	St. Louis	MO
QJE	Minneapolis	MN
QHB	St. Albans	VT
QJO	Arlington	IA
QRI	Lynch	KY
QHA	Cummington	MA
MHT	Manchester	NH
QEA	North Truro	MA
QYD	Caribou	ME
QDT	Detroit	MI
ADW	Andrews AFB	MD
EWB	Newark	NJ
MDT	Harrisburg	PA
QUZ	Hanna City	IL
QJD	Nashwauk	MN

**Site Display**

Site IDs

**Map Legend**

- Normal
- Caution
- Failure
- Maintenance
- Invalid
- Jams
- Out of Region

**Background**

- Filled Background
- Wireframe
- Terrain

**Map Projection**

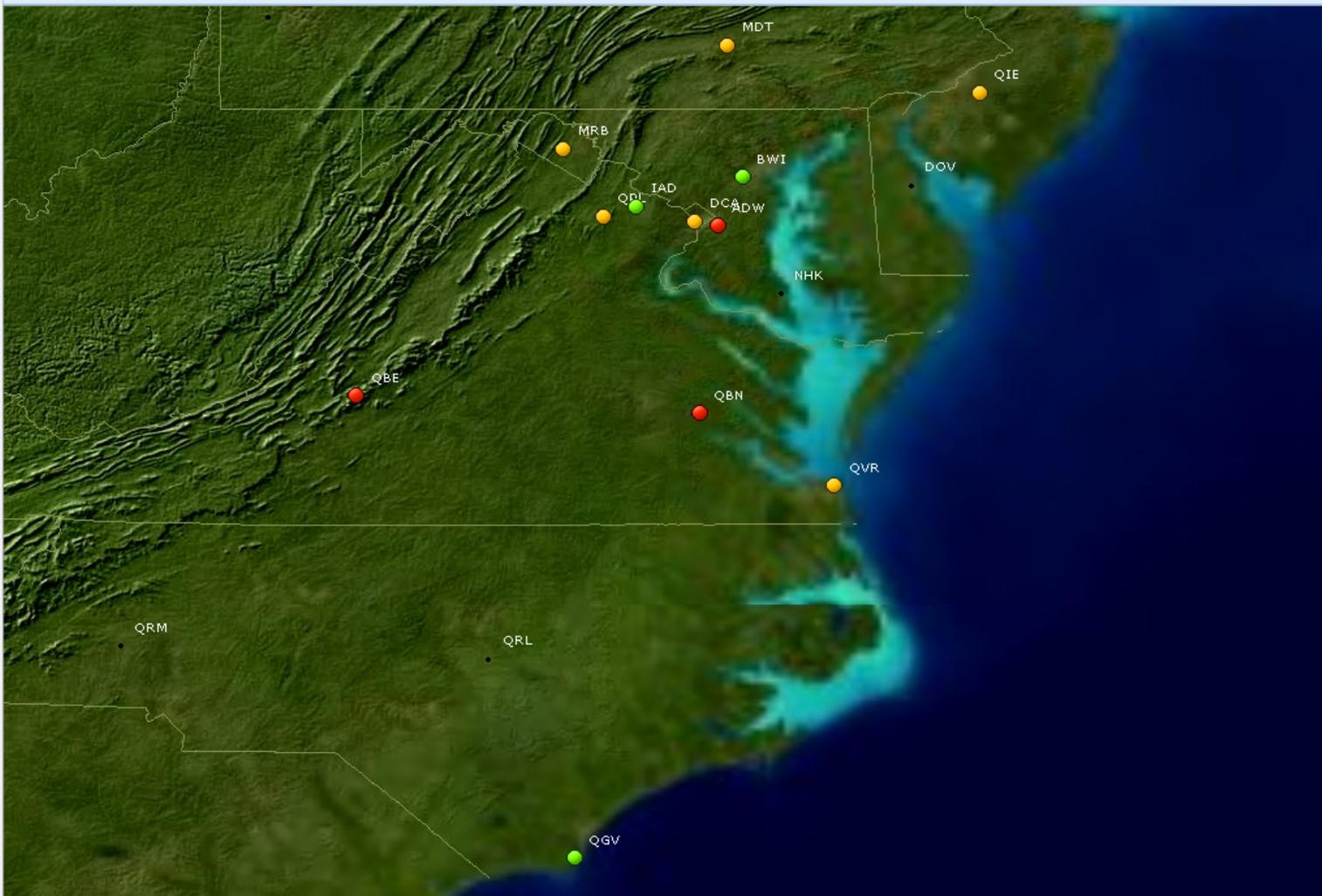
- Rectangular
- Orthographic

**Performance**





Live PROTOTYPE 04-13-05 18:03:06 (Z)



