

Presentation to the Oregon Aviation Board March 10, 2022





Background

- The Illinois Valley Airport (3S4) is located in Cave Junction 6 miles south of the City of Cave Junction on Highway 199.
- The runway length is 4,807 feet long and 60 feet wide, Two light PAPI,s and REIL's on both 36 and 18.
- Used annually for wildland firefighting operations by the U.S. Forest Service, and Oregon Department of Forestry along with medivac flights year-round.



Illinois Valley Airport







Oregon Caves
National
Monument &
Preserve



Bridgeview Vineyards, Foris Vineyards, Windridge Vineyard, Deer Creek Vineyards, Augustino Vineyard and more

- Home to the Siskiyou Smokejumper Base Museum, Captain Drake's Family Ariel Adventures (flight Instruction), and Color Craft Northwest (heavy-lift helicopter painter).
- A tourism destination for attractions like the Illinois Valley River, camping, hiking, the Oregon Caves, wine tasting and much more.
- Currently, no fuel is available; this causes disruptions to travelers, emergency operations, and businesses on the airfield.



Proposed Project

Project would install a 12,000 gallon Jet-A and a 12,000 gallon 100LL fuel system.

- Full-service airports that include fueling options are more likely to support business relocation and visitor spending in support of local tourism.
- The Oregon Aviation Plan supports that airports with fuel have an increased economic impact on the surrounding communities.



Example of fueling equipment



Funding for Proposed Project

Total Estimated Project Cost

• \$1,200,000

Connect Oregon Funding Request

• \$840,000

Matching Funds Available (30%)

• \$360,000 – Josephine County ARPA Funds

Project Timeline:

• Permits - 9/4/22 thru 1/2/23

• Design/Engineering - 9/4/22 thru 3/4/23

• Construction - 4/3/23 thru 11/24/23

Project Completion - 11/24/23 thru 1/23/24



Local Tenant and Community Support

- Oregon Department of Forestry, Southwest Oregon District
- United States Forestry Service, Pacific Northwest Region
- Mercy Flights, medical transport
- Illinois Valley Community Development Organization
- Scott Taylor, Taylor Sausage
- Smokejumper Museum, tenant
- · Aaron Beckord, tenant
- David Levison, tenant



Smokejumper Base Museum Illinois Valley Airport



Thank you for your time

Questions?

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