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PAGE FIELD RECOGNIZED FOR SAFETY EFFORTS BY FAA

FORT MYERS, Fla. (Aug. 18, 2014) – The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Southern Region Airports Division honored Page Field with its 2013 General Aviation Airport Safety Award. This award is given annually to a general aviation airport that has taken actions, instituted programs or otherwise operated in a manner deserving of special recognition for improving airport safety.

Some of 2013 initiatives to promote and improve airport safety included the construction of an Airport Perimeter Road, which allowed operations and service vehicles access to various portions of the airport while reducing the need to operate on active runways and taxiways; providing a Professional Line Service Training program with an emphasis on safe procedures and policies for ground handling and fueling personnel; conducting Safety Risk Assessments to identify potential airfield hazards; and adopting a safety checklist for Aviation Day, a community event hosted by the Lee County Port Authority to promote airports and aviation in Southwest Florida.

“The Lee County Port Authority is focused on airfield safety at Page Field, our business and general aviation airport,” said Robert M. Ball, A.A.E., executive director of the Lee County Port Authority. “Our employees also proactively work with aircraft owners and tenants to encourage a safe operating environment”

The FAA Southern Region Airports Division manages airport planning, environmental, compliance, design and safety for eight southeastern states, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Page Field provides services to corporate, commercial and private aviators and accommodated more than 81,000 aircraft operations in 2013. No ad valorem (property) taxes are used for airport operation or construction. For more information, please visit www.flyfmy.com.