

SUPERIOR AIRPORT MASTER PLAN - 2001



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- Exhibit C: Letter dated 3/9/2001
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- Exhibit E: Letter dated 4/16/2001
Arizona State Land Department (w/Attachment & Response)
- Exhibit F: Letter dated 4/25/2001
Arizona Game and Fish Department (w/Attachment)
- Exhibit G: Letter dated 5/3/2001
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Project Status Summary - Superior Airport Master Plan -
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E-mail letter from James D. Timm, President - Arizona Pilots Association -
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Press Release #1: Superior Airport Master Plan -
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Letter from Gary Adams, Director - ADOT-Aeronautics Division (review comments)
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Letter from N. Pela, Senior Airport Planner - Gannett Fleming, Inc. (Response to
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