36 36 58 N 74 26 26 W

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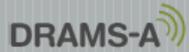


The ability to view individual radar performance details for fault isolation

Display Search, Beacon, Data Quality, and Status indications in a simple intuitive manner

The user can isolate a performance problem in significantly less time.





Live QIE Gibbsboro, NJ: 04-12-2005 20:25:58 (Z)

Site Details



Gibbsboro, NJ  
Radar Type: ARSR-4  
Data Format:

Site Options

- [View all Parameters](#)
- [Trend Analysis](#)
- [Bin Volume](#)
- [Alarm History](#)
- [Alarm Setup](#)

Search Performance - 10 Min Sample

Search Range Splits	0.00 %
Search Blip Scan	98.66 %
Search Azimuth Splits	0.00 %
Run Length	0.00 ACP
Reinforcement Rate-below 18k ft	82.92 %
Reinforcement Rate-18k ft and up	94.47 %
Reinforcement Rate-1200 Codes	70.29 %
<b>Reinforcement Rate</b>	<b>87.70 %</b>

Beacon Performance - 10 Min Sample

Permanent Echo Range Error	0.00 nmi
Permanent Echo Percent Reliability	0.00 %
Permanent Echo Azimuth Error	0.00 ACP
Mode C Validation	96.56 %
Mode C Reliability	84.41 %
Mode 3 Validation	96.67 %
Mode 3 Reliability	84.62 %
Beacon Ring Around	0.00 %
Beacon Reflections	0.00 %
Beacon Range Splits	0.00 %
Beacon Collimation	100.00 %
Beacon Code Zeros	0.00 %
Beacon Blip Scan	98.03 %
Beacon Azimuth Splits	0.00 %

Alarm Status

	Date/Time ↓		Status
	04-12-2005 18:04:27		Search Alarm: Reinforcement Rate

Data Quality Performance - 1 Min Sample

Sync Error Count	0
Status Message Rate	1.00 /scan
Search Strobe Count	0
Search Message Count	314
Scan Period	12 /sec
SRTQC Message Rate	1.00 /scan
SRTQC Count	5
Reinforced Message Count	2,115
Parity Error Count	0
Marker Message Count	15
Header Error Count	0
Data Loss Count	0
Channel Lost/Acquired Count	0
Ch Lost/Acquired Average Duration	60.177 sec

Status Performance - 1 Min Sample

Transmitter	100% Op/No Redundancy
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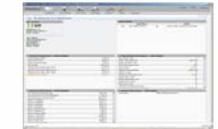
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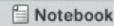


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## Edit Site Alert Set

[Edit Regions](#)  
[Edit Alert Sets](#)  
[Edit Alarms](#)

### QVR Site Alert Set

modified: 02-17-2005 21:04 by drams [Edit Base Alert Sets](#)

Load Values from:  OR from:

Exclusions: Max Error Rate:  % Min Track Count:  tracks

#### Settings:

#### Caution Alert

#### Failure Alert

	Threshold	M	of N	Threshold	M	of N
BRTQC Count	< 5	1	of 1	< 4	1	of 1
BRTQC Message Rate	= 0	1	of 1	= 0	1	of 1
Beacon Azimuth Splits	> .03	1	of 1	> .2	1	of 1
Beacon Blip Scan	< 95	1	of 1	< 93	1	of 1
Beacon Code Zeros	> .2	1	of 1	> .5	1	of 1
Beacon Collimation	< 70	1	of 1	< 70	1	of 1
Beacon Message Count	< 0	1	of 1	< 0	1	of 1
Beacon Range Splits	> .03	1	of 1	> .06	1	of 1
Beacon Reflections	> .04	1	of 1	> .18	1	of 1
Beacon Ring Around	< 0	1	of 1	< 0	1	of 1
Beacon Strobe Count	> 500	1	of 1	> 500	1	of 1
Ch Lost/Acquired Average Duration	> 0	1	of 1	> 10	1	of 1
Channel Lost/Acquired Count	> 3	1	of 1	> 3	1	of 1
Data Loss Count	> 0	1	of 1	> 1	1	of 1
Header Error Count	> 300	1	of 1	> 300	1	of 1
Marker Message Count	< 0	1	of 1	< 0	1	of 1
Mode 3 Reliability	< 0	1	of 1	< 0	1	of 1
Mode 3 Validation	< 0	1	of 1	< 0	1	of 1

