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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 now complete. The sign was installed, and the contractor is coordinating the required close-out documents prior to final payment being approved/issued. As a reminder, the Board voted during an executive committee meeting on May 25 to pay \$1,773.25 over the FDOT grant amount to add the sign to the project. We will include a summary of this when we send the contractor's final pay application to the Board.

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 were included in the construction documents to facilitate this. Bids were received on September 1st and a letter of recommendation is presented to the Board. Obstructions that cannot be addressed in this project will be considered in the "Construct RSA, ROFA, and OFZ Improvements" project this fiscal year.

ACTION ITEM ➔ Recommend the Board award the Base Bid in the amount of \$57,075.00 to Extreme Land Restoration.

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. The FAA grant in the amount of \$475,667 has been executed. We are currently coordinating a Notice to Proceed from FDOT. The contractor is currently coordinating their insurance and bonds.

ACTION ITEM ➔ Issue Notice to Proceed to contractor when received from FDOT.

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 approximately \$135,000 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 met with Jack and Mark on site about a pipe that was failing near the runway, and understand that the Board will perform maintenance on this pipe soon and we should not include in in this project. A task order for design, permitting, bidding, and construction phase services is presented to the Board for consideration.

ACTION ITEM ➔ Request Approval of Task Order 02.

Airfield Markings

This project consisted of remarking the airfield using FAA BIL funds with a 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. The FAA grant has been executed, and the pay request from the contractor was forwarded to the airport last week.

ACTION ITEM ➔ Suggest the Board pay the invoice and submit for FAA reimbursement.

END REPORT