

*66th Coupe Aéronautique*  
**GORDON BENNETT**  
*Albuquerque, NM - USA*

# Flight Briefing

Sandia Resort & Casino, 07.10.2023, 10am



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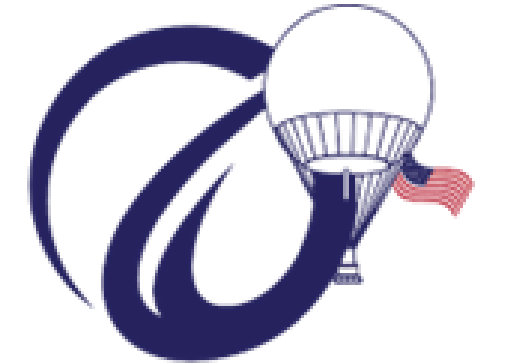




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## DRAW – TEAM SEQUENCE

1	 POL-1 Zapart / Halas	10	 POL-2 Bogdański / Mościcki
2	 ESP-1 Gonzalez / Aguirre	11	 USA-1 Forden / Cowlshaw
3	 USA-3 Sullivan / White	12	 GER-2 Munz / Schlegel
4	 GER-1 Eimers / Eimers	13	 AUT-1 Stürzlinger / Spät
5	 AUT-2 Wagner / Liller	14	 FRA-2 Decellières / Havret
6	 FRA-1 Pelard / Peterle	15	 USA-2 Fricke / Cuneo
7	 LTU-1 Komža / Mikelevičius	16	 GER-3 Michels / Michels
8	 SUI-1 Wicki / Erni	17	 FRA-3 Moine / Blanchard
9	 GBR-1 Scholes / Rose		



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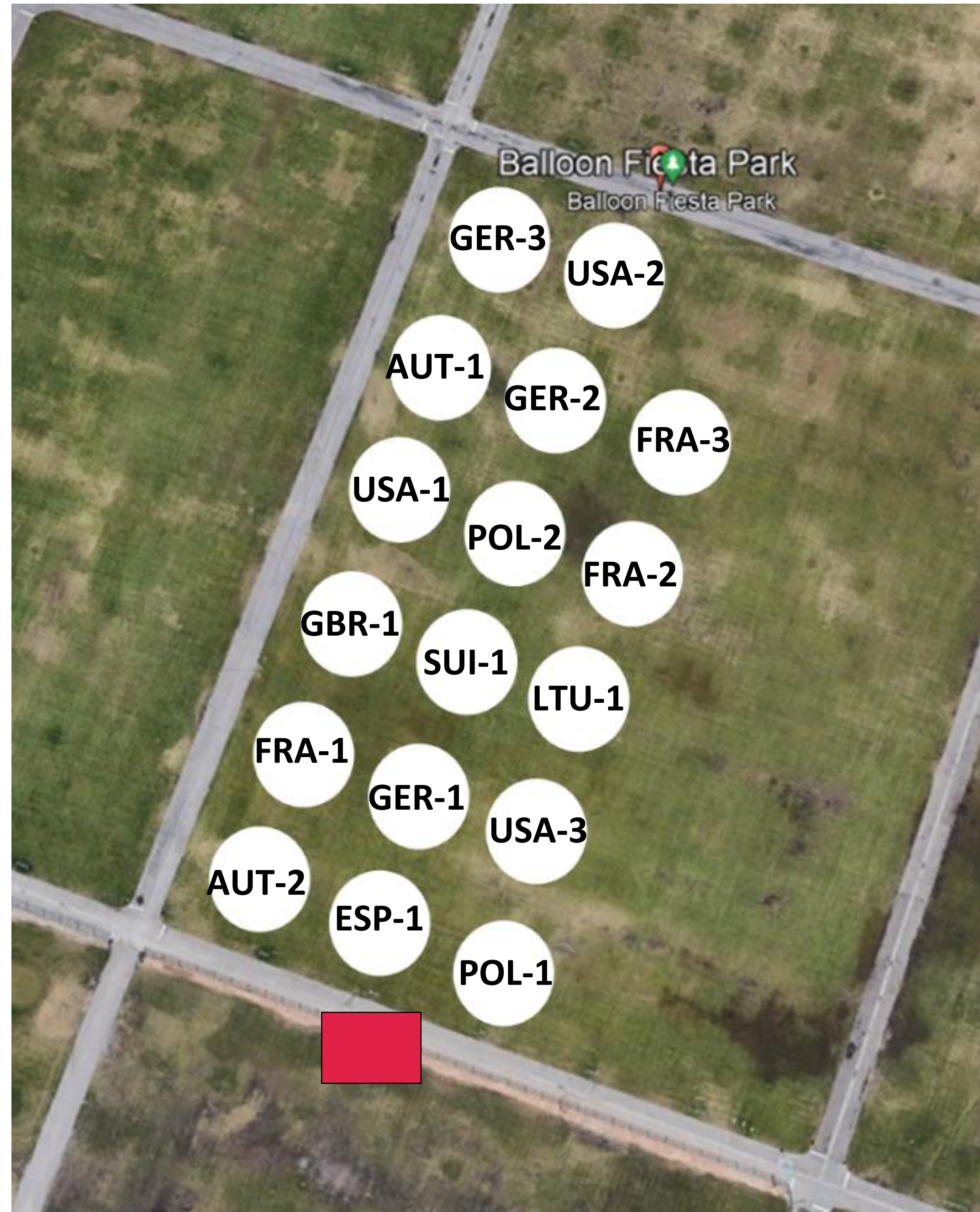


