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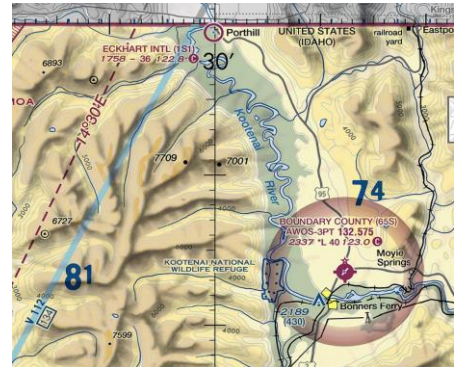
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SUBJECT: 2023 5010-1 Airport Inspection conducted June 29, 2023.  
(04294.01A Porthill, ID Eckhart International Airport)



Dan,

On June 29, Tim S. and I visited the airport to conduct the FAA 5010-1 Airport Safety Data Inspection. These inspections are performed under contract with the FAA on a three-year cycle. The completed process updates the Airport Master Record (FAA Form 5010) and several connected publications. I have summarized the inspection findings below:

### **Runway 15-33:**

At the time of the inspection, I found the turf runway 15/33 to be in good condition. The grass appeared to be well cared for and freshly mowed – it was mowed just a couple of days before I got there. The turf appears to be good and thick and looks healthy all throughout the entire length of the runway. The one thing I would like to mention again, is the 75 ft cottonwood tree that is dead smack in the middle of the final approach to Rwy. 15. Currently the tree is 670' away from the edge of the rwy. and it measures roughly 75' tall. When we landed, we had to come in from the North as the winds called for that approach and we got mighty close to that cottonwood tree. Anything and everything you can do to have it cut down would be a major safety improvement for all users of this airfield. As it stands now, that tree is penetrating the 20:1 slope by 40+ ft. and you know the saying "it is not a problem until it becomes one". So, I think it would be in everybody's best interest to have the two trees to the North of the rwy. (see pic with red markings below) completely removed.





**Taxiway: N/A**

**Ramp/Tiedowns:**

All tie-down spots are painted and easily identifiable. Of the 6 lower parking spots I counted, 6 had tie-down chains present. The upper two spots up by US Customs looked good and they had chains as well.





### **Windsock/Standard/Segmented Circle:**

The only windsock located on the east side of the airfield and closer to rwy. end 15, appeared to be in good condition and displayed good orange color - no fading. The sock was properly installed and showed no rips or tears. Both the standard and the half-segmented circle were all in good condition. All of them were easily recognizable, had decent paint, and visible from the air.



### **Boundary Markers (BMs):**

The painted rock boundary markers were in good physical condition. They were well put together and cared for. Overall, they had good vegetation control all around them. They had a good amount of paint coverage for the time being, however, I think that, in the next year or so, a new coat of white paint will do good and sharpen the visibility from the air.





### **Miscellaneous/Services:**

I am glad to see that the old sink hole that happened 3 yrs. ago, over by the lower tie-down parking area, has been taken care of. No other safety concerns or issues were observed at the time of the inspection.







If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out. Have a great day.

Sincerely,

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