

AP/AL: Allocation

Project Type: Planning

Category: Transportation

Location: Statewide

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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2008 - 06/30/2013

Appropriation: Airport Improvement Program

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

This project was requested in the Governor's Supplemental Budget. Conduct planning and analysis related to improving the safety and capacity of the state aviation system as well as associated environmental and public concerns. This project contributes to the Department's Mission by reducing injuries, fatalities and property damage, by improving the mobility of people and goods and by increasing private investment.

Funding:	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	Total
Fed Rcpts							\$0
Total:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On-Going
5% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill	

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
<u>One-Time Startup:</u>	0	
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

FY2008 - \$4,500,000; FY2007 - \$2,500,000; FY2005 - \$2,700,000; FY2004 - \$600,000; FY2003 - \$2,200,000; FY2002 - \$700,000; FY2001 - \$700,000; FY2000 - \$700,000; FY1999 - \$700,000. This is an on-going program.

Project Description/Justification:

This project consists of the following planning tasks associated with the management and improvement of the state's aviation infrastructure.

1. Continuous update of the 1996 Alaska Aviation System Plan as required by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), including inventory of current system, identification of system needs, forecast demand and other elements as outlined in FAA Advisory Circular 150/5070-7.
2. Develop and maintain a continuously updated list of prioritized projects and a five-year Spending Plan.
3. Develop and review state policies regarding airport improvements, maintenance and operations.
3. Continue development of a pavement management system to establish pavement condition index baselines, amount and direction of change and identify pavement rehabilitation needs.
4. Develop updated Airport Layout Plans including Land Use, Airport Property Maps, and land occupancy drawings for selected airports.
5. Acquire aerial imagery at selected airports.
6. Evaluate and update aviation design, construction and maintenance standards.
7. Develop aviation plans to address regional aviation issues of special concern.
8. Evaluate Runway Safety Area development practicability at selected airports.

9. Evaluate and participate in implementation of the CAPSTONE program.
10. Develop and maintain interactive computer assisted training for Part 139 Certificated airports.
11. Evaluate penetrations to imaginary airspace surfaces surrounding airports.
12. Wildlife hazard assessment, evaluations and Wildlife Hazard Management Plans at selected airports.
13. Develop aviation related information in electronic, digital, internet accessible and/or Geographic Information System (GIS) format and convert existing older paper based information to these formats.
14. Evaluate technical issues.
15. Update signage, land use and runway safety area management plans.
16. Undertake noise analysis at selected airports.
17. Continue to support availability and disparity studies as required to comply with Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) requirements.
18. Develop an analysis of airport improvement accomplishments and remaining needs to meet current standards and evaluate potential changes to standards.
19. Fund other aviation planning work as needed.
20. Coordinate and fund legal research and determinations for Statewide Aviation issues.
21. Fund training as required at certificated airports.

The State owns or operates approximately 256 Rural System airports. Some of these airports are highly regulated Part 139 certificated airports. Most state-owned airports have federal funding obligations that create additional management and grant compliance issues. Many of these airports are substandard and need improvement. The State seeks federal Airport Improvement Program (AIP) funding for these improvements. There is a need to convert paper based information to digital information for improved and more efficient access by the public and other information users. Recent advances in satellite based technology such as the global positioning system (GPS) and other electronic navigation equipment is creating additional demands for nighttime and Instrument Flight Rule aircraft operations. This creates additional demands and expectations by airport users, the FAA and the general public. These demands create a need for a significant level of continuous aviation system planning work.