



SouthPAN

Southern Positioning Augmentation Network
Resilience through innovation in spectrum

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Geoscience Australia Strategy 2028

Positioning Australia:
10cm positioning across Australia,
and 3-5cm in areas of mobile coverage



Building
Australia's
resources
wealth

Supporting
Australia's
community
safety

Securing
Australia's
water
resources

Managing
Australia's
marine
jurisdictions

Enabling an
informed
Australia

Ensuring
a high
performing
organisation

Creating a location-
enabled Australia

Positioning Australia @ GA

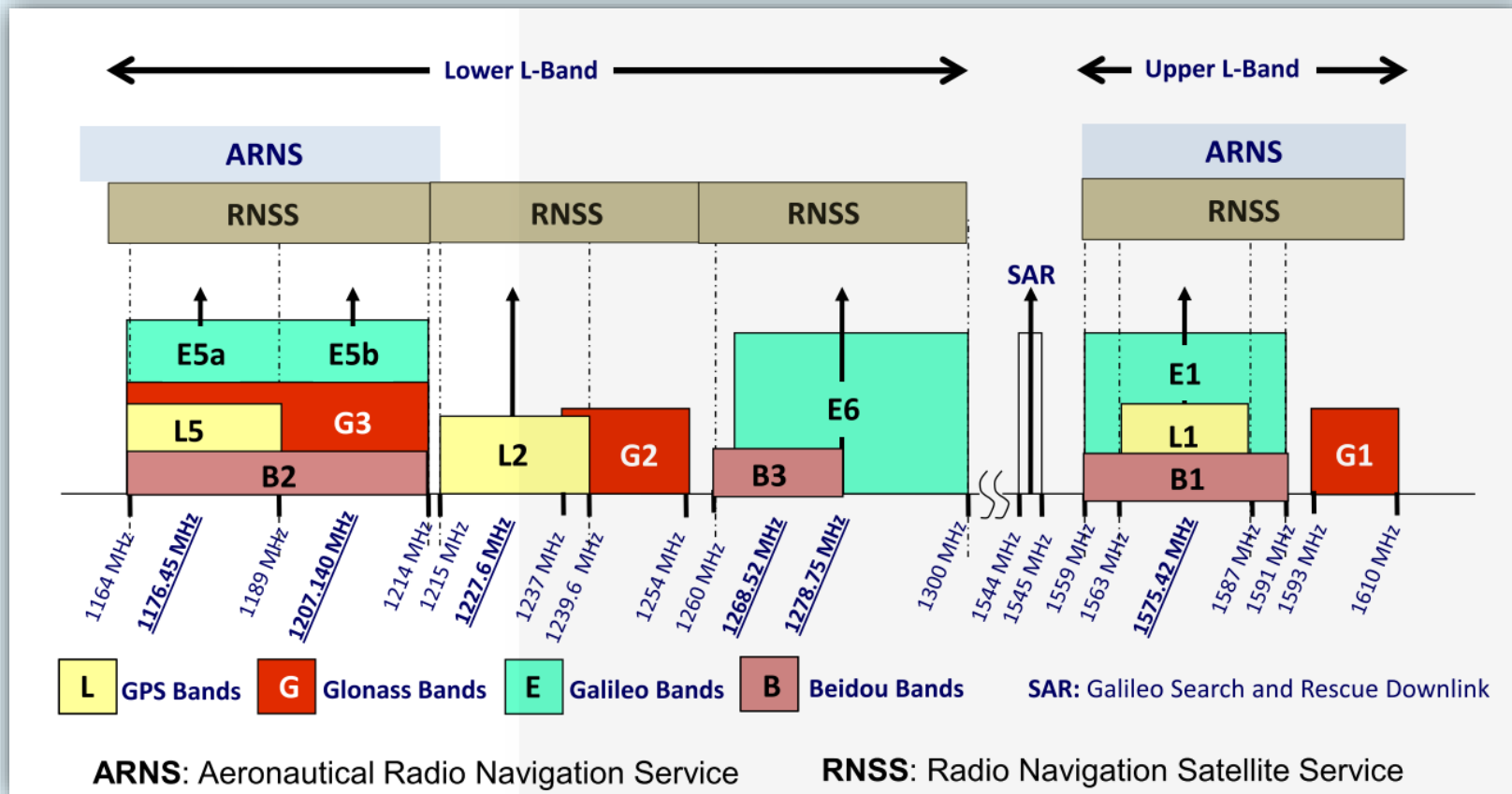
Accurate and Reliable Positioning for Everyone



