

Advanced Air Mobility

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What is Advanced Air Mobility?

Advanced Air Mobility (AAM) uses new types of aircraft and infrastructure – like electric air taxis and drones – to move people goods and emergency services quickly through the air

Early Deployments:

- Innovate/LA 28
- State of New York
- Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
- San Diego UAS Integration Pilot Program



Source: Joby Aviation



Source: San Diego Integration Pilot Program – Uber Elevate

What is the AAM Strategic Implementation Toolkit?

A practical guide to help stakeholders proactively plan for AAM technology, emphasizing:

Safety
Efficiency
Regulatory Compliance
Community Needs



Market and Industry Repository

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Industry Assessment

Advanced Air Mobility in San Diego

A review of publications in the AAM Industry from OEMs and existing use cases through to industry guidance and regulations.

A “living”, searchable hub

- Industry reports, technical studies, etc.
- Organized by focus area
- Planners and technical staff

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Information by Focus Area

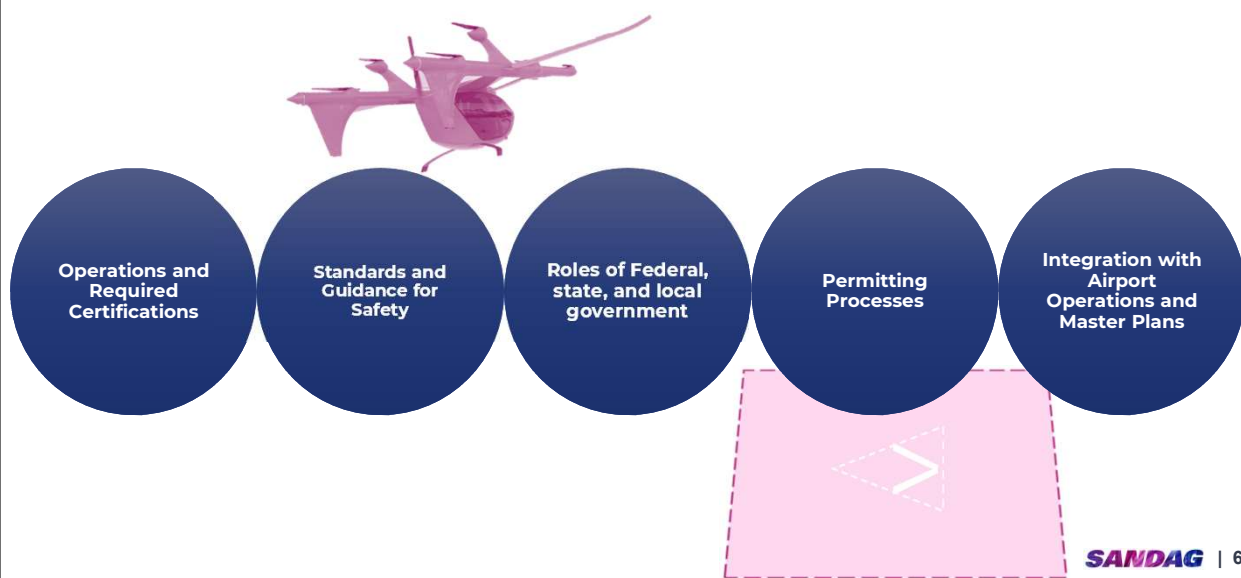
Community Engagement	
Environment & Sustainability	
Infrastructure	
Commercial	
Regulatory	
Safety	
Technology	
Transport Connectivity	
Workforce Development	

Guiding Principles (Chapter 1)

- Developed by a cross-sector Collaborative:
 - Local and Regional Planners
 - Transportation Agencies
 - Tribal Governments
 - Regulatory and Permitting Agencies
 - Industry and Academic Experts
 - Community Based Organizations
 - Public Safety and Emergency Services



Policy Framework & Strategy (Chapter 2)



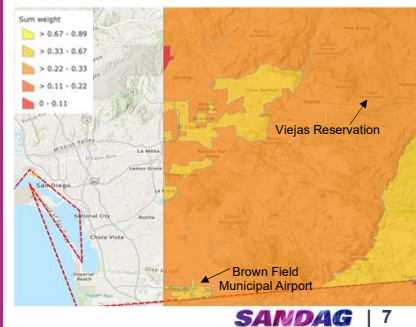
Case Study and Analysis (Chapter 3)

Explores implementation in different types of communities

- Methodology for evaluating potential AAM sites and use cases
 - Quantitative data
 - Inputs from stakeholders
 - Site-specific conditions
- Replicable and adaptable for any jurisdiction or geography in the region
- Different site types support different use cases

- **Brown Field Airport** | Existing warehouses and infrastructure
- **Viejas Reservation** | Connectivity to tribal and rural regions
- **National City** | Port and rail network enabling multi-modal connectivity

Cargo Delivery Use Case



AAM: Physical Infrastructure (Chapter 4)



Vertiports, Vertistops, and Vertihubs are infrastructure concepts designed to accommodate vertical take-off and landing (VTOL) vehicles.

A “**Vertihub**” would accommodate aircraft as a middle-mile component connecting to last-mile services on the ground.

Chapter 4 of the Implementation Toolkit includes **use cases** and **design standards** for AAM infrastructure.

Implementation Considerations (Chapter 5)

Long-term vision
for San Diego AAM
integration

Government,
Industry, Academic,
and Community
Stakeholders

Regulatory Needs,
operational risks,
and mitigation

Market Growth
and Economic
Impacts

Phased
Implementation
Roadmap

Potential Use Case

Remote and rural areas, including Tribal Nations, face **accessibility challenges**, **longer travel times**, and in some cases, **supply chain gaps**.



AAM and UAS offer an **opportunity to address some of these gaps**, from expanded access to healthcare to goods movement.



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