

## Summary of Runway Extension Facts

- The proposed 1,000 foot southern extension is for departures only (to the north).
- The landing point (threshold) on the south end will remain as it is currently for those few landings from the south.
- The extension is not “a growth inducement” project. It will allow aircraft already operating at the Airport to depart with fewer empty seats during warm weather conditions.
- The cost of the extension will come from two sources; the FAA and the Airport
  - The FAA share (95%) will be paid out of the Airport Trust Fund which is funded through a ticket tax on every airline ticket, a tax on aviation fuel and a tax on aviation tires. **NO FEDERAL INCOME TAXES WILL BE USED. THIS IS A USER FEE PAID FOR BY USERS OF THE NATIONAL AIR TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM**
  - The Airport share (5%) will be paid out of airport generated revenues (landing fees, concessions, fuel flowage fees, etc.). **NO LOCAL PROPERTY/SALES TAXES OR OTHER COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS WILL BE USED. ALSO, NO DEBT WILL BE NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT.**
- The existing weight limitations, operating hours and wingspan restrictions will remain in place. These are not only codified by County ordinance but are approved and sanctioned by the FAA. The wingspan and weight limits are actually “set in concrete” and cannot be changed.
- The extension will not allow larger aircraft (greater wingspan) to operate at the Airport that can not operate today
- The Airport Layout Plan which depicts the proposed extension was reviewed, evaluated and critiqued by all Divisions of the FAA for safety, compliance with national standards, operational efficiency and consistency with development criteria. The Airport Layout Plan was approved by all the FAA Divisions contingent upon environmental clearance. The FAA is the world recognized expert in aircraft safety issues, and has been given that responsibility by Congress to address aviation safety issues on a national basis.
- The Environmental Assessment was reviewed and a Finding of No Significant Impact was issued. The Environmental Assessment is a federal document, prepared pursuant to FAA Orders and guidance in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act.