November 9, 2022.

Charlie Chase, Park Manager
Hell’s Gate State Park
5100 Hell’s Gate Road
Lewiston, ID  83501

Subject:  2022 5010-1 Airport Inspection conducted August 12, 2022.
(04234.03*C   Lewiston   Snake River Seaplane Base)

Dear Charlie,

On August 12, 2022, I visited the sea plane base (SPB) 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 supporting the FAA and the National Airspace System (NAS). I have summarized the inspection findings below:

Of the areas that I could see and inspected at the facility, I found them to be in good condition and are still accurately depicted in the airport sketch. The obstructions for each approach do not appear to have changed much, and are accurately reflected in the FAA Airport Master Record. The power line to the south is still there and well-marked with white and orange balls as well as the power line to the North next to the bridge.

While looking around, I did not see or notice any device or windsock indicator of any kind. I know that you do not get much traffic at your facility, but if you found a way to install a windsock somewhere out in the open on the levy-by the entrance to the marina, I think that would enhance aviation safety and is the one things that I would do to improve the nice facility you have there.

Anyway, I saw no other safety concerns or hazards that need to be addressed at this time. If you have any questions, please call me directly at 208-334-8895. Have a great day.

Sincerely,

Florin Ghigina
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Airport Inspector/Obstructions Evaluator