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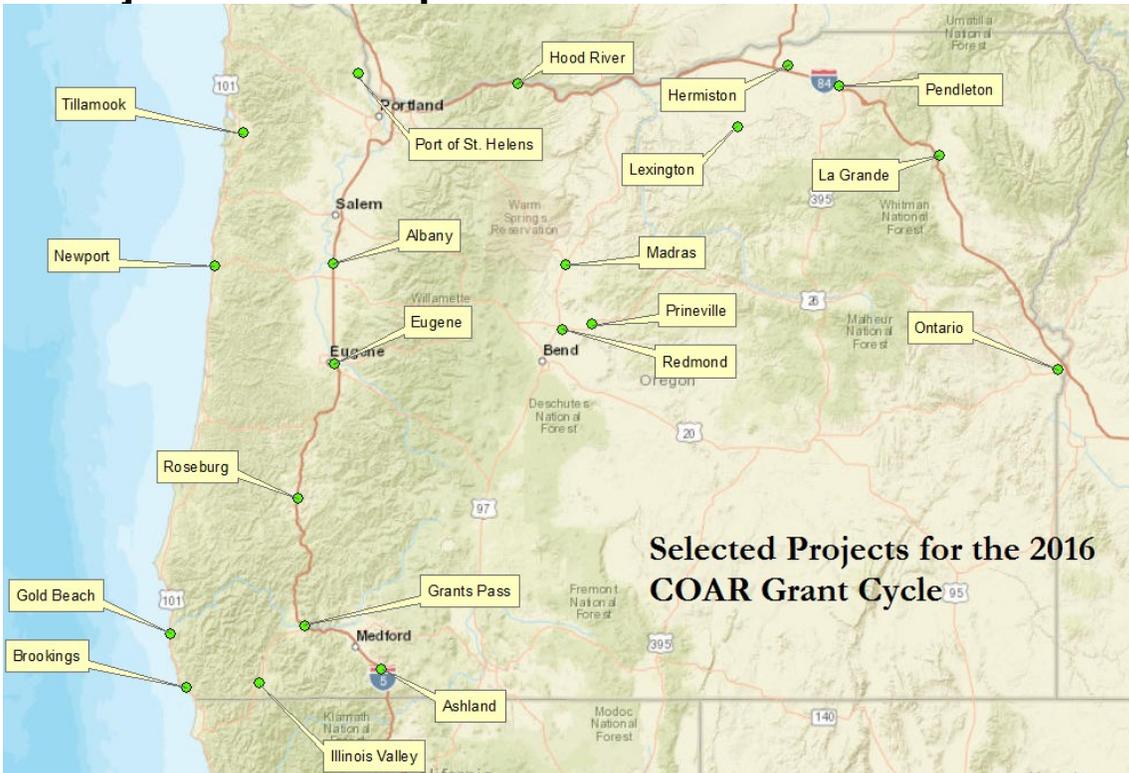
Aviation System Action Program (ASAP)

Congratulations!!

The State Aviation Board recently wrapped up their review of the 2016 COAR Grant cycle! We are pleased to announce the Oregon Aviation Board approved the ARC final review committee list of recommended projects at the 3/7/17 Aviation Board meeting. This list includes 30 applications that will move forward to the agreement stage and eventual funding.

In all, ODA will award approximately \$1.7 million in COAR grants. Recipients include 20 public-use airports, covering a span of 9 out of the 12 ACTs across the state of Oregon. We look forward to working with all recipients to complete this process.

Major Statewide Impact



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The ACTs and the ARC

We want to send a very big thank you to the volunteers from the 12 regional ACTs. They were incremental to the substantive review of the 55 applications. Each ACT reviewed and graded their corresponding applications, and then came together as a group to provide a final recommendation to the State Aviation Board.



A few lessons learned.

- There is still more to learn, both from the sponsors and ODA. Feedback is important and we take your comments and concerns seriously.
- There is not a one size fits all solution to the Oregon Resilience Plan at this point. Staff recommends a study to identify the aviation related resiliency needs of the state. ODA Staff will also be working with various agencies including OEM to update the Aviation needs as an ongoing project.
- The grant agreement process will require some finesse. Due to the unique nature of each application there is not a one size fits all means to completing these agreements.



What's Next with COAR?



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The e-Grant software is nearing completion. Staff sent test sites to a few airports as well as a few consultants in order to test the software and provide recommendations.

Once the software is complete, in late spring 2017, all COAR applications will be entered into the e-Grant software. This will ensure that staff can accurately report on the projects that received reimbursement grants to the legislature.

What's Next with COAR? Cont.



In addition, those applications that were not selected for funding in 2016 will also be loaded into the e-Grant software to ensure that applicants that wish to move forward in the 2017 grant cycle will not have to do too much rework.

Staff will be working with grantees to complete grant agreements.

Rural Oregon Aviation Relief Program (ROAR):



The agency has engaged in multiple planning meetings and outreach with diverse stakeholder groups including the aviation industry businesses, chambers of commerce, airport sponsors, and city managers, as well as members of the Legislature. As directed by the State Aviation Board, the Department is in the process of moving forward with a study related to appropriate service areas for rural air service. The study will focus on rural market areas, potential public-private partnerships, customer base, and including but not limited to non-traditional air service models, and timelines for service delivery. Anticipated outcomes of the study will be to further define "...assisting commercial air service to rural Oregon...." as well as additional policy guidance.

State Owned Airport Reserve Program (SOAR):

The Aviation Board has approved a total of 18 projects with a combined budget of over \$1.4 million for state-owned airports! Planned projects include equipment purchases, several obstruction removals, a runway reconstruction, and more.

Precision Approach Engineering was awarded a 5 year contract with the Department through the SOAR Program for design and engineering projects at non-federally funded state-owned airports. These airports are not a part of the National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS) and thus do not receive federal funding.

"The National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS) identifies nearly 3,400 existing and proposed airports that are significant to national air transportation and thus eligible to receive Federal grants under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP). It also includes estimates of the amount of AIP money needed to fund infrastructure development projects that will bring these airports up to current design standards and add capacity to congested airports. The FAA is required to provide Congress with a 5-year estimate of AIP eligible development every two years" (Federal Aviation Administration). For more information about NPIAS airports, please visit:

https://www.faa.gov/airports/planning_capacity/npias/

Make sure to check our website for important program updates!

Find us online at: http://www.oregon.gov/aviation/Pages/Aviation_System_Action_Program.aspx

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Our Mission: The Oregon Department of Aviation serves Oregon through a three-fold focus of advocating for the economic growth, infrastructure improvement and safe operation of aviation in Oregon.

Our Vision: Advocate for safe operation of aviation in Oregon and the growth and economic development of airports and their communities.

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