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## **XWA to host First Air Show Sept. 11**

Williston Basin International Airport (XWA) is gearing up for its first annual air show on Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. The event is free and open to the public!

The gates will open at 7 a.m. with a Fly-in Pancake Breakfast hosted by the Williston Lions Club. A free will offering will be accepted. The morning will also feature static exhibits and simulators, a ribbon cutting and open house, aircraft performances and fun activities for people of all ages until noon.

"This air show will provide family- friendly activities that focus on improving the quality of life in the community," said Williston Airport Director Anthony Dudas. "People can experience the airport facility and get to know the XWA staff, not only for flying, but during an entertaining event."

The air show's top performers are all North Dakota-based; coming from Minot and Jamestown. These acts include nationally recognized performers Kent Pietsch, Warren Pietsch, Jarrod Lindemann and Paul Lindemann. The community will get a chance to speak to the pilots and look at the aircrafts before the air show. The entertainers will provide a variety of acrobatic routines that are sure to entertain!

"I think this will be a high energy and exciting air show for the community," Dudas said.

The following is the Schedule of Events:

7 a.m. Fly-in Pancake Breakfast provided by the Williston Lions Club

7 - 10 a.m. Ground Exhibits

Aircraft rides provided by Overland Aviation (\$25 per person)

Medical Aircraft Display

UAS Drone Display provided by Vantis  
Williston High School's Aviation program exhibit  
Flight Simulators

9 a.m. Custom and Border Protection Facility/Overland Aviation Ribbon Cutting

10-11 a.m. Air Show

12 p.m. Event closes

There will be some limited seating as well as VIP tents for purchase. Dudas recommends that you bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit back, relax and enjoy the air show!

"Our goal for this event is to provide a safe, fun event that we are able to make bigger and better every year," Dudas said.