



HSAC

Helicopter Safety Advisory Conference

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UAS Workgroup Meeting Outbrief

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UAS Workgroup Composition

Overall good showing

- 23 In-Person participants
- 5 On-line participants
- 17 different industry/company representatives
- 20-minute brief on current BVLOS operations (Phoenix Air Unmanned)

Goals

- Continue bringing in more commercial UAS/RPAS operation representation; we doubled our representation this month.
- “Latest and Greatest” updates from current work (BVLOS/DJI Ban)
- Increase our understanding of current challenges & innovations as well as regulatory way forward.



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- Housekeeping and Introductions
- 2 x Recent Incident(s) / Importance of Reporting and Lessons Learned
 - 1 x offshore (Atlantic Ocean) “water landing”
 - 1 x GOM offshore incident with Helicopter

This last incident was a perfect segue for the formation of an RP working group



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Offshore Airspace De-Confliction (RPAS / Helicopter)

-Goal:

-Develop an appropriate HSAC RP that addresses aircraft-RPAS airspace deconfliction, risk controls/mitigations, and overall increased awareness

-Timeline:

Jan 2025 (HSAC/Houston): Draft for review and feedback to the larger working groups (RPAS/UAS & Chief Pilots)

May 2025 (HSAC/Lafayette): Draft for review and approval by the HSAC Board