



AVIATION WATCH OUTs

Aviation Category

As part of risk management, especially during high activity fires, each aviation manager and employee should be asking questions.

- Is the flight necessary?
- Who is in charge?
- Are hazards identified and known?

Flight Hazards: Have they been identified and assessed? Have the pilots been informed?

- Should the operation or the flight be stopped due to a change in conditions? Consider the following:
 - Radio Communications
 - Environmental Conditions – weather, visibility, terrain, elevation, temperatures
 - Mission Priorities
 - Successful Mission Completion Probabilities
- Is there a better way to do it?
- Is there pressure to complete a mission at all costs?
- Can you justify your actions?
- Is the mission airspace confined or congested?
 - Multiple aircraft
 - Mixed types of aircraft
 - Poor visibility
- Do you have an escape route?
- Are any guidelines being ignored or policies being broken?
- Are communications getting tense?
- Are you deviating from the assigned operation or flight?

References: Incident Response Pocket Guide page 45

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