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New Event Center planned

Flight Line Enterprises, Craig Schiller, president, proposed to MAC that it be allowed to lease seven acres south and west of the ANE beacon light for an event center, restaurant, and aviation gift shop. This suggestion was well received by MAC. They have expressed a willingness to relocate the main gate and perimeter fence to follow the line of Airport Road. This would put Flight Line Cafe and Event Center outside the aviation security zone, but still on airport property. Access to the event center would be via a new road branching off the main entrance road. There would also be a walk-through gate from the aviation side of the fence.

The building would enclose 50,000 sq. ft. It would be divided in

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half by a central hall. Half would be devoted to special events: receptions, private parties, meetings, corporate and public events with seating for up to 800. The other half would be an aviation themed gift shop, restaurant and bar for seating up to 300 people. It is anticipated the restaurant would have a deck looking out across the airfield

to the northeast, providing diners with an unparalleled view of aircraft taking off and landing at one of the most diversified general aviation fields in the country. Plans call for food service seven days a week, three meals per day.

MAC has retained a consultant to determine fair rates and charges for a non-aviation facility. Until those numbers are available, no lease can be developed.