Roll call

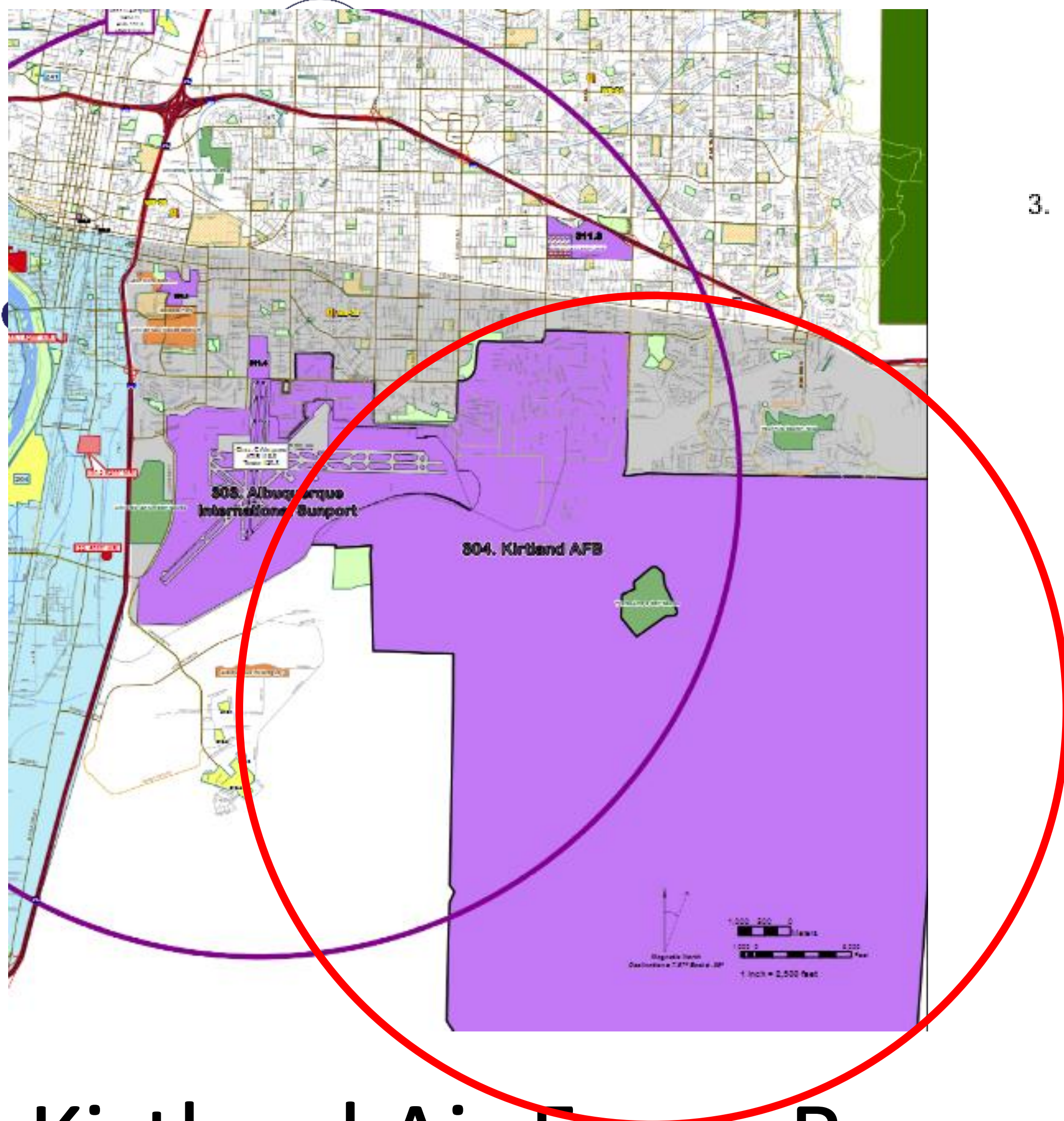




# Layout of balloons







3. **Kirtland Air Force Base (KAFB)** is directly east of and adjacent to the Albuquerque International Sunport. If the balloon lands on KAFB property:

- a. **Pilots:** Avoid landing on KAFB property except in emergency situations or for safety of flight reasons. If landing at KAFB is the only alternative, land as soon as it is safe.
- b. **Pilot and crewmember(s):** Remain with the balloon until base officials arrive with the chase crew, and remain with official KAFB escorts until departure from the base. At no point are you free to leave until KAFB Police release you. (**Note:** To ensure the safety and security of the installation, KAFB officials have the authority to detain and interview pilot and crew for potential criminal violations related to Title 18, United States Code, Section 1382.) In addition, KAFB has the right to pursue claims for damages resulting from unauthorized landing on KAFB.
- c. **Chase crews:** Proceed to the KAFB gate with a Visitor Control Center (located at Truman). Check in at the visitor center and provide the names and IDs of all personnel desiring entry to the base. Base officials will provide escort for the entire chase crew. Remain with the escort until returned to the gate for exit from the base. (**Note:** Calling the Law Enforcement Desk at (505) 846-7913 or (505) 846-7926 may help expedite chase crew's entry onto the base.)