- Lead and coordinate a whole-of-Government positioning capability
- Lead and strengthen governance of positioning in Australia, by coordinating;
 - geodesy and positioning standards,
 - capabilities,
 - advice, and
 - information in national and international forums;
- Be the national authority on position verification;
- Sustain and improve the Australian Geospatial Reference System; and
- Deliver and enable access to precise positioning information that is reliable, accurate, nationally consistent and openly accessible.

GNSS – *doesn't work without Spectrum Allocation*

GNSS Frequency Bands



Satellite Based Augmentation Systems (SBAS)

- Standalone GNSS is not sufficient for safety critical applications;
 - Insufficient accuracy
 - Can not be relied on for safety-of-life applications
- SBAS is proven, internationally accepted solution.
- Most countries already have or are implementing SBAS services.



What is SouthPAN?

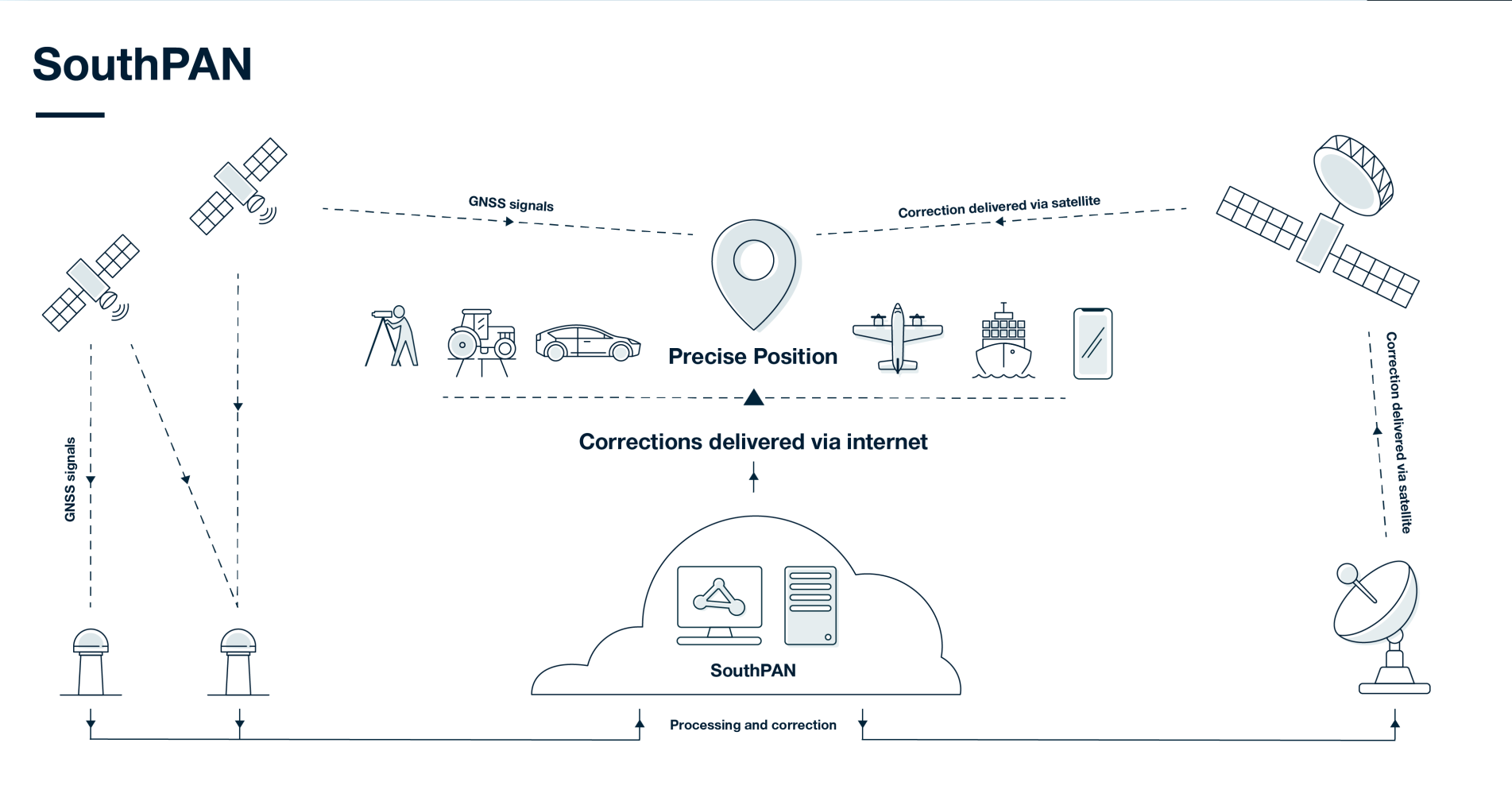
Southern Positioning Augmentation Network

