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State Receives Nearly Four Million Dollars for Airport Improvements

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Congressman Jerry Moran today announced that 13 Kansas airports have received \$3,779,816 for airport improvements and upgrades. The funding, announced today, comes from the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

"Maintaining air service in our smaller communities is important for area residents and brings new business opportunities, which is a boost to the local economy," Moran said. "The improvements to safety and efficiency at our Kansas airports will help keep air service available to Kansans."

The airports applied for the grant funding through the AIP. The program reinvests revenues collected from the aviation industry and air travelers in capacity and safety projects at U.S. airports. Moran recently met with FAA Airport Administrator Woodie Woodward to make sure adequate funding is available for small airports in Kansas.

The following Kansas airports received grant funding:

- Belleville Municipal Airport. \$140,000 for the rehabilitation of the runway and to update the Airport Master Plan Study.
- Clay Center Municipal Airport. \$36,080 to update the Airport Master Plan Study.

- Dodge City Regional Airport. \$157,500 for the rehabilitation of the taxiway.
- Hays Regional Airport. \$1,139,074 for the rehabilitation of the runway and to conduct an environmental study.
- Hill City Municipal Airport. \$41,200 to update the Airport Master Plan Study and to conduct a survey for future construction.
- Hugoton Municipal Airport. \$39,771 for the rehabilitation of the runway lighting and the installation of new apron lighting.
- Hutchinson Municipal Airport. \$1,076,502 for the rehabilitation of the taxiway.
- Liberal Municipal Airport. \$360,000 for the rehabilitation of the runway.
- Oakley Municipal Airport. \$217,269 for the rehabilitation of the taxiway.
- Phillipsburg Municipal Airport. \$134,367 for the rehabilitation of the taxiway, runway lighting and the installation of miscellaneous navigational aids.
- Pratt Industrial Airport. \$184,336 for the rehabilitation of the runway.
- Russell Municipal Airport. \$57,082 for an update of the airport layout plan and to purchase land for extension of the runway.
- Stanton County Municipal Airport. \$196,635 for the rehabilitation of the runway and an environmental study.

Moran is a member of the U.S. House Transportation Subcommittee on Aviation.

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