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Trending of performance metrics over time

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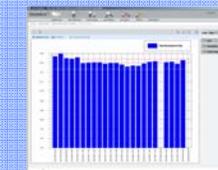
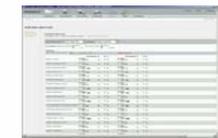
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Real-time and accurate alarming of radar performance changes without human intervention

Instead of sending teams out to evaluate radars on a periodic basis, the government can send teams on an as needed basis

## Example





Live QPL The Plains, VA: 03-30-2005 21:24:26 (Z)

Site Details



The Plains, VA  
Radar Type: ARSR-3  
Data Format:

- Site Options
- View all Parameters
- Trend Analysis
- Bin Volume
- Alarm History
- Alarm Setup

Alarm Status

Date/Time	Status
03-30-2005 09:03:41	Search Alarm: Reinforcement Rate

Search Performance - 10 Min Sample

Search Range Splits	0.00 %
Search Blip Scan	96.53 %
Search Azimuth Splits	0.00 %
Run Length	0.00 ACP
Reinforcement Rate-below 18k ft	87.01 %
Reinforcement Rate-18k ft and up	91.56 %
Reinforcement Rate-1200 Codes	77.14 %
<b>Reinforcement Rate</b>	<b>88.74 %</b>

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Sync Error Count	0
Status Message Rate	1.00 /scan
Search Strobe Count	0
Search Message Count	681
Scan Period	12 /sec
SRTQC Message Rate	1.01 /scan
SRTQC Count	5
Reinforced Message Count	1,961
Parity Error Count	0
Marker Message Count	15
Header Error Count	0
Data Loss Count	0
Channel Lost/Acquired Count	0
Ch.Lost/Acquired.Average.Duration	57.167 sec

Beacon Performance - 10 Min Sample

Permanent Echo Range Error	0.00 nmi
Permanent Echo Percent Reliability	0.00 %
Permanent Echo Azimuth Error	0.00 ACP
Mode C Validation	94.84 %
Mode C Reliability	69.36 %
Mode 3 Validation	96.76 %
Mode 3 Reliability	70.70 %
Beacon Ring Around	0.00 %
Beacon Reflections	0.00 %
Beacon Range Splits	0.00 %
Beacon Collimation	100.00 %
Beacon Code Zeros	0.00 %
Beacon Blip Scan	96.41 %

