

# AFTW Meeting Minutes

November 13, 2019

## Kick-off

- Our purpose
- Aftw.org
- **Faasafety.org – See list of seminars for RSAT dates and times!**

## Airports

- KFFZ – D1 resurfacing completed. High-speed exits for the North Runway will be constructed over the next 28 days. Most construction at night, however there will be a few day closures of the north runway during paving.
- KTUS – Delta Construction
- E25 – Police conducting tactical training on the airport taxiways and ramp.
- P08 – The City of Coolidge received the 9.5 million dollar grant for the reconstruction of the 5-23 Runway and all associated lighting. Watch NOTAMS for runway closure. 22<sup>nd</sup> Closure of main runway.
- Eloy – Runway resurfacing happening soon.
- E63 – No updates.
- KIWA – 12R-30L Phase 1 in progress, taxiway K,V being re-structured. Approaches during phase 2 will be challenging with the closed runway. Runway 12R/30L construction closure to May or June.
  - KIWA has been short with pilots – There are reports of increased PD's. Recommend filing NASA reports, or working with ATC managers to discuss issues.
- KSDL – Lighting project complete! Arrivals from watch out for IFR departures/arrivals at 5,000. Don't cut through mountains – go around to remain clear of arrival corridor for IFR traffic. Perhaps mapping this on the chart?
- KCGZ – SkyDiving drop zone is still off-field, operating out of the airport.
- KPRC – Terminal project pushed back. Whiskey ramp is supposedly closed. Late summer, taxiway Charlie will be re-located.
- SkyRanch – No approaches to airport – please remain clear.

- Pinal – Skydiving off airport.
- KAVQ – Aerobatic contest Nov 13-16<sup>th</sup> just SE of airport.
- KBXK - Copperstate – Feb 6-9 Thur-Sun. Many Seminars occurring!

#### Airspace

- Beware of Rio Verde Community and West to Pinnacle Peak – as a reminder – no ground reference maneuvers please. Suggest remaining above 1500 feet AGL.
- Just west of Picacho Peak is a Helicopter Towered airport (Stagecoach) up to 2500 feet AGL – it doesn't have a Class D dashed circle, but if you are flying through there – please contact Tower. It is looking at becoming a bonified Class D airspace that is properly charted. Perhaps highlighting it on the AFTW chart?
- Parachute drop zones – Eloy, Sawtooth (S of Eloy), and BLM drop 8nm East of Eloy south of Picacho Reservoir. Please monitor the drop zone frequencies and teach your students to understand drop zone activity avoidance. Highest alt 17,999 MSL.
- Holds at KCGZ – there was a comment received to AFTW that the course inbound doesn't allow capture by autopilot for the two smaller hold legs for the CGZ approaches. Attendees believe that the autopilot capture is not a matter of time to capture but a certain deflection and intercept angle.
- PAUWG is looking at moving ATC services from Albuquerque to Phoenix TRACON to control the airspace between PHX and TUC. Not sure on the level of service, and if this will one day shift the Stack to being handled by TRACON. Need to discuss better with PAUWG or TRACON.
  - PRC reports decrease in near collisions since TRACON took over the Northern AZ airspace.
  - There is also rumor of another radar station going in near I8/I10. Current radar isn't that poor in the area.
- SATR may be expanding in the future.
- Hidden Valley Airport – Watch out for Parachute Dropping! (near Estrella). See Chart Supplement for more information.

#### Training Issues

- Do you retract flaps on a short field landing? ACS states to follow manufacturer guidance. However, Manufacturers do not all state specific guidance. What is the acceptable method (directed at DPEs)?
- LPV Team - address ([lpvteam@googlegroups.com](mailto:lpvteam@googlegroups.com)) – Project Update. We have put together a survey which is presently only accessible to the LPV team. [aftw.org/lpvsurvey](http://aftw.org/lpvsurvey). Jon Micetic – can you add a link to the survey please on home page.

- Reno, NV has approaches (ILS) that goes down to only 400ft minimums. Do these count as practice precision approaches? Need a contact there to discuss this. This will be a strong support for our proposal.
- Are you safe to fly with over the counter medication? See [Faa.gov](http://Faa.gov) / Licenses and Certificates/ Medical Certification/medication. There is a PDF of meds.
- GA Awards – Aviation awards for Mx, CFI, FFAST team rep of the year- [generalaviationawards.com](http://generalaviationawards.com). Due Nov 30.
- ASAG – (Arizona Safety Advisory Group) – [ASAGAZ.org](http://ASAGAZ.org) – Banquet Jan 25<sup>th</sup>. Airport of the Year, Air Traffic Communicator of the Year or Facility of the Year. Due Nov 30<sup>th</sup>. Donations for door prizes and silent auction are being sought. If you have something – please donate. See [ASAGaz.org](http://ASAGaz.org).

**Next meeting January 8<sup>th</sup> at 0930 at FSDO**