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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Meeting of the National Parks Overflights Advisory Group

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAA and the National Park Service (NPS), in accordance with the National Parks Air Tour Management Act of 2000, announce the next meeting of the National Parks Overflights Advisory Group (NPOAG). This notification provides the date, location, and agenda for the meeting.

DATES: The NPOAG will meet on October 18 and October 19, 2017.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place in the FAA's Regional Office, 6th Floor Executive Conference Room, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, CA 90261. The meeting will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 18, 2017, and from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Thursday, October 19, 2017. Although this is not a public meeting, this NPOAG meeting will be open to the public. Because seating is limited, members of the public wishing to attend will need to contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** by September 29, 2017, to ensure sufficient meeting space is available to accommodate all attendees.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Keith Lusk, AWP-1SP, Special Programs Staff, Federal Aviation Administration, Western-Pacific Region Headquarters, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, CA 90261, telephone: (310) 725-3808, e-mail: Keith.Lusk@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The National Parks Air Tour Management Act of 2000 (NPATMA), enacted on April 5, 2000, Pub. L. 106-181, required the establishment of the NPOAG within one year after its enactment. The Act requires that the NPOAG be a balanced group of representatives of general aviation, commercial air tour operations, environmental concerns, and Native American tribes. The Administrator of the FAA and the Director of NPS (or their designees) serve as ex officio members of the group. Representatives of the Administrator and Director serve alternating 1-year terms as chairperson of the advisory group.

The duties of the NPOAG include providing advice, information, and recommendations to the FAA Administrator and the NPS Director on: implementation of Pub. L. 106-181; quiet aircraft technology; other measures that might accommodate interests to visitors of national parks; and at the request of the Administrator and the Director, on safety, environmental, and other issues related to commercial air tour operations over national parks or tribal lands.

Agenda for the October 18-19, 2017 NPOAG Meetings

The agenda for the meetings will include, but is not limited to, an update on ongoing park specific air tour planning projects, commercial air tour reporting, and the Grand Canyon quiet technology seasonal relief incentive.

Attendance at the Meeting and Submission of Written Comments

Although this is not a public meeting, interested persons may attend. Because seating is limited, please contact Keith Lusk (see CONTACT information for phone

number or email) by **September 29, 2017**, to ensure sufficient meeting space is available to accommodate all attendees.

Written comments regarding the meeting will be accepted directly from attendees or may be sent to Keith Lusk (see **CONTACT** information for address and email).

Record of the Meeting

If you cannot attend the NPOAG meeting, a summary record of the meeting will be made available under the NPOAG section of the FAA ATMP web site at:

http://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/arc/programs/air_tour_management_plan/parks_overflights_group/minutes.cfm

or through the Special Programs Staff, Western-Pacific Region, P.O. Box 92007, Los Angeles, CA 90009-2007, telephone: (310) 725-3808.

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