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TO: Texas A&M AgriLife Unit Heads & Business Administrators

SUBJECT: Unmanned Aircraft Systems Update

The Federal Aviation Administration has implemented a Low Altitude Authorization and Notification Capability that allows for real-time approval for controlled airspace. LAANC automates the application and approval process for airspace authorizations. Through automated applications developed by an FAA Approved UAS Service Suppliers (USS), pilots apply for an airspace authorization. For more information related to LAANC, please see the link below.

https://www.faa.gov/uas/programs_partnerships/data_exchange/

The Ethics and Compliance Office would like to incorporate this into our approval process. If you plan to operate UAS and receive approval through LAANC, please indicate that on your application and send a screenshot of approval when you receive it. This will need to go into your file that holds your application.

Another UAS update: mark all aircraft with your FAA registration number before you operate them. The registration number should be displayed on the outside of the aircraft. You can use engraving, permanent marker or permanent label. Once you have appropriately labeled your equipment, take a picture and send to Jessica.flores@ag.tamu.edu.

We appreciate your help in ensuring the safe operation of unmanned aircraft systems in the national airspace!