

# **Nev. far behind top states for commercial drone use**

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The number of companies in Nevada approved for commercial drone flights is about on par with most states but lags far behind leaders like California and Arizona, according to an analysis of the first 500 waivers issued by the Federal Aviation Administration.

Nevada companies were issued six exemptions from the rules otherwise banning commercial drone flights.

California, meanwhile, led the nation with 70 approved operators, followed by Texas with 46, according to an analysis of FAA data released last week by the Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International.

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