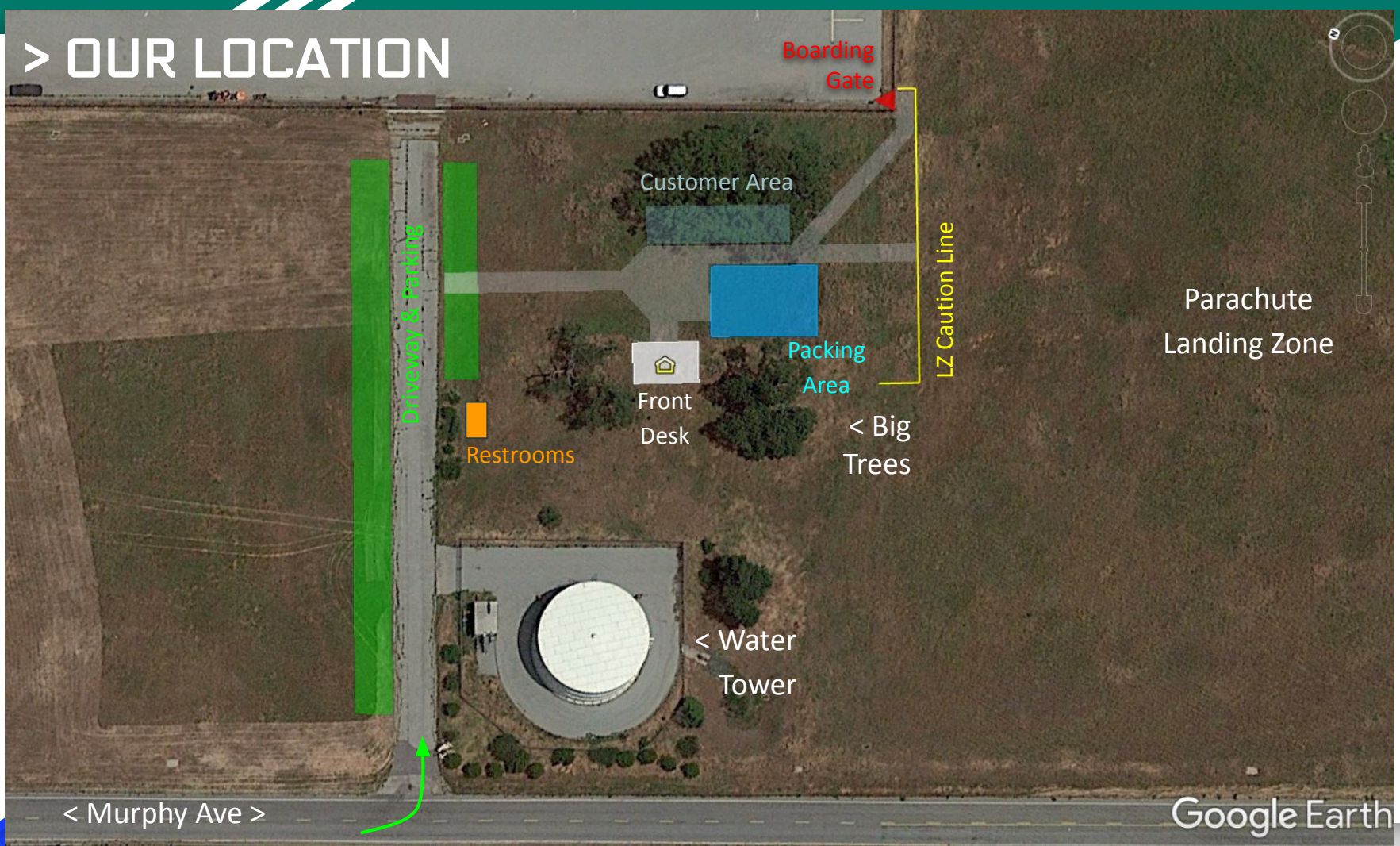




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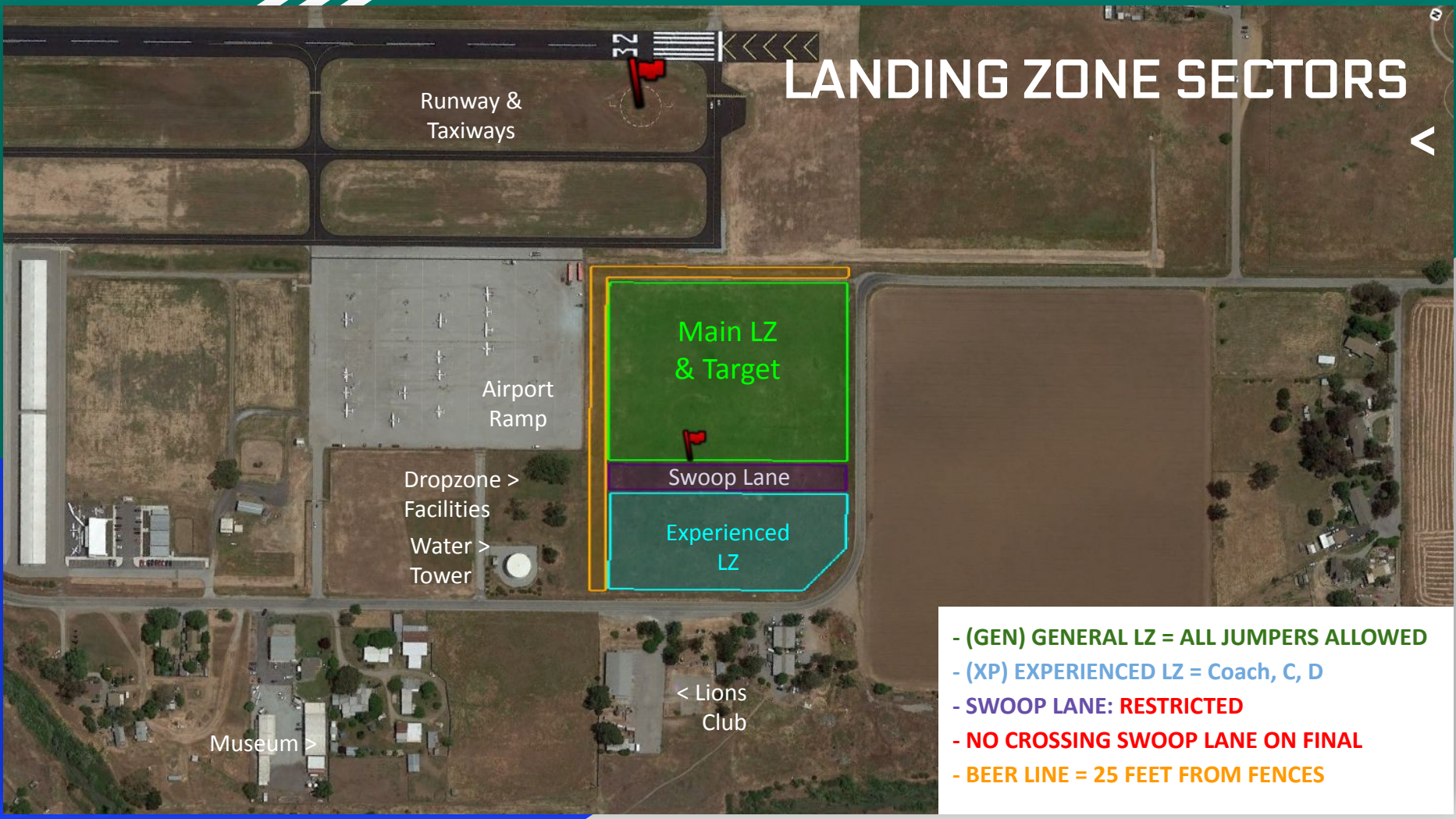
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# > OUR LOCATION





# LANDING ZONE SECTORS



- (GEN) GENERAL LZ = ALL JUMPERS ALLOWED
- (XP) EXPERIENCED LZ = Coach, C, D
- SWOOP LANE: RESTRICTED
- NO CROSSING SWOOP LANE ON FINAL
- BEER LINE = 25 FEET FROM FENCES



# DIRECTIONS <

0.5 mile

101-NORTH

101-SOUTH

< Highway 101 >

Runway &  
Taxiways

Solar >  
Farm

Hangars

Airport  
Ramp

Water  
Tower >

Museum >

< Lions  
Club

Junk  
Yard

< Monterey Rd >

Google Earth



DIRECTIONS <

1 mile

0.5 mile

101-NORTH

Exit  
362

< Highway 101 >

Exit  
360

101-SOUTH

X



X

< Monterey Rd >

## > LANDING PATTERNS <

32 < 101-NORTH FINAL < **LEFT-HAND**

**RIGHT-HAND** > 101-SOUTH FINAL > 14



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## > GENERAL FLIGHT RULES

- NO spirals at anytime
- Check WINDS & AIRSPACE constantly
- Respect groups exit / deployment sequence during flight
- Faster canopies GO / Slower canopies HOLD
- Follow First Jumper Landing Direction
- AVOID overtaking below 2,000 ft
- Max 90° turns on pattern
- Keep STRAIGHT IN final, **NO CROSSING INTO SWOOP LANE**
- Upon landing, drop your canopy, turn & check for others incoming
- Attention to **OBSTACLE TURBULENCE** areas
- Attention to **WAKE TURBULENCE**

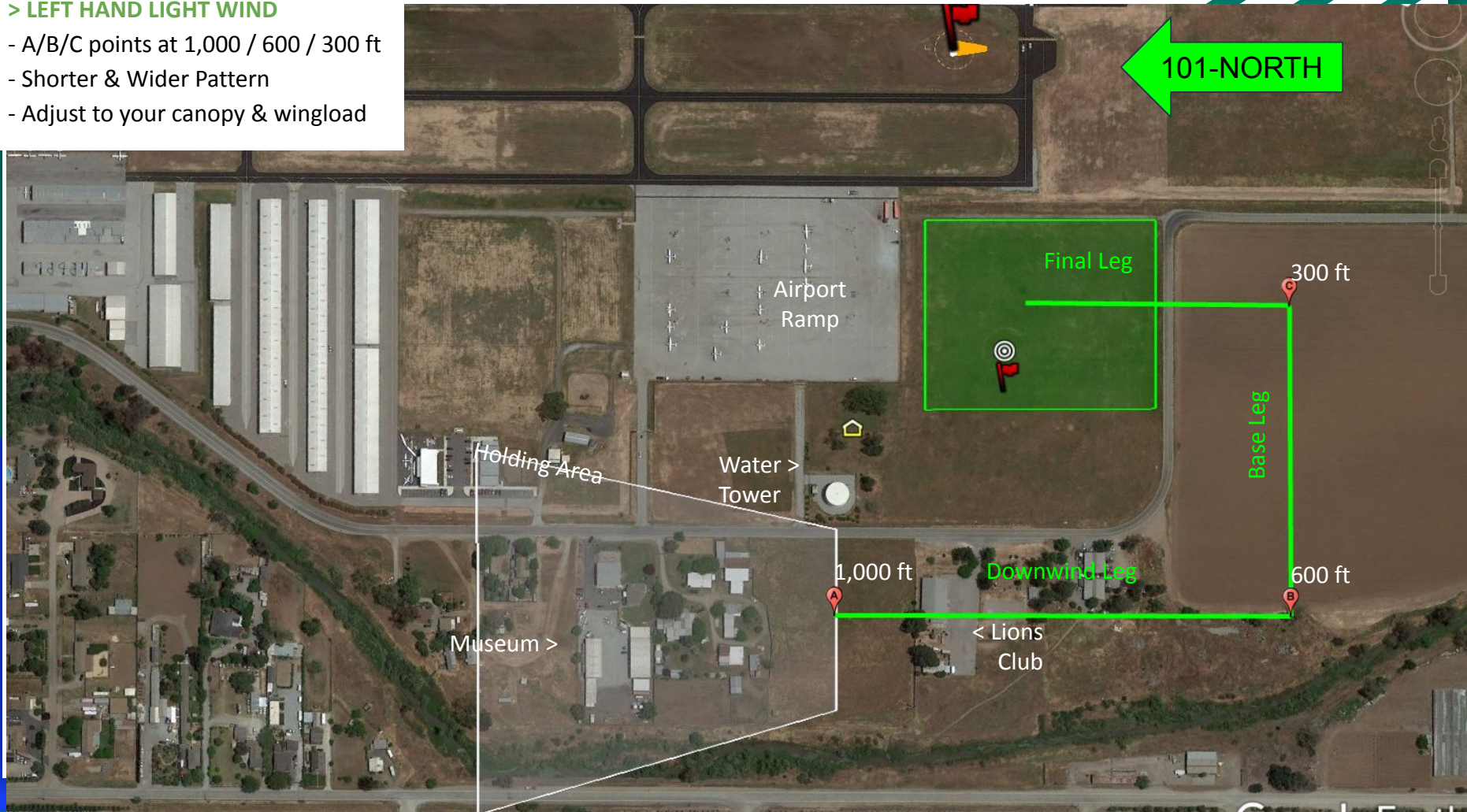


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> LEFT HAND LIGHT WIND

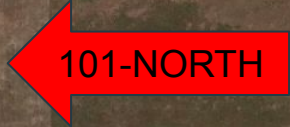
- A/B/C points at 1,000 / 600 / 300 ft
- Shorter & Wider Pattern
- Adjust to your canopy & wingload





> LEFT HAND STRONG WIND

- Longer & Narrower Pattern
- Adjust A/B/C points location
- Fly over the road



Holding Area

Airport Ramp

300 ft

600 ft

1,000 ft

Water Tower

Museum >

< Lions Club



101-SOUTH

> RIGHT HAND LIGHT WIND

- A/B/C points at 1,000 / 600 / 300 ft
- Shorter & Wider Pattern
- Adjust to your canopy & wingload

Airport Ramp

300 ft



Base Leg

Water Tower

600 ft

Downwind Leg

1,000 ft

Holding Area

Lions Club



101-SOUTH

> RIGHT HAND STRONG WIND

- Longer & Narrower Pattern
- Adjust A/B/C points location
- Base leg BEFORE TREES

Airport Ramp

300 ft



Water >  
Tower >

600 ft

1,000 ft

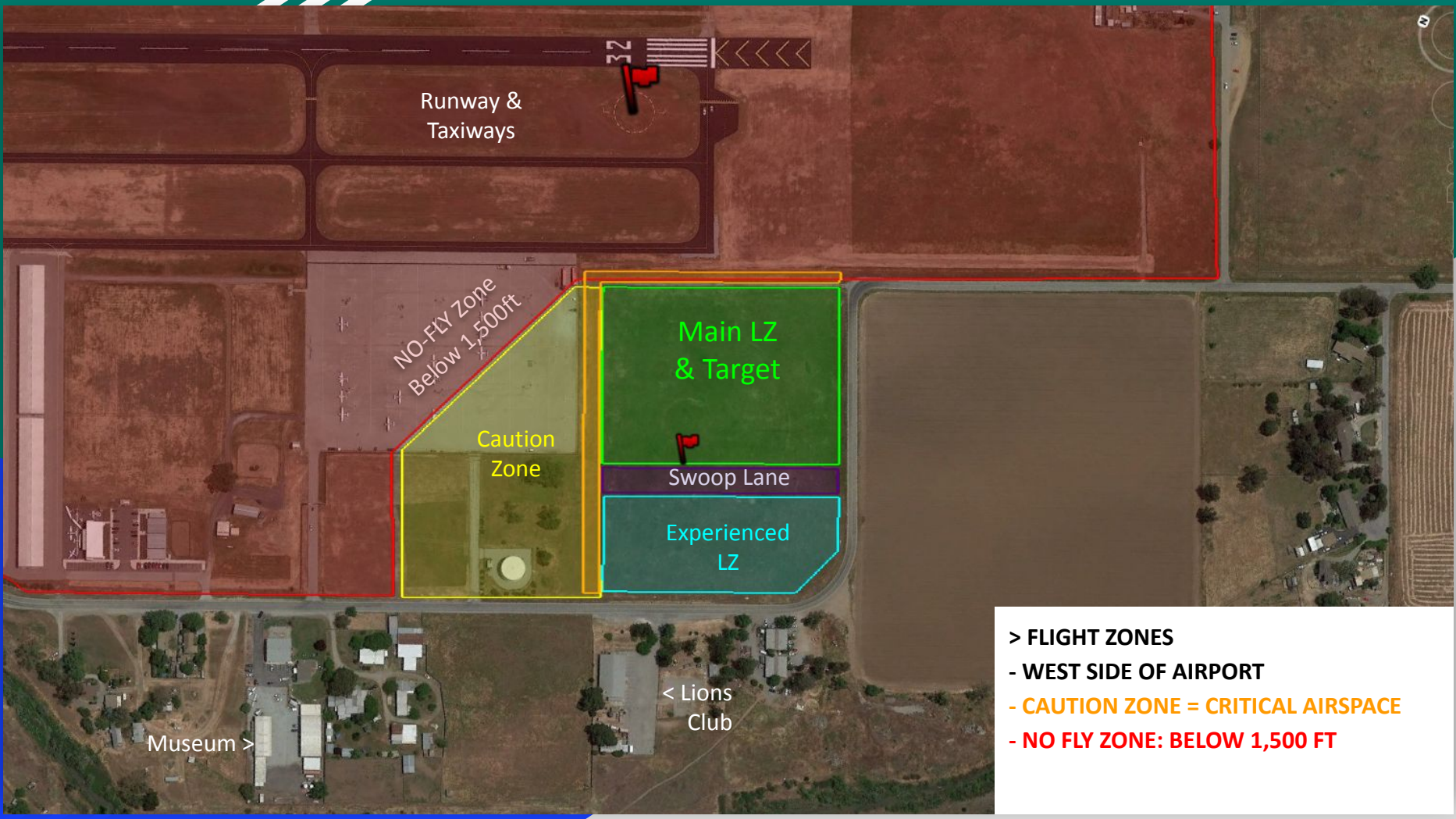
Holding Area

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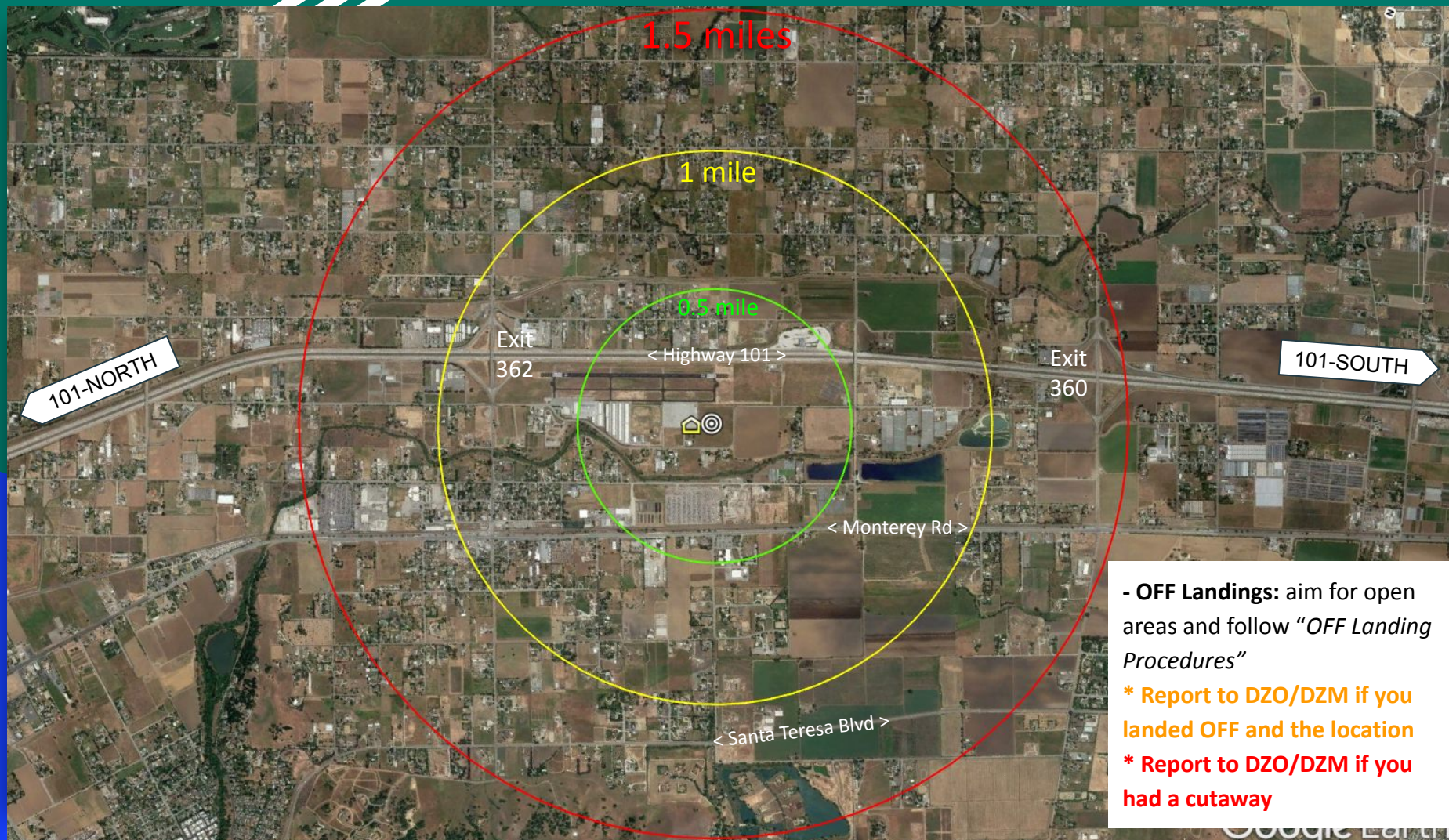
- > OBSTACLES**
- Windsock & Flags: ROUGH spots & holes
  - Fences and Roads: hazardous obstacles
  - DZ Facilities, Water Tower & Big Trees
  - Other Buildings
  - **Distracted On-Ground Jumpers**





- > FLIGHT ZONES
- WEST SIDE OF AIRPORT
- CAUTION ZONE = CRITICAL AIRSPACE
- NO FLY ZONE: BELOW 1,500 FT



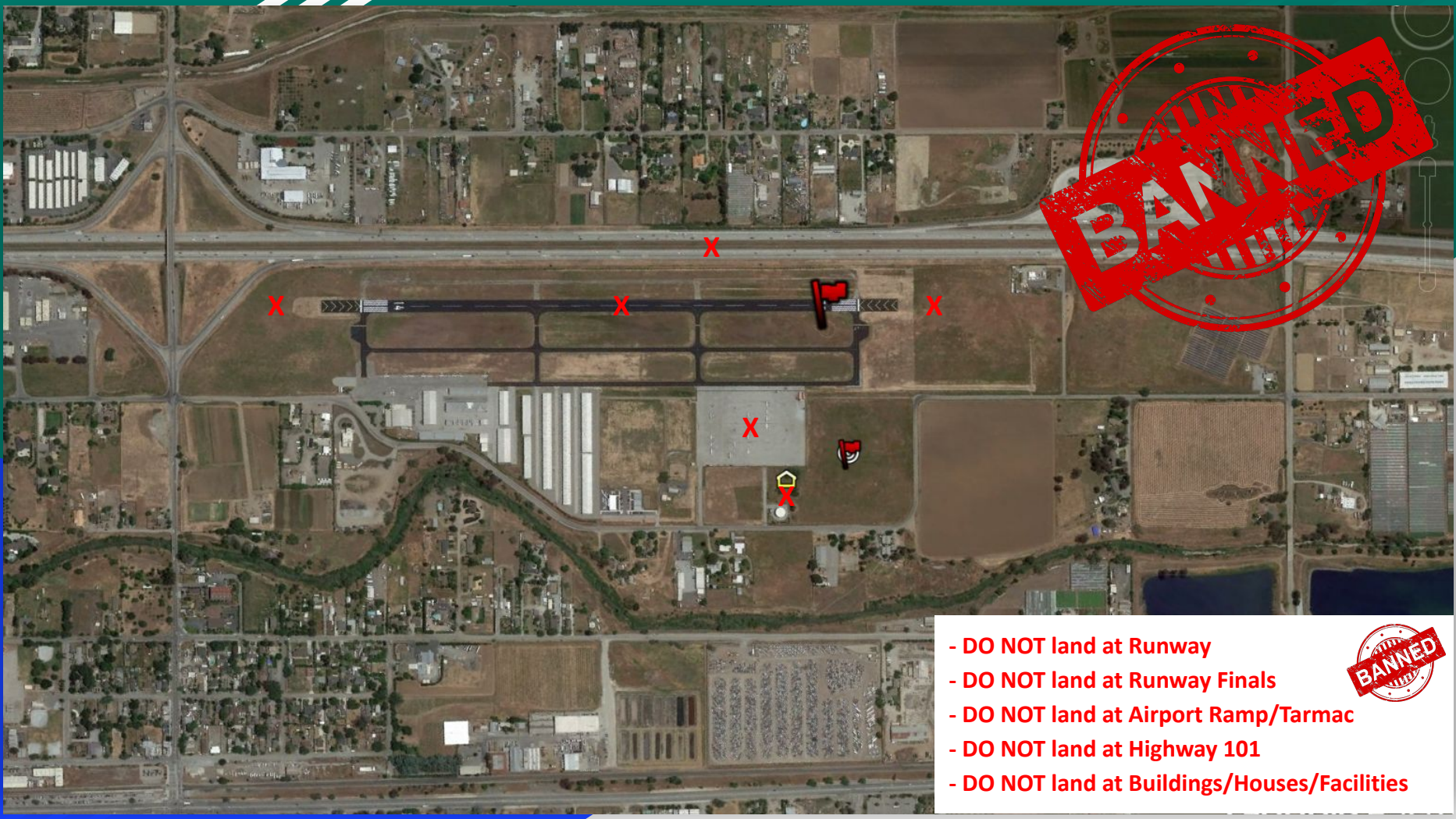


- **OFF Landings:** aim for open areas and follow "OFF Landing Procedures"

\* Report to DZO/DZM if you landed OFF and the location

\* Report to DZO/DZM if you had a cutaway

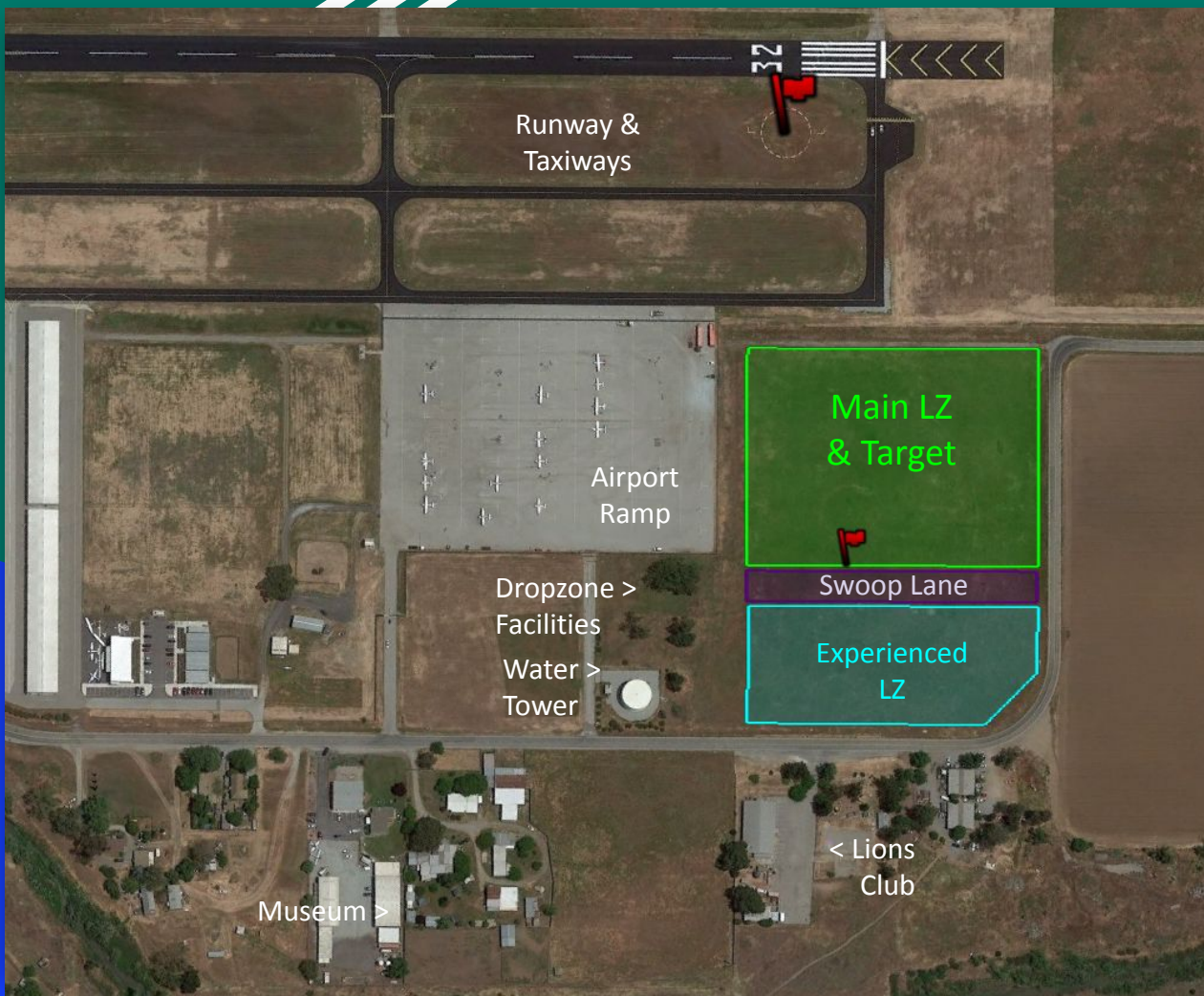




- DO NOT land at Runway
- DO NOT land at Runway Finals
- DO NOT land at Airport Ramp/Tarmac
- DO NOT land at Highway 101
- DO NOT land at Buildings/Houses/Facilities







**> SWOOPING \* RESTRICTED**

- \* ONLY if CLEARED by S&TA
  - \* ONLY at Swoop Lane
  - \* ONLY if clear of ANY traffic
  - \* ONLY 1.8+ Wing Load
  - \* ONLY 270°+ Dive
- > 90°/180° Surge & Dive at XP LZ only

- CLEAR Swoop Lane after swooping
- COORDINATE landing setup with others at each jump

- \* **ABORT IF TRAFFIC**
- \* **NEVER BETWEEN TREES**
- \* **NO SWOOPING OUTSIDE SWOOPPLANE**
- \* **DO NOT OVERSHOOT**



## > AIRPLANE OPS [ PAC-750 ]

- Seat-belts & Helmets ON below 1,500 feet
- All facing TAIL for take-off
- LIGHTS
  - OFF > ON-GOING FLIGHT
  - **RED LIT** > OPEN DOOR & SPOT - Shout-out "DOOR" before opening
  - **GREEN LIT** > CLEAR TO JUMP - Check spotting and jump
  - **RED** after **GREEN** > ABORT JUMP RUN - Wait for Second Pass
- **LOW TAIL WING - DO NOT JUMP UP**
- **LOW MAIN WING & DOOR - SETUP JUMP EXIT APPROPRIATELY**
  - **Report any airplane strikes immediately to DZM & Pilot**



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## > ADDITIONAL AIRPLANE INFO

- MAX Load 16 Jumpers:
  - 7x on pilot-side bench
  - 9x on copilot-side bench
  - SIT UP WITH BACK STRAIGHT
- Look for PROPER seat-belt before accommodating yourself
- Opening door allowed above 1,500 feet, **AFTER** checking for:
  - ALL seat-belts OFF
  - ALL helmets on or secured
  - Floor seated jumpers' pilot-chutes secured
  - ALL tandems ready (thumbs up from TIs)



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## > JUMP RUN / SPOTTING

- Jump run HEADING and OFFSET determined daily by Staff. It's each jumper responsibility to know, ASK FOR IT.
- Jump run extension MAX 2 MILES.
- **RED LIGHT ON** when TRAFFIC or LONG SPOT, **abort jump run**, prepare for second pass.
- Second pass varies, as:
  - Quick Pass: opposite jump run, quick 180° switch.
  - Full Pass: normal jump run, full go-around setup.
  - **Be ready to go according to lights.**



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## > OPS INFO

- Manifest Board TV by packing area
- Flight / Load Calls
  - 20 Minutes = Load Setup
  - Gear Call = 15 min from take off
  - Boarding Call = 10 min from take off
  - Now Call = **EARLY BOARDING** or **YOU'RE LATE**, likely to miss flight
- Fully geared and checked before crossing boarding gate
- Not leaving a load after GEAR CALL
- Jumped without manifesting = extra jump ticket fine



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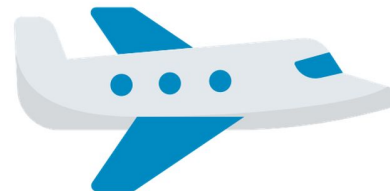
# > GROUPS SEPARATION

FIRST OUT

Bigger  
Groups

Smaller  
Groups

LAST OUT



Belly



Freely



Track & Angle



Student



Solos



Tandem



Wingsuit



High Pull

- Slower falling groups FIRST, faster falling groups LATER > MAXIMIZE DOOR SEPARATION
- Coordinate pull altitudes & wingloads
- Moving jumps perpendicular to jumprun, separating flight headings
- Board in reverse exit order
- Load Master might use different arrangement due to additional safety considerations

-----[ Inform Pilot ]-----



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## > FOR ALL JUMPERS

- Deployment Hard Deck 3,000 ft or higher, per license or type of jump
- AAD - Automatic Activation Device
- Check-in Form + Safety Briefing + Gear Check
- Valid USPA Membership, Reserve Card & Seal
- Abide by USPA Basic Safety Requirements - B.S.R.
- No Alcohol or Drugs anytime
- No Smoking / Vaping in the airplane or at/around customer & packing areas
- **NEW Safety Briefing required if any parachute equipment change**
- **Recurrency training required according to B.S.R.**



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## > ADVANCED JUMPS

- CAMERA
  - 200+ jumps, **STRONGLY** recommended training & logbook endorsements.
  - Top-of-helmet mount **STRONGLY** recommended
  - **NOT ALLOWED: chin-mount, body-wrap mount, selfie-sticks, extension poles, blocky hand-mount, any unconventional mount, GoPro Knobs**
- ADVANCED CANOPY (Size 150- / Wingload 1.5+)
  - **REQUIRED** training / comprehensive experience signed on logbook
  - Surge / Dive maneuvers: Report to S&TA
- OTHER ADVANCED JUMPS (Groups, Freefly, Tracking, Angle, etc...)
  - Follow specifics per USPA SIM Section 6



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## > WINGSUIT / TRACKSUIT JUMPS

- REQUIRED 200+ jumps & training signed on logbook
- REQUIRED flight plan coordinated with S&TA & Airplane Pilot
  - L-Pattern out of jumprun for proper separation and airspace
  - Coordinate with other “freefall movement” groups
  - Inform pilot at each and every load
- **EXERCISE CONSTANT AIRPLANE TAIL WING CAUTION**
- Door setup & Exit procedure demonstration
  - Wings inflation ONLY after tail wing clear (2sec ~ 4sec)
  - Climb outs restricted
- Camera extension poles ONLY on solo jumps, recommended plastic material
- **FLY-BY RESTRICTED - S&TA Clearance & Proper Experience REQUIRED**



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## > CReW – CANOPY RELATIVE WORK

- **RESTRICTED**
- Any canopy FLY-BY, PROXIMITY or REFERENCED FLYING with another jumper:
  - S&TA Clearance Required
  - PROPER EXPERIENCE Required
    - Log Book Endorsements
  - DEDICATED Jumps ONLY
  - Full Proper BRIEFING
  - **MINIMUM BREAK-OFF 2,500 ft**



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## > HIGH PERFORMANCE CANOPIES

- LINESET WEAR ADVISORY (500 lbs and lower)
- MADE TO PERFORM, NOT TO LAST
- Much more stress during flight & maneuvers
- Frequent inspection > Learn to assess
- Fingertraps wear point
- RDS systems (slider or full) wear & tear
- Sand/Dust/Dirt & Sweat residues build up
- 300 or Less Reference
- If you are not sure, RELINE



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# >> POSITIVE ATTITUDE <<

- GOT CONFUSED, IN TROUBLE OR MESSED UP, TALK TO US
- Yes, we saw it ... DO NOT WAIT FOR US TO WALK UP TO YOU
- WE HAVE LOTS OF EXPERIENCE, WE CAN HELP YOU IMPROVE
- HIDING IT DOESN'T MAKE IT SAFE
- ALWAYS REPORT ANY OUT OF ORDINARY / SAFETY SITUATION IMMEDIATELY TO DZO/DZM
- IT'S ONLY FUN WHEN IT'S SAFE !!!

**NO Complacency, NEVER Assume, ALWAYS Ask**



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