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**Federal Aviation
Administration**

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Dear Arizona Flight Training Workgroup Members:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your partnership in assisting the Federal Aviation Administration in its role of providing air traffic services during the recent Super Bowl XLII Weekend.


The Super Bowl and Phoenix-FBR Open Golf Tournament created an unprecedented large volume of transient air traffic at all airports in the Phoenix area. This traffic increase would have certainly impacted the availability of air traffic control services normally available in support of the significant flight training that occurs in the Phoenix Terminal Area.

The initiative demonstrated by the AFTW to encourage its members to pursue non-flying activities during this period and in particular, the morning of Monday, February 4th contributed greatly to the safety and efficiency of the National Airspace System.

You are also to be commended for taking advantage of Monday, February 4th as the time to hold the Flight Training Expo. This collaborative effort by the members of the AFTW increased awareness of your organization and was used as an opportunity to increase awareness of FAA Safety Programs.

On behalf of the men and women of the air traffic control facilities in the Arizona District, I thank you all.

Sincerely,


Phillip D. Thornton
Arizona District Manager