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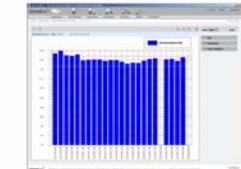
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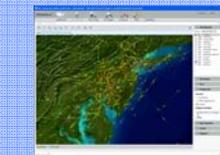
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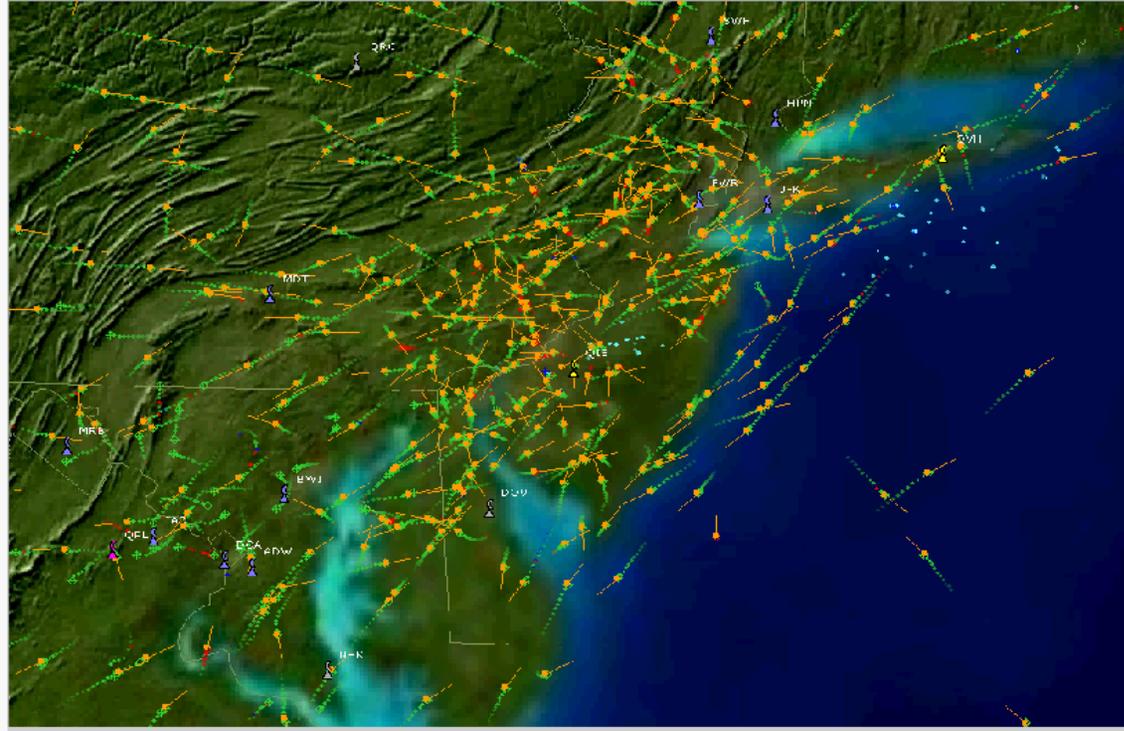
The ability to view targets from a single radar and/or groups of radars and compare to theoretical coverage

Real Time Display with robust set of filters and overlays

Allows an analyst to determine a radar's actual performance quicker and more accurately than before.



Live PROTOTYPE 03-30-05 21:54:12



30 58 38 N 71 36 24 W

Site Selection

Show: PROTOTYPE

Ino	ID	Location	State
<input type="checkbox"/>	MRB	Martinsburg	WV
<input type="checkbox"/>	ADW	Andover AFB	WV
<input type="checkbox"/>	MDT	Lairdsburg	PA
<input type="checkbox"/>	QPL	The Pizins	VA
<input type="checkbox"/>	WBA	Winnsboro	VA
<input type="checkbox"/>	WAE	Washington Dulles	VA
<input type="checkbox"/>	ORF	Roanoke	VA
<input type="checkbox"/>	DCA	Washington National	VA
<input type="checkbox"/>	QVF	Quantico	VA
<input type="checkbox"/>	USW	Hot Springs	NC
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OIE	Old Saybrook	CT
<input type="checkbox"/>	PHI	Philadelphia	PA

Site Display

Data

Background

Geomap:

- Wireframe
- Filled Background
- Terrain

Analysis Overlays:

Theoretical Coverages: 5000 ft

Map Projection

Search

Playback

http://protoclas.atsdev.sensis.com - Data Monitor - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by Sensis Corporation

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Live PROTOTYPE 03-31-05 13:11:13 (Z)

QVR Oceana  
 QGV Ft Fisher  
 QIE Gibbsboro  
 BWI Baltimore

Site Display

Data

 Search  
 Beacon  
 Reinforced  
 Tracks  
 SRTQC  
 BRTQC  

Track Filtered:

 Search  
 Beacon  
 Reinforced  

Strobes:

 Search  
 Beacon  
 Symbology: Track Colors  
 Histories: 0 Scans  
 Data Filters: By Mode 3/C  
 Data Block: All Tracks

38 38 48 N 72 4 9 W

Applet dramsa.nam.NAMApplet started POWERED BY Internet

## Conclusion

- This is not a research project – It is a planned deployment to provide operational benefits
- This tool will save the USAF 24-30 FTEs and a return on investment in about 12 months while increasing the number of radars they monitor by a factor of 3
  - Approx 10:1 increase in efficiency
- This project represents only a tiny fraction of the functionality possible
  - Data Mining
  - Portable Situational Awareness Stations
  - Tying to Air Space Design and Operational Impacts
  - Realizing “Al Gore’s Dream”
- Benefits↑ and Costs↓ in Cost-Benefit analysis made available by Network Centric Operations