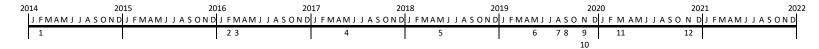
Sling Dragon Historical Timeline



1	2014	SEI begins research and development on new type of plastic sphere dispenser
2	2/2016	SEI flight tests prototype Sling Dragon

- 3/2016 SEI presents Sling Dragon concept to Aerial Ignition Unit, AIU accepts idea and agrees to evaluate
- 4 5/2017 USFS NTDP shop evaluates Sling Dragon
- 5 5/2018 USFS NTDP flight evaluates Sling Dragon on the Ocala NF, Florida
- 6 5/2019 USFS NTDP flight evaluates Sling Dragon with Colorado Division of Fire Prevention and Control
- 7 8/2019 Initial approval request from Aerial Ignition Unit to IHOpS
- 8 9/2019 SEI presents Sling Dragon training program at Aerial Ignition Workshop in FL
- 11/2019 USFS identifies Sling Dragon as potential to reduce exposure during low-and-slow helicopter missions
- 10 11/2019 IHOpS provides approval response with request for drafting an approved section in the NWCG Standards for Aerial Ignition
- 11 3/2020 USFS NTDP begins work with Helicopter Inspector Pilots and Aviation Maintenance Inspectors to determine current acceptable operating procedures and drafts NWCG Standards for Aerial Ignition chapter
- 12 11/2020 Aerial Ignition Unit sends interim approval request with Slung PSD chapter for the NWCG Standards for Aerial Ignition to IHOpS (interim approval = no pilot-only use, must have FIRB onboard)