

As air travel increases, newer methods are needed to regulate air traffic. It is human nature to resist change, however, with such an increase in the amount of aviation operations, regulations must evolve with technology. I agree with the need to reduce vertical separation; my only concern is the small business operators that may be not be able to afford the required navigation upgrades. The manufacturers selling these upgrades, that will be required by the proposed rule, should be required to justify the cost of these systems in order to assure that operators of smaller aircraft are not discriminated.