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#### Introduction

Controlled airspace is designated in areas where there is a need for an air traffic control service to be provided for the safety and efficiency of aircraft operations and is intended to be as small as practicable to safely protect IFR routes and procedures.

The provider of air traffic services in New Zealand, Airways Corporation of New Zealand Ltd (Airways), is intending on deploying a Divergent Missed Approach Protection System (DMAPS) for Wellington – where standard instrument departures (SIDs) and Missed approaches diverge at 30 degrees to provide efficiency. This has previously been implemented at Christchurch in March 2020.

## Background

Airways has reviewed all of the control zone dimensions to align with the Part 71 rule requirements for controlled airspace to be as small as practicable to protect the flight paths of IFR aircraft. Aeropath, the provider of Instrument Flight Procedures at Wellington, have assessed instrument flight procedures against controlled airspace containment.

# Airways' proposal

To contain new procedures, and following review of existing procedures which will be retained, Airways submitted a petition in January 2022 to amend the Wellington control zone and associated airspaces as follows:

- 1. Amend the Wellington control zone NZA659 and sectors; and
- 2. Amend Wellington control areas NZA635 (LL 1500 ft), and NZA638 (LL 4500 ft); and
- Establish a new Wellington CTA/C sector NZAXXX (LL 3500 ft)
- 4. Establish a transit lane north west of Wellington control zone

Due to the size of the petition, it is not practical to summarise the information contained in this document. Instead, please refer to the copy of Airways' petition which accompanies this document available on the Airspace Review website page at the following link:

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Overall, the size of the Wellington control zone is increased, and terminal control areas are extended to cater for the divergent tracks from Wellington aerodrome.

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#### Consultation

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.

This document will be sent directly to the organisations listed below. It would be appreciated if you would kindly forward the document to your members for consideration and comment.

# Aerodrome operators (charted aerodromes/heliports shown on VNC C2, lower North Island only)

- Avalon heliport (TVNZ Avalon Studios Ltd)
- Kenepuru Hospital heliport (Capital and Coast District Health Board)
- Paraparaumu aerodrome (Kapiti Districts Holding Ltd)
- Queens Wharf heliport (Wellington Helicopters)
- Wellington aerodrome (Wellington International Airport Ltd)
- Wellington Hospital heliport (Capital and Coast District Health Board)

#### **Operators, Organisations and User Groups**

- Air Chathams
- Air Freight NZ Ltd (Life Flight)
- Air New Zealand Group includes Mount Cook and Air Nelson
- Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association
- Airways Corporation of New Zealand
- Airwork Flight Operations
- Balloon Association of New Zealand
- Gliding New Zealand
- Hood User Group
- Jet Connect
- Jetstar Airways Ltd
- Kapiti Districts Aero Club
- Massey School of Aviation
- Model Flying New Zealand
- New Zealand Agricultural Aviation Association
- New Zealand Airline Pilots Association
- New Zealand Aviation Federation
- New Zealand Hang Gliding and Paragliding Association

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- New Zealand Helicopter Association
- New Zealand Parachute Federation
- New Zealand Parachute Industry Association
- Qantas Airways Ltd
- Recreational Aircraft Association of New Zealand
- Royal New Zealand Air Force
- Soundsair
- Sport Aircraft Association New Zealand
- Sport Aviation Corp
- Virgin Australia
- Wellington Aero Club
- Wellington Helicopters

Notifications will be sent to CAA email notification subscribers to Airspace Notifications – Briefing Areas 3, 5 and 6.

If there are any further questions regarding the review process, please contact Aeronautical Services – contact details below.

#### **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 to provide further information relevant to this proposal.

Submissions are accepted either electronically or via mail.

Please address submissions to:

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Reference – 2022 Wellington control zone amendment.

Closing date for submissions is Thursday 31st March 2022.

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