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As a new paragliding pilot under SAFA and a former recreational pilot certificate holder under RAA, I strongly belive this technology could be useful for mechanised pilots, but absolutely unsuitable and unnecessary for sports aviation pilots on motor less wings (ie paragliders and hanggliders).

The simplicity and low tech requirements for paragliding are what attracts me to the sport- and we are able to very safely participate, far away from other types of mechanized aircraft, with a very simple radio call when required. We paragliders typically stay a very long way from areas with a lot of mechanized air traffic anyway- we prefer different conditions and spaces- with mountains and cliffs and strong thermic lift, all of which mechanized aircraft tend to avoid anyway. Requiring paragliders to carry this expensive, heavy and technically cumbersome system (that would be very difficult or impossible to pair with our current instruments) could render our sport, which we love and protect, almost prohibitively restrictive for a vast many paragliding pilots.