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**Abstract**

This document contains (initially) a proposed schedule for REVmc for discussion at the 2012-10-05 TGmc telecon.

R1: reviewed and updated.

The chair of TGmc, Dorothy Stanley, published an initial schedule in the TGmc Sept 2012 closing report (Slide 5, doc 11-12/1182r0).

This contains the following items:

* 20 July 2012 – 12 Sept 2012 – Call for Comment/Input
* 29-30 Aug 2012 – NesCom, SASB PAR Approval
* Sept 2012 – Begin to process input
* Sept 2012 – 11aa, 11ae integration
* TBD – First WG Letter ballot
* Nov or Jan, without 11ad
* Dec 2012 – March 2013 – 11ad integration – March/May ballot
* TBD – Mandatory Draft Review
* TBD – Form Sponsor Pool (45 days)
* TBD – Initial Sponsor Ballot
* Dec 2013 – March 2014 – 11ac integration
* TBD – integration of additional completed amendments (e.g. 11af)
* Nov 2014 – WG/EC Final Approval
* March 2015 – RevCom/SASB Approval

This author has produced an initial schedule that is roughly consistent with the dates shown above.

The schedule is in the form of a Microsoft Project 2010 file, plus a .pdf printout for those without Project.



The key decision-points shown in this plan are:

* Ballot starts out of November meeting (Beginning of Dec, allowing for editing and review time)
* 802.11ad roll-in takes place during Initial WG ballot comment resolution period (Feb 2013), which means that D2 includes 802.11ad.
* EC conditional approval to start Sponsor Ballot is sought in the March 2014 plenary. This forces the timing of the last-but-one WG ballot to start before this date to meet EC requirements on conditional approve (only one more ballot). It allows the Fifth WG Recirc to be approved using the accelerated process.
* 802.11ac roll-in takes place during Initial Sponsor (D5) ballot comment resolution period (March 2014), which means that D6 contains 802.11ac.
* EC conditional approval to send to RevCom is sought in the Nov 2014 plenary. This forces a rather tight timing on the Second SB Recirc because the Third SB Recirc must be started before seeking conditional approval.
* No other amendments after 802.11ac are rolled in.

There is an alternate shown for the sponsor ballot, in which EC approval is sought by EC email ballot on the completed sponsor ballot. The alternate does not prioritize completion of comment resolution to occur during an 802.11 session. The alternate allows for a more natural sequence of durations of comment resolution.

Give these decisions, we can fill in the blanks from the previous schedule thus:

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* Sept 2012 – 11aa, 11ae integration
* Nov/Dec 2012 – First WG Letter ballot (without 802.11ad)
* Jan 2013 – March 2013 – 11ad integration – March/May ballot
* Feb 2014 – Mandatory Draft Review
* Feb/March 2014 – Form Sponsor Pool (45 days)
* March 2014 – EC conditional approval to go to sponsor ballot
* April/May 2014 – Initial Sponsor Ballot
* June/July 2014 – 11ac integration
* Nov 2014 (Alternate: Jan/Feb 2015) – WG/EC Final Approval
* March 2015 – RevCom/SASB Approval