Hello everyone, I can barely believe we find ourselves on the last day of August! This has been an extremely busy few months in my office at the airport and I apologize for not getting a report out sooner. Check out the goings on and new developments SFM has to share:

1. **Upcoming events**
   - 2016 Maine Model Jet Rally!
     - September 9th - 11th

   **Maine Model Jet Rally**
   - Parking is FREE 😊

   A SPECIAL NOTE TO OUR PILOTS: Please check NOTAMs frequently!

   - Young Eagles Flight Rally!

   - **Airport Advisory Committee Meeting** September 13th, 2016 at 8:00am 3rd Floor Conference Room, Sanford City Hall

   **Free Airplane Rides** ages 8–17

   **Sanford Seacoast Regional Airport**
   - **Young Eagles Flight Rally**
     - **Satuday September 17**
     - 9am–3pm

     Register in the lobby of Southern Maine Aviation (look for signage). Parents or legal guardian must be present to sign registration form.

     Sanford Seacoast Regional Airport
     199 Airport Road Sanford, Maine 04073

     THIS IS NOT A SANFORD SCHOOL SYSTEM SPONSORED EVENT
2. **Scholarship Opportunity!**
   From our FBO, Southern Maine Aviation,
   If you are interested in pursuing aviation as a career and are working on your Instrument, Commercial or CFI certifications, you should check out this scholarship opportunity! The deadline is October 3!
   [http://v1management.com/about/scholarships](http://v1management.com/about/scholarships)

3. **BIG CHANGES to runway condition reporting**
   The FAA begins to explain the changes to NOTAMs for runway conditions like this:
   The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and other members of the aviation community have developed new standards to improve safety at U.S. airports during inclement weather. On October 1, 2016, U.S. airports, airline flight crews, dispatchers, general aviation pilots, and air traffic controllers will begin using new Takeoff and Landing Performance Assessment (TALPA) standards to reduce the risk of runway overrun accidents and incidents due to runway contamination caused by weather and other factors.
   FAA’s article can be viewed here: [http://www.faa.gov/news/updates/?newsId=85985](http://www.faa.gov/news/updates/?newsId=85985)

   I have attached the Cert Alert from FAA that contains links to the webinar training sessions they are providing. As any other training opportunities present themselves I will work to get those out to you.

   Don’t forget I can set you up to receive email notifications for NOTAMs at SFM if you like. Just send me an email requesting you be added to the automatic notification list. Of course if you sign on and decide to change your mind let me know and I will remove your name.

4. **Sanford Airport Solar**
   I have been answering a lot of really good questions from tenants and users about the utility scale solar project at the airport. Ranger Solar and I are planning an informal open house of sorts on the project to be held sometime in September on the airport. We will have maps, layouts, and information for you to look at and we will stay around for a few hours to answer any questions people may have.

   This is a great project for the airport and the City; that being said I want to be absolutely clear that the priority of the airport will always be aviation. I want to make sure that your comments are heard and questions are answered. As we get closer to the end of the summer I will make sure I post the time and place of the open house in prominent locations, in the newsletter, and online to get the word out.
5. **Welcome Stantec, our new engineering firm!**

Following an exhaustive Request for Qualifications process, I am pleased to announce that the City has chosen Stantec as our new consulting firm. The firm performs a variety of services for the airport such as construction management, planning studies, feasibility studies, architectural services, preliminary engineering, design, engineering, surveying, land acquisition services, mapping or related services and so forth. Stantec brings to the table professionalism balanced with affability and immense experience and technological capability. Their aviation office is located right down 95 in Scarborough and they also service fifteen other airports in Maine.

Our next Airport Improvement Project is the design and construction of a snow removal equipment building to replace our current, woefully inadequate maintenance shop. The project, to be located off Presidential Lane on the west side of the airfield, includes office space for the airport manager and airport employees as well as about 1,300 linear feet of fencing and a gate that will secure the west side of the airfield. We have scoped the project and are working to nail down the contract for design, permitting, bidding, and construction administration for the project. We aim to go out to bid in early 2017 and begin construction next summer upon receipt of an FAA and MDOT grant. Once we are all moved in to the new facility the existing shop next to the fire station will be for sale as an aircraft hangar. We are so pleased and excited to be working with Stantec on such a great and much needed development on the airfield. Much more to come!
6. For Sale: City Hangar
The City is selling its hangar on the west side of the airfield. The listing is for 11 Presidential LN | Sanford asking $165,000 | 9,880 Sq. Ft total. This 8200sq ft hangar is located centrally on Taxiway C. It has 3 large doors that can be opened independently or all at once for a total opening of 69’. There are two offices and two bathrooms, one with a shower. The office space has been completely renovated and the largest office has, in my opinion, the best view of the airfield you can get from the ground. The building is for sale with a 20 year land lease from the city. The building must be used for aeronautical purposes and in its current condition is eligible for FBO status as an aircraft storage hangar; any other use may necessitate the installation of a fire suppression system.
Please don’t hesitate to contact myself or Gary Samia of Century 21 real estate at (207)324-4866.

Your airport manager,

Julien Sam