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### **FLYING ALL 50**

FLY8MA Promotes Aviation Education with Cross-Country Adventure

ANCHORAGE, July 1st, 2019 -- FLY8MA Founder and Chief CFI Jon Kotwicki has set off on a trip flying a Cessna from Alaska to Florida, and from there all 48 remaining states. The trip will last two years, and is being well documented on the FLY8MA Vlog Channel and Flight Instruction Channel. The purpose of the trip is to attract more interest to GA, and promote aviation safety with "real-world" flying experiences that occur on long cross country flights.

In August of 2018, Jon left his job as an airline pilot to return to being a CFI and seize this opportunity to promote GA.

"Flying a Cessna was my first love of aviation, it was my starting point in this amazing community, and I want as many people as possible to have that same experience I was lucky enough to have."

-Jon Kotwicki

Jon and his team are flying their airplane from state to state, and chasing the airplane with a camper trailer that serves as a mobile office to facilitate managing the logistics of the trip, and creating the educational content along the way. The key goals of this trip are:

- Provide 10 free discovery flights in each state to a follower or subscriber who has not yet taken the plunge to pursue training. Provide them the easy next steps to pursue aviation.
- Produce engaging vlog style videos documenting the trip, as well as educational and flight safety oriented videos.
- Inspire individuals, and show how easy it is to become a pilot, and fly across our amazing country.
- Provide a FAAST Wings safety seminar in every state.
- Help current pilots improve their skills, and highlight GA friendly airports and places to get people out there and flying!
- Incorporating real-world experiences into the online ground school at fly8ma.com

The two year trip will have over 1,000 hrs of flying, 300+ videos on YouTube and the website, over 120TB of content, and visiting approximately 500+ airports.

Please visit [www.fly8ma.com/trip](http://www.fly8ma.com/trip) or contact Casey King for more information.

### **Background:**

FLY8MA.com was founded by Jon Kotwicki in early 2018 as his way of giving back to GA. After Jon left instructing for the airlines, there were so many students he was not able to fly with and help achieve their goals in person, that he decided to create a website that would offer a free private pilot ground school giving students the best foundation possible for success in flight training. After spending months learning how to write code, and over a hundred hours flying with GoPros and countless more editing footage, FLY8MA.com was born in January 2018. Today FLY8MA.com has over 12,400 students, enrolled in Private Pilot, Instrument, and Commercial Pilot ground schools, as well as many other courses on the site.