

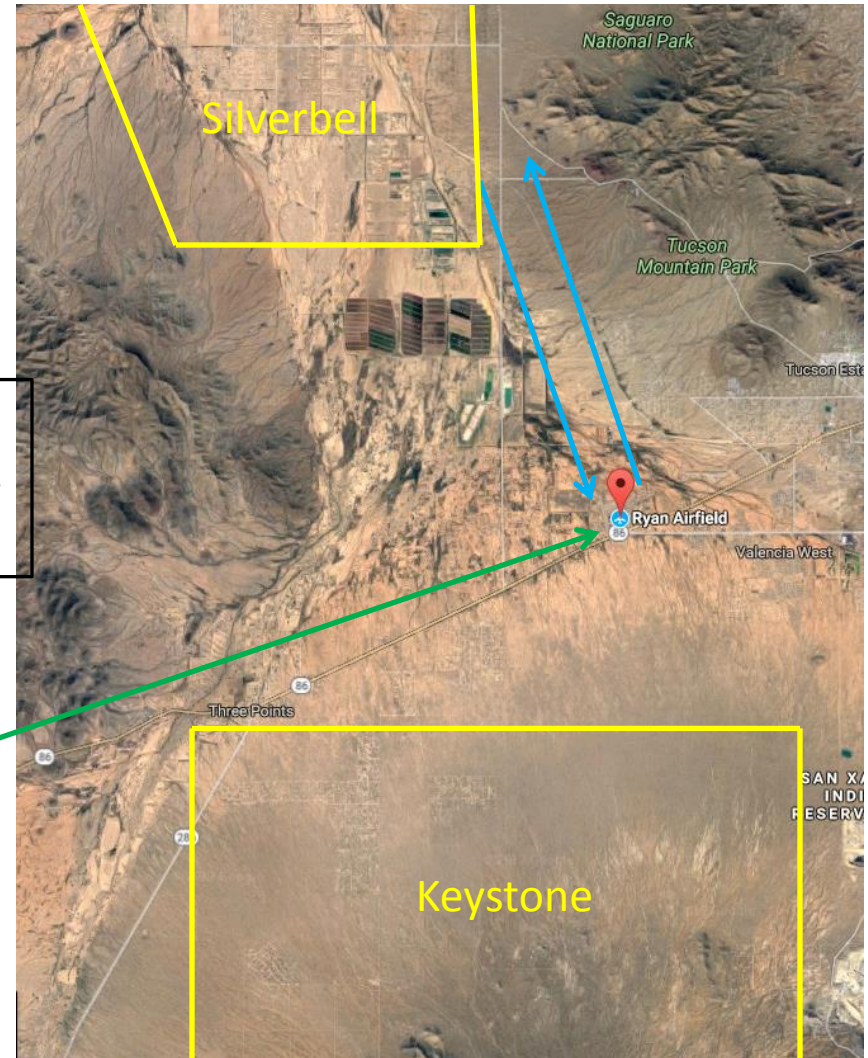
# Greater Tucson Practice Areas

- The practice areas in and around Tucson have not been formally defined, but as outlined below are recognized by Tucson Air Traffic Control. There are four primary practice areas that are generally used by consensus of local flight schools and FBOs. The practice areas here will be shown predominantly as they relate to the three primary airports used for training around Tucson. For summary, they are positioned from KTUS roughly as below:
- *Silverbell Practice Area*
  - ~30 nm NW of TUS
- *Red Rock Practice Area*
  - ~30 nm NNW of TUS
- *Keystone Practice Area*
  - ~15 nm SW of TUS
- *Fagan Practice Area*
  - ~15 nm SSE of TUS
- The Tucson flight area is near several Military Operation Areas and Restricted airspace locations. Awareness of the Visual Training Routes (VR) and special use airspace as charted on sectionals is recommended. Military aircraft in the area may also be seen flying low altitude VFR in general use airspace, typically below 3000 feet AGL.

# KRYN—Tucson/Ryan Field

- **KRYN practice areas**
  - Watch for student/training activity, exercise extreme caution in and around practice areas
  - **Caution:** Military air traffic in the area
- **Silverbell practice area**
  - NW to Silverbell practice area
  - NW of the Class D (Class E) airspace
  - West of the CAP canal
  - Typically north of the manicured fields
  - Southeast of the Silverbell mine
  - Remain well south of Pinal, Marana, and El Tiro Gliderport traffic areas
- **Keystone practice area**
  - SSW to Keystone practice area
  - South of the Class D (Class E) airspace
  - East of Kitt Peak
  - Remain south of the KRYN instrument approach area
  - **Frequent instrument training approaches to 06R including holds and missed approach procedures**
- **Notes**
  - Blue arrows show a primary arrival and departure corridor for KRYN, using the CAP canal for reference
  - Green arrows show common instrument training approach to 06R
- While traffic may enter and exit the Class D (Class E) airspace of KRYN from any direction, Ryan Field's location results in a traffic corridor that dominates for traffic arriving and departing. Many of the schools in the Phoenix area, as well as schools located at Marana and Tucson, use KRYN as a training destination. It is a common cross country destination, and is often used for controlled field training.

