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Sawyer Airport plane goes missing

By Beef Sherwin

crocodile chief

Sawyer International Airport officials reported Wednesday, March 26 a plane allegedly heading towards Chicago disappeared after changing courses.

At 6 a.m. Tuesday, March 25, airport officials said a custom-built Embraer ERJ-145 airplane carrying rock salt and a large shipment of meat pasties disappeared off of Upper Peninsula radars after departing from Sawyer at 8 p.m. Tuesday. The aircraft was transporting crates of area-made pasties, along with boxes of Blackrocks Brewery contents and rock salt created for spreading on icy roads.

Officer Guy "Man" Acoti, head of the U.S. Coast Guard Marquette dispatchment leading the search for the lost plane, said the plan is suspected to have flown a different direction than originally scheduled.

"Not much is known about the craft at this point," Acoti said.



Possible evidence of a crash site for the ERJ-145 airplane that went missing from Sawyer Airport on Tuesday, March 25 was discovered on Lake Superior on Wednesday, March 26. Pasties can be seen floating to the surface.

"We know the plane was originally bound for Chicago and was supposed to take a shipment of pasties and rock salt to its destination. We are not sure what could have gone wrong but we must assume it was highly catastrophic."

According to Yoop University's public defense department, the institution was due to receive a new shipment of sand from a Chicago-based source due to the lack of sand during winter months. However, road commis-

sion volunteer Buck Grinder said there was a different reason behind flying rock salt away from Marquette.

"Rock salt is bad for Lake Superior," Grinder said. "From what we know, that plane may

have been leaving with the last supply of it in the whole Upper Peninsula."

According to Sawyer International, the plane was last reported about 10 miles away from the tarmac before all radio transmission and signal was cut from the aircraft. Search crews and emergency personnel were summoned immediately to begin searching the spans of land between Sawyer and Chicago, which is roughly 500 billion square miles according to professional geographers.

Fred Dingus, chief inspector and investigator of flight manifests at Sawyer International, said there are other theories behind the disappearance that will make this a difficult search.

"With that kind of area, it is going to be a very difficult search," Dingus said. "First of all, there are many different theories. The plane could have flown somewhere else. Aliens could have taken it, for all we know at

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Mine apologizes to future generations

By Anderson Yooper

marijuana editor

In a shock to the local community and industry broadly, Vulture Mine issued a "public apology to future generations" Tuesday, March 25 in an apparent effort to redeem the environmental impacts from the mine's construction.

The apology focuses on the future ecological and economic costs that the mine would produce.

"After long deliberation and much conversation, we feel strongly that our means of profit are to the detriment of present and forthcoming generations," Vulture Mine wrote. "The costs frankly outweigh the benefits. If we were to fund the cleanup that would proceed, we would go bankrupt. We don't want to put that burden on unborn children."

Vulture Mine, owned by

Sunbeam Mining, is allowed to dispose of "up to 500,000 gallons of treated water per day," according to its water discharge permit issued by the Michigan Department of Pollution Quality (MDPQ).

"That's a stupid amount of power given to a company of our nature," Vulture public relations official Nad Blowhard said. "We're pumping mercury, uranium, you name it back into the water supply. We aren't 'treating' it appropriately. I don't even know how we'd do that."

MDPQ official Stephanie



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Smoking ban takes backsies

By Huntress A. Thomson

news monkey

Since May 1, 2010 citizens of the State of Michigan have been bound by Michigan's Smoke Free Air Law that extinguishes smoking from restaurants, bars and businesses.

Starting Fall 2014 semester, Yoop University's President Dan Huggies said that ban will no longer be the case for students and faculty who are avid smokers on campus.

"I'm all about giving the students what they want," Huggies said. "Smoking is a natural part of this generation and I'll be damned if I keep them from that. After all, our slogan is 'Northern. Naturally.' And what's more natural than smoking a cigar in the lower level of the LRC, drinking Starbucks and doing some late night studying."

While many other Michigan campuses are eliminating it all together Huggies said that smoking would no longer be restricted to



Anderson Yooper and Isadora Jarr, editors at The Southern Blow, exercise their newly retained rights to smoke within buildings at Yoop U.

the 30-foot rule outside of campus buildings and residence halls.

"The winters are hard on us up here," Huggies said. "I can't argue with a student wanting to smoke inside their dorm when it's 30 below zero outside. It's hard to enjoy a nice smoke when you're up to your knees in snow."

AYOOPU President Blonde

Potola said one of the biggest benefits of this new law would be the time saved for students and faculty.

"There's nothing more frustrating than having a break in class that's not long enough to finish a cigarette and being the

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