

*Launch/Recovery:* For operations, the Airfield is NOTAM'd for use for Vigilante. All manned A/C operations are restricted to the northern end of the airfield. ATC permission is obtained prior to launch and prior to landing. Launch is autonomous into a hover, and mission requirements dictate operations, whether it be hover translations, forward flight operations, or other test sequences. Personnel involved for UAV startup are cleared to a safe distance (300') prior to rotors spinning. The aircraft is recovered promptly through Mode-2 flight operations for a Mode-3 landing if directed by ATC for incoming air traffic. Landing is autonomous, with approach speed into a hover being 20kts. Personnel are permitted to approach aircraft once rotors have stopped spinning. Aircraft is launched and recovered from the Western end of the runway.