



AIRSPACE CHANGES IN THE VANCOUVER, VICTORIA, AND LOWER MAINLAND AREAS

In July 2009, NAV CANADA implemented airspace changes to the Vancouver terminal control area (TCA). Following that implementation, a further review identified additional changes that were required to control area extensions and transition areas in the Vancouver, Victoria, and lower mainland areas. The majority of these changes are required to contain minimum vectoring altitudes in controlled airspace. A minor shift is required to the TCA in the area over Bowen Island for operational alignment purposes and four new low-level fixed area navigation (RNAV) routes are being implemented.

The four new low-level fixed RNAV routes include:

- Williams Lake, BC VORTAC (VHF omnidirectional range (VOR) / tactical air navigation aid (TACAN)) to Victoria, BC VOR
- Williams Lake, BC VORTAC to COGLE, BC intersection
- BOOPY, BC intersection to GABIN, BC intersection
- Hope, BC non-directional beacon (NDB) to Vancouver, BC NDB

On the map included with this circular, the changes to the control area extensions and transition areas are identified in red text. **These changes will take place 29 July 2010 at 0901 Coordinated Time Universal (UTC)**. The appropriate aeronautical publications will be amended.

The new Vancouver VFR navigation chart (22nd edition AIR5004) and new Vancouver VFR terminal area chart (35th edition AIR1901) will be available for distribution 19 July 2010.

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