# Kirtland Air Force Base

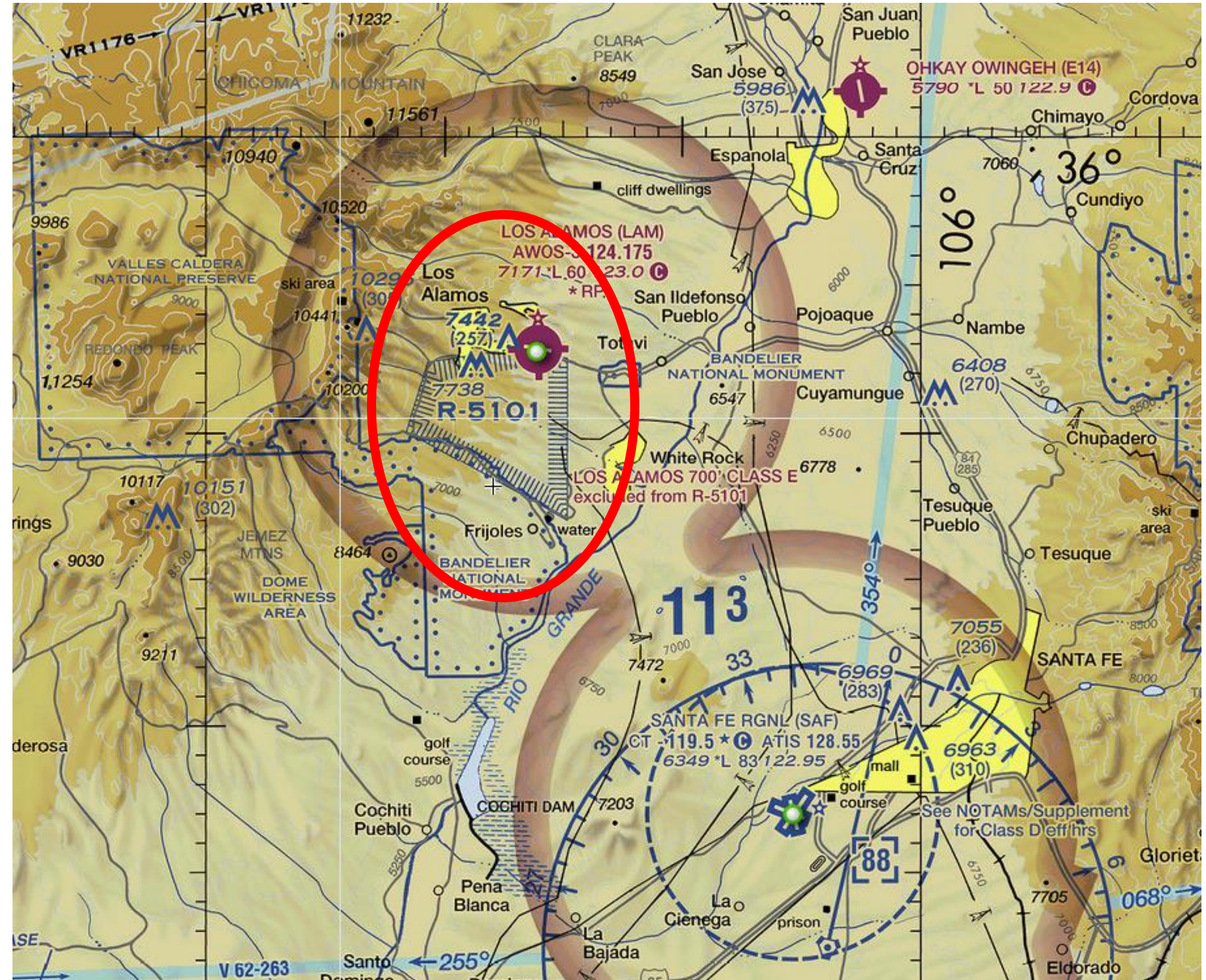




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- R5101 = Continuous, Surface through 12,000 feet
- Maintain Minimum Altitude of 12,000 feet MSL

