

High Altitude User Preferred Routes

Beginning April 1, 2015, an operational trial for the use of high altitude User Preferred Routes (UPR) from North America to the NOPAC route system is authorized with the following constraints:

1. The high altitude UPR is only useable during the time period when the westbound PACOTS tracks are in effect; i.e., for aircraft estimated to cross 160E longitude between 0000Z and 0600Z.
2. Aircraft must enter the Oakland Oceanic FIR at a published boundary waypoint at or above FL380.
3. UPR must be planned to avoid active military special use airspace.
4. When transiting Anchorage Oceanic FIR, operators must adhere to the provisions of the current Anchorage Oceanic CTA (PAZA) NOTAM reference User Preferred Route (UPR) Requirements for Aircraft Transiting the PAZA FIR.

Should you have questions regarding the high altitude UPR trial, contact Dennis Addison at dennis.addison@faa.gov, Dustin Byerly at dustin.m.byerly@faa.gov, or Michael Martinez at michael.martinez@faa.gov for assistance.