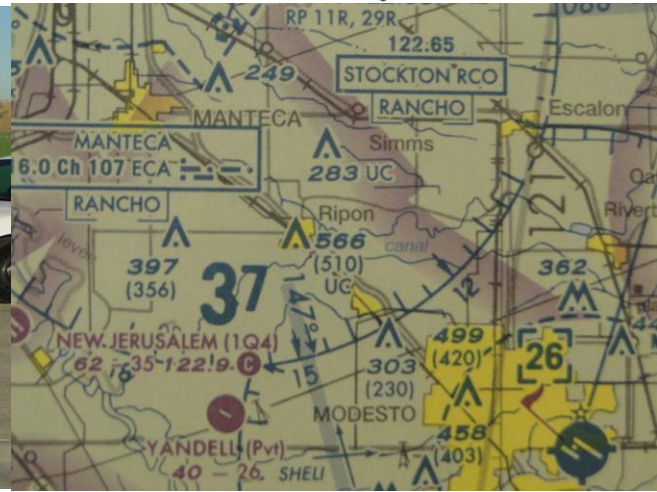




The Ripon Police Department

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Aircraft Flown: Powrachte Pegasus Powered Parachute

Aircraft Cost: \$18,000
Avg. Hourly Cost: \$21
Avg. Fuel Burn: 4 GPH
Cruise Speed: 26-35 MPH
Range: Approx. 30-60 mi
Useful Load: 500 lbs

Ripon's "Eye-In-The-Sky" continues to prove itself in rescues, suspect captures, and crime suppression missions— RPD Chief-Pilot Sgt. Steve "Sparky" Merchant

RPD Aviation Unit: (R-L)
Chief/Pilot- Ed "Anytime" Ormonde
Sgt./Pilot- Steve "Sparky" Merchant

Unit Operational: July 26, 2009

Avg. Hrs. Per Month: 4.8* (*10+ in summer months)

Unit Highlights/Successes:

- River Rescues
- Suspect Captures
- Crime Reduction
- Critical Infrastructure Missions
- Crime Scene Photographic Missions
- Community Education Programs

Aviation Unit Operating Area:
-San Joaquin County
-Stanislaus County

- Agencies Supported**
- Ripon Police Department
 - Ripon Consolidated Fire District
 - Manteca Police Department
 - Stanislaus County Sheriffs Dept.
 - Stanislaus County D.A. Inv. Div.
 - San Joaquin County D.A.
 - U.S. Department of Justice
 - U.S. Department of Homeland Security
 - U.S. Customs & Border Protection