



SAFETY RECOMMENDATION SR19-00012

Details

Synopsis	On March 4 th , 2019, the AAIA was made aware via its voluntary reporting system, of unsafe conditions at the Rum Cay Airport due to wildlife (livestock) trespassing onto the active runway.
Recommendation	<p>To the Airport Authority. The Airport Authority should immediately seek to implement appropriate measures to mitigate against wildlife accessing the restricted areas of the aerodrome. This can include ensuring adequate perimeter fencing and/or a wildlife monitoring program.</p> <p>The basis for this recommendation is found in Schedule 21 to the Bahamas Civil Aviation General Regulations 21.300 (a) (1) (2) Wildlife Hazard Reduction that states:</p> <p>(a) Each applicant for an aerodrome certificate shall, where any wildlife presents a hazard to aircraft operations at the aerodrome, establish in areas within their authority an environmental management program to minimize or eliminate such wildlife hazards which—</p> <p>(1) identifies and describes the risks associated with all wildlife hazards at or near the aerodrome that might affect the safe operation of aircraft, including the proximity of any waste disposal facility or migration route affecting wildlife populations near the aerodrome;</p> <p>(2) specifies the particular measures that are used by the operator of the aerodrome to manage or mitigate the risks;</p>
Original Recommendation Transmittal Letter	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  Safety Recommendation Transmittal Letter SI-19-00012.pdf </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  Safety Recommendation SI-19-00012.pdf </div> </div>
Overall Status	Closed - Acceptable Action
Location	Rum Cay, Bahamas
Accident Number	A19-000009
Serious Incident Report	Voluntary Confidential Report- Livestock Observed on Active Runway
Serious Incident Date	4 th March, 2019
Issue Date	4 th March, 2019
Date Closed	17 th February, 2020
Addressee(s)	Milo B. Butler III – Director Ex-Officio- Airport Authority
Addressee(s) Response	Closed – Acceptable Action

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Safety Recommendation History

From	AAIA
To	Director Ex Officio – Airport Authority
Date	5 th March, 2019
Response	 Safety Recommendation Transmittal Letter SI-19-00012.pdf  Safety Recommendation SI-19-00012.pdf

From	AA
To	AAIA
Date	4 th March, 2019
Response	The Family Island Airport Division (FIAD) of the Airport Authority (AA) issued a NOTAM advising airmen to overfly the field prior to landing.

From	AAIA
To	AA
Date	4 th March, 2019
Response	The AAIA advised that the FIAD's response was inadequate because it did not provide a solution with regards to aircraft attempting to take off.

From	AA
To	AAIA
Date	5 th March, 2019
Response	The FIAD responded by advising that they will NOTAM the airstrip as closed until they can resolve the strayed livestock issue and erect a proper perimeter fence line to prevent wildlife from accessing the airfield. The FIAD also advised that they requested the assistance of the Ministry of Public Works to issue a tender for the repair and installation of perimeter fencing for the Rum Cay Airport.

From	AA
To	AAIA
Date	17 th February, 2020
Response	As a final update, the FIAD advised that there has been an installation of barb wire on a 4x4 post around the perimeter of the airfield which will prevent wildlife from gaining access.