**David Orr, Lake Forest, CA:** Local (SoCal) recommendation: WLS Coating – white epoxy primer ordered from 13413 S. Broadway, LA 323-538-2155x10

**Scott Fish, Austin, TX:** *““I followed Bernie Siu’s example and used Southern Polyurethane’s Epoxy Primer.  I was very happy with it all around.  Easy to spray, fuel resistant, very hard.*

[*https://www.southernpolyurethanes.com*](https://www.southernpolyurethanes.com) *Sanded after 80 hrs of flight, and painted with white paint and clear coat.  Primer was in great shape. I wish I’d had someone better than me do the final painting, but the primer was easy.”*

[*https://cozyfish.weebly.com*](https://cozyfish.weebly.com)

**Zach Chase, Fibertech Composities** [**zach@fibertechcomposites.com**](mailto:zach@fibertechcomposites.com) **does composite work on Glastar and Sportsman projects:** *“Do not use a 1-part primer (rattle can) before you use a 2-part LPU on top. Any 2-part epoxy primer that you can find that is considered a sandable primer will work with any LPU your painter decides to use. Keeping within the "family name" or a paint system is not always needed if going with most auto related 2-part paints such as a PPG or Imron. I have used, Interlux InterProtect 2000E primer on many composite structures because of its platelet content, cost, it's easy sanding and its ability to build well. Also, Awl grip 545 is a great epoxy primer from the marine world. 545 is a great build-able primer. The only issue with 545 is it is like all epoxy, and unlike some epoxy primers, it continues to cure harder over time. I use 545 and sand within a week if possible as the sanding gets increasingly difficult after a couple days. there are really only 2 ways you can screw up a primer application... 1-surface prep, 2-mixing. Too little or too much application results in a re-coat or extra sanding/weight. Interlux is a gray primer and Awlgrip has both white and gray. I like to use a different color for the 1st tack/wet coat, followed by an alternate color for the final prime coat so I know where the sanding process starts to sand thin to its substrate.”*

**Rich Schleicher, Palos Verdes, CA:** “CPM paint shop can get your A/c painted much sooner than October.”

**William Buckley, Flint, TX: *“****Here’s some data points on how I did it.*

*1. I used the Awlcraft 545 primer. You can get gray and white. I sprayed 1 coat of gray first and then 3-4 coats of white primer. The gray acted as a guide coat when sanding through the white. Sands easily.*

*2. I painted myself. Never had done it before (same as most things from the build). Not perfect but glad I did it. Learned a lot and happy with the result. I used Awlcraft2000 paint.”*

*3. I flipped the plane upside down to prime & paint the bottom. That was the 3rd (and last) flip during my build. Did that before electrical, engine, and avionics.*

*4. I have a hard time advocating patience. When in doubt, advance and attack.*