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Location Selection Paves Way for Utah Hospitality Project

San Antonio, Texas—Airmen and their families could soon enjoy Olympic-style ski and recreation areas as the Air Force has selected a location for a proposed hospitality development in Utah.

The Air Force has selected The Canyons ski resort in Summit County, Utah, as the future location of a commercial hospitality development. The Canyons ski resort, which is also approximately 39 miles southeast of Hill Air Force Base in Ogden, Utah, is owned and operated by Talisker Developments Incorporated, a subsidiary of global private development company Talisker Corporation.

Mr. Robert M. Moore, Air Force Real Property Agency director, approved the selection, after successful discussions with local community representatives on the location of the proposed hotel. With a location now selected, the Air Force can begin working out project specifics with the Wadman Corporation, the development company set to build the project.

“With the Air Force's selection of The Canyons resort area for a privately funded Air Force recreation facility, we look forward to discussions on location specific details and trust we'll be able to reach an agreement for this facility soon,” said Maj. Gen. Andrew E. Busch, Ogden Air Logistics Center Commander. “We will be working to bring world class recreation opportunities for our Service members one step closer to reality. We see this as a positive step forward and want to thank our friends in Park City, Summit County and Utah for their support in making this happen.”

The project was developed after the Air Force agreed to transfer the Hill Haus recreation lodge to local communities to provide facilities for the 2002 Winter Olympics.

AFRPA has worked with representatives from local communities, and the Utah Military Installation Development Authority to identify a location for the project that meets Air Force needs and provides benefit to the nearby Park City and Summit County communities.

“The selection of Talisker underscores the value of the collaboration and partnership the Air Force shares with the people of Utah,” Mr. Moore said. “Talisker's on-site mountain location, immediate access to adjacent comparable facilities, existing branding (The Canyons) and strong relationship with Summit County and Park City Utah were important reasons behind our selection.”

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