

# Next in the Family: First of its Kind –

# AT-1002



# Outline

- **Reminder – Brain Rules!**
- **Air Tractor Family**
- **The At-1002 Specs**
- **Design Strategies**
- **Flight Test Considerations**



# Air Tractor Family

**AT-401B**



**AT-602**



**AT-502A & AT-502B**



**AT-802F**



# Air Tractor Family (cont.)

	300	401B	402B	502A / 502B	602	802A / 802 / 802F
<b>Engine Type:</b>	P&W R985-AN1	P&W R1340	P&W PT6A-15AG	P&W PT6A-45R	P&W PT6A-60AG	P&W PT6A-67
<b>Engine S.H.P.:</b>	450 @ 2300 RPM	600 @ 2250 RPM	680 @ 2200 RPM	1,100 @ 1,700 RPM	1,050 @ 1,700 RPM	1,424 @ 1,700 RPM
<b>Take-Off Weight:</b>	5000 lbs.	7,860 lbs.	9,170 lbs	10,480 lbs.	12,500 lbs.	16,000 lbs.
<b>Hopper Capacity:</b>	320 U.S. gal.	400 U.S. gal.	400 US gal	500 U.S. gal.	630 U.S. gal.	800 U.S. gal.
<b>Fuel Capacity:</b>	76 U.S. gal.	126 U.S. gal.	170 US gal	216 U.S. gal.	216 U.S. gal.	254 U.S. gal.



## SO WHAT'S NEXT?!

# THE AT-1002!

**Engine Type:** P&W PT6A-67F  
**Engine S.H.P.:** 1,700  
**Take-Off Wt.:** 20,000 lbs.  
**Empty Wt.:** 9,000 lbs.  
**Hopper Cpty:** 1060 U.S. gal.  
**Fuel Cpty:** 450 U.S. gal.



# AT-102A Cockpit



# Equipment



Production Pitot/Static Probe



Flight Test Probe



# Design & Safety Strategies

- **MISSION BASED DESIGN**

- Spray ops
- Fire Bombing
- Aerial Patrol
- Fuel Tanker

- **WEIGHT AND BALANCE**





# Design & Safety Strategies

- **Missions...**

Spray ops – Still Some Old School Operators, but the majority use:

- Target swath number
- Swath number closest to the aircraft
- Total number of swaths in the area
- Total swath length in the generated area
- The total acres/hectares in the area sprayed or spread
- Swath width
- Distance sprayed/spread in current swath
- Application rate: G/Ac. or L/Ha
- Flow rate: G/Min. or L/Min
- Ground speed
- Distance to go to the area boundary
- Optimal angle-of-intercept: best angle to the target swath without overshoot
- Spray time per pass
- Distance from/to waypoint
- Waypoint number destination
- Obstacle warning message



# Design & Safety Strategies

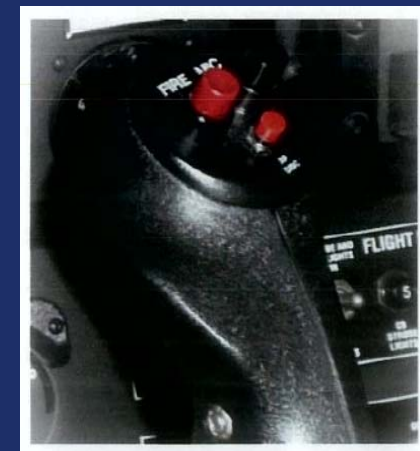
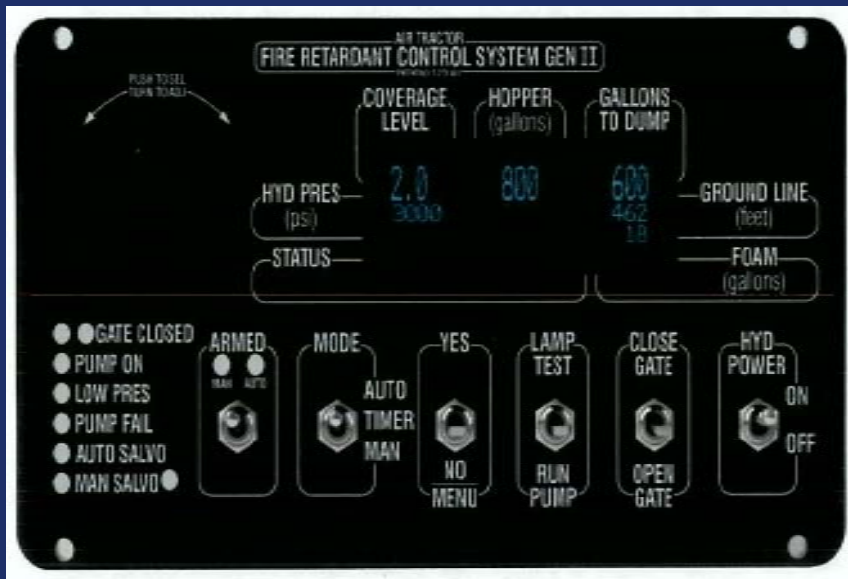
- Missions...

