

I use my aircraft for pleasure. I prefer the 121.5 MHz ELT vs the 406 MHz. I also prefer EPIRB or PLB. Many reasons:

Cost of changing to the 406 is estimated to be between 1000 and 2000\$

The 406 will be obsolete soon with the advent of ADS-B out, so the investment in 406 will have been wasted. This money could go into the next level of technology. see below.

Technology improves by leaps and bounds meaning that we should use the best available and that will be ADS-B out, not 406. We should spend our money on ADS-B equipment.

FAA should be the sole authority for regulating aviation and leave the FCC to regulating communications. One agency is enough.

Finally, EPIRB or PLB is more versatile than a fixed ELT mounted in the plane. The EPIRB can be used anywhere (on person, in car, in boat, on motorcycle etc).

In summary do not mandate change from 121.5 to 406 MHz ELT's.