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

T.O. 09—Terminal Access & Security Improvements

Construction is complete except for the change order for the new entrance sign. The sign was ordered in June and should be on site shortly. After this the project will be completely closed out.

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 (~\$64,000), 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. A pre-bid meeting was held earlier today with prospective bidders, and bids are due September 1st with construction to follow shortly after. 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.

All Clear Land Clearing has completed their scope of work to clear the trees in the uplands in the rookery area. This will leave ~\$64,000 for additional obstruction removal. The grant deadline was extended by FDOT until June 30th, 2024.

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 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 will have space to allow for future airfield lighting expansion, conditioned space for airfield control systems, and spare parts storage.

Bids were received, and a revised grant application was submitted to FAA. Jack has already signed the FAA grant offer. Recommend the Board’s attorney sign the grant offer.

ACTION ITEM ➔ Recommend Board attorney sign FAA grant offer.

PENDING TASK ORDERS:

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. The grant deadline was extended by FDOT until June 30th, 2024. A task order is being prepared for Authority consideration.

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. A task order is being finalized for Authority consideration. Geotechnical testing is scheduled to be on site right after the task order is finalized.

This project is funded by FDOT under the same FDOT PTGA grant as the electrical vault. Due to the increased cost of the vault and the lesser percentage FAA has agreed to pay towards the project (81% vs. the usual 90%), we are anticipating there will be a little over \$100,000 left for construction. Therefore, we are proposing the infield stormwater improvements be broken up into two phases to construct improvements over time based on available funding. We will present a task order for design, bidding, and construction phase services to the board for consideration next month after the vault funding has been finalized. We met with Jack and Mark on site about a pipe that was failing near the runway. We understand that Mark has provided a temporary fix and that the City of Graceville has a camera they can scope the pipes with.

Airfield Markings

This project consisted of remarking the airfield using FAA BIL funds with a 10% match from FDOT. The project cost will total about \$59,000 which will all be covered by FAA and FDOT; however, because FAA is funding, the airport will have to front the cost and then get reimbursed by FAA. The markings were completed at the end of May. FAA has now sent a grant offer. FDOT is in the process of amending their grant to allow FDOT participation at more than 10% of overall project cost. Jack has already signed the FAA grant offer. Recommend the Board's attorney sign the grant offer.

ACTION ITEM ➔ Recommend Board attorney sign FAA grant offer.

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