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LEE COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY HELD GRAND OPENING FOR NEW MULTI-USE HANGAR AT PAGE FIELD

FORT MYERS, Fla. (Oct. 16, 2019) – The Lee County Port Authority, Board of Port Commissioners, business partners and Florida Department of Transportation held a grand opening for the new Multi-Use Hangar at Page Field (FMY) in Fort Myers, Fla., on Oct. 10, 2019.

The new Multi-Use Hangar is 24,000 square feet with four crew offices. The project also included 58,000 square feet of paved apron, which will help address the seasonal demand for aircraft ramp parking. The cost for the new hangar was more than \$7 million, with 50 percent being funded by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT).

"Business at Page Field has continued to flourish with more flight activity and an increased demand for space to house aircraft, as well as provide additional tenant support and services," said Jeff Mulder, A.A.E, executive director of the Lee County Port Authority. "This new hangar contributes to positive development in Lee County and will meet future needs of business and general aviation in Southwest Florida."

Page Field is one of the busier general aviation facilities in the state with more than 98,000 operations in 2018 and serves as a Federal Aviation Administration-designated reliever airport for Southwest Florida International Airport. The 2019 FDOT Economic Impact Study shows the benefit of Page Field is \$385 million annually to the region and supports more than 3,328 jobs.

The Lee County Port Authority operates Southwest Florida International Airport and Page Field in Fort Myers. Page Field provides services to corporate, commercial and private aviators through their business arm, Base Operations at Page Field. No ad valorem (property) taxes are used for airport operation or construction. For more information, please visit www.flylcpa.com.