SKYHAVEN