This committee needs active leadership from its constituency.

This is just an informational report for SSA interest.

There are at least five fewer commercial operators than in 2018.

1. Stowe Soaring closed as a result of the 2018 fatality accident involving the owner.

2. Teton Aviation ceased glider operations as a result of the 2018 fatality accident. I was told the owner no longer has any interest in glider operations. A local group of pilots had bought a C180 tow plane, but it was wrecked.

3. Citrus Soaring owner Franklin Burbank ceased operations to move to Bermuda High Soaring when he is an instructor, examiner, and tow pilot. He replaces Frank Reid as instructor and DPE.


5. Sylvania Soaring Adventures ceased operations in June 2019, citing insurance costs. The owner gave locals some time to start a club, but apparently that didn’t get traction, so he started selling off his fleet.