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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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To: Airport Manager, San Francisco International Airport (SFO), CA, FAA (AAS -1, ATM SFO Tower) 2208606

Info: FAA (AAS-300, AWP-600, AFS-260, AJV-A, AFS-200, AVP-1, AVP-200, Director of Air Traffic Operations WSA, Runway Safety Team), A4A, AAAE, ALPA, APA, ASAP, ATSAP, ATSG, CAPA, IATA, IBT, ICAO, ICASS, IFALPA, IPA, NATCA, NTSB, RAA, SWAPA

From: Becky L. Hooey, Director
NASA Aviation Safety Reporting System

Re: SFO Airport Taxiway Signage and Markings

We recently received ASRS reports describing a safety concern that may involve your area of operational responsibility. We do not have sufficient details to assess either the factual accuracy or possible gravity of the report. It is our policy to relay the reported information to the appropriate authority for evaluation and any necessary follow-up. We feel you should be aware of the enclosed deidentified report.

To properly assess the usefulness of our alert message service, we would appreciate it if you would take the time to give us your feedback on the value of the information that we have provided. Please contact Dr. Becky Hooey at (408) 541-2854 or email at becky.l.hooey@nasa.gov.



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ACN 2208606**DATE / TIME**

Date of Occurrence	202502
Local Time Of Day	No Local Time Of Day Stated

PLACE

Locale	SFO.Airport
State	CA
Altitude - AGL	0

ENVIRONMENT

Weather	Rain
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AIRCRAFT / EQUIPMENT X

ATC / Advisory - Ground	SFO
Make Model Name	Commercial Fixed Wing
Operating Under FAR Part	121

PERSON 1

Function - Flight Crew	Captain
Function - Flight Crew	Pilot Flying
ASRS Report Number	2208606

EVENTS

Anomaly	Deviation / Discrepancy - Procedural - Clearance
Anomaly	Ground Incursion - Taxiway
Detector - Person	Flight Crew
Result - Flight Crew	Requested ATC Assistance / Clarification
Result - Air Traffic Control	Issued New Clearance

NARRATIVE 1

Clearance from Spot XX SFO was, A B1 Z S 10L. Turned left on B1 and continued straight to turn left on Z. I think B1 if you go straight turns into Q but hard to determine from signage. Very confusing area. I should have made a left on B1 and followed it north to Z. Then while discussing this with FO, I passed by S and stopped. Ground then cleared us Z C C3 10L. Learned a good lesson. B1 Q and Z is a very confusing area.

SYNOPSIS

Air carrier Captain reported SFO airport taxiway markings in the area of B1, Q, and Z are confusing and could be improved.