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KDOT announces Kansas airport improvement projects

Topeka – Twenty projects at 18 airports have been selected for Kansas Airport Improvement Program (KAIP) funding for planning, constructing or rehabilitating public use general aviation airports.

The aviation industry represents \$20.6 billion economic impact and employs more than 92,000 Kansans.

“Kansas is known as the ‘Air Capital of the World’ for good reason, and we are working to grow every segment of the aviation industry,” said Gov. Jeff Colyer. “These projects will make our citizens safer and bolster the infrastructure that launched our aviation pioneering legacy.”

The KAIP program requires airport sponsors to share in project costs by paying a portion of the total project. The KDOT Division of Aviation, which manages the program, considered 148 project applications this year with a combined total value of more than \$42 million.

“This \$3 million combined award will satisfy the top 20 aviation projects,” said Bob Brock, KDOT Director of Aviation. “And we will aggressively pursue additional opportunities to meet aviation needs statewide.”

Kansas communities are engaged more than ever in growing their airports as economic development engines.

“The applications we receive each year for KAIP projects are very competitive, indicating the value local officials attach to maintaining and developing their airports,” said Secretary Richard Carlson. “KAIP allows us to advance the effectiveness of our airport system on a statewide basis.”

Communities selected for funding and the amount requested include:

Baldwin city – Replace Fuel System, \$23,970

Benton – Taxiway maintenance and repair, \$216,198
Cimarron – Install aviation fueling system, \$110,500
Eureka – Replace AWOS, \$110,173
Great Bend – Mill and overlay runway 17/35, lights & signs rehab, \$495,092
Harper – Obstruction mitigation, \$87,120
Hiawatha – Airport Development Plan Phase II, \$61,750
Hoxie – Reconstruct Runway 17-35, \$660,000
Johnson – Taxilane reconstruction, \$273,000
Marion – Airport development planning, \$42,750
Marion – Land acquisition for safety and development, \$122,400
Medicine Lodge – Install aviation fueling system, \$109,225
Moundridge – Relocate taxiway, \$225,000
Pleasanton – Install solar runway edge lights and PAPI systems, \$193,500
Quinter – Airport GIS survey, \$95,000
Rose Hill – Pavement maintenance and repair, \$9,000
St. Francis/Cheyenne Co. – Install utilities for new hangar complex, \$34,200
St. Francis/Cheyenne Co. – Fuel system improvements, \$17,000
Wellington – Design GA apron reconstruction, \$71,250
Winfield/Ark City – Design new taxilanes for T-hangar, \$38,000

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