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Jackson Hole Airport Brings Home Two Awards for Snow Plow Operations

Kody Jeppson wins Operator of the Year and JAC is recognized for snow and ice control.

Jackson, Wyoming – The Jackson Hole Airport brought home two awards from the International Aviation Snow Symposium that was held in Buffalo, NY. Airport Staff attended the 53rd Annual Symposium on April 30th where they received the Balchen/Post Award. Local Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighter, Kody Jeppson, was also named Operator of the Year.

"We are proud of the entire winter operations staff at the Jackson Hole Airport for their ongoing commitment to excellence. To have Kody recognized as well as the Airport is recognition of the great work being done here at JAC." stated Rick Braun, Jackson Hole Airport Board President.

Kody Jeppson, a member of JAC's Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting team, received the Operator of the Year Award for small commercial airports at the same event. Recipients of this award are judged on their years of experience, skills, training, types of equipment operated, shift/hours worked, leadership attributes, educational/technical knowledge, unique situation(s)/event(s) during the 2018-19 winter season and other relevant information.

The Bachlen/Post Award is given to airports for their dedicated efforts in maintaining their airports in safe and operational status during the 2018-19 winter season. Recommendations for this award come from airport users, airlines, pilots, general aviation, the military and the aviation community. The Jackson Hole Airport received recognition as an Honorable Mention for the Bachlen/Post Award in the small commercial airport category.

The Northeast Chapter of the American Association of Airport Executives and the American Association of Airport Executives partner each year to hold the Symposium to bring together hundreds of airports across the country's snow belt to discuss and work on ways to improve airfield snow removal and winter operations.

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