- A Joint service delivered by Geoscience Australia and Toitū Te Whenua Land Information New Zealand.
- Improve and augment the accuracy, integrity and availability of GNSS in Australia and New Zealand.
- Benefit all users of satellite positioning, particularly in remote areas without mobile phone coverage.
- Designed as safety-of-life service to provide best interoperability with other SBAS (frequency, PRN etc.)
- A network of ground-based reference stations, processing centres and uplink facilities
- Satellite broadcast capability on two satellites (SGP-01 & SGP-02)



Photo: The Inmarsat 4F1 satellite is being used to provide SouthPAN early Open Services until its replacement with two new satellites.

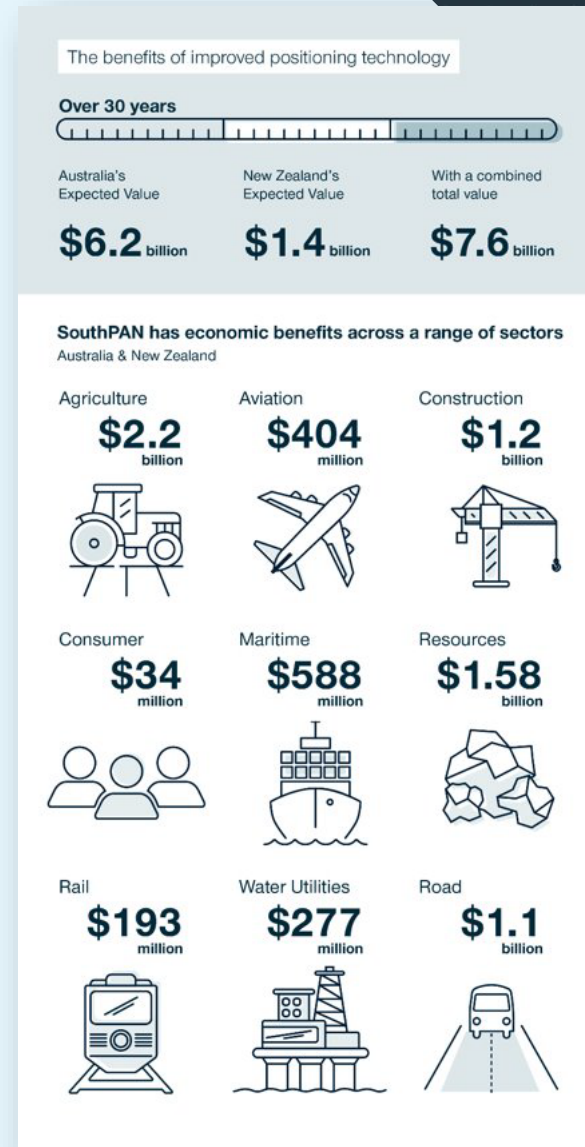
How does SouthPAN work?



