

Phoenix Airspace Users Work Group (PAUWG) November 16, 2023 Meeting Notes

Conducted using Zoom

- 34 people attended.
- Meeting began at 0900.

Opening Remarks, Chris Kesler (P50 TRACON), Brian Ready (NBAA)

- Chris and Brian welcomed everyone and explained the agenda.

IFP Production Schedule through Oct 2025

- 11/30/23 Multiple TUS changes (22) for RWY Rebuild (explained separately).
- 01/25/24:
 - PHX KEENS THREE SID (MESSI WP name change to JERRD)
 - IWA IZZO EIGHT SID (MESSI WP name change to JERRD)
- 03/21/24 SDL RNAV (RNP) RWY 21 (Minor TDZE change).

Tucson International (TUS) Runway project - Update provided by Chris Kesler

- Multi-Year Project to demolish and rebuild runway 11R/29L and taxiways
- Limited access to practice approaches or pattern work at TUS.
- TAA recommends using Ryan Airport for practice & pattern work.
- Letter to Airmen published.
- Effective 11/30/2023
 - RWY 11R/29L closed for 2+ years for reconstruction
 - RWY 11L/29R renumbered to 12/30
 - RWY 3/21 renumbered to 04/22
 - Multiple IFP and IAP cancellations and changes
 - VFR Charts updated
 - Chart Supplement Page (Green Book) completely revised
- [Tucson International Airport Airfield Safety Enhancement \(ASE\) \(flytucson.com\)](https://flytucson.com)

Airport and Organizational updates

CHD Airport - Ryan Reeves

- ADOT wildlife fence project complete resulting in fewer coyotes on airport.
- Jan 20, 2024 "Airport Day" event to celebrate CHD Airport's 75th Birthday.
- Taxiway B improvement project planned to eliminate a Hotspot.
- Numerous cranes operating nearby, some without OE-AAA Cases on file.

DVT Airport - Ed Faron DVT Airport Manager and Tyler Howard, FAA ATCT Manager

- Blast pads being built causing overnight RWY closures, advised pilots to use caution for closed RWY lights being turned off.
- New large corporate style hangars opening soon, up to 250K sq. ft. of space.

FFZ Airport - Corinne Nystrom, Airport Manager, Bob Fletcher FFZ ATCT

- More taxiway projects will require runway closures, but one runway will remain available.
- FFZ Airport operating normally after Sept. storm, hangars being repaired.
- FFZ Airport property almost completely leased with new tenant facilities planned.
- Falcon Tower transitioning to normal as more controllers certify.

FLG Airport - Brian Gall, Airport Programs Manager

- New projects underway to improve Terminal and other Airport properties.
- RSAP LOA with FLG Tower nearly completed.
- FLG Airport 75th Anniversary being observed.
- GA ramp operations & taxiway signage improvements are being studied.
- New snow removal facility operating on the airport will streamline operations.

GYR Airport - Brad Hagen

- Runway crack seal and ramp paving/painting projects completed.
- UAL flight school increased operations.
- GYR Airport surpassed SAN Airport as busiest single runway airport with 200k+ operations.
- Noise complaints are increasing.

IWA Airport - Margi EvanSon (IWA Airport Operations) & Greg Blunk (IWA FCT)

- RWY12C/30C improvement project planned for Summer 2024.
- RWY12R/30L improvement project planned for 4th quarter 2024.
- 30K sq. ft. Terminal expansion completed.

PHX ATCT - Rich Wayne (PHX ATCT Manager)

- Discussed increase in laser strike events vs. aircraft.
- PHX and Mesa PDs recently made arrests of laser perpetrators.
- 17% Increase in PHX traffic to approximately 1400 operations per day.

PHX Airport - Mike O'Shaunessy (City of PHX)

- Project planned to improve West Cargo Ramp.
- Project is planned to add new Taxiway "U" on West end of airport.
- Project is planned for paving infield and improving signage.
- FAA Inspection of PHX Airport Operations was successful
- Wall Street Journal article rated PHX as #1 Airport

Arizona Pilot's Association - Jim Timm

- Advised that there are no issues with airspace or ATC but is concerned with high number of pilot deviations being reported.

Allegiant Air- ATC Rep Jeff Yost & Capt. Jeff Panhans

- Allegiant has experienced fewer TCAS events using their RVFP procedures for RWY 30C & 30L.
- Allegiant Air plans to pursue development of RVFP procedures for IWA RWY 12C & 12R.

USAF Luke RAPCON - Ron Tahtinen

- No issues and there were no questions from the group.

FAA- Military ATREP - Jessie Acevado

- Discussed "RSOP" Plan to optimize military Special Use Airspace in Arizona.
- May result in lowered MOA floors and lateral expansion of Tombstone MOA.

FAA- Scottsdale FSDO - Ernest Copeland

- Reported laser strikes on aircraft are already increasing substantially over last year.
- Working with various local law enforcement agencies to locate offenders based on reports.
- Reports can be posted on line at [Report a Laser Incident | Federal Aviation Administration \(faa.gov\)](https://www.faa.gov/report-laser-incident)

2024 PAUWG Meeting Dates, all will be held via Zoom:

February 15th

May 16

August 15

November 14

Meeting ended at 1000 local time.