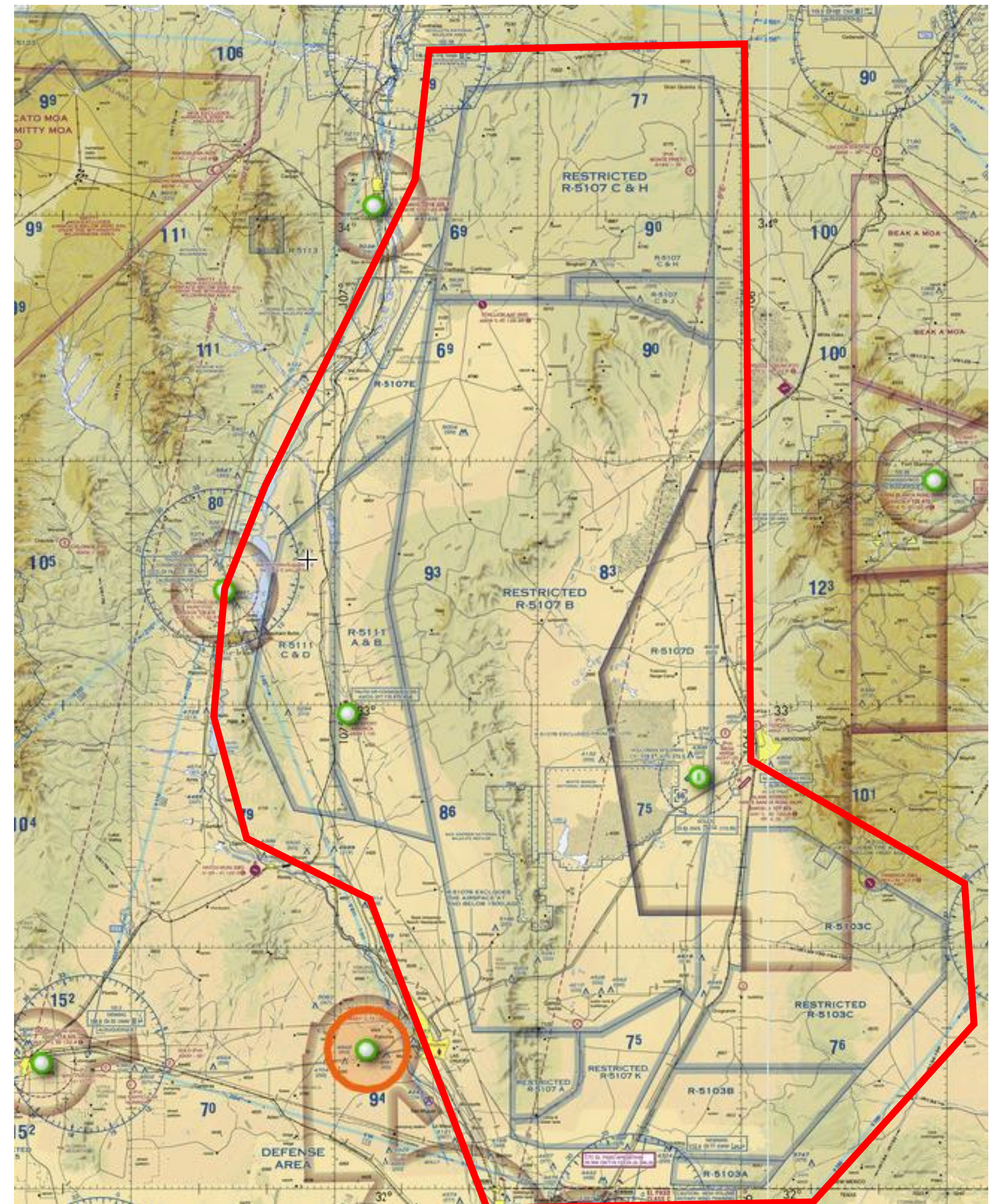
# Airspace Los Alamos





- R-5107C = 9,000 MSL to Unlimited, M-F and by NOTAM issued at least 12 hours in advance
- R-5107H = Surface to 9,000 MSL, by NOTAM issued at least 12 hours in advance
- R-5107J = Surface to 9,000 MSL, M-F, other times by NOTAM
- R-5111A&B/C&D = Surface to Unlimited, by NOTAM issued at least 12 hours in advance
- Check Current Status
- R-5107A&B = Continuous and Unlimited
- R-5107D = Continuous and Surface to 22,000 feet MSL
- Look for Road: US380, San Antonio to Carrizozo

