

WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AERONAUTICS COMMISSION MONTHLY STATUS REPORT

William T. Panos Director Divisional & Programmatic Updates for May, 2017



ENGINEERING: BRIAN OLSEN

The project manager's initials follow each project.

<u>Statewide and General Engineering Projects</u>:

Pavement Management Program (PMP): The Engineering & Construction Program selected Applied Pavement Technologies (Aptech) as the new PMP consultant. Pavement Condition Index (PCI) Inspections are complete, and Aptech is currently producing all final reports. TD

2017 Crack Seal: Construction to start mid-May. Participating airports are Greybull, Jackson, Big Piney, Afton, Pinedale, Kemmerer, Evanston, Ft. Bridger, and Rock Springs. TD

2017 Seal Coat and Marking: The apparent low bidder is Straight Stripe from St. George, UT. The participating sponsors are Big Piney, Evanston, Jackson, Kemmerer, Rock Springs, Greybull, Worland, Pinedale, and Fort Bridger. TD

WACIP Equipment, Design, & Construction Projects:

Afton – Acquire Tractor: Equipment has been delivered and project is in closeout phase. GH

Buffalo – Construct Wildlife Fence: The design phase has commenced, with 90% of the completed plans due by late April of 2017. The proposed bid opening is late May. TD

Casper – Construct Customs Office: The project has been awarded to Pope Construction and a notice to proceed was issued on February 28, 2017.PH

Casper – Construct SRE Building: The construction phase is well under way, the building shell is complete. PH

Casper – Rehab Runway 3/21: The design phase is complete and the project bids have been tabulated. PH

Casper – Acquire Multi-Unit Equipment: Project has been awarded to Stolz Equipment. GH

Cheyenne – Acquire SRE (Plow): Pre-design meeting held February 9, 2017. Consultant is now working on the bid documents. GH

Cody – Rehab Taxiway: The project is complete. PH

Douglas – Rehab R/W 5/23 Design: Design is complete and bids will be opened mid-May 17'. TD

Evanston – Apron Reconstruction (Phase II): Construction is temporarily on hold until the spring of 2017 due to weather conditions. Schedule II shall resume at that time. TD

Evanston – Acquire SRE: The project has been rebid with the winning bidder being Jack's Equipment. GH

Fort Bridger – Apron Reconstruction Design Only: Project surveying and the geotechnical reports are completed, and the design phase has commenced. The design phase is at approximately 70% completion. TD

Jackson – Reconstruct Commercial Apron (Phase II): The project is underway, with work at approximately 98% completion. BO

Kemmerer – Rehab Apron and Relocate Fuel System to meet FAA Design Standards: Substantial Completion was approved early April 17' with punch list items due the first week in May 17' TD

Laramie – Acquire Carrier Vehicle with Broom and Plow: Project is in the final closeout phase. GH

Laramie – Reconstruct Commercial Apron, Ph. II: The project is underway, with work at approximately 95% completion. BO

Lusk – PAPI Replacement 28/10: The construction phase is complete, with the final construction report pending. TD

Pine Bluffs – Rehab R/W Lighting: The design phase has commenced, with an anticipated spring bid letting. TD

Riverton – Acquire ARFF Equipment: Equipment delivery is anticipated in July of 2017. GH



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Riverton – Acquire SRE: Project was scheduled for bid opening 4/20/17 had not heard from engineer as to award by date of this document. GH

Sheridan – Acquire SRE: The design phase is complete, with a bid letting set for February 8, 2017. GH

Worland – Acquire SRE: The awarded bidder was Kodiak America, and delivery is anticipated by Mid-April of 2017. GH

PLANNING: CHRISTY YAFFA

<u>Planning, Land & Environmental Projects</u> <u>Currently Underway</u>:

Big Piney: The project for Land & Easement Acquisition is underway, and at approximately 90% completion. The project is currently on hold pending FAA approval of the Environmental Assessment of Cultural Resources, and then must be submitted to the BLM. An amendment has been submitted for additional survey work needed for the BLM.

Buffalo: Final drafts of the Master Plan and Airport Layout Plan have been reviewed and approved by the Division and the FAA. The project is at approximately 77% completion.

