21st Century Search and Rescue

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Overview

- How do searches start?
- Modern location technology
- How do I plan?
- What do I pack?

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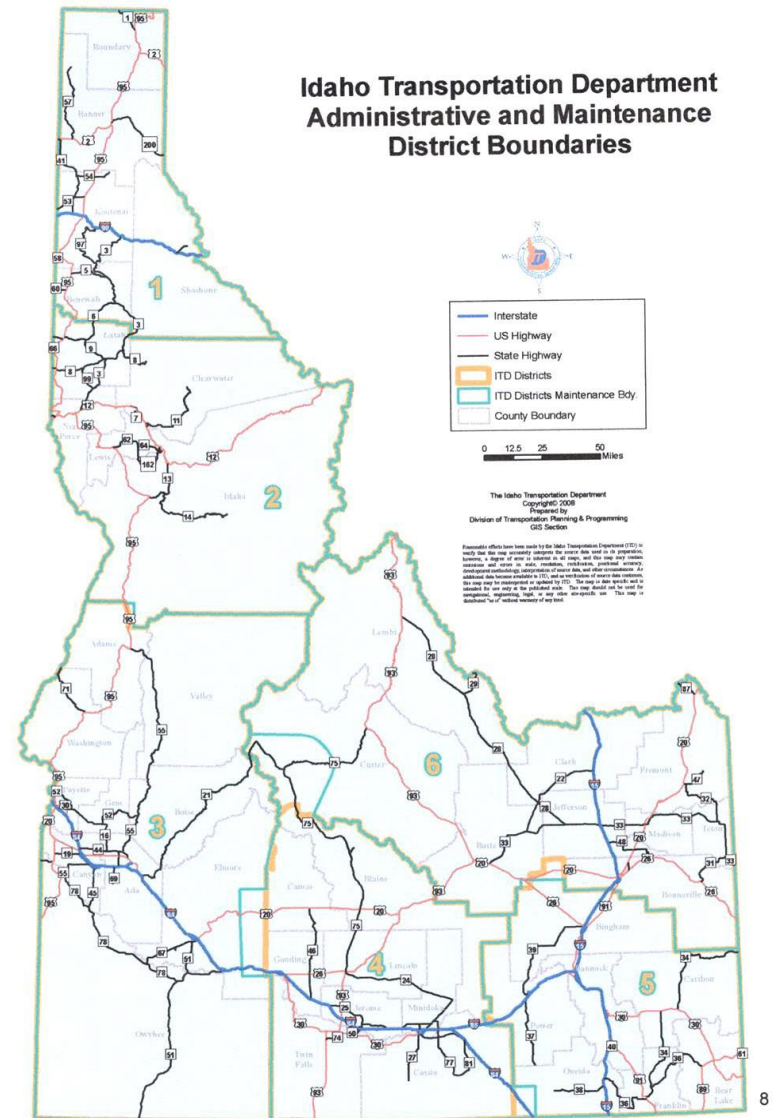
- ## **<u>Notifications</u>**:

  - AFRCC calls: SARSAT Network (406)

  - FAA calls: ALNOT (overdue)

  - FAA/AFRCC calls: Beacon/ELT (121.5)

  - Witness Report ("I heard/saw…")

  - Next of Kin ("My father is missing…")

Response

- Idaho Districts
  - County first responders
  - Local SAR forces
  - Airport Staff
  - Search Volunteers ($)

