2016 Northland Airspace Review
Subsequent consultation

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Introduction

The review of the Northland 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 30 October 2015.

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

Airways has now advised that there are no requests to amend controlled airspace north of Whenuapai.

What next

Further development is required in relation to the Auckland Hang Gliding and Paragliding request for reduction on the western boundary of NZB171 Whangarei. This is to allow for non-transponder and non-radio equipped hang glider/paraglider cross country flights in the areas where lift is generated.

Comment from users is now invited from airspace users regarding the submissions made so far.

It is intended for meetings to be held with airspace users in the first two weeks of March before the cut-off date for submissions. The venues and dates are yet to be confirmed, but it is most likely there will be meetings held in both Whangarei and Kerikeri.

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.

Consultation

This document will be sent directly to the following organisations.

Aerodrome operators (charted aerodromes only)

- Dargaville aerodrome – Northern Wairoa Aero Club (Inc)
- Dargaville Hospital heliport – Northland District Health Board
- Kaikohe aerodrome – Far North Holdings Ltd
- Kaipara Flats aerodrome – Rodney Aero Club Inc
- Kaitaia aerodrome – Far North Holdings Ltd
- Kaitaia Hospital heliport – Northland District Health Board
- Kerikeri/Bay of Islands aerodrome – Far North Holdings Ltd
- Ruawai aerodrome – Otamatea Aero Club, Ruawai (Inc)

· Springhill aerodrome – Instra Aviation Ltd

· Whangarei aerodrome – Whangarei District Airport

Operators, Organisations and User Groups

The following major operators, organisations and users have been identified:

· Air New Zealand Group – includes Mount Cook, Air Nelson, Eagle Airways

· Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association

· Airways Corporation of New Zealand

· Gliding New Zealand

· 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

· The New Zealand Aviation Federation

· Whangarei User Group – Mike Chubb

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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 **Friday 11 March 2016**

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