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## **SAWYER COMPLETES TERMINAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT** **Airport Completes Construction of Additional Restrooms**

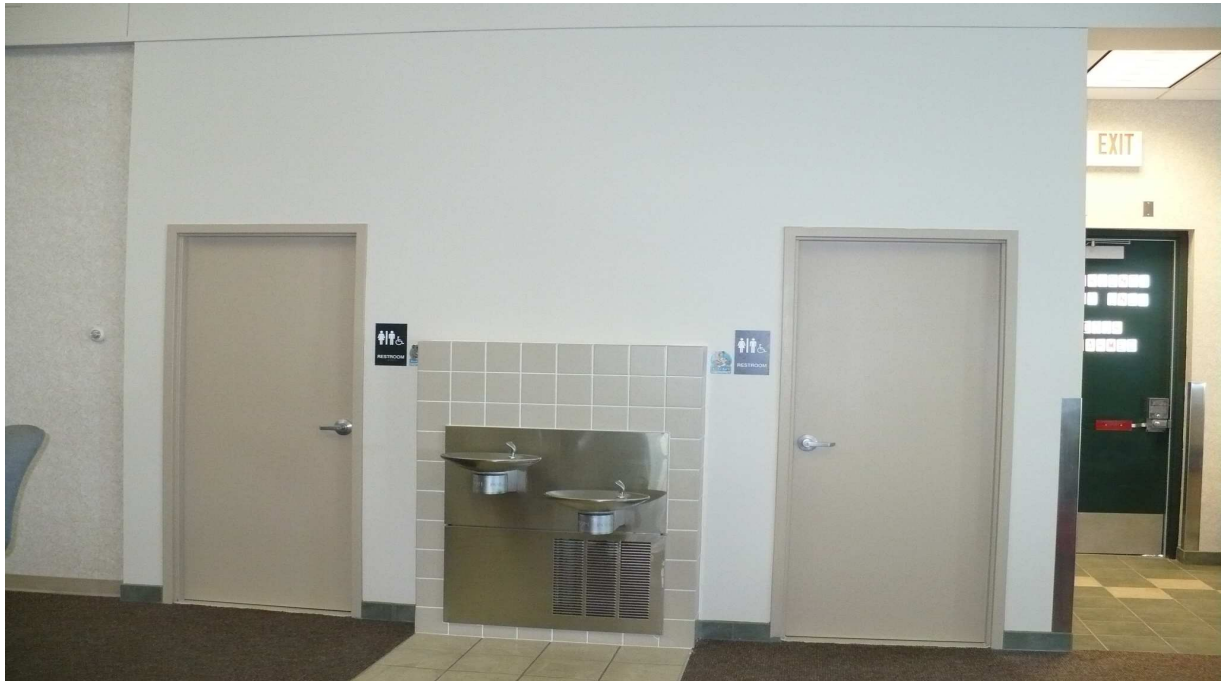
MARQUETTE, MI – Marquette County and Sawyer Airport officials are very pleased to report that a recent passenger terminal construction project was completed for the addition of two unisex restrooms.

Located just beyond the passenger security checkpoint, this was the first construction project completed inside the passenger terminal since the terminal was constructed in September, 1999.

Keith Kaspari, Airport Manager at Sawyer commented, "For the fifth consecutive year whereby Sawyer accommodated over 50% of all passengers traveling to and from the Upper Peninsula's six commercial service airports, and now that Sawyer provides 100% jet service to three major large hub airports, airport officials believe that Sawyer will continue to grow in passenger use, therefore, providing enhanced terminal services and conveniences for Sawyer's passengers has been and will continue to be our priority."

Kaspari continued, "As the U.P., Michigan and U.S. economies continue to rebound, we are optimistic that Sawyer will see a steady increase of passengers, and with a historically busy summer travel season, providing restroom facilities for our passengers – especially those passengers that are seniors or parents with young children will no longer need to exit the secured gate area to use the restroom facilities in the lobby area of the terminal.

As we approach the 2011 summer travel season of June-July-August, we are optimistic that officials at Delta Airlines will be able to provide Sawyer multiple frequencies to both Detroit and Minneapolis, and combined with our existing service to Chicago O'Hare on American Eagle Airlines will provide multiple non-stop flights to Detroit, Minneapolis and Chicago for the benefit of Marquette County and passengers located throughout the Greater Upper Peninsula Region."



Sawyer is the Upper Peninsula's premiere commercial service airport, and the airport of choice for both business and leisure travelers. YTD-2010 records show that for the fifth year in a row, Sawyer accommodated over 50% of all passengers traveling to or from the U.P.'s six commercial service airports, and provides multiple daily departures major hub airports as Detroit and Chicago with all jet aircraft, and as of April 1, will see a return of service to Minneapolis-St. Paul.

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