# Airspace White Sands



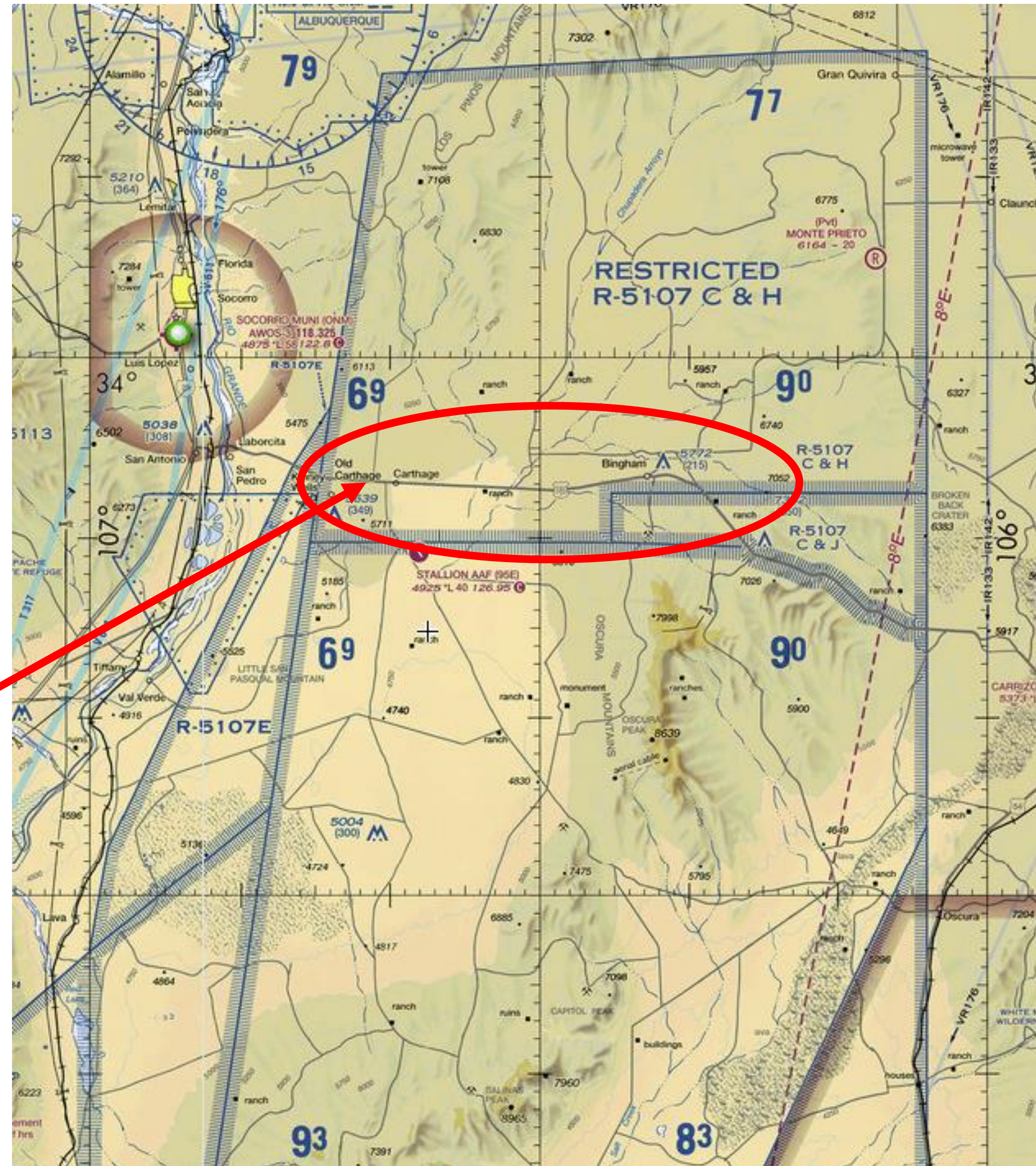




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White Sands R5107  
Black top road just north  
of Boundary C to B

