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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TRACON LETTER TO AIRMEN NO. 04-05

SUBJECT: REDUCTION IN AVAILABILITY OF THE LOS ANGELES CLASS
"B" SHORELINE ROUTE

CANCELLATION: September 29, 2006

This letter is issued to inform all users that on September 30, 2004, most aircraft departing Los Angeles International Airport will be climbing to an initial altitude of 5,000 feet. This is an improvement on the current initial altitude of 3,000'. The 5,000' initial climb altitude will improve safety and efficiency for Los Angeles departures. Due to the higher initial climbs at Los Angeles International Airport, the availability of the "Shoreline Route" procedure, as defined in the "Los Angeles VFR Terminal Area Chart," will be reduced.

We would like to remind you of several options still available for a safe and expeditious VFR transition through the Los Angeles Class "B" Airspace. You may request the "LAX VFR 'Mini Route' Transition" as depicted on the "Los Angeles VFR Terminal Area Chart." You may also utilize the "Los Angeles Special Air Traffic Rules Area" procedure, depicted on the "Los Angeles VFR Terminal Area Chart." The "Los Angeles Special Air Traffic Rules Area," offers pilots the opportunity to transition Class "B" airspace without requiring communications with ATC. Additionally, you may request VFR radar services for a transition with Southern California TRACON on frequency 134.9.

If you have questions regarding the reduction in availability of the "Shoreline Route" procedure, please contact Walter White, Support Manager, Southern California TRACON, at (858) 537-5830.



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