SouthPAN benefits



- EY was engaged by FrontierSI to provide an independent assessment of the economic benefits of Satellite-Based Augmented Systems across Australia and New Zealand. The basis for this assessment was SouthPAN's SBAS test-bed demonstrator project that ran from 2017 to 2019 across 10 industry sectors through 27 demonstrator projects.
- SouthPAN's SBAS test-bed demonstrator project, that was delivered in June 2019, found that the present value across all industry sectors is anticipated to be **\$7.6b for Australia and New Zealand**, with **Australia alone expecting \$6.2b of benefits**. According to the trial, key industries that will benefit economically include:
 - Agriculture (\$2.2b)
 - Resources (\$1.6b)
 - Construction (\$1.2b)
 - Road (\$1.1b)



SBAS beneficiaries

Geospatial Applications



- Mapping applications
- Rural cadastral surveys
- Accurate data collection in remote regions.

Road Applications



- Automated driving
- Cooperative Intelligent Transport Systems
- 3D digital mapping
- Regulatory vehicle speed determination
- Real-time road pricing

Aviation Applications



- Approach procedures with vertical guidance (APV)
- Helicopter procedures
- Availability of Instrument Flight Procedures (IPF)

Livestock Applications



- Virtual fencing for strip grazing
- Behaviour modelling to enable disease detection
- Quantification of reproductive relationships
- Herd dynamics
- Tracking feeding zones for pasture management

Maritime Applications



- Safer navigation
- Tracking container movements

Rail Applications



- Advanced train management systems
- Track surveys
- Track worker and track vehicle safety systems

SouthPAN Early Open Services



L1 SBAS Open Service (TX L1 frequency)

- Augments GPS L1 C/A
- Better than 3m (H) and 4m (V)

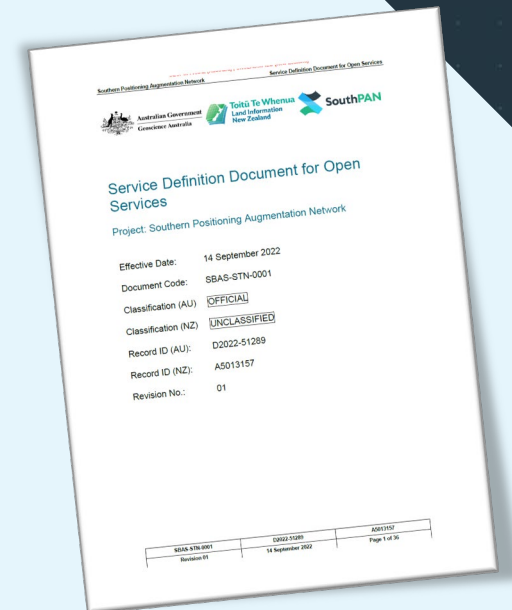
DFMC SBAS Open Service (TX L5 frequency)

- Augments GPS L1 C/A + L5, and Galileo E1 + E5a
- Better than 1.5m (H) and 2.5m (V)

PPP via SouthPAN (TX L5 frequency)

- Augments GPS L1 C/A + L5, and Galileo E1 + E5a
- Better than 0.375m (H) and 0.525m (V), with 80 min convergence

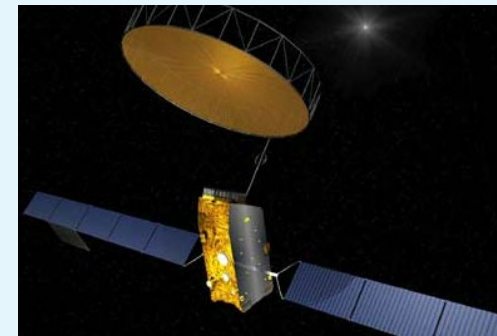
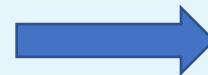
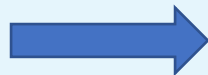
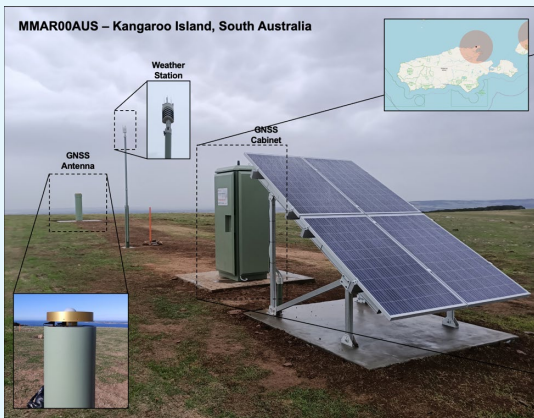
1. Early Open Service performance will improve as SouthPAN is deployed
2. Safety-of-Life Services are in development, expected 2028



