

Commanders and Staff,

We appreciate your continued support of our fielding of new technologies and procedures. As you may know, there have been some recent issues with some of the Garmin Virb temporary adhesive mounts. Though we have had many successful training and actual missions and sorties with these, it is simply not prudent to continue flying with these temporary adhesive mounts at this time. Please discontinue the use of these temporary adhesive mounts immediately, and carefully remove them from all CAP aircraft. Crew members should not attempt removal themselves in order to avoid damage to the aircraft; the mount base may be left on until your Aircraft Maintenance Officer can remove it locally or by an A&P with regularly scheduled maintenance. Do not dispose of the camera or mounts as parts of the temporary mounting bracket will be needed for use with permanent mounts in the near future. We anticipate approval of the permanent mounts by the FAA at any time for use in our existing 172s and 182s, and will work other aircraft models after that. This mount kit will be installed by your local A&P mechanic via an inspection plate installed near the leading edge of the wing. Pictures of the inspection plate mount and installation are below.



As soon as we have approval from the FAA we will work with CAP/LG to begin installation of these permanent mounts in conjunction with your regularly scheduled aircraft maintenance.

Please use traditional handheld cameras and the FEMA uploader in the interim for airborne imagery collection operations.

Should you have any questions, please reach out to John Desmarais (idesmarais@capnhq.gov) or Lt Col Eric Templeton (etempleton@nesa.cap.gov).