See KRYN approach for DME arc, hold, and missed appr. details



# KAVQ—Marana/Avra Valley Airport

- **KAVQ practice areas**
  - Watch for student/training activity, exercise extreme caution in and around practice areas
  - **Caution:** Military air traffic in the area
- **Silverbell practice area**
  - SW to Silverbell practice area
  - SE of Silverbell Mine
  - NW of the KRYN Class D (Class E) airspace
  - Overlaps with KRYN use of the Silverbell practice area
  - Typically north of manicured fields
  - Well north of the KRYN traffic pattern
  - Remain north of the KRYN instrument approach area
  - Remain well south of Pinal, Marana, and El Tiro Gliderport traffic areas
- **Red Rock practice area**
  - NE to Red Rock practice area
  - Picacho Peak to Rillito and northeast of I-10
- **Notes**
  - Blue arrows show a primary arrival and departure corridor for KRYN, using the CAP canal for reference
  - Green arrows show common instrument training approach to 06R
  - Orange arrows show a primary arrival and departure corridor for KTUS
- Traffic enters and exits the uncontrolled airspace of KAVQ from all directions. Student training is common all days of the week, with heavy casual flying on the weekends. Monitor all traffic entering the pattern as a large mix of aircraft types frequent Marana. Small jets, ultralight aircraft, LSA, and rotorcraft are just some of the common aircraft types that arrive and depart KAVQ.

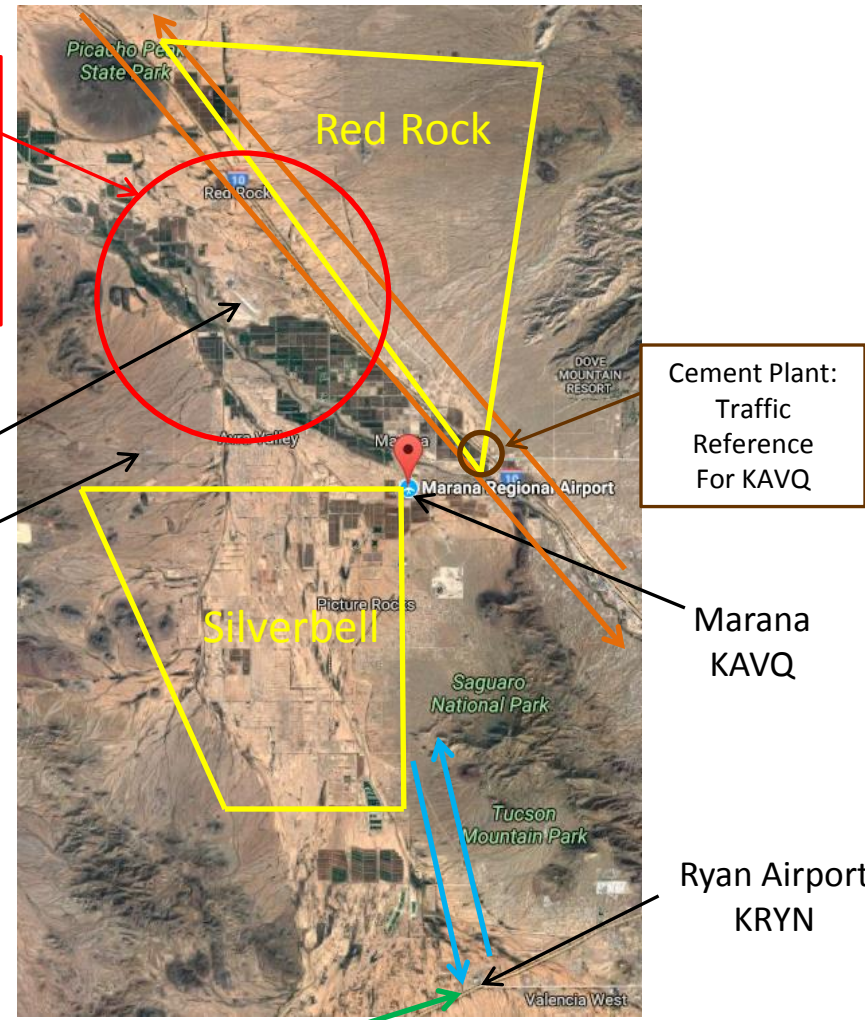
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Exercise extreme caution when operating within 5 nm of Pinal Air Park (KMZJ) for military jump activity up to 25,000 ft.  
**Monitor 123.05**

Pinal Airpark  
KMZJ

El Tiro Gliderport  
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Cement Plant:  
Traffic Reference For KAVQ

Marana KAVQ

Ryan Airport  
KRYN

# KTUS—Tucson International Airport

- **KTUS practice areas**
  - Watch for student/training activity, exercise extreme caution in and around practice areas
  - **Caution:** Military air traffic in the area
- **Fagan practice area**
  - SSE to the Fagan practice area
  - South of the Class C airspace
  - East of I-19
  - West of the Santa Rita Mountains
- **Keystone practice area**
  - SW to the Keystone practice area
  - West of I-19
  - South of KRYN Class D (Class E) airspace
  - East of Kitt Peak
  - Remain south of the KRYN instrument approach area
  - **Frequent instrument training approaches to 06R at KRYN including holds and missed approach procedures**
- **Notes**
  - Green arrows show common instrument training approach to 06R at KRYN, and 11L at KTUS
  - Orange arrows show a primary arrival and departure corridor for KTUS
- While traffic may enter and exit the Class C airspace of KTUS from any direction, Airline traffic and instrument students will often be approaching the primary runway 11L, and if winds require, 29R.

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