

Fox Todd

From: Fox Todd
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2013 7:20 AM
To: Andy Perry
Cc: Baker Daniel; Bowling David; Fox Todd
Subject: RE: CEN13LA170 -- Safety Suggestions

Importance: High

Mr. Perry,

That is outstanding news... Thank you for your continued assistance with these safety improvements.

Sincerely,
Andrew Todd Fox
NTSB, Air Safety Investigator

From: Andy Perry [mailto:APerry [REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, March 08, 2013 1:36 PM
To: Fox Todd
Cc: Baker Daniel; Bowling David
Subject: RE: CEN13LA170 -- Safety Suggestions

We have ordered the reflectors.
Thanks
Andy

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From: Fox Todd [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2013 11:36 AM
To: Andy Perry
Cc: Fox Todd; Baker Daniel; Bowling David
Subject: FW: CEN13LA170 -- Safety Suggestions
Importance: High

Mr. Perry,

I have received confirmation (see below) that the FAA Airport Facility Directory will be updated to reflect that the runway 13/31 taxiway edges are marked by reflector posts and that the northwest end of runway 13-31 and parallel taxiway has a 16 foot descending embankment located off end of pavement. These items will be included in the May 2013 A/FD edition.

Please advise if the airport management will be able to install blue reflective posts at the end of the taxiway, as suggested in my original email dated 27 February 2013. The current use of red reflectors to mark the end of a taxiway is not consistent with standard airport markings.

Thank you for your continued assistance with this on-going investigation.

Sincerely,
Andrew Todd Fox
NTSB, Air Safety Investigator

From: noreply@faa.gov [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2013 11:08 AM
To: Fox Todd
Subject: Update to Airport Data Change EDC-130717

Andrew Todd Fox,

Your Airport Data Change has been accepted.

Airport Data Change : EDC-130717

Created: 02/27/2013 12:36:16 PM

Status: Completed

FAA Publication Date: 05/02/2013

NFDD: #45 (03/07/2013)

Contact Information

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Airport Change Details

Airport Data Change Type: PUBLIC

Airport Location Identifier: EDC

Airport Name: AUSTIN EXECUTIVE

Authorizing Official: Andrew Todd Fox, NTSB

Reference Document & Page: A/FD, South Central, Page 209

Additions: Rwy 13/31 taxiway edges are marked by reflector posts. Northwest end of Rwy 13/31 and parallel taxiway has a 16 foot descending embankment off end of pavement.

Deletions:

Revisions From:

Revisions To:

From: Fox Todd
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 12:05 PM
To: aperry@ [REDACTED]
Cc: Fox Todd; Baker Daniel; Bowling David
Subject: CEN13LA170 -- Safety Suggestions
Importance: High

Mr. Perry,

As per our on-going discussions about the taxiway overrun event that occurred on the evening of 16 February 2013, at Austin Executive Airport (KEDC), involving a Cessna 195 that had a landing light failure while taxiing to runway 13 for departure.

I have reviewed the available airport information included in the Airport Facility Directory, and noticed that the parallel taxiway servicing runway 13-31 was not identified as being marked by reflective posts. Additionally, the airport engineering survey indicates there is at least a 16 foot descending embankment immediately off the taxiway and runway pavement. In response to this accident, during which the accident airplane experienced a loss of external lighting while taxiing, I thought it beneficial to ask the FAA to mention the reflector posts along the taxiway edges and the 16 foot descending embankment.

Additionally, it is not a standard practice to identify the end of a taxiway with a red marker (lighted or unlit). All edges of a taxiway, including the ends, should be identified with a blue marker to avoid any confusion with existing runway identifiers.

In order to further enhance the safety of ground operations at Austin Executive Airport, I would suggest that blue reflective posts be installed along the taxiway ends, consistent with standard airport markings.

Please advise if the airport management will be able to make these safety enhancements to your taxiway environment.

Sincerely,
Andrew Todd Fox
NTSB, Air Safety Investigator

From: noreply@faa.gov [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 11:36 AM
To: Fox Todd
Subject: Airport Data Change Receipt: EDC-130717

Andrew Todd Fox,

Your Airport Data Change has been received.

You will be notified once your submission has been processed.

Airport Data Change : EDC-130717

Created: 02/27/2013 12:36:16 PM

Status: In Progress

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