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From: Grant Coordinator Staff
To: State Aviation Board

Subj: 2023/2024 COAR Grant Projects and Funding Authorization Recommendation

The 2023/2024 COAR grant cycle is the 8<sup>th</sup> cycle since the inception of the Aviation System Action Program (ASAP). Funding for this cycle is the third to include revenue previously earmarked for the ROAR program, which was closed in 2021. The additional monies allow for continued potential funding of the Priority 3 COAR grants, which are generally economic development projects that assist primarily rural, non-NPIAS airports and/or non-AIP projects.

This was the third cycle in which ACT grading was done in cohorts in virutal meetings (pairs of reviewers with 13 grants to review), followed by a meeting with all Aviation Review Committee (ARC) members for discussion and ranking of the applications.

While the COAR program continues to have additional funding available this year due to the closure of the ROAR program and transfer of revenue from ROAR to COAR, this cycle presented ODAV with the highest number of applications and highest funding request since the inception of the COAR program. In total, 66 grant applications were submitted, with a total funding request of almost \$6.9M against a funding availability of \$4.5M. The ARC reviewers dedicated many hours to reviewing and discussing the applications, in their cohort teams and as a committee.

#### **Summary**

The ARC recommends awarding all applications in Priority 1 with the exception of application COAR-2024-KBOK-00078 due to it being a retroactive reimbursement request for a project that was completed in the fall of 2023. Total recommended funding for Priority 1 is \$2,422,830.00.

The ARC recommends awarding all applications in Priority 2 with a total funding of \$670,000.00

The ARC recommends awarding all applications in Priority 3 that are above the funding cut line. Total recommended funding for Priority 3 is \$1,386,015.00. Additionally, the ARC recommends awarding applications COAR-2024-6K5-00030 and COAR-2024-9S9-00075 contingent upon funding availability.

## Application and Review Materials/ARC Meeting and Recommendation

The 2023/2024 COAR Grant Cycle has completed the Aviation Review Committee (ARC) phase pursuant to ORS 319.020(3)(a) and (b).

The following documents are included by reference:

- All COAR grant applications (shared via IGX grant software)
- Spreadsheet of e-grants data on all grants listed in priority order of funding recommendation (posted in Board packet)
- Draft minutes of the ARC meeting, held January 24, 2024 via TEAMS (posted in Board packet) (recording is publicly available on the ODAV website)

### Sample Motions for Board consideration:

Approve applications submitted in accordance with OAR-738-124-0035(8)(a)(A), "Priority 1": as recommended and ranked by the Aviation Review Committee for Priority 1.

Approve applications submitted in accordance with OAR-738-124-0035(8)(a)(B), "Priority 2": as recommended and ranked by the Aviation Review Committee for Priority 2.

Approve applications submitted in accordance with OAR OAR-738-124-0035(8)(a)(C), "Priority 3": as recommended and ranked by the Aviation Review Committee in Priority 3.

Approve total funding authorization for 2023/2024 COAR Grants in an amount not to exceed \$4,500.000.00.