- Back for federal help
  - CAP air or ground
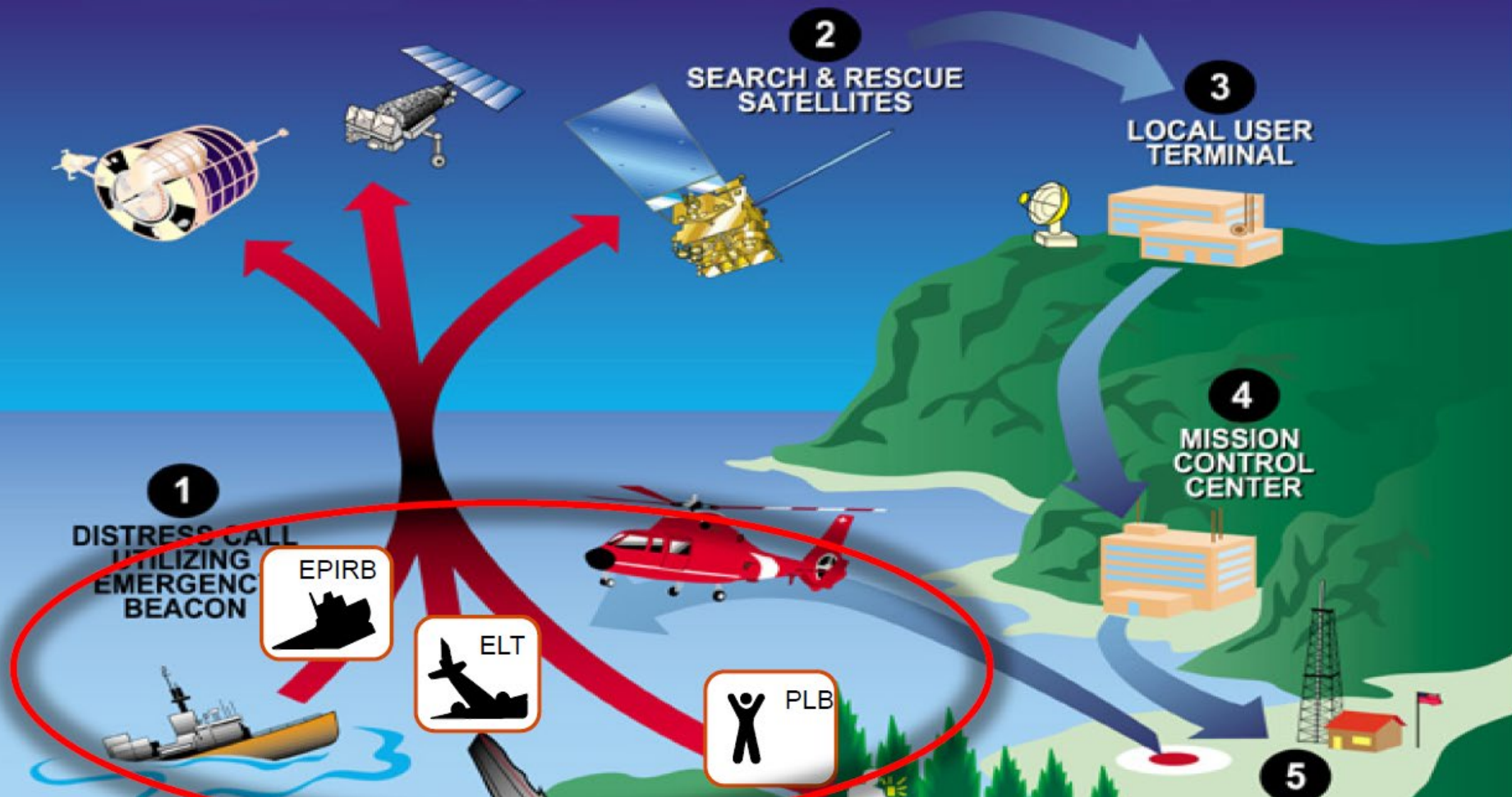 - Cell phone or Radar
  - Guard (night, hoist)
  - Advanced Civil

Idaho Transportation Department Administrative and Maintenance District Boundaries

Interstate	
US Highway	
State Highway	
ITD Districts	
ITD Districts Maintenance Bdy.	
County Boundary	

