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**Federal Aviation
Administration**

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Potomac Airfield
Attn: David Wartofsky
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RE: *(See attached Table 1 for referenced case(s))*
DETERMINATION OF LANDING AREA PROPOSAL

Table 1 - Letter Referenced Case(s)

ASN	Prior ASN	Location	Latitude (NAD83)	Longitude (NAD83)	AGL (Feet)	AMSL (Feet)
2009-AEA-31-NRA		FRIENDLY, MD	38-44-55.85N	76-57-18.46W	16	121

Description: Non rule only, no airspace required. Pre-Existing: AWOS was installed circa 1996. Located behind existing structure: Lighted Windsock No Frequency coordination Required: On Unicom/CTAF as per FCC 87.219. Frangible mountings/16' tall/co located w/existing lighting-

We have determined that the proposed public use landing area, will not adversely affect the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace by aircraft, provided:

- This is a generated ltr so somethings may not apply since you are established already. Our Air Traffic Division has stated 1) equipment is located on an existing structure below an obstruction light and 2)equipment location is fixed by function..

There is no objection to the AWOS and everything so far is good.

We recommend that:

- A clear 20:1 approach slope be established. If there are obstructions that penetrate the 20:1 approach surface, they should be removed or lowered. If the penetrating obstructions cannot be removed or lowered, we recommend that the thresholds be displaced and appropriately marked, so as to provide a clear 20:1 approach slope surface to each runway end.
- The centerline of an airport runway should have a lateral separation of at least 60 feet from roads and other objects for aircraft with approach speeds less than 50 knots and 120 feet for airplanes with approach speeds of 50 knots or greater.

Please notify the FAA within 15 days of completing the landing area by calling the FAA Area Flight Service Station (AFSS) serving your landing area to let them know you are activating the landing area while the Airport Master Record Form is being processed. Please tell the Flight Service Station representative that you have

received an aeronautical determination from the FAA, and supply them with the name of your landing area and the coordinates.

Please return the enclosed Airport Master Record form to this office. When the processing of the Airport Master Record form is completed, your landing area will have a site number and a permanent location identifier. Indicate whether or not you would like to have your landing area shown on aeronautical charts. Charting also depends on the amount of "clutter" already on the charts near your site.

In order to avoid placing any unfair restrictions on users of the navigable airspace, this determination is valid until August 5, 2010. Should the facility not be operational by this date, an extension of the determination must be obtained by 15 days prior to the expiration date of this letter.

This determination does not constitute FAA approval or disapproval of the physical development involved in the proposal. It is a determination with respect to the safe and efficient use of navigable airspace by aircraft and with respect to the safety of persons and property on the ground.

In making this determination, the FAA has considered matters such as the effects the proposal would have on existing or planned traffic patterns of neighboring airports, the effects it would have on the existing airspace structures and projected programs of the FAA, the effects it would have on the safety of persons and property on the ground, and the effects that existing or proposed manmade objects (on file with the FAA), and known natural objects within the affected area would have on the airport proposal.

The FAA cannot prevent the construction of structures near an airport. The airport environs can only be protected through such means as local zoning ordinances, acquisitions of property in fee title or aviation easements, letters of agreement, or other means.

This determination does not preempt or waive any ordinance, law, or regulation of any other governmental body or agency.

If you have any questions concerning this determination contact Sharon Perry, , (718)553-3341, sharon.perry@faa.gov.

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