KDOT announces Kansas airport improvement projects

Topeka – Thirty-two projects have been selected for Kansas Airport Improvement Program (KAIP) funding for the purpose of planning, constructing or rehabilitating public use general aviation airports.

KAIP receives $5 million annually through the IKE transportation program and requires airport sponsors to share in the project costs by paying a minimum of 5% of the total project.

“Aviation currently represents $20.6 billion in total economic impact for the State of Kansas,” said Gov. Laura Kelly. “Working together, the Kansas Department of Transportation, the Federal Aviation Administration and local communities are enhancing the safety of our transportation infrastructure and expanding this economic impact.”

The selection board prioritized airport improvements that deliver the most significant impact across the entire state. Most of these projects contribute to flight safety and/or positive economic impact for their region.

“Aviation is a particularly important mode of transportation for Kansas industry and the delivery of healthcare services and disaster relief,” said Transportation Secretary Julie Lorenz. “These airport improvements are a few of many important efforts to empower aviation economic growth across our entire state.”

“KDOT's Division of Aviation reviewed 93 project applications this year with a combined total project value of over $27 million,” said Bob Brock, Director of Aviation. “The 32 projects we’ve selected will have positive impacts on the health, safety and economy of our state.”

Communities selected for funding and amount awarded include:

**ATCHISON** – Replace 12,800 square feet of apron and taxiway in front of north hangar - $144,000

**CHANUTE** – Reconstruct pavement in front of community hangar - $72,000
DODGE CITY – Crack seal runway - $25,461
ELKHART / MORTON COUNTY – 5% match to FAA grant for runway rehabilitation - $36,750
ELKHART / MORTON COUNTY – Replace runway lighting system - $12,733
EMPORIA – Design runway extension - $154,850
FORT SCOTT – Upgrade fueling system - $17,000
GOODLAND – Continue Taxiway B replacement - $342,000
GREAT BEND – Mill and overlay 2,000 feet of Taxiway A - $148,950
HIAWATHA – Install edge lighting on Runway 10/28 - $136,000
KINSLEY – Crack and slurry seal and replace markings on taxiway and Runway 18/36 - $235,000
LAKIN / KEARNY COUNTY – Asphalt overlay/crack sealing/replace runway markings - $96,840
LAWRENCE – Repair hangar-adjacent pavements - $184,435
LEAVENWORTH – Replace fuel dispenser damaged in flooding - $35,550
NESS CITY – Automated Weather Observation System (AWOS) - $214,500
OLATHE / JOHNSON COUNTY – Security gates - $140,250
OLATHE / JOHNSON COUNTY – Crack sealing materials - $14,400
OLATHE / NEW CENTURY – Replace air traffic control recorders - $51,000
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PARSONS / TRI CITY – Taxiway A rehabilitation - $135,000
PRATT – Rehabilitate fueling/tiedown apron - $180,000
ROSE HILL – Add security gates - $51,000
ROSE HILL – Crack seal taxiways and runways - $13,500
SABETHA – Survey, Airport Layout Plan and obstacle evaluation - $285,000
SCOTT CITY – Construct new taxiway connections - $142,080
SMITH CENTER – Resealing concrete joints and remarking Runway 14/32 - $235,155
ST. FRANCIS / CHEYENNE COUNTY – Extend taxiway for new business - $157,500
ST. FRANCIS / CHEYENNE COUNTY – Install light pole with LEDs - $15,750
SYRACUSE – Crack seal asphalt damaged by snow plowing - $18,000
ULYSSES – Rehabilitate Runway 17/35 - $570,000
ULYSSES – Replace runway edge lights - $381,000
WINFIELD – Construct new taxi lanes to new hangars - $288,000

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