Minden airport center of high-altitude research

Douglas County's Minden-Tahoe Airport is preparing to host a series of landmark test flights in spring and summer 2012 by the Perlan Project.

The project, currently in phase two, has a goal of designing and building a high-altitude research glider to study the meteorological impact of a jet stream that circles the Polar Regions during the polar night called the "polar vortex."

Contact Bobbi Thompson at the airport (775.782.9871) to learn more about the project.