

45th Space Wing Range Users' Guide (RUG)

Background:

The 45th Space Wing (45 SW) has instituted Range 2020 initiatives to examine current range operations and develop new innovative methods to support the commercial space industry. As part of the Range 2020 effort, current commercial range users were interviewed to get feedback on how the 45 SW can improve their interface with commercial users.

One item proposed by commercial industry was for the 45 SW to publish a Range Users' Guide (RUG) which would help familiarize new range users with the Eastern Range (ER), and provide some background information on various ER processes.

We have completed our first effort at such a guide, over 90 pages of detailed information on ER operations and new customer approval processes, policies, timelines and expert POCs. Our goal is to update this guide every 6-12 months as we receive feedback from our internal offices and most importantly, from our ER customers.

To Obtain a Copy:

If you are a current customer or a prospective one looking to establish a working relationship with the ER, we would be happy to provide you a copy of the current RUG.

Please e-mail your request to the Wing Plans and Programs office at 45swxp@us.af.mil. In that e-mail, please identify your position, company/organization, and if a new customer, include a short summary of what you are looking to do on the ER.

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