Ft. Bridger: The Master Plan project is at approximately 96% completion. Final copies of the Master Plan and ALP set have been received. AGIS has been submitted to both the FAA and NGS and is pending approval.

Gillette: The Master Plan project is at approximately 50% completion. The Alternatives Chapter is under Division review.

Laramie: The Laramie Wildlife Hazard Assessment is pending FAA approval, and is just over 15% complete.

Lusk: The Master Plan project is at approximately 51% completion. The Alternatives chapter has been reviewed and comments submitted.

Newcastle: The Master Plan project is is at approximately 32% completion. Chapters 1 and 2 have been reviewed, and comments have been submitted. The project is at approximately 32% completion.

Pinedale: The Land Acquisition project is underway; sponsor has signed a contract to purchase the land. Project is pending the issuance of the federal grant.

Rock Springs: The Environmental Assessment for the GA Hangar has been granted. A CATEX has been issued by the FAA and the grant has been amended to include Phase I work including facility demolition, site work, utilities, and terminal construction.

Wheatland: The Environmental Assessment is nearing completion, and final draft documentation has been delivered to the FAA and WYDOT for review. The project is at approximately 77% completion. The Land Acquisition project to acquire 10 parcels of land for design standards is underway and pending negotiations of the parcels. FY16 project 08A is at approximately 19% completion.

Worland: The Master Plan project is at approximately 93% completion. A state and local only project is underway to re-evaluate WRL, helping reclassify it within the state's system, and providing them with a more applicable master plan. The update is approximately at 42% completion. Final drafts of the narrative and ALP set have been received for review. AJS

AIR SERVICE: SHERI TAYLOR

Gillette – ASGCC04: With the success of the Denver's service, GCC-DEN service was amended and removed from the agreement at the January, 2016 Commission meeting. The GCC-SLC service continues utilization of the same Minimum Revenue Guarantee (MRG); however, the new contract period shall run from July, 2015 through June, 2017. With nine (9) comparative months of jet service to SLC, traffic is down approximately 16% for the market, as the local economy has slowed. The third quarter of 2016 was the most unfavorable performance to date, as average ticket pricing and passengers flown



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Gillette – **ASGCC04** *(Continued)***:** decreased. We anticipate that this project shall use the vast majority of its funding guarantee.

Jackson – ASJAC04: This project will take place over the peak winter season in Jackson, which runs from December 2016 to April 2017, and shall increase service to the New York area via Newark Liberty Airport. Initial indications are strong for December and for the first half of January.

Rock Springs – ASRKS04: Service commenced on July 1, 2015, with 13 weekly round trips to DEN on United Airlines. Through September, 2016, the continued service to DEN has improved passenger retention 3%, while total enplanements dropped 10%, when compared to an 8% decrease in capacity year-over-year. This is attributed to discontinuation of SLC service in February of 2015. The third quarter of 2016 is complete, performing roughly inline with expectations given the downturns of the local economy, with passenger numbers down 14%, and passenger revenues down 15%.

Sheridan – **CSSHR01:** Service on Denver Air Connection provided by Key Lime Air commenced November 19, 2015, and includes 13 round trip flights to DEN. This is the first air service project where pricing and revenue management controls can be dictated by the community with input from the state. With the addition of Riverton beginning July 1, 2016, SHR has exceeded revenue projections for all six (6) completed months of service. It is anticipated that Sheridan shall exceed projections for January as well. To date bookings for February have stalled slightly when compared to January at the same point. January through April revenue is significantly higher than it was last year.

Riverton – ASRIW01: Flights commenced on July 1, 2016. Revenue has missed anticipated projections for all months, with the exception of August. Revenue shortfalls have been offset with the 50/50 revenue share undertaken by Riverton and Sheridan, and as such the project still remains in line with forecasts. The first quarter of 2017 is booking slightly better than SHR, with some modest gains to those months. Great Lakes Airlines remains in the market, with roughly 2-3 flights per day on average, with

Riverton – ASRIW01: varying aircraft capacities. Great Lakes operational performance improved from September, 2016 through November, 2016, with fewer pre-canceled flights; however, flight cancellations have taken place in December, 2016 and January, 2017.