

**“Take-Away” on Best Practice on
Unmanned Aircraft Systems – aka “Drones”
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Unmanned Aircraft aka “Drones” offer significant benefits to communities as well as potential for economic development. How do we harness that potential while addressing common concerns regarding safety and privacy?

Topic: Who regulates What?

1. FAA regulates everything in the air. They do not regulate privacy.
2. State and Local Government may only regulate activities on the ground (i.e. Takeoff/Landing location, Property access, etc...).
3. Enforce current public policy that encourages economic development while maintaining safety and privacy.

Topic: Safety

1. Unless with a special waiver, no operator may operate a UAV over crowds of people (Concerts, Festivals, Sporting event, etc....).
2. Have local airport authorities’ work with hobbyist and professional operators to operate safely in your communities.
3. Encourage local authorities to ask for pilot credentials and insurance.

Topic: Privacy

1. Existing privacy laws **DO** apply to Unmanned Aircraft operations.
2. Harassment and Nuisance laws **DO** apply to Unmanned Aircraft operations.
3. Train local law enforcement on how to respond to Unmanned Aircraft complaints.