

Experience Real World Flying while Building R44 Time

Flying M Air is repositioning its 2005 Robinson R44 Raven II helicopter **from central Washington State to Phoenix, AZ**. To help defray costs, we're offering certificated pilots the opportunity to do the flight with us for **\$300/hour**. *This is less than our operating cost.* We can take 1 or 2 qualifying pilots, each weighing 220 pounds or less.

Total flight time is estimated at 10-12 hours. We normally conduct a flight this length over a 2-day period. Weather and other conditions permitting, it may be done in one day to save time and overnight costs. We're planning to conduct the flight sometime in September.

The pilot(s) who accompany us on this flight will benefit from:

- Planning and executing a lengthy cross-country flight.
- Making changes to planned routes due to weather or other conditions.
- Flying in a variety of terrains, including high and low desert, mountains, coastal and farmland.
- **Flying with a 2600-hour commercial pilot with more than 10 years of experience in "real world" flying.**

Minimum Pilot Requirements:

- Private, Commercial, or CFI Helicopter Pilot Certificate (CFI preferred)
- Current medical certificate
- 2500 hours or more of Robinson helicopter flight time
- R44 Endorsement
- SFAR 73 Endorsement for R44

In addition, qualifying pilots must be able to get on our insurance for the flight. This may require a check flight with a CFI approved by our insurance company.

Additional costs to be borne by pilot(s) taking advantage of this offer:

- Cost of check flight for insurance approval. This can usually be done in less than an hour if required.
- Cost of transportation between home base and starting/ending points. Airline service is available between Seattle and Wenatchee.
- Cost of meals and overnight accommodations (if necessary).

This is more than just a time-building flight!

It's an opportunity to see what it's like to fly in the real world — not as a student pilot or CFI. It's also an excellent opportunity to build the R44 flight time a CFI needs to be qualified to instruct in R44 helicopters. It's a great learning experience that will help make you a more marketable pilot.

Interested? Call 928/231-0196