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## Newsletter - March 3rd, 2010

### Nearby Fuel Prices

At FltPlan.com, getting surrounding area fuel prices is fast, easy (and it's free). You can use this feature for checking fuel prices for your arrival area or for fuel stops along your route of flight.

FltPlan.com's Nearby Fuel Prices, quickly lets you select a search area by zip code, city name or airport, and also by runway length, fuel type, and available IFR approaches.

Click here to give it a try [Click Here](#).

You can access this feature by going to **Area Fuel Prices** on the login page or from the left side of the Main Menu page.

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### Support Your Favorite FBOs: Cast your vote in the Pilots' Choice Awards

Voting has already started, but there's still time to vote in our Pilots' Choice Awards. Go online to [www.FltPlan.com](http://www.FltPlan.com) between now and March 31st to make your voice heard. Give recognition to your favorites in such categories as Best FBO, Best Tower location, Best ATC Center and more.

We'll announce the winners online in April.



## More on CDM

FltPlan.com begins its first full month of CDM participation. With this participation, advance notice of our user's flights is now available to the FAA's TFMS (Traffic Flow Management System).

Those unfamiliar with what CDM is, please see [our last newsletter](#).

Some quick notes:

1. A **CDM+** next to your flight plan (on the Active Flight Plan List), means your data has been submitted to the FAA's TFMS.
2. Your CDM data is sent to the FAA up to 22 hours in advance of your departure time.
3. The earlier you select your flight plan for filing, the more time you give the FAA to better handle your flight.
4. Any modification you make to the flight plan will automatically be sent to CDM.
5. If your trip cancels PLEASE either:
  - a.) unselect the flight plan for filing
  - b.) if the flight plan is already filed
    - I.) delete the flight plan using the DELETE FLT PLAN button  
or
    - II.) modify the flight plan to a different time/date, and do not select for filing.Your trip cancellation will be sent to CDM when you do any of these steps.

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## Stay Tuned for Runway Analysis

Due to many requests from our users, later this month we will start offering Runway Analysis as part of our service. Look for more about this in our next **FltBrief**.

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## What does **CMK0100** mean on my NavLog?

In order to provide the most accurate flight times and fuel burn information, FltPlan.com adds what we call "pseudo" waypoints to your navigational log.

**CMK0100** means a pseudo waypoint 100nm from the CMK VOR.

**PEBBY0050** means a pseudo waypoint 50nm from the PEBBY intersection.

**KSAF0200** means a pseudo waypoint 200nm from the KSAF airport.

These points are added when you create a flight plan with a long DIRECT segment between navaids, fixes or Airports.

For instance if you create a flight plan from TLH to HOU with a route of **SZW J2 CEW** (and then direct to KHOU), FltPlan.com will insert three additional points on the NavLog.

**Winds**

|          |                  |                  |                  |                  |
|----------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| CEW      | 283/092 +02 -091 | 288/101 +04 -097 | 281/104 +07 -103 | 284/109 +07 -107 |
| KHOU0300 | 283/102 +01 -097 | 285/116 +03 -110 | 284/123 +04 -117 | 284/126 +05 -120 |
| KHOU0200 | 287/100 +00 -092 | 289/116 +03 -106 | 287/127 +04 -118 | 287/129 +05 -120 |
| KHOU0100 | 281/108 -02 -103 | 283/126 +00 -119 | 280/133 +02 -128 | 280/130 +04 -125 |

|                            |    |                 |         |     |     |     |      |      |      |      |        |
|----------------------------|----|-----------------|---------|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|--------|
| <b>CEW 115.9 CRESTVIEW</b> | FL | N3049.6W08640.7 | 268/259 | 80  | 453 | 359 | 1100 | 0:14 | 1:22 | 0:26 | 134.17 |
| <b>KHOU0300</b>            |    | N3029.6W08935.4 | 258/257 | 152 | 301 | 552 | 1653 | 0:26 | 0:56 | 0:52 | 126.62 |
| <b>KHOU0200</b>            |    | N3014.3W09129.8 | 256/255 | 101 | 200 | 368 | 2021 | 0:17 | 0:39 | 1:09 | 126.62 |
| <b>KHOU0100</b>            |    | N2957.3W09323.6 | 255/254 | 100 | 100 | 293 | 2313 | 0:17 | 0:22 | 1:26 | 126.62 |
| <b>KHOU 117.1 HOUSTON</b>  | TX | N2938.7W09516.7 | 254/--- | 100 | 0   | 392 | 2705 | 0:22 | 0:00 | 1:48 |        |

By doing this, FltPlan.com is providing points every 100nm for ETE and fuel burn information. This provides the pilot with the accurate information needed while in flight for how-goes-it comparisons.

In the example above, the winds vary by more than 30kts on this DIRECT segment, and groundspeed changes by 23kts.

Some notes:

- 1.) These points are not filed with ATC. The filed route is what you entered, and this route is listed on the top left side of the NavLog.
- 2.) The distance between pseudo waypoints varies based on Route distance and aircraft speed. (e.g. A Cessna 172 might get pseudo waypoints every 10 miles on short leg, and a Lear 45 might get 100nm pseudo waypoints.)
- 3.) You can enter these points into your FMS, if you wish using the Lat/Long listed on the NavLog. Then enter the forecast winds associated with these pseudo waypoints.

## Thanks to Banyan Air Services for Relief Efforts in Haiti

We at FltPlan.com wanted to give special recognition to the efforts of Banyan Air Services at FXE. They have been the heart of the Haiti relief efforts by the general aviation community. It has been a true pleasure to work with them to offer assistance to this important initiative. We would especially like to thank Michael O'Keefe whose personal involvement with our team and the FAA has been paramount to this mission. We are appreciative that Mike considered FltPlan.com one of the best ways to reach pilots with pertinent information.

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