Fire dump –

Retardant vs. Water Dumps

Fire Patrolling vs. Fire Fighting

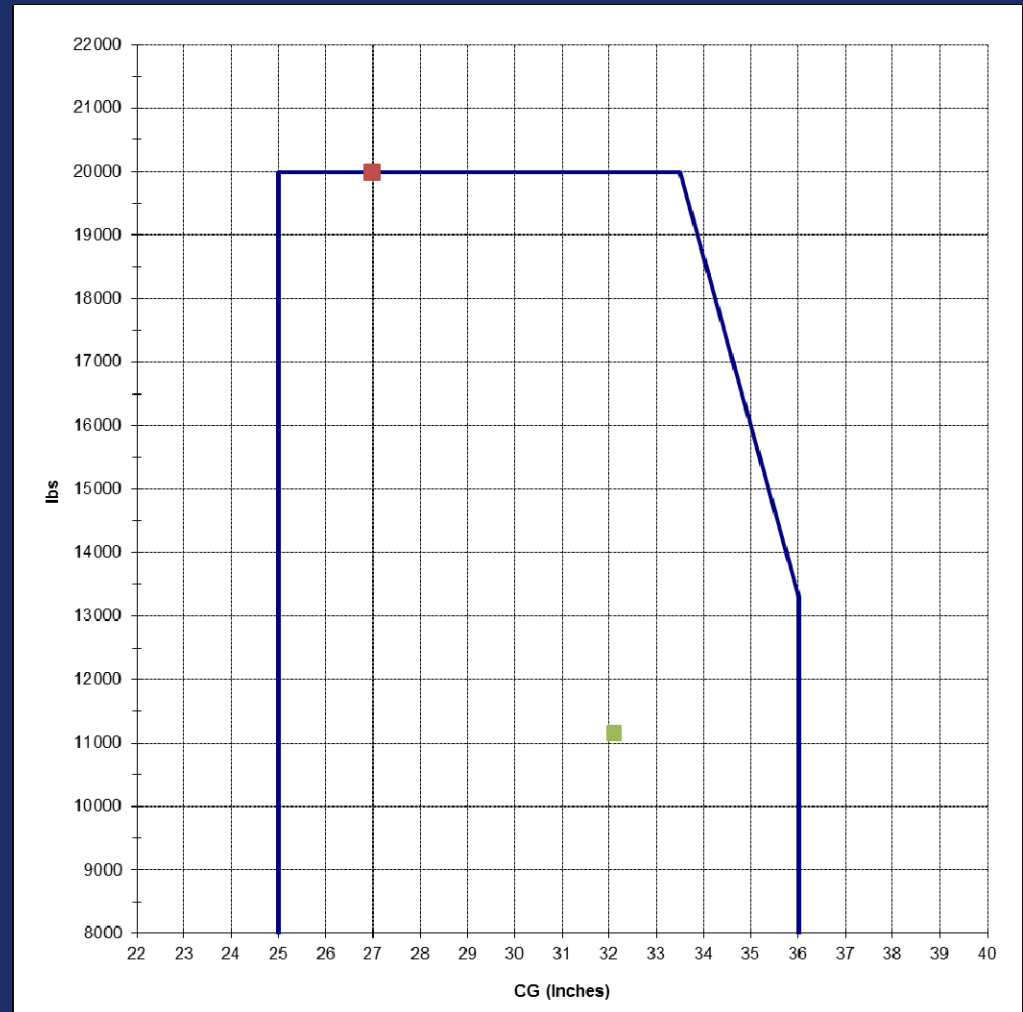
Equipment Location & Usage



# Design & Safety Strategies

- **Fire Dump Change in Weight and CG:**

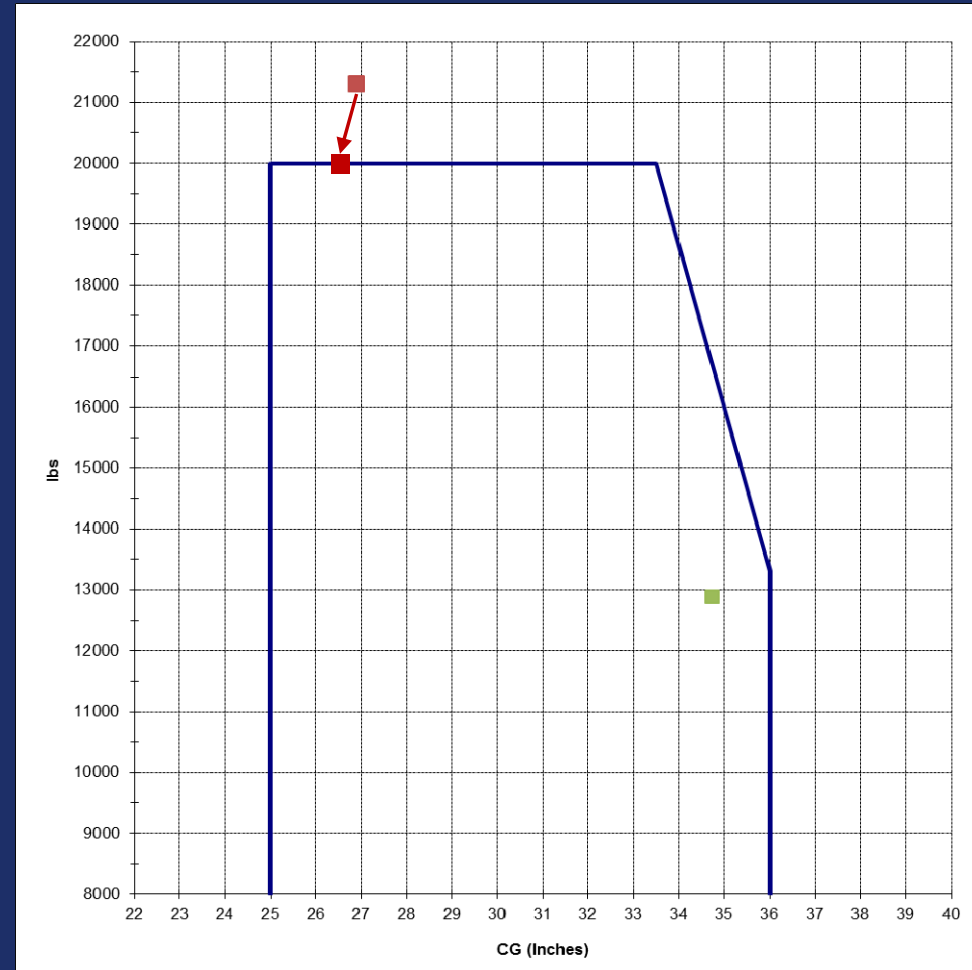
- Full Release of the Hopper Load equates to:
  - <9000 lbs.
  - 5 in CG shift (45%)
  - All in less than 8 seconds!
- Design Considerations?
  - Hopper and Dump Gate Locations
  - Pitch Authority
  - Trim Settings
  - Procedures
  - Training
- Video – 200 gallon max coverage rate
- Video – 300 gallon min coverage rate



