

Commissioners Brief 24SEP2024

Donovan Jones - Granite County Airport Board Chairperson

- **Airport Layout Plan:**
 - No Updates from the FAA.
 - FAA has assigned a new person to our project (Carol).
 - No estimate has been presented on when we should expect approval.
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- **Airfield Beacon Replacement:**
 - Beacon major equipment has been ordered.
 - Anchor bolts and beacon expected in 4 weeks, tower in 10 weeks.
 - Airport Board members will either perform or manage the work required for this.
- **DNRC Coordination:**
 - No updates on DNRC review.
 - All requested information has been submitted.
 - Currently in review with Right of Way specialists.
- **Field Grounds Maintenance:**
 - 5010 report recommended repainting runway numbers, repairing damaged runway edge light, and adding a runway intersection sign.
 - Airport board members are coordinating a work party the weekend of 28SEP to:
 - Clear brush
 - Re-Paint runway numbers
 - Repair runway edge light
 - Replace windsocks (as required)
- **Hangar 1 Development:**
 - See proposed Hangar 1 & 2 development plan

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Riddick Field (U05) Hangar 1

Granite County Commissioners,

Please review the following development plan to upgrade Hangar 1 and 2 at Riddick Field, Philipsburg, MT.

Hangar 1 is currently owned by Granite County and leased to Mike Foley. Mr. Foley will soon be selling his aircraft and does not have a future need for the hangar space. Donovan Jones would like to propose that both Hangar 1 and Hangar 2 lease areas are combined to construct a larger 47' x 90' hangar with pilots office. Both hangars in question are in poor condition and in need of substantial repairs to be usable. This space would be sufficient for up to (3) smaller general aviation aircraft or (1) larger aircraft and would mainly serve transient aircraft. The proposed improvement would be fully funded and managed by Donovan Jones with construction estimated to start in the summer of 2025.

