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PHOENIX SKY HARBOR
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Passengers do not have access to secure areas at any time of the day or night without going through an appropriate screening process.

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