# Design & Safety Strategies

- **Weight and Balance:**

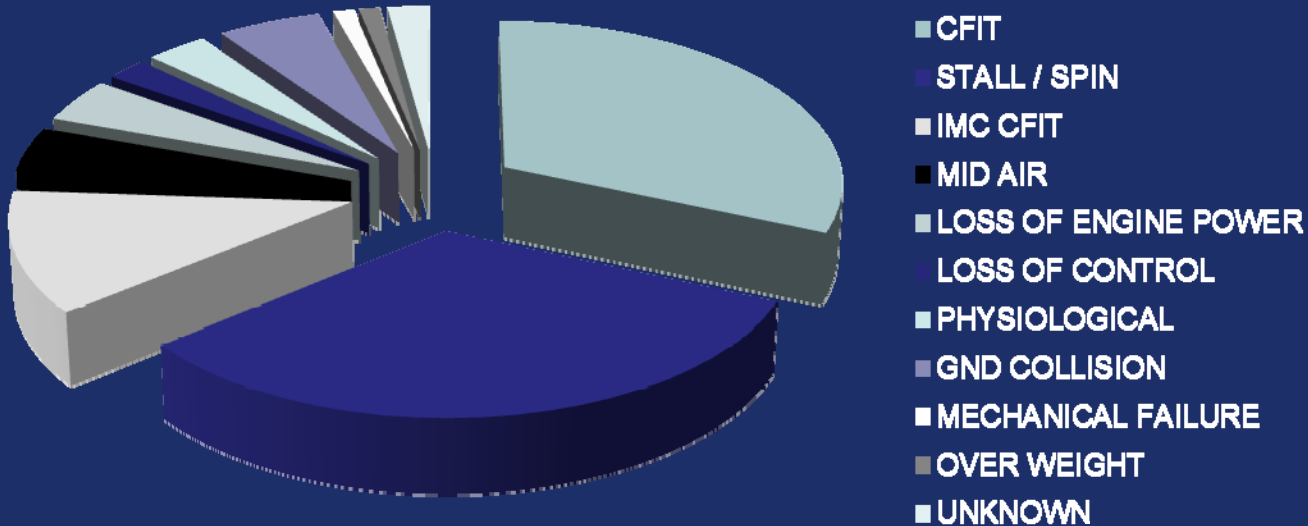
- If you load the airplane within the limits you will be within the allowable CG range (not necessarily weight range)
  - Hopper Load – 970 gal. (Ag) or 1057 gal. (Fire)
  - Baggage Compartment – 80 lbs.
  - Fuel – 454 gal (~3060 lbs)
  - 1 Pilot
- RED = FWD CG
  - Light Weight pilot
  - Full Hopper
  - Full Rinse Tank
  - Full Fuel load
  - Empty Baggage
- GREEN = AFT CG
  - Heavy Weight Pilot
  - Empty Hopper
  - Empty Rinse Tank
  - Full Fuel
  - Full Baggage



# Flight Test Considerations

- **BOTTOM LINE!**

Reduce the accidents / fatalities!



# Flight Test Considerations

- **Flight Test Considerations:**
  - The Regulations (discuss 21.25)
  - Single Pilot (Experience, Proficiency, etc)
  - Installed Equipment (Avionics, Spray Equipment, Fire gate, etc)
  - No autopilot
  - No Recording Instrumentation System (Proposed using: Audio, Video, Hand written notes)
  - No Telemetry
  - No Spin Chute (why?)
  - Egress Ability / Procedures
- **How do the above considerations affect the overall risk assessments?**
- **Multiple Configurations...**(what will repeat??)
  - Initial TC will be Single Seat, Ag Version, VFR Only
  - Follow-on Versions: 2-Seat, Fire Bomber, **IFR**



# QUESTIONS

