



## Attention Phoenix/Glendale Area Pilots: Moored Balloon Operations

Moored monsoon research balloons will be operating periodically over northwest Phoenix near PXR307014.1 within a 1.5 NM radius of 33° 36' 32.09" N / 112° 09' 21.97" W. Operations are being conducted in coordination with the FAA and local airspace stakeholders.

### Operational Details

- Balloon altitudes: surface to 5,500' MSL (4,250' AGL)
- Expected operations:
  - Daily flights during two twelve-day windows in August and September 2026.
- Typical operating window:
  - 0400–2200 local
  - Actual operations dependent on weather and mission requirements

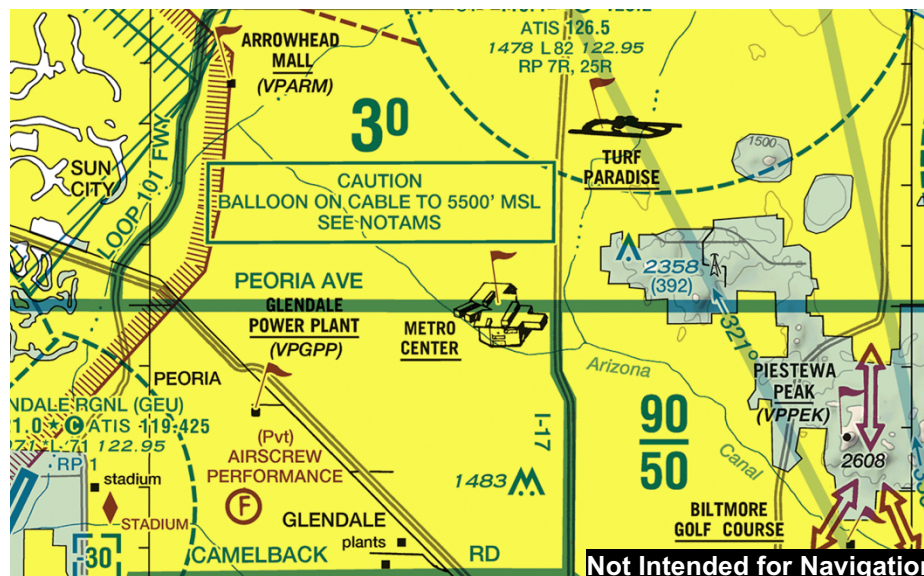
### Visibility & Tracking

To improve visibility and traffic awareness, balloons will be:

- Equipped with ADS-B Out transmitting C3 and squawk 1200
- Balloon and tether are flagged and lighted
- Published NOTAM for operation.

### Pilot Awareness Requested

The project team recognizes the high volume of training and GA traffic in the northwest Phoenix area and appreciates pilot cooperation in maintaining safe separation from the operating area. Please review current NOTAMs and exercise extra vigilance when operating southwest of Deer Valley Airport, between METRO CENTER and AROWHEAD MALL during published activity periods.



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