

# KILM

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### KILM Pilot's Newsflash

Today's Newsflash is devoted to the Class C ad hoc meeting. We are urging pilots and aircraft owners able to take the time, to please attend this meeting. The first of the two important dates is Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, which is the last day to RSVP to Rose Davis at the airport to attend the meeting ([rdavis@flyilm.com](mailto:rdavis@flyilm.com)). The second date is the following Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, which is the ad hoc meeting itself from 9 to 11 am in the ILM Administration Conference room.

It's important for as many of us as possible to attend this meeting for the following reason - if the FAA sees that the general aviation community is there in force and invested in the process, they may be more accommodating to us.

One issue, among others, is the way the proposed airspace is currently designed. Pilots that would like to fly down the coast and who are not equipped with ADSB and/or may not want to talk to ATC, will be forced to fly between 1000 ft and 1199 ft. That airspace is intended to handle two-way traffic and it is simply not safe for pilots, their passengers, and the folks below. It is also not an efficient use of the airspace.

Even with a great turn out, the FAA may not accommodate us. However, the regulations say the FAA should take public comments into account for the design of the airspace. If we can back up our comments with facts and make a good showing of support, in person or via Zoom, we can make a visible impact and make the FAA aware of our concerns. Finally, once this process is finished, it will be almost impossible to change. For us, the only way to modify the airspace is to participate in this ad hoc process, so please consider attending.

I have attached the initial Class C announcement as well as the two documents our great friends at AOPA have shared with us which explain 1) the ad hoc process and 2) the way the airspace is designed.

Again, the dates to remember –

- Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup> last day to RSVP to Rose Davis
- Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, ad hoc meeting itself from 9 to 11 am

Thanks for your support!

Tom Goodwin