

# Flight Service NAS Efficient Streamlined Services (FSNESS)

## Clearance Relay Status Update

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# Clearance Relay

## FAA Control # ACF-CG RD 16-02-309 Status Update

**Subject:** Publication of approach control phone numbers for purposes of clearance delivery and/or IFR flight plan cancellation



# Clearance Relay Part I

## FAA Control # ACF-CG RD 16-02-309 Status Update

### Action Item Updates:

- *Chart Supplement, US* entries for 656 airports were updated with clearance delivery phone numbers

COMM/NAV/WEATHER REMARKS: For clnc del ctc Norcal apch at 916-361-3748.

- The **Chart Supplement legend** was amended to show that these numbers, if available, would be listed in the COMM/NAV/WEATHER REMARKS section



# Clearance Relay Part I Action Items

The following paragraph is being added to the September 13, 2018 edition of the *Aeronautical Information Manual* (AIM):

## 5-2-3. TAXI CLEARANCE

a. Pilots departing on an IFR flight plan should consult the *Chart Supplement US* airport/facility directory to determine the frequency or **telephone number** to use to contact clearance delivery. On initial contact pilots should advise the flight is IFR and state the destination airport.



# Clearance Relay Part I Action Items

The following paragraph is being added to the September 13, 2018 edition of the *Aeronautical Information Manual* (AIM):

## 5-2-3. TAXI CLEARANCE

b. Air traffic facilities providing clearance delivery services via telephone will have their telephone number published in the communication remarks section of that airport's directory entry. This same section may also contain a telephone number to use for cancellation of an IFR flight plan after landing. Pilots are encouraged to use these telephone numbers at uncontrolled airports when they are published.

c. Except in Alaska, pilots may also contact Flight Service's dedicated clearance delivery hotline (1-888-766-8267).



# Clearance Relay Part II

- 25 additional approach control facilities will participate in the program:
  - Over 200 additional airports will have the *Chart Supplement US* entry updated to include a clearance delivery phone number
- Intend to submit these numbers for publication in order to meet the September 13<sup>th</sup> edition



# Clearance Relay Part II

**For all other uncontrolled airports** without a GCO or radio outlet linking them to ATC or Flight Service, pilots will be able to obtain a clearance by calling the overlying ARTCC FDU.

These phone numbers will also be published in the *Chart Supplement US* for each airports entry:

COMM/NAV/WEATHER REMARKS: For clnc del ctc Cleveland ARTCC FD at 440-774-04XX



# Clearance Relay Part II

As we publish clearance delivery numbers for the various ARTCCs it will be important to communicate those changes to the pilots.

Some individual airports have the national Flight Service clearance delivery number listed, these will need to be deleted whenever the ARTCC takes over this function. In the meantime, Flight Service will redirect pilots to the overlying ARTCC.

Entire project expected to be completed by June 30, 2019





# Clearance Relay Part II

**Document Change Proposals (DCPs)** are being submitted for the following orders/manuals:

**Aeronautical Information Manual and Publication (AIM/AIP)** –  
Inform pilots how to obtain clearances from uncontrolled airports

**FAA JO 7210.3 6–3–4. DATA COMMUNICATION**

**FAA JO 7110.10 - 4–3–7. ATC CLEARANCES, ADVISORIES, OR REQUESTS**

**FAA JO 7110.65**

4–2–2. CLEARANCE PREFIX

4–3–4. DEPARTURE RESTRICTIONS, CLEARANCE VOID TIMES,  
HOLD FOR RELEASE, AND RELEASE TIMES

4–3–9. VFR RELEASE OF IFR DEPARTURE