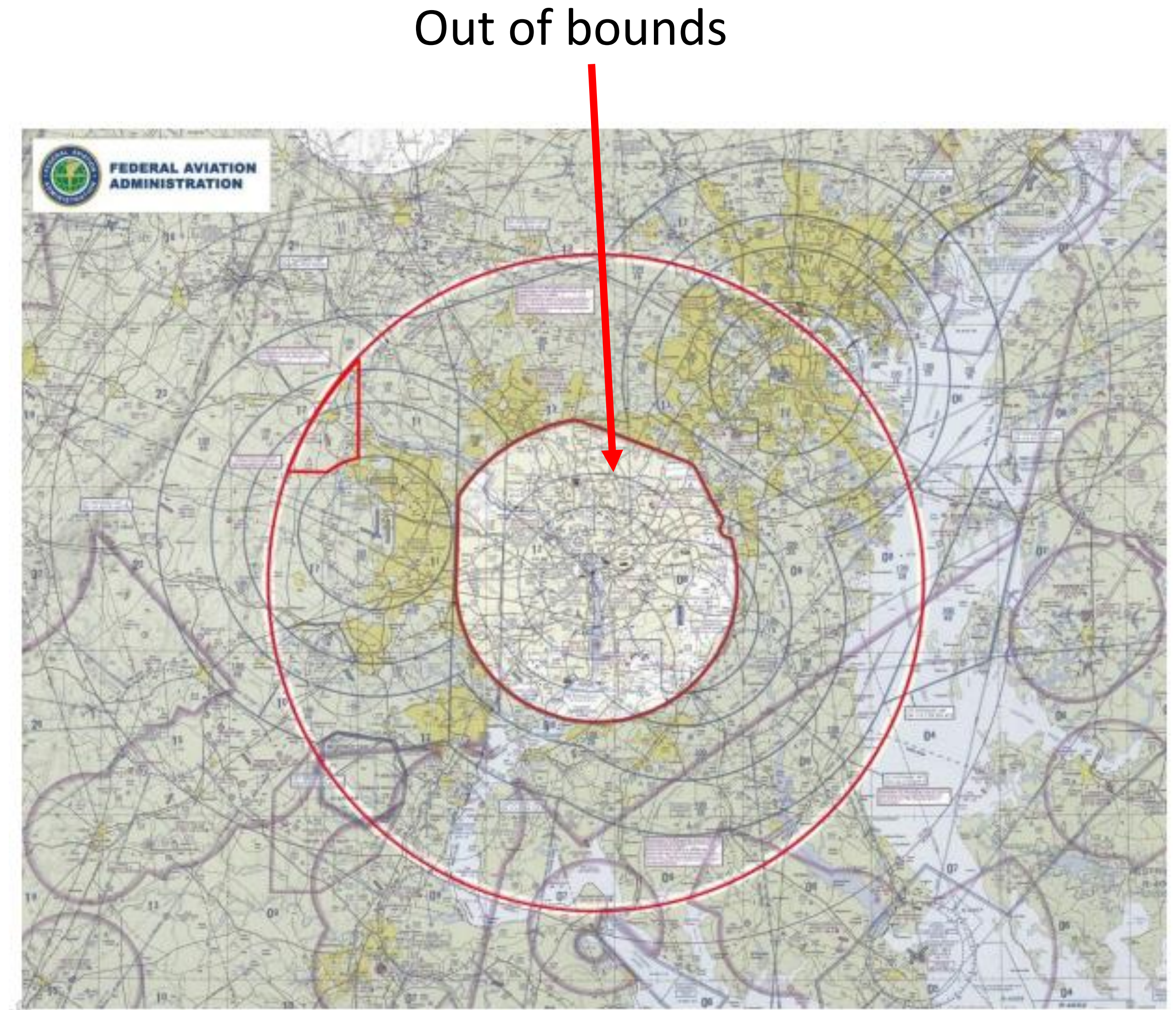
Airspace  
White Sands





- 60 mile radius from DCA VOR
- Mode C Transponder / ADS-B Out Required
- Training required (revised 15 January 2020):  
<https://www.faasafety.gov/gslac/ALC/CourseLanding.aspx?cID=405>
- Flight Plan Required
- Inner ring is “No Fly Zone” & Out of bounds
- Note from FAA Safety Team: It is strongly recommended that all pilots flying under Visual Flight Rules (VFR) within 100 nm of the DCA VOR/DME complete special awareness training for the Washington DC Metropolitan Area

# Airspace Washington DC







## Launch procedure

- Balloons must be pre-balanced by each team on their own
- The balloons will be transported by assigned officials to the lower podium
- Kiss & Goodbye before the lower podium. All pilots in the basket.
- Pre-flight check by John Petrehn at the lower podium
- Move to the podium immediately after previous balloon launched
- Max 4 people of crew on podium
- Expect launch interval 3-5 min
- Launch master Sam Parks
- No sand over Balloon Fiesta Park if possible





- We are not filing any flight plan for you
- Please dump inflation sand into the provided large bags after take-off
- Chase crew please wait until after the fireworks before driving off the field
- We will have some special gifts for outstanding social media posts and contributions to the GB TV.

**Others**





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Launch window starts 5pm MDT





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Have a wonderful and safe flight!

Enjoy it!