

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

**September 8, 2021**

**I. STATUS OF CURRENT PROJECTS**

**A. New Aircraft Hangar (NYS Funding)**

- Project needs to be rebid.
- NYSDOT approved a modification to revise the project and allow for the bidding a 5,000 SF hangar / 6,000 SF hangar as bid alternatives.
- The current bidding environment would probably result in project bids over the current grant funding. Alternative bidding/project scenarios to be discussed with the NYSDOT.

**B. South Aircraft Apron Reconstruction (FAA Funding)**

- Grant is closed. No additional reporting on this project.

**C. Fuel Farm Relocation and Expansion Grant (NYS Funding)**

- Construction contract has been awarded to LaValley Brothers Construction.
- Site work to start in early October. System completion dependent upon material deliveries.
- Revised to install high-speed internet connection to the airport for CC transactions.

**D. Pavement Management Plan (FAA Funding)**

- Grant has been issued. Schedule includes pavement inspections in the Fall of 2021, with completion of the report over the winter months.

**II. PROJECT FUNDING UPDATES**

**A. FAA AIP Funding:**

- An FAA five-year AIP program is in place for FY2019 – 2023. The current Transportation Bill in congress increases the program beginning in FY 2022 and provides for a program outline through 2029. Current language returns the program to funding levels of 90% federal, 5% state and 5% local.
- The grant for an additional \$32,000 in federal funding through the Covid relief programs has been executed.
- Future projects include design of an electrical vault building & generator in FY22, and updates to the Airport Master Plan / ALP Update to justify a runway extension in FY23. Planning projects are being more heavily scrutinized for funding due to the changes in aircraft activity due to Covid-19.

**B. NYSDOT Funding:**

- a. The County does not have any current NYS grant applications pending.
- b. It is anticipated that a new solicitation will be issued by NYS for projects by the end of the year. Previous grants were 90% state and 10% local with a \$1.5M maximum.

**C. General:**

- The current bidding and construction environment is tough, with contractors stating they are very busy and that suppliers are even busier. Most have been running on lean crews during the pandemic and are having a difficult time getting back to full staffing levels.