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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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