0   12.5   25   50 Miles

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COSPAS-SARSAT
User Segment

COSPAS-SARSAT System Overview

2 SEARCH & RESCUE SATELLITES

3 LOCAL USER TERMINAL

4 MISSION CONTROL CENTER

1 DISTRESS CALL UTILIZING EMERGENCY BEACON
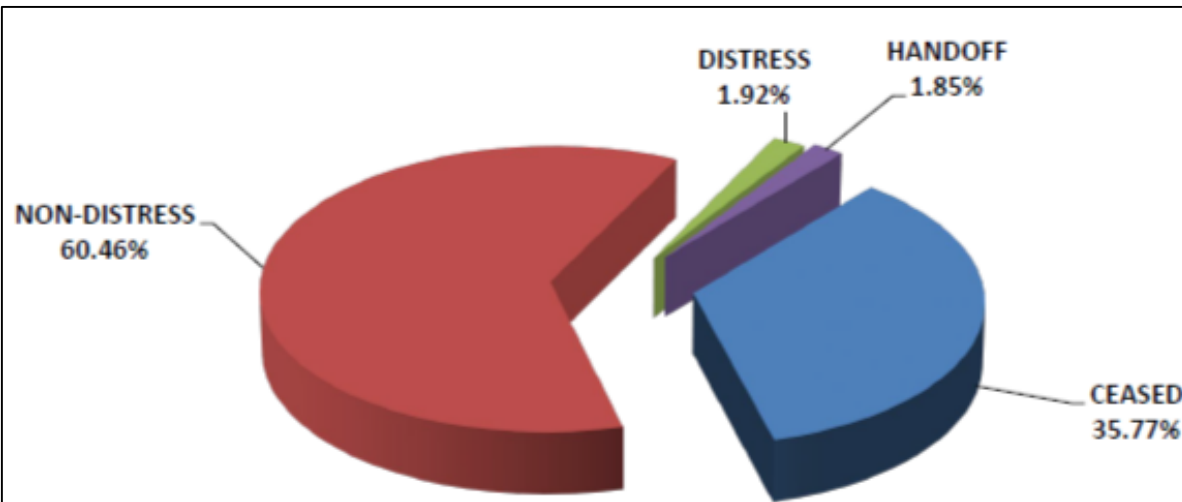
EPIRB

ELT

PLB

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Not all Beacons are Alike

– Three radio scenarios 406/406 Nav/406 GPS

– Error ellipse:

- A. 406 MHz = 6-9 nm
- B. 406 MHz connected to Nav
- C. 406 MHz with GPS < 100 m

– 121.5 classic and 406

- 121.5 MHz = 12 nm

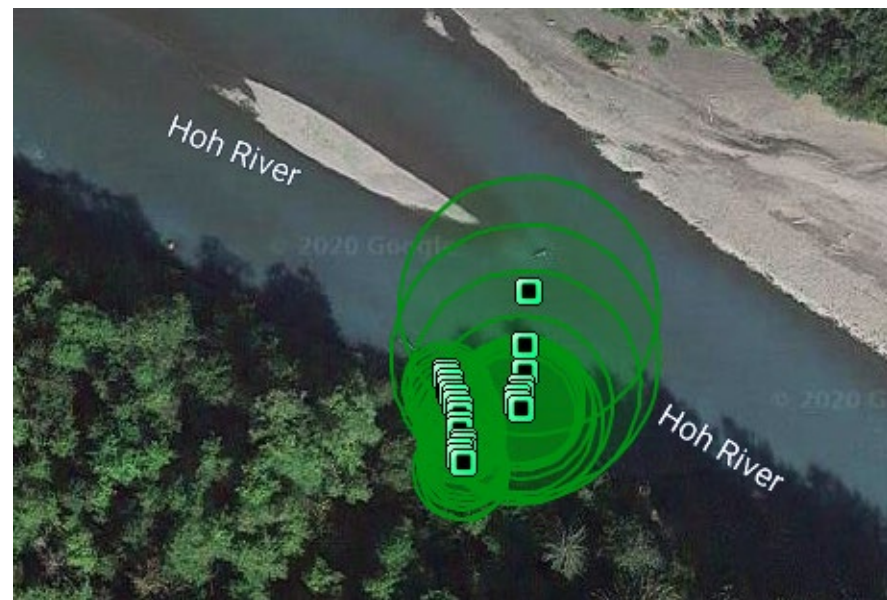# Idaho Search and Rescue
False Alarms 2019