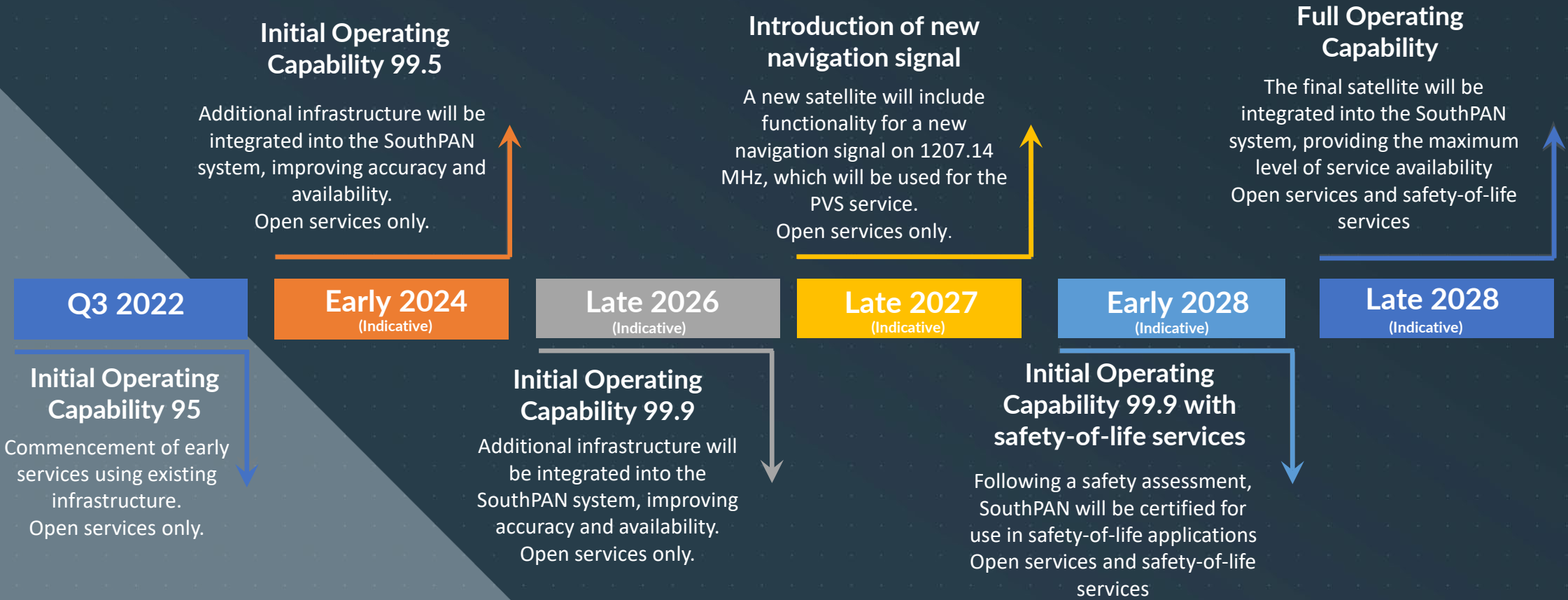
More detail is available in the SouthPAN Service Definition Document for Open Services.

