

SALT LAKE CITY AIR ROUTE TRAFFIC CONTROL CENTER (ARTCC)
AND KING MOUNTAIN WAVE GROUP

LETTER OF AGREEMENT

EFFECTIVE: September 22, 2009

SUBJECT: Glider/Sailplane Operations

1. **PURPOSE:** This Letter of Agreement (LOA) establishes an area called the King Mountain Wave Area and procedures for glider/sailplane operations within Class A Airspace under the jurisdiction of Salt Lake City ARTCC.
2. **DISTRIBUTION:** Salt Lake City ARTCC and the King Mountain Wave Group.
3. **CANCELLATION:** Salt Lake City ARTCC and King Mountain Wave Group LOA, dated June 1, 2009, is cancelled. This LOA will be reviewed every three years for currency and necessity. It may be cancelled at any time by written notice from one of the signatories to the other.
4. **AUTHORIZATION:** This LOA authorizes pilots associated with the King Mountain Wave Group to deviate from the requirements of Federal Aviation Regulation 91.135 (Operations in Class A Airspace) when operating under Visual Flight Rules (VFR) within the area described below as "King Mountain Wave Area Description," and under the conditions specified in paragraphs 6 and 7 of this LOA.
5. **SCOPE:** The procedures outlined herein apply to VFR flights conducted within the following described area from Flight Level 180 (FL180) through and including Flight Level 280 (FL280).

King Mountain Wave Area Description

The area encompasses the southern portion of the Big Lost River Range in Idaho and is bounded by:

A line beginning in the town of **Arco** at N43 37' 48", W113 18' 24" (DBS225055)

Thence northwest to the **Copper Basin Airstrip** at N43 48' 04", W113 49' 54" (DBS242072)

Thence north to **Leatherman Peak** at N44 04' 51", W113 44' 00" (DBS255066)

Thence east to **Pass Creek Road / Little Lost River Highway** at N44 08' 19", W113 14' 50" (DBS259045)

Thence south to the town of **Howe** at N43 46' 56", W113 00' 19" (DBS227039)

Thence southwest to the town of **Arco** and the point of beginning.

6. RESPONSIBILITIES:

- a. Except for deviations specified in paragraph 4 of this LOA, pilots shall comply with applicable Federal Aviation Regulations.
- b. Pilots shall operate in the King Mountain Wave Area only during time periods approved by Salt Lake City ARTCC.

- c. All gliders/sailplanes must be equipped with functioning two-way radio equipment providing air/ground communications so that altitude information can be readily attained.
- d. Pilots are responsible for remaining within the perimeter of the King Mountain Wave Area while operating above FL180.
- e. Separation between aircraft authorized by this LOA to operate VFR within the King Mountain Wave Area remains the responsibility of the pilots.
- f. Pilots shall advise the Salt Lake City ARTCC when the King Mountain Wave Area is clear of traffic and use of the area is no longer required.
- g. For each separate event, scheduling of the King Mountain Wave Area shall be coordinated by user calling the Salt Lake City ARTCC OMIC desk at (801) 320-2560. After OMIC approval, the King Mountain Wave Group shall provide a full list of users for that event to Salt Lake City ARTCC by sending a fax to (801) 320-2589.

7. PROCEDURES:

a. Pilots shall establish and maintain communications with Salt Lake City ARTCC on frequency 128.35 MHz prior to entering Class A Airspace and shall notify Salt Lake City ARTCC of the following:

- (1) Glider/sailplane identification.
- (2) Location.
- (3) Estimated duration of flight within area.
- (4) Requested maximum flight levels. **(Only required altitudes should be requested.)**

b. Salt Lake City ARTCC shall issue an ATC clearance prior to any glider/sailplane entry into the King Mountain Wave Area. This clearance shall include time periods and flight levels.

c. When the requested area is unavailable, Salt Lake City ARTCC should suggest alternate time periods/flight levels.

8. ATTACHMENT:

Attachment. Map of King Mountain Wave Area.

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King Mountain Wave Area

