

WHI Out of Service (OOS) December 2022, IA with CAA

Held on Microsoft Teams

26th August 2022

Start time: 0905

1. Welcome to WHI OOS December 2022, IA with CAA

This meeting is in response to ATCSL's submission, on behalf of LJLA, in response to NERL's notification of the WHI NDB being removed from service. The purpose is to discuss the IA and anything arising from it.

2. Apologies and introductions

Attendees:

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Items

1. Initial response to ATCSL:

The CAA has received the Statement of Need in advance of this Assessment Meeting and can confirm that the documents are required to be published together with the minutes of this meeting on the airspace change portal. It must be noted that this is an Assessment Meeting and not a Gateway.

The Change Sponsor is required to provide a broad description of their proposed approach to meeting the CAA's CAP 1616 requirements, however the CAA will not at this stage decide whether it meets the detailed requirements of the CAA's process. The purpose of the Assessment Meeting as set out in CAP 1616 is for the Sponsor to present and discuss their Statement of Need, to enable the CAA to consider whether the proposal concerned falls within the scope of the formal airspace change process, and to enable the CAA to consider the appropriate provisional Level to assign to the change proposal.

Additionally, the sponsor is required to provide information on how it intends to fulfil the requirements of the airspace change process and its provisional timescales. Lastly, the sponsor is required to provide information on how it intends to meet the engagement requirements of the various stages of the airspace change process.

2. **ATCSL Presentation to CAA** – to begin the meeting [REDACTED] went through a small presentation with all which covered the high-level points of the submitted IA. A copy of the slides will be made available to those listed in the meeting and Apologies.

All items following on will be around questions from CAA to ATCSL

3. **“Or” Instruction** – the removal of the “or” instruction with the SID’s for runway 09 can not be supported through this CAP 1781 process. The basis of CAP 1781 is to allow Airport’s and operators to continue current operations and make no changes over the ground.
4. **WHI Removal from AD2.19** – a misunderstanding from [REDACTED] but clarified during the presentation. WHI will continue to be listed in EGGP AD 2.19 with the ground reference, once the feature is turned off crew will be unable to “ident” it.
5. **Explanation of the CAP 1781 process**- [REDACTED] discussed what employing an RNAV substitution would mean for operators. In essence, the SID is conventional based with crews using the RNAV overlay as a secondary method. The 1781 process would authorise crews to use the RNAV overlay as the primary method for following the SID.
6. **Use of Level By Instruction** – [REDACTED] clarified what the need is. It is understood that this would be part of changes between LJA and AIS. However, [REDACTED] will advise CAA what the intentions are.
7. **Timeline** – both [REDACTED] & [REDACTED] agreed that AIRAC 12 would not be achievable. With the changes proposed, ICAO may not allow them to feature in AIRAC 13.

The NANTI 2V should have a periodic review to accompany the CAP 1781 process. [REDACTED] agreed to liaise with [REDACTED] around schedules.

[REDACTED] advises to communicate with NERL with an achievable timeline for losing reliance upon WHI. [REDACTED] did mention there could be some commercial impacts upon LJA which will need further internal discussion.

[REDACTED] will undertake periodic review of the NANTI 2V.

A suggestion within the presentation was an interim NOTAM for the SID between WHI OOS and a coded overlay approval. CAA advised this is not appropriate. On this basis, [REDACTED] to go away and understand commercial impacts and whether utilisation of the current 09 NSD would be more appropriate until AIRAC 01/02

8. Summary/ Next Steps

1. [REDACTED] to complete periodic review - [REDACTED]
2. Proposed AIP changes - [REDACTED]
3. NATS/NERL communication- [REDACTED]
4. Level by wording agreed - [REDACTED]
5. Target AIRAC cycle agreed- [REDACTED]

Meeting Closed:

The next meeting – TBC

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Some of the contained information may be sensitive.***