Future Development

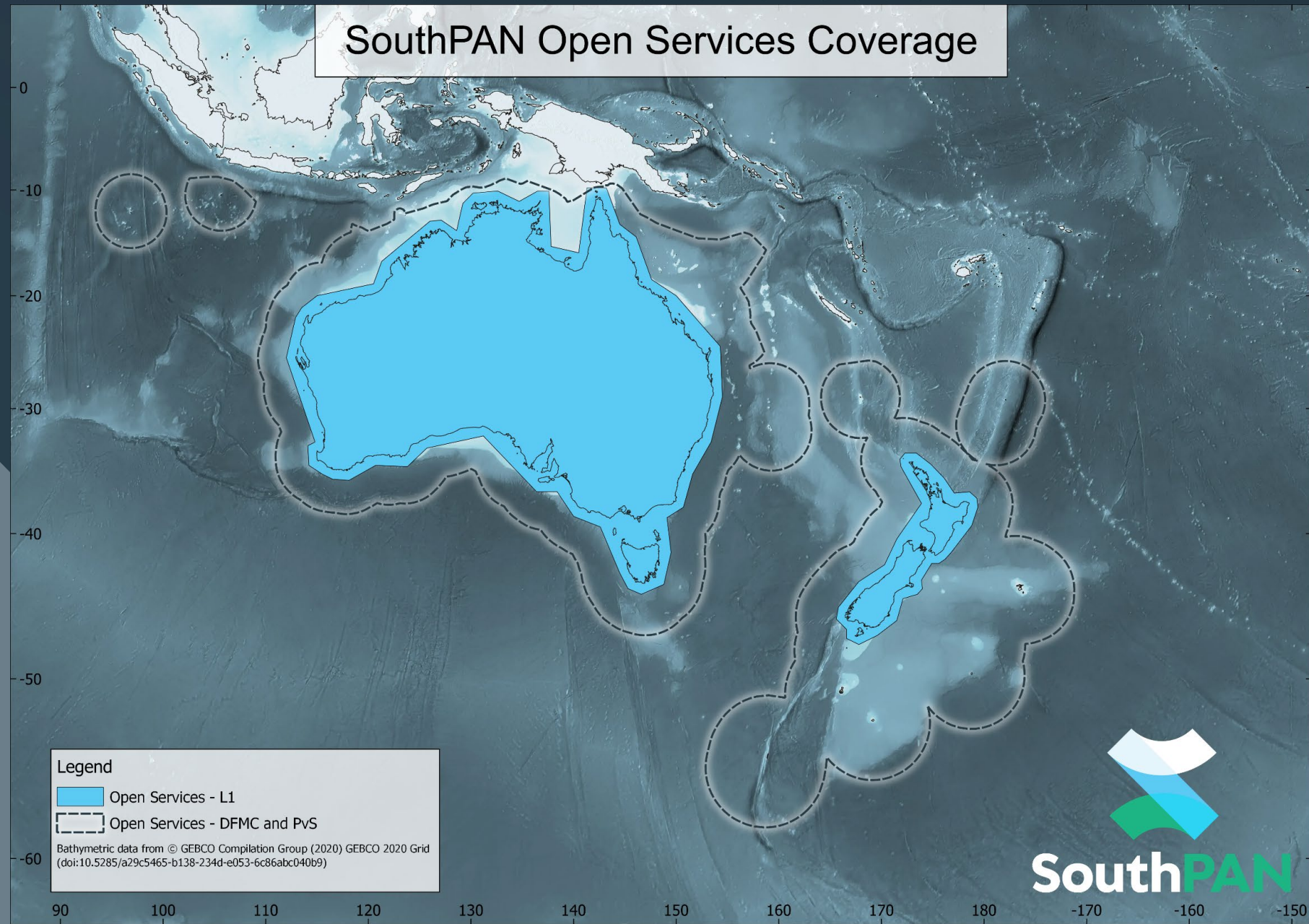
- System design: Critical Design Review in 2024
- 35 ground stations constructed
- 2 uplink centres in Australia and New Zealand
- 2 new SouthPAN GEO Payloads
- New navigation signal on 1,207.14 MHz



