Yuma International Airport 🛥

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PORT OF OPPORTUNITY

Airport Press Release

FlyAZ Airport Passport Program now in Yuma County

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Yuma, AZ: Yuma is proud of its beautiful flying weather, so much so that the community rallied together with the record-breaking Endurance Flight back in October 1949 with the goal to encourage the military to have a permanent presence here.

Keeping with its dedication to promoting tourism and general aviation, the Yuma International Airport team is proud to announce its partnership with the Arizona Pilots Association and the launch of the Airport Passport Program at both Yuma International Airport and Rolle Airfield Airport located in San Luis, Arizona. Arizona's Airport Passport Program is designed to promote general aviation's use of 56 of Arizona's public-use airstrips and airports. Simultaneously the program is intended to help improve education and safety. This program encourages pilots to practice safety first flight planning as they plan their trips to many different airport environments and VFR weather conditions.

Airport Director Gladys Brown shared "The Airport is proud to bring this program to both Yuma International Airport and Rolle Airfield as we work hard to promote tourism, stimulate local businesses and attractions, and to generate a sense of camaraderie and purpose amongst pilots. It's another great opportunity to encourage people to visit and enjoy our community."

"What makes Arizona's program unique is instead of paper passport book and inked stamps, those who want to participate just need to scan a QR code on posted placards using the Fly AZ app and they are automatically logged as having visited a specific location." Brown continued. "We have posted the metal placard at the Self-Service fueling station and at the Customer Service desk inside Million Air here at Yuma International Airport and at Rolle Airfield Airport you will find the placard on the northwest corner of the hangar."



The application-based program is open to all FAA licensed pilots and those flying with them. The app, programmed by Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, will track progress and as pilots reach pre-set milestones. There are prizes for participation to be awarded for each level achieved. The mobile application is available in both iOS and Android formats. On the Google Play Store interested participants should search for FlyAZ by Lunar Languages Team and on the Apple App Store, it is listed under Fly AZ by Heather Marriott.

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