

# Airport News

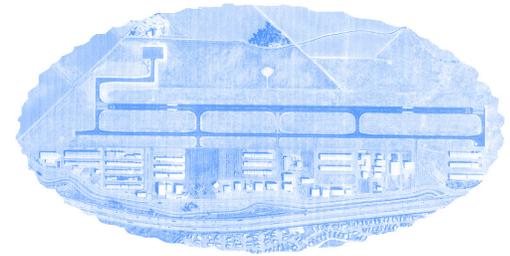
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## Insurance Requirements Change

Effective immediately hangar owners no longer need to include the City of Caldwell as an “Additional Insured” on their hangar certificate of insurance. It’s taken a long time and included input from hangar owners, insurance agents, our legal team and the City’s insurance team to finally reach the conclusion that all parties should remain appropriately covered after this change. The requirement to provide the insurance certificate itself at each renewal remains in place. If you have any questions about this change, please contact the airport manager.

## Snow

Snow removal. The several inches of un-forecast snow on Wednesday, the 8<sup>th</sup>, reminds us that forecasters only get it right sometimes! As I write this the street department is working to remove snow from the runway. The variety of temps, more predicted snow and typical uncertainty in the forecast process make it difficult to call exactly when to bring in the plows to be most efficient.

Private plows. Hangar owners with private snow moving equipment, please remember that almost all of the snow that you might like to ‘move’ is on concrete or asphalt that is either a taxiway, a taxi lane, or is in a taxi lane safety area. Our standard safety rules apply and are even more important in reduced visibility situations. Keep in mind, for example, that you definitely **should not** be driving a small snow removal vehicle on Taxiway C through the Red Zone at The Foxtrot Intersection. Please don’t do it again.

Trailers. Snow, snow removal and the aforementioned taxi safety areas bring trailers once again to the forefront. Several hangar owners have received airport manager permission to park a trailer on the field in a particular place for a specific reason. If you have not obtained airport manager permission for your trailer, then please remove it from the area inside the fence as soon as possible. This is an operational safety issue that cannot be ignored.





## Bob McGee Retires from Airport Commission

The past 30 some years Bob McGee has served on the Caldwell Airport Commission, with many of those years as Commission Chairman. His active service came to a close at the end of December 2013, when Bob decided to step down from the commission.

During those years Bob was involved in every major change that has occurred at Caldwell. He helped plan the move across town from the old airport location; saw hangars and the beacon tower moved; used what is now Taxiway A as the original runway; helped plan construction of what is now our runway; saw Caldwell go from no manager to a part-time manager and then to a full-time airport manager; witnessed the construction of many business and private hangars as our airport has grown over the years; and so much more.

I would like to personally thank Bob for those years of dedicated service to our airport and community. His wisdom and depth of knowledge will be missed on the airport commission.

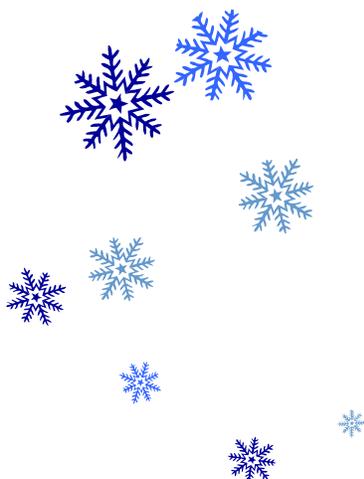
Bob will be publicly recognized for his 30+ years on the airport commission during an upcoming city council meeting. The date and time will be shared via our email list for those wishing to attend.



## New Airport Commissioners

Local pilots and hangar owners, Rob Herndon and Steve Kahn, volunteered, were appointed by the Mayor, and were then confirmed by the Caldwell City Council to be the newest members of the Caldwell Airport Commission.

The airport commission provides suggestions and recommendations to the city council, mayor and airport manager on matters related to operation and growth of the airport and the use of airport-owned lands. Meetings are held at noon on the first Thursday nine times per year. The current year's schedule is available through the airport web page.



## Wildlife Hazard Assessment

December's observations on and around our airport went very smoothly and got the program off to a great start. January visits are planned for the 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup>.

The dusk session on the runway and Taxiway A will be on the 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:15 – 7:00 pm.

There will be a NOTAM issued for that time period simply highlighting that something out of the ordinary is going on to draw extra attention and hopefully increase pilots' safety awareness.

## New Gas Line

The past couple of weeks you may have noticed flaggers and digging equipment working along Linden between Aviation Way and the Hubler Terminal. An Intermountain Gas contractor has been installing a new gas line to connect the gas main in front of the terminal to the main that is at the corner of Aviation Way and Linden Street. Among other benefits, the connection will provide for some pressure equalization, and gas customers, like Hubler Terminal, will now have redundant pathways for gas delivery that should provide additional reliability if something happens with one of the mains serving the terminal.