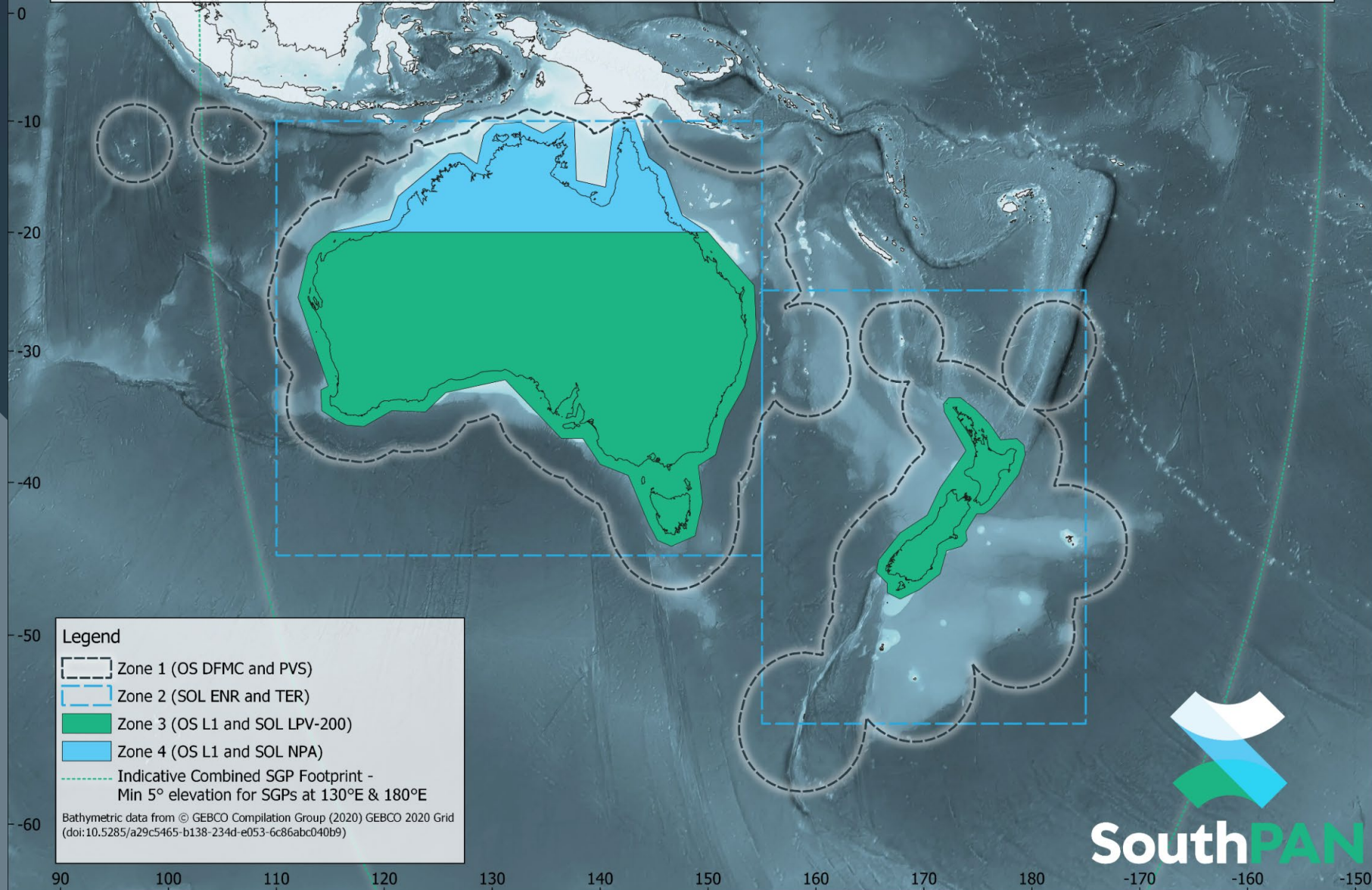
Future Milestones



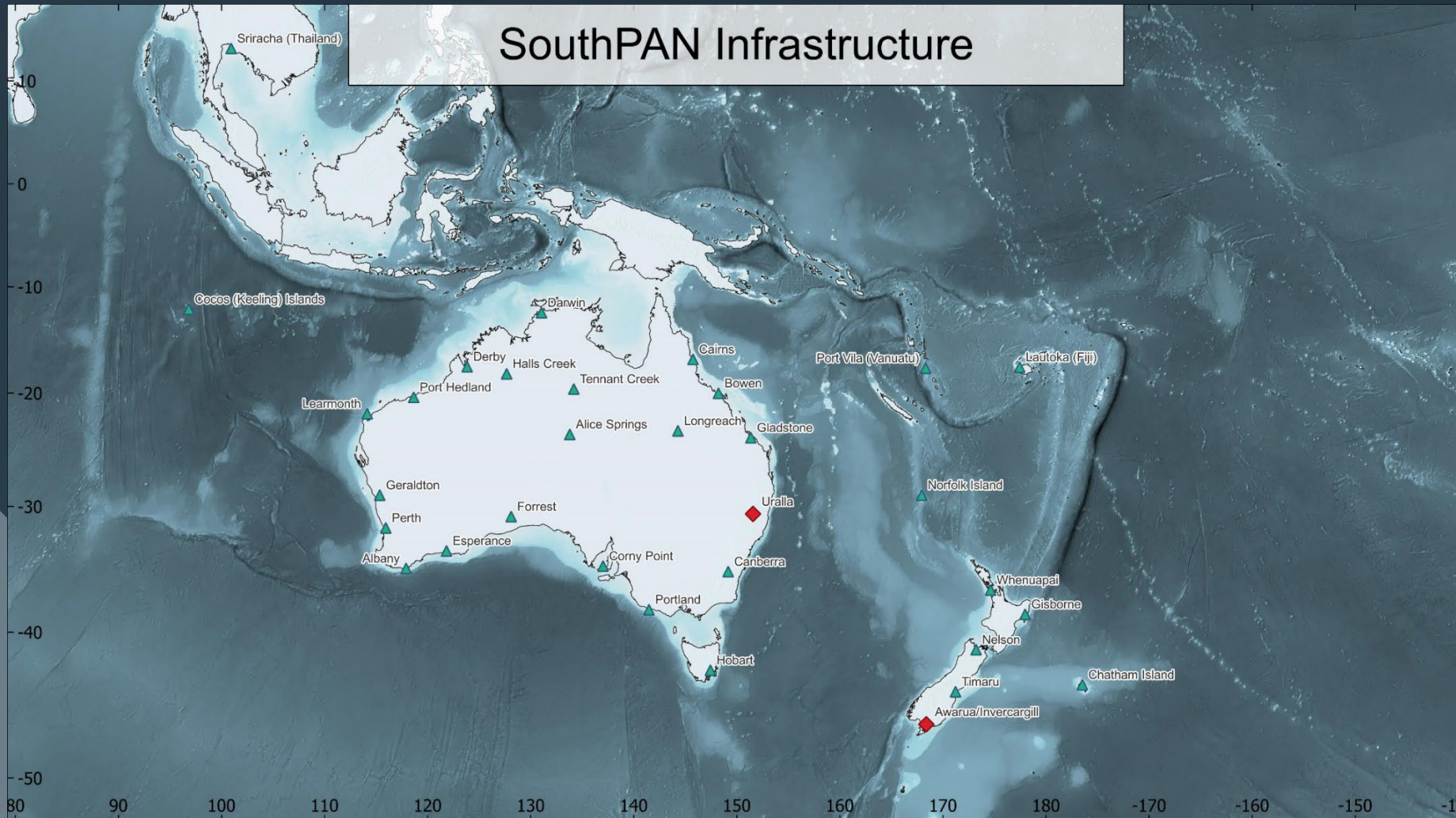
SouthPAN Open Services Coverage



Southern Positioning Augmentation Network (SouthPAN) Coverage



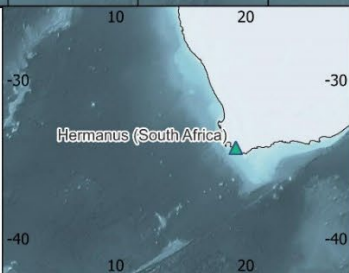
SouthPAN Infrastructure



Legend

- ◆ Uplink / Processing Centres
- ▲ GNSS Reference Stations (Customer and Contractor)

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