

AVIATION STATE ENGAGEMENT FORUM**New South Wales and South
East Queensland**

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TITLE	Broadcast Area /Discrete Frequency Tyagarah, Murwillumbah and Gold Coast flying training area
SUBMITTED BY	Office of Airspace Regulation: oar@casa.gov.au : on behalf of Tyagarah stakeholders.
CONSULTATION SUMMARY	To seek members feedback on the proposal to establish a Discrete Frequency in the vicinity of Tyagarah and Murwillumbah including a Broadcast Area in the Gold Coast flying training area.
KEY ISSUES	Frequency Congestion.
FEEDBACK TO	Comments and responses can be provided to the OAR at the following email address: oar@casa.gov.au :
CLOSE DATE	3 June 2021
ATTACHMENTS	Nil

OVERVIEW

Aircraft currently operating within the vicinity of Tyagarah, Murwillumbah and within the Gold Coast flying training area including D656A-D are required to transmit on 126.7. This results in considerable congestion largely driven by local aircraft, recreational pilots, and Gold Coast based training aircraft transmissions as well as aircraft operating from further afield such as Kagaru (YBAF training area), Morton Island, Grafton/South Grafton, Tenterfield, Stanthorpe, Inglewood, Pittsworth, Millmerran, Clifton and Gatton areas, all of which are also required to transmit on 126.7. This situation is exacerbated by parachute operations, recreational aircraft, gliders and gyrocopters operating from the Tyagarah aerodrome as well as circuit training at Murwillumbah.

PROPOSAL

Considering that there is such a high density of traffic operating within the (south east Queensland and Murwillumbah/Tyagarah) area, local stakeholders have requested a discrete CTAF in the vicinity of Tyagarah and Murwillumbah to reduce congestion. In addition, a Broadcast Area including the Gold Coast flying training area adjacent to those fields (incorporating D656A-D) is also being proposed. This Broadcast Area will adopt the new discrete frequency. The vertical dimensions of this area would be from the surface to the base of the controlled airspace.

Figure 1 – Broadcast Area including Tyagarah, Murwillumbah and the Gold Coast training area (Red boundary)



If any stakeholder has input in relation to the following, please provide feedback as this will ensure the OAR considers such issues during the assessment process:

- Safety
- Environment
- National security
- Equity of access
- Any activities scheduled for the same volume of airspace over the same period