
2016 Manawatu Airspace Review

Subsequent consultation

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Introduction

Controlled airspace is intended to be as small as practicable to safely protect IFR routes and procedures.

The review of the Manawatu airspace commenced in June 2015 and submissions were requested from users before 7 August 2015.

A summary of the submissions, as well as copies of the submissions received, was published on 12 November 2015.

At the time submissions closed, Airways was still designing the PBN procedures and were unable to provide final design changes, if any, to existing controlled airspace.

Airways has now submitted a petition requesting controlled airspace changes at Palmerston North, for both the control zone and lower level control areas.

Procedures for Ohakea are still under development and therefore there has been no petition for any changes to the Ohakea control zone and control areas received yet. If there are to be any amendments to the existing airspace, the petition will be uploaded to the Airspace review page on the CAA website.

Copies of these petitions are available on the Airspace Review page on the CAA website at the following link: http://www.caa.govt.nz/airspace/airspace_review.htm

What next

Civil Aviation Rule 71.9 requires the Director to consult with affected persons, organisations and representative groups within the aviation industry before making a designation or classification of airspace.

The Director invites feedback in regard to the proposed controlled airspace changes, as well as the other proposals made by users.

CAA will conduct airspace user consultation meeting in mid to late February 2016 to discuss the proposals. At this stage the meetings are planned for Palmerston North. The dates will be advised in late January/early February 2016.

Once the airspace user consultation meetings have taken place, and feedback from users is received, the final airspace changes will be published for users to make further submissions prior to the visual navigation chart update cut-off date on 21 April 2016.

If it is considered necessary, further consultation meetings may be held with users in early April to discuss the final airspace amendments.

Consultation

This document will be sent directly to the following organisations.

Aerodrome operators (charted aerodromes only)

- Dannevirke aerodrome – Tararua District Council
- Feilding aerodrome – Feilding Aerodrome (Inc)
- Flat Hills aerodrome – Maurice Rowe
- Foxpine aerodrome – Foxpine Airpark Ltd
- Koputaroa aerodrome – Peter Kernohan
- Ohakea aerodrome – RNZAF Base Ohakea
- Otaki aerodrome – Otaki Airstrip Limited
- Palmerston North aerodrome – Palmerston North Airport Ltd
- Paraparaumu aerodrome – Kapiti Coast Airport Holdings Ltd
- Taihape aerodrome – JK and LM Holdings Ltd
- Wanganui aerodrome – Wanganui District Council
- Wanganui Hospital heliport – Wanganui Hospital

Operators, Organisations and User Groups

- Air New Zealand Group – includes Mount Cook, Air Nelson, Eagle Airways
- Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association
- Airways Corporation of New Zealand
- Aviation Federation New Zealand
- Balloon Aviation Association
- Flight Training Manawatu
- Gliding New Zealand
- Manawatu Airspace User Group
- Massey School of Aviation
- New Zealand Hang Gliding and Paragliding Association
- Recreational Aircraft Association of New Zealand
- Royal New Zealand Air Force
- Sport Aircraft Association New Zealand
- Sport Aviation Corp

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This document is also available on the CAA website at the following link:

http://www.caa.govt.nz/airspace/airspace_review.htm

Submissions

Prior to making a designation or classification of airspace, Civil Aviation Rule 71.9 requires the Director to consult with all parties that may be affected within the aviation industry.

This document forms part of the consultation process. Submissions are sought from any interested person, organisation or representative group.

Submissions are accepted either electronically or via mail.

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Closing date for submissions to these proposals is **Thursday 25 February 2016**

Further information

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