



**AVCON Capital Improvements Update
Tri-County Airport
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ONGOING PROJECTS:

T.O. 09—Terminal Access & Security Improvements

Project improves public access to terminal building while maintaining necessary security measures and consists of driveway/signage/lighting improvements, fence/gate modifications, and access improvements. Premier Paving, LLC., was the low bidder with a total bid of \$764,365.75. The FDOT only had \$613,035 available for construction but was able to provide an additional \$248,944 in grant funding for a total of \$861,979 so the entire project could be constructed. A construction Notice to Proceed was issued on September 21st and the contractor has been on site the last few weeks. He has indicated that he anticipates being complete with the project by the end of the year.

T.O. 12—Obstruction Removal

Project will facilitate clearing existing trees that represent airspace obstructions and safety concerns at the Airport. With limited funds available for the removal work (~\$85,000), the removal of trees will be prioritized to optimize safety enhancements for aircraft and best utilize the available grant funds. Bid alternates will be included in the construction documents to facilitate this. Obstructions that cannot be addressed in this project will be addressed in the “Construct RSA, ROFA, and OFZ Improvements” project in FDOT Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

We recently met with the Northwest Florida Water Management District (NFWFMD) on September 21st and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) on September 29th to discuss clearing trees in the “rookery” area.

FDEP indicated that clearing and filling the rookery area over the long-term is possible, it would just require a state Individual Permit, and possible federal permitting and/or mitigation. We are now working with the FDEP to put together a detailed work plan on clearing the trees so they can review and advise on how the airport can proceed.

T.O. 01—Airfield Electrical Vault Replacement

PTGA 423623-6 authorized by the board provides \$110,000 in state funding to address planning, design, and bidding of a new airfield lighting vault. By constructing a new vault, the airport can address all the issues associated with the existing facility and would ensure a functional electrical distribution system for the next 20 years or more. The new facility would have space to allow for future airfield lighting expansion, conditioned space for airfield control systems, and spare parts storage. AVCON proposal for Task Order 01 is provided to the Authority for consideration.

ACTION ITEM ➔ Request approval of Task Order 01

PENDING PROJECTS:

T.O. 02—Height Zoning Ordinance Development

This project will develop height zoning ordinances for Holmes, Washington, and Jackson Counties to protect future airport development.

T.O. 03—Infield Stormwater Improvements

This project consists of stormwater improvements to convert a wet pond between Taxiway A and RW 01-19 to a dry pond and improvements to Runway Safety Area (RSA) grades that currently do not comply with FAA standards.

END REPORT