RESULT	NUMBER
Non-Distress	6500
Ceased	3846
Handoff	199
Distress	206

Resources for Search

- AFRCC beacon database
  - Cell and Radar Teams

- Phone
  - Local Dispatch, Airfield Contacts

- ADS-B
  - Better than 406 depending on coverage

ADS-B and Search

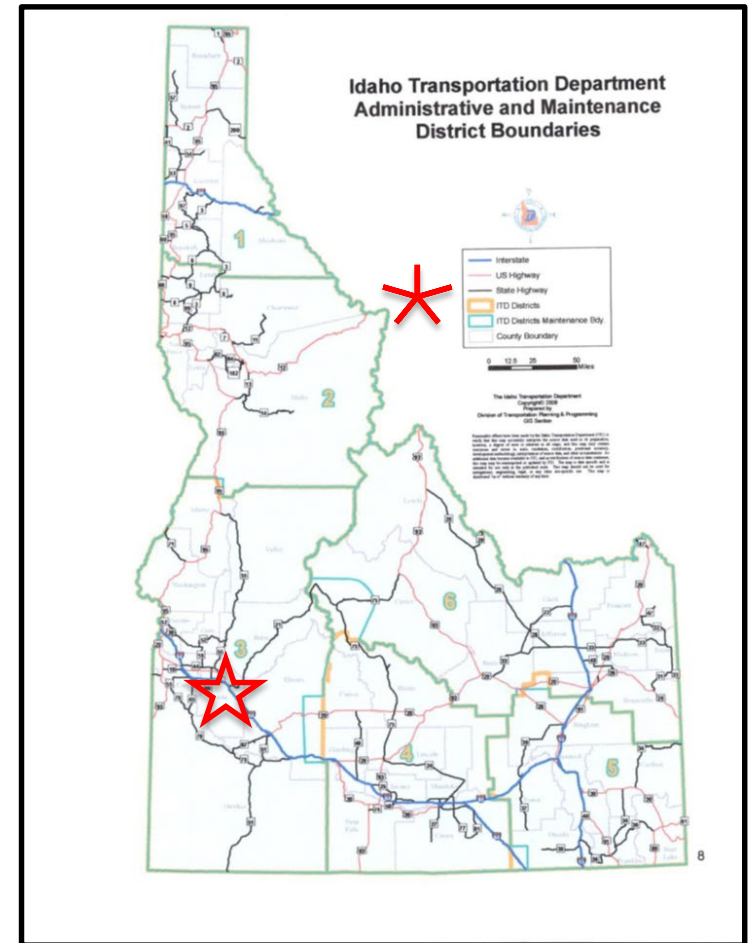Coverage and type are important

Locate / Post Locate

- Direction Finding Air/Ground
- Positive ID
- Assist with Rescue

- Secure Beacon
- Notify FAA, NTSB, AFRCC etc.
  - Secure site, photos, etc.
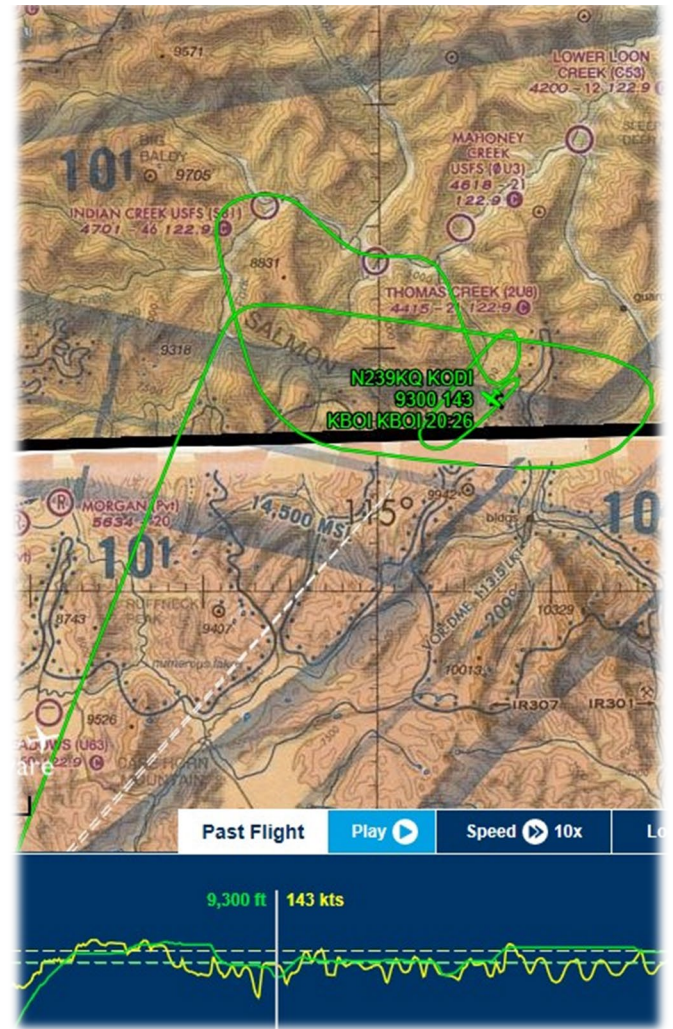- Salvage (owner, insurance, etc.)

Rotary Wing and Night

- North/South of Riggins
- Two Bear Air
    - Hoist, NVG, Medics
- ID ANG
    - Hoist, NVG, Medic
- Life Flight
    - Some NVG, Medic
    - No Hoist

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District Boundaries

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Idaho Search and Rescue

- Takeaway
  - Plan to be found
    - Flight Following
  - Communicate
    - Registered Beacon
    - Other
  - Overnight
    - Survival Gear
    - Camping Gear

Overview

- How do searches start?
- Modern location technology
  - Cell, ADS-B, Satellite
- How do I plan?
  - Who will declare me overdue?
  - Where will they look for me?
- What do I pack?
  - Be prepared to stay the night.

Questions?