Jet Blast Session

Airport Grant Update

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Mission Statement

The Minnesota Department of Transportation works towards promoting aviation safety and aviation’s role in strengthening the state’s economy.
Six Major Categories

• Buildings
• Equipment
• Planning/Zoning/Land
• Airports Pavements/Lighting
• Fuel /Fuel Systems
• Safety/Security
Grant Distribution Breakdown (Dispersal)

- Building: 19%
- Equipment: 21%
- Fuel Systems & Upgrades: 21%
- Land/Zoning/Planning: 18%
- Airport Pavements, Lighting, etc.: 15%
- Safety/Security: 6%
How Do I …

… request and complete a State Project?

1. Show the project on your Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

2. Mn/DOT Office of Aeronautics will prioritize projects (Statewide) for the current fiscal year. Sponsors will be notified by Aeronautics if their project is prioritized and selected for funding. (typically six months or more in advance)

3. Sponsor should reply to Mn/DOT with intent to proceed or not.

4. Prepare plans and specifications as needed.

5. Advertise or request quotes.

6. Sponsor shall request a State grant provided the sponsor elected to proceed.
7. Aeronautics will prepare the State agreement for approval by the Sponsor.

8. The State agreement is routed to the Sponsor, and through Mn/DOT, for signatures and approvals.

9. Aeronautics will send a fully executed copy of the agreement to the Sponsor.

10. Construction or acquisition may begin.

11. The Sponsor may request reimbursement for partial payments or a final payment.

12. Invite Aeronautics to a final inspection.

13. Final reimbursement is made and the project is closed.
State construction grant program participation rates:

- 70% of eligible costs at NPIAS airports
- 80% of eligible costs at non-NPIAS airports
- 50% of eligible costs for projects that are revenue generating in nature
- 2/3 the cost of equipment
The ideal grant request includes...

- Grant request letter on your organization’s letterhead
- Bid tabs/quotes
- Plans and specs
- Engineering agreements
- Cost breakdown
- Include any other support documentation that is appropriate
Questions?