

**FINGER LAKES REGIONAL AIRPORT
AIRPORT COMMITTEE MEETING - CONSULTANT'S UPDATE**

SEPTEMBER 2013

I. STATUS OF CURRENT PROJECTS

A. Land Acquisition

- Grant issued by the FAA for land and easement acquisition in September of 2012. County is currently working through the acquisition process with the landowners. Two of the three properties have had the closings, with the last property due in the next couple of weeks.

B. Taxiway Design

- Grant issued by the FAA for design of the rehabilitation of the taxiway system, along with drainage improvements.
- Phase I package was bid on August 9th, with 7 bids received, and the low bidder was Villager Construction at \$694K. The Engineer's estimate was \$732K.
- No grant to cover the Phase I construction has been issued by the FAA to date.
- The Phase II project will be bid in the Spring of 2014, contingent upon receipt of all required permits and FAA funding.

II. ACTIVITY SINCE LAST MEETING

- A. FAA AIP Funding:** A 4 year AIP program was passed covering FY 2012-2016. Main change in the program is a decrease in the federal share on projects from 95% to 90%. The State will match the local share, therefore both the state and local share have increased from 2.5% to 5.0%.

In late March congress extended the program through the end of the fiscal year. Due to sequestration however, \$250M was withdrawn from the AIP program to cover FAA staffing (ATCT personnel etc). This may continue into FY 2014, which starts on Oct. 1st, if congress does nothing to change the program.

The current 5-year CIP program continues to be updated. The program includes the taxiway rehabilitation Phase II construction in 2014, design of the apron expansion in 2014 or 2015 and construction following the next year. Future projects include the runway extension.

- B. NYSDOT Funding:** The NYSDOT repurposed a \$300K grant for the purchase of the private hangar at the front of the airport. NYSDOT has issued the grant, and we are currently working to get the appraised costs to match the required purchase cost of \$300K. The new appraisal is scheduled to be submitted to NYS by the end of this week.

NYS issued a request for new grant applications under the AIR-99 program, including up to \$7M in new monies to fund these grants in 2013. The County submitted an application for fuel system improvements under this program. No decision on these projects to date.