

## EAA Chapter 465 Mountain Flying Seminar – March 14



Forty seven individuals from the Central Coast attended the Seminar at the Paso Robles Airport. The Seminar was sponsored by the Paso Robles EAA Chapter 465 in cooperation with the Truckee/Tahoe Airport (KTRK) and the FAA Fast Safety Team. The seminar was almost “over-subscribed”. Several participants, who had attended other mountain flying seminars, commented that this one was the most enjoyable and informative they had ever attended

Tahoe is a great destination, but pilots must be aware of terrain and weather effects in the mountainous terrain and unique factors when flying in and out of Truckee. Katie Greenwood, the Pilot and Passenger Outreach Coordinator for KTRK, gave a very interesting and enjoyable presentation. She highlighted general considerations for flying in the mountains including winds and weather, night operations, icing, density altitude and aeromedical factors. She also presented unique factors to consider when flying in and out of Truckee airport (KTRK) such as non-towered airport operations, route planning, sharing the airspace with gliders, downdrafts to watch for, and detailed arrival and departure planning information.

For more information on flying into KTRK go to [www.truckeetahoeairport.com](http://www.truckeetahoeairport.com) . They have a custom designed airport familiarization program. As a pilot or student pilot you may qualify for a free 1.5 hour program with a Chief Flying Instructor (CFI) worth \$150 to ensure you are familiar with flying into KTRK. You can also contact Katie directly at [Katie.greenwood@truckeetahoeairport.com](mailto:Katie.greenwood@truckeetahoeairport.com) for more information.