

Submission 96 – Airservices Australia

Airservices Australia submission: Infrastructure planning guidelines for drone delivery services

Public consultation draft (November 2022)

Airservices Australia (Airservices) thanks the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts (the Department) and welcomes the opportunity to provide a submission on the public consultation draft of the Infrastructure planning guidelines for drone delivery services.

Comments on Infrastructure Planning Guidelines for drone delivery services

Airservices provides the following comments in relation to the public consultation draft of the Infrastructure planning guidelines for drone delivery services.

- 1. Linkages with other emerging aviation technology initiatives.**
 - **Airservices' Flight Information Management System (FIMS) should be listed in addition to DRMS and NDDN.**
 - **FIMS is a significant initiative of the Uncrewed Aircraft System (UAS) Traffic Management (UTM) ecosystem which will be designed to coordinate all airspace constraints and provide traffic management to facilitate equitable access to airspace and protect airspace users.**
 - **The guidelines should include the roles and functions of Airservices as the Australian civil Air Navigation Service Provider, particularly the important role we have in managing integrated airspace.**
- 2. Attachment A – infrastructure planning guidelines for drone delivery services**
 - **The attachment should include the overarching roles and functions of Airservices for all airspace users.**
 - **The section should set out the functions and services Airservices currently provides to UAS operators in airspace (for example, UAS operations within 3NM of controlled aerodromes).**
 - **The section should also describe the implementation of UTM that most drone delivery services will likely need to utilise.**
- 3. Attachment B – regulatory approvals process flowchart for drone delivery services**
 - **This section should include the Airservices' engagement processes that UAS operators would be required to follow where their operations are contemplated in relevant airspace.**

Airservices would be happy to provide the Department with information on FIMS, our role and function, and our engagement process for airspace services to add to your documentation.

**Airservices Australia
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