

ComancheZOOM for Thursday, December 21, 2023

Topic: ATC Pet Peeves - Hunter Neucere of Ft Worth Center

How are your radio calls to ATC these days? Hunter Neucere, of ATC, Ft Worth Center, brings us the inside look as a result of a survey of Center controllers, plus a quick overview of ATC Center tools vs ATC approach tools (they are different, and why), and other topics on interacting with ATC.

Hunter walked us through the ATC simulator lab to show us what they see on their radar displays, the images they can call up on the super-sized iPad display, and the information they can access for aircraft flight plans etc.

He explained the data block for an aircraft on the radar display, how they can make enroute changes, how they use flight track tools to predict possible loss of separation, and the process of handing an aircraft from or to another sector.

He also showed how a clearance is dealt with – filed, transmitted, amended, and conveyed to the pilot. His recommendation was to file a flight plan whenever possible – IFR or VFR – and be talking to ATC as you progress.

He fielded a number of questions throughout the evening, answering each verbally and often with a demonstration using the ATC simulator software.

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