

Mountain Wave Operations - 2025 NW Aviation Conference

In this session, Kurt will take an in-depth look at the conditions necessary for wave to form, the different types of mountain wave, and where to find indicators of mountain wave in common weather reports and forecasts. We will discuss how GA pilots can recognize and avoid specific hazards found in certain parts of the wave structure, and where we can find the smooth air and beneficial lift. The presenter is a Commercial airplane and sailplane pilot and CFI who will share his insight and experience from flying in wave and describe some lessons learned.

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