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Concepts In The 3.5 GHz NPRM
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Opportunity in the Small Cell Operation in 3.5 GHz NPRM

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- **3.5 GHz NPRM Can Define Two Paths:**
 1. A solution to the specific issues of 3.5 GHz
 2. A Framework for Sharing Many Spectrum Bands, with Tailoring for the issues specific to 3.5 GHz
- **Discuss the Benefits of Taking a Long-Term, and Evolutionary View of Spectrum Access Services**
 - Resolve More Issues through SAS Solutions
 - Different Band Specific Incumbent Issues
- **This was the Substance of the PCAST Recommendations on Federal Spectrum**

A Broad View of Future SAS Roles

- **Coexistence**
 - Receiver Coexistence is Often the Constraint for Maximizing Density of Spectrum Usage – Not Deconfliction of Frequencies
 - Visibility of Receiver Characteristics Provides Mechanism for SAS to Avoid Adjacent Channel Conflicts
 - Critical as We Move to non-FDD Systems
- **Closed Loop Interference**
 - Interference Projections MUST Carry Massive Uncertainty Margins Well Beyond the “Mean” Case
 - All of this is Wasted Spectrum Access
 - SAS Can Provide an Anonymous “Lingua Franca” Between Users to resolve ACTUAL Interference
- **Additional Value Services**
 - Interference Alignment, ...
- **Market-Based Mechanisms to Create Spectrum Liquidity, Transition Between Licensed/Unlicensed, ...**

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- **Goal: Establish the Framework for Sharing Spectrum through SAS Systems**
- **Organize Description into Two Categories:**
 1. **All SAS's (in any Band) Must**
 2. **In 3.5 GHz, SAS Systems should do this by ...**
- **Whether you are a Potential Spectrum User, a Federal Agency, or an SAS Provider, Establishing this Framework is Highly Desirable**

Dynamic Spectrum Access (DSA) Role in White Spaces

- **Perception that PCAST and 3.5 Proceeding Has Precluded DSA as a solution**
- **Believe Opposite is True**
 - **DSA Always had a Challenge to Meet Absolute Protection Assurance Against all Incumbents in Aal Bands**
 - **Data Base Solution Creates Opportunity for Hybrid Solutions that Enhance DSA with Awareness of what Incumbent might be in a Channel, at a Location**
- **DSA is Advantageous to the Incumbent by Reducing the Bookkeeping of Actual Usage Reporting**
 - **For First Time, Incumbents Have Incentive to Support DSA Access Modes to Reduce their Burden**
- **DSA May turn out to be the Key technology for “Self Protection”.**
- **DSA Key to the Next Spectrum Sharing Spiral, but Can Contribute to this One.**



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