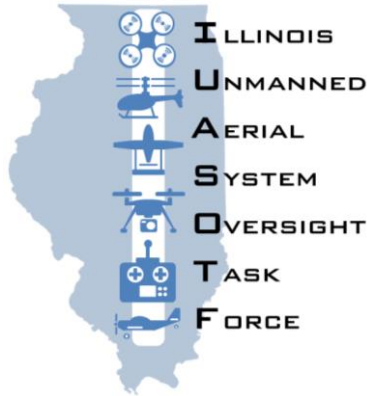


# Illinois Unmanned Aerial System Oversight Task Force Meeting 5



Meeting Information	
<b>Date &amp; Time</b>	May 5, 2016 – 1:30 PM
<b>Location</b>	IDOT – Division of Aeronautics Large Conference Room
<b>Address</b>	1 Langhorne Bond Drive Springfield, IL 62707

## Meeting Minutes

### 1. Welcome

Steve Young, Task Force Chair and Interim Director of the IDOT Division of Aeronautics began the meeting by welcoming the Task Force members and going over general housekeeping items.

### 2. Introductions

Task force member introduced themselves. Additional attendees also introduced themselves.

### 3. Federal & State Regulatory Update

Regulatory Updates included a review of the May 4 Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Memo providing clarification on educational use of unmanned aircraft. The memo states the no Section 333 Exemption is required for use at educational institutions or community-sponsored events (with certain provisions). It was noted that the Senate-passed version of the FAA Reauthorization remains pending. There were no regulatory updates at the State level.

### 4. Discussion: General Rules for Safe Operations

Discussion began with recommendations for general rules regarding the safe operations of UAS. There was general consensus among the members that any proposed State-level rules must be in compliance with current and future FAA regulations. When asked what the best approach would be to administer the general rules, it was generally agreed there should be both firm State-level rules and a focus towards education and compliance with FAA. The Task Force believes firm State-level rules should be developed through the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR) process. Regarding outreach and education, members felt there exists an opportunity for the State to proactively take steps to education key stakeholders regarding the safe and lawful operation of UAS in Illinois. Potential stakeholders that would be the focus of an education and outreach campaign include UAS operators (commercial, public, recreational/hobby), local municipalities and policy makers, local police departments, airports/pilots/aviation professionals and the overall general public.

Discussion also led to a general consensus recommending the creation of guidance for entities intending to have sustained UAS operations at a specific location (such as a local municipality interested in establishing a drone-friendly area within a public park).

## 5. Next Steps

The meeting concluded with a briefing on the remaining final two meetings. Members were informed they would receive a questionnaire covering various topics discussed to-date and that their feedback was highly encouraged and welcomed. The responses to the questionnaire will assist in the production of the final Recommendation Report.

**Note:** *Topics and concepts discussed at meetings and/or included in meeting minutes do not do not necessarily reflect the opinions of all Task Force Members and do not represent the official final recommendations of the Task Force.*