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Sawyer International Airport Celebrates The First Decade of Success!

Since relocating the airport to K.I. Sawyer in September of 1999, the airport has seen a 30% increase in passenger traffic . accounting for nearly 5,400 aircraft flights and 42,500 pounds of cargo and mail each year!

Most are aware of Sawyer's commercial air service with American Eagle Airlines and Delta Connection, and subsequent passenger counts of 112,000+ per year. But, did you also know that a significant portion of Sawyer's traffic can be attributed to General Aviation -- with over 327 users providing goods and services to approximately 261 destinations annually?

With an average of 108 operations per day, Sawyer has reason to celebrate. In our first ten years of infancy (as far as airports go), Sawyer has been able to capture 53% of U.P. air travelers, states Scott Erbsch, Director of Operations.

And, since opening its doors, approximately 429 full-time jobs have been attracted, or created, as a result of the airport . with more than 1,100 total jobs existing at K.I. Sawyer.

Without the strong support from Congressional representatives, residents and businesses in Marquette County and beyond, we would have been unable to achieve these milestones in just ten years. Sawyer has become a world-class facility.

Please join us for an Open House celebration on Saturday, September 26, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. (at the airport terminal). We are taking this opportunity to show our appreciation for your patronage.

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