NO FPV FLYING

Absolutely no First Person View (FPV) flying is allowed at PGRC field. This is a rule established by the FAA for all model aircraft operations within the DC Special Flight Rules Area (SFRA), within which PGRC field is located. The DC SFRA is the area within a 30-mile radius of Reagan National Airport that has been designated as National Defense Airspace. Model aircraft are allowed to fly within the SFRA, except for the area within a 15-mile radius of Reagan National designated as the DC Flight Restricted Zone (FRZ), only in accordance with parameters detailed in the special Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) 160210 for Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) operations. Specifically, all RC models (quad-copters, multi-rotors, fixed-wing, and helicopter models) must be flown within visual line-of-sight of the person operating the aircraft. This means that the person operating the aircraft must maintain direct, unimpeded, visual sight of the aircraft.

The public law associated with NOTAM 160210 is enforced by multiple agencies with national security responsibilities within the SFRA, including: FAA, DOD, DHS, FBI, Secret Service and Capitol Police. Violation of this law may result in a fine and/or imprisonment of the individual, and would jeopardize the existence of not just PGRC but the other 12 RC clubs within the DC SFRA