
**2023 – Gisborne and Hawke’s Bay
Performance Based Navigation
Airspace Changes
Public Consultation**

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1. Background

An initial review of Hawkes Bay and Gisborne airspace commenced in 2017 and submissions from users were requested at that time and required before 5 September 2017. Due to circumstances Airways then delayed the implementation of Precision Based Navigation (PBN) procedures for this airspace until November 2018; the ‘2017 East Coast airspace review – Gisborne and Hawke’s Bay was put on hold. A further round of consultation was conducted in 2019. Unfortunately, since that time there has been further delays and PBN procedures, including the proposed airspace changes required for these procedures, are now planned for November 2023.

To inform their current airspace application for these change Airways have also held a further round of stakeholder consultation meetings at Gisborne and Napier airports, on 14 and 15 November 2022 respectively. The purpose of the meetings was to inform local users about the PBN implementation concepts that Airways have developed. The Airways Team also sought feedback on potential issues, hazards and risks, and presented an anticipated Airways PBN implementation timeline; the Airways presentation information covered during these consultation meetings can be viewed on the CAA website airspace review links. Following these consultation meetings Airways have now submitted the airspace change petitions to CAA which include requirements for the proposed PBN route structure, Standard Instrument Departures (SIDs) and Standard Arrival Routes (STARs).

Most of the submissions received during the initial 2017 and 2019 consultation periods included comments on the controlled airspace areas and size. However, without the final proposed controlled airspace changes, it was not possible at that time for CAA to action any of those requests and feedback. Therefore, given the extended implementation delay since the previous consultation periods and acknowledging that stakeholders may have changed in the interim period, CAA is now conducting a further full round of consultation. All stakeholders should resubmit their earlier feedback or submit afresh based on the current application information as now provided by Airways.

A summary of the submissions received will be published in February 2023.

For ease of reference, Airways has submitted two separate petitions requesting controlled airspace changes for the Hawke’s Bay and Gisborne areas.

Both petitions and the associated Airways’ consultation meeting information are available on the Airspace Review website at the following link:

[2023 airspace reviews | aviation.govt.nz](https://www.aviation.govt.nz/2023-airspace-reviews)

2. 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 any other proposals made by users.

After reviewing all submissions, if it is considered necessary, further CAA consultation meetings at Gisborne and Napier may be held with users in March 2023 to discuss the airspace amendments. Meeting date(s) will be advised in late February 2023 if these are to be held.

Once feedback from users is received, and any further airspace user consultation meetings have taken place, the final airspace changes will be published for users to make any further submissions prior to the visual navigation chart update cut-off date on 11 May 2023.

3. Consultation

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 comment and consideration, and any other stakeholders not listed you may be aware of who have interest.

Aerodrome operators (charted aerodromes only)

- Dannevirke aerodrome
- Gisborne aerodrome (Gisborne Airport Ltd)
- Gisborne Hospital heliport (Tairāwhiti District Health Board)
- Hastings aerodrome (Hawke's Bay & East Coast Aero Club)
- Kowhai aerodrome
- Napier aerodrome (Hawkes Bay Airport Authority)
- Opotiki aerodrome
- Porangahau aerodrome
- Rangitikei aerodrome
- Taihape aerodrome
- Waipukurau (Central Hawkes Bay Aero Club)
- Wairoa aerodrome (Wairoa District Council)
- Wairoa Hospital heliport (Wairoa Care Hawkes Bay)

Operators, Organisations and User Groups

Major operators, organisations and user groups have been identified as:

- Air Gisborne
- Air New Zealand
- Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association
- Airways Corporation of New Zealand
- Balloon Association of New Zealand
- Central Hawkes Bay Aero Club
- Dannevirke Flying Club
- Eagle Flight Training
- Gliding New Zealand
- Hawke's Bay & East Coast Aero Club
- Massey School of Aviation
- Model Flying New Zealand
- Napier airspace user group
- New Zealand Agricultural Aviation Association
- New Zealand Airline Pilots Association
- New Zealand Aviation Federation
- New Zealand Hang Gliding and Paragliding Association
- New Zealand Helicopter Association
- New Zealand Parachute Federation
- New Zealand Parachute Industry Association
- Recreational Aircraft Association of New Zealand
- Royal New Zealand Air Force
- Skyline Aviation Ltd
- Sport Aircraft Association New Zealand
- Sport Aviation Corp

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

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Notifications will be sent to CAA email notification subscribers to Airspace Notifications – Briefing Areas 2, 3, 4 and 5.

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

4. Submissions

As mentioned, 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 and should be clearly annotated for either location: Gisborne or Napier

Please address submissions to:

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Closing date for submissions is **Wednesday 18th January 2023**.

5. Further information

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