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Mr. Jeff Williams
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Dear Mr. Williams:

RE: Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) Recommendations for Future Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) Minimum Enroute Altitudes (MEAs) for Victor Airways.

On behalf of the more than 413,000 members of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA), we want to thank the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for its continued commitment to establish low-altitude Area Navigation (RNAV) routes and Global Positioning System (GPS) Minimum Enroute Altitudes (MEAs) on existing Victor routes. AOPA fully supports the FAA's efforts to utilize RNAV to improve the safety and efficiency of flight operations and offers the attached member input to further those efforts.

AOPA recently asked its members to provide specific locations and Victor routes that would benefit from GPS MEA's. The response was overwhelmingly positive with many specific recommendations. While recommendations were received that covered routes throughout the United States, there was a definite concentration in the mountains of the Pacific Northwest including Oregon and Washington State, as well as the Southwest States of Arizona and Nevada.

In light of this feedback, AOPA recommends that routes in these two areas be considered in the near term for potential GPS MEA assignment.

AOPA appreciates the opportunity to work collaboratively with the FAA on this project. If you have any questions, please contact Pete Lehmann at 301-695-2207.

Sincerely,

Heidi J. Williams
Director
Air Traffic Services

Attachment

AOPA Member Input

Victor Route	Segment	Current MEA	#
V392	SIGNA-FMG	11,500	1
V132	ORION-DISKS	10,000	1
V448	GEG-FCA	12,000	1
V165	ARPEE-CARRO	6000	2
V27	FOT-ENI	8500	4
V607	ENI-YAGER	9000	1
V607	YAGER-ACV	8000	1
V26	RAP-DDY	13,000	1
V254	GCC-MLS	10,000	1
V169	RAP-SNY	7000	1
V100	AIA-ANW	7500	1
V491	RAP-DIK	9000	1
V120	DPR-MLS	10,000	1
V86	RAP-SHR	13,000	1
V524	BFF-LBF	7,000	1
V6	SNY-LBF	6000	1
V27	ONP-AST	8000	3
V157	DALTO-LVL	6000	1
V454	LVL-LIB	6000	1
V66	SDZ-GRD	8000	1
V228	OBK-MSN	10,000	1
V148	ALEEN-IWD	10,000	1
V177	BAITS-DLH	10,000	1
V106	RASHE-SEG	14,000	1
V106	RASHE-JST	7000	1
V1	STARY-BASSO	11,000	1
V601	DEEDS-EYW	7000	1
V105	KARLO-DRK	12,000	2
V562	KNOBB-DRK	12,000	3
V327	KNOBB-OATES	12,000	3
V190	SALTS-SJN	12,000	3
V528	SJN-PXR	16,000	4
V567	KNOBB-INW	14,000	3
V54	HRS-SPA	8000	1
V514	GFS-TNP	12,000	1
V4	MANNE-EKN	6000	1
V166	UGJOB-MRB	6000	1
V45	HNN-APE	10,000	1
V257	BANYO-DRK	10,000	1
V2	BUF-ROC	6000	1
V388	PDZ-PSP	9500	1
V394	DAG-OASYS	12,000	1
V23	OED-RBL	10,000	2
V452	FMG-LMT	14,000	1
V86	CPN-MSO	13,000	1
V137	ARRAN-MORON	13,500	1
V165	OLM UBG	6000	1
V97	NELLO-MELLS	10,000	1
V23	MCKEN-BTG	6000	1
V287	BTG-OLM	6000	1
V187	AST-OLM	5000	1
V448	BTG-YKM	14,500	1
V121	DOSEE-DBS	12,000	1
V269	MOBIL-JATTS	14,000	1
V500	GLARA-PARMO	11,000	1
V520	PDX-OED	12,600	1