

International Civil Aviation Organization

Sixth Meeting of the Asia/Pacific Wildlife Hazard Management Working Group (AP–WHM/WG/6)

Bangkok, Thailand, 14 to 17 May 2024

Agenda Item 2: Review Outcomes of Related Meetings/Seminars

OUTCOMES OF APANPIRG/34 AND AOP/SG/7 MEETINGS

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper presents outcomes of AOP/SG/7 and APANPIRG/34 Meetings related to the Asia Pacific Wildlife Hazard Management Working Group (AP-WHM/WG).

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Seventh Meeting of the Aerodromes Operations and Planning Sub-group (AOP/SG/7) was held in Bangkok, Thailand from 3 to 6 July 2023 and the Thirty-fourth Meeting of the Asia/Pacific Air Navigation Planning and Implementation Regional Group (APANPIRG/34) was held in Honk Kong, China from 11 to 13 December 2023.
- 1.2 The Final Reports of AOP/SG/7 and APANPIRG/34 are available at:

https://www.icao.int/APAC/Meetings/Lists/Meeting%20List%202023/AllItems.aspx

2. DISCUSSION

Report on the Seventh Meeting of AOP Subgroup (AOP/SG/7)

- 2.1 APANPIRG/34 reviewed the report of the AOP/SG/7 and noted that the AOP/SG/7 adopted 8 Decision.
- 2.2 APANPIRG/34 also noted that the AOP/SG/7 had reviewed the Report of the Fifth Meeting of the Asia Pacific Wildlife Hazard Management Working Group (AP-WHM/WG/5) which was held in Bangkok, Thailand on 3 5 May 2023.
- 2.3 APANPIRG/34 noted that AOP/SG/7 adopted the following Decision formulated by AP-WHM/WG/5:

Decision AOP/SG/7-9 (AP-WHM/WG/5 - 1): Proposal for Amendment to AP-WHM/WG's TOR				
What: That, the Terms of Reference of the Asia/Pacific Wildlife Hazard Management Working Group (AP-WHM/WG) be amended as provided in Appendix I to the Report of AOP/SG/7.	Expected impact: □ Political / Global □ Inter-regional □ Economic □ Environmental ⊠ Ops/Technical			
Why: To allow additional three years of time for Working Group to focus on the onsite technical assistance to States for establishment of the National Wildlife Hazard Management Committee, Wildlife Hazard Management Programme, conduct new tasks of the TOR, and to provide some flexibility in the mode of meetings amid the aftermath of COVID-19 pandemic.	Follow-up: States	⊠Required from		
When: 6-Jul-23	Status: Subgroup	Adopted by		
Who: ⊠Sub groups ⊠APAC States ⊠ICAO APAC RO □ICAO HQ ⊠Other: AP-WHM/WG				

- 2.4 The amendment to the Terms of Reference of the Asia/Pacific Wildlife Hazard Management Working Group (AP-WHM/WG) approved by AOP/SG/7 is provided in **Attachment A**.
- 2.5 With the above AOP/SG/7's decision, the tenure of the AP-WHM/WG has been extended until September 2026.
- 2.6 APANPIRG/34 noted that the AP-WHM/WG had developed the methodology for planning, coordination, execution and follow up on Go-Team missions to assist States in WHM field and adopted the following Conclusion formulated by AP-WHM/WG/5 and endorsed by AOP/SG/7:

Conclusion APANPIRG/34/5: ICAO Asia/Pacific WHM Go-Team Methodology					
What:	That, The needs for technical assistance in the area of WHM for ICAO APAC States be periodically reviewed; States with such needs be encouraged and invited to host WHM mission; and The methodology for running such Go-Team missions provided in Appendix C to the Report of AOP/SG/7 be adopted by APANPIRG/34.		Expected impact: ☑ Political / Global ☐ Inter-regional ☑ Economic ☐ Environmental ☑ Ops/Technical		
Why:	To assist States in WHM	Follow-up:	⊠Required from States		
When:	13-Dec-23	Status:	Draft to be adopted by PIRG		
Who:	Who: ⊠Sub groups ⊠APAC States ⊠ICAO APAC RO □ICAO HQ □Other: AP-WHM/WG				

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

- 3.1 The Meeting is invited to:
 - a) note the information contained in this paper;
 - b) note Decisions AOP/SG/7-9 and Conclusion APANPIRG/34/5 (paragraphs 2.3 and 2.6 refers); and
 - c) discuss any relevant matters as appropriate.

TERMS OF REFERENCE OF WILDLIFE HAZARD MANAGEMENT WORKING GROUP (WHM/WG)

(Second Amendment to AP-WHM/WG's TOR approved by AOP/SG/7)

Objective:

To assist States to establish a National Wildlife Hazard Management Committee and Wildlife Hazard Management Programme.

Scope of works:

To meet the above objectives the Working Group shall carry out the following tasks:

- 1) Develop a model TOR for National Wildlife Hazard Management Committee (NWHMC);
- 2) Monitor the establishment of a National Wildlife Hazard Management Committee by the States;
- 3) Assist in conducting workshop/seminar on Global and Regional Guidance on WHM;
- 4) Develop Asia Pacific Regional Guidance on Wildlife Hazard Management Programme, as needed;
- 5) Share the best practices on the measures adopted by member States/Administrations to prevent wildlife strike hazards at or in the vicinity of aerodromes;
- 6) Develop a performance measurement metrics to evaluate the effectiveness of the implementation of the Wildlife Hazard Management Programme;
- 7) Be consistent with ICAO Annex 14, Volume I Aerodrome Design and Operations, PANS-Aerodromes (Doc 9981), Doc 9137 Airport Services Manual, Part 3 Wildlife Hazard Management, ICAO Bird Strike Information System (Doc 9332) and other requirements where applicable;
- 8) Analysis of the regional problems/issues in wildlife hazard management fields;
- 9) Support States with limited resources (human and financial) to enhance their capacity in Wildlife Hazard Management through workshops and technical assistance, such as, ICAO Asia/Pacific WHM Go-Team Mission, as needed;
- 10) Monitor and assist States in the establishment and implementation of National Wildlife Hazard Management Programme; and
- 11) Maintain the register of WHM Experts nominated by States and Industry Partners.

Composition:

The Working Group would be composed of subject matter experts nominated by APAC States / Administrations and International Organization satisfying the criteria:

- (1) Minimum 3 years of work experience in CAA Aerodrome Regulatory Department or NWHMC or in International Organizations or Aerodrome Operations at international airports in wildlife hazard management field;
- (2) Familiar with Annex 14 and related guidance materials (PANS-Aerodromes (Doc 9981); Airport Services Manual (Doc 9137), Part 3 Wildlife Hazard Management, ICAO Bird Strike Information System (Doc 9332); and

(3) The nominated expert will continue to be a member for a minimum of three consecutive years.

States in other ICAO regions and industry partners with experience in wildlife hazard management may also be invited to participate in the Working Group.

Conduct of the work:

As far as practicable, the work would be carried out through electronic correspondences and web-conferences. The Working Group will hold at least one face-to-face meeting a year. Onsite assistance may be provided to States, if required, on cost-recovery basis through ICAO Asia/Pacific WHM Go-Team missions. The ICAO APAC Office would do necessary coordination. The ICAO COSCAPs will support the implementation of Tasks.

Time frame:

The Working Group would complete its work by September 2026.
