

State Preservation Board

Drone Policy

Policy

Launching, landing, or operating any unmanned aircraft from or on lands within the boundaries of the state capitol grounds is prohibited except for the limited uses listed below.

- (1) Emergency law enforcement and fire response operations;
- (2) Other operations designed to support responses to health and human safety emergencies or environmental incidents;
- (3) National defense activities;
- (4) Activities necessary for the care and custody of the state capitol grounds, or with significant historic or public interest when those activities have prior written approval by the executive director.
 - (1) Use of unmanned aircraft must be approved in advance and in writing by the executive director.
 - (2) When considering approval, the executive director shall consider the criteria for the exception and whether the activity will:
 - (a) Present a clear and present danger to public health and safety;
 - (b) Cause injury or damage to state resources;
 - (c) Be contrary to the purposes for which the state capitol campus was established, or unacceptably impact the atmosphere of peace and tranquility maintained in natural, historic, or commemorative locations within the state capitol grounds;
 - (d) Unreasonably interfere with visitor services, other program activities, or with the administrative activities of the State Preservation Board;
 - (e) Substantially impair the operations of SPB contractors;
 - (f) Result in significant conflict with other existing uses.
 - (3) The executive director may condition any approval with appropriate time, place, and manner restrictions, which the requestor must follow.
 - (4) An approval issued by the executive director does not exempt the operator from obtaining the appropriate authorization from the federal aviation administration.
 - (5) Requirements put in place by the federal aviation administration on the use or operation of unmanned aircraft in the national airspace system must be followed. Nothing in this SPB policy is intended to modify any requirement put in place by the federal aviation administration on the use or operation of unmanned aircraft in the national airspace system.
 - (6) SPB will coordinate with the federal aviation administration regarding the use of unmanned aircraft on the state capitol grounds as may be required.
 - (7) Applicable policies and rules put in place by SPB regarding the Capitol Grounds must be followed
 - (8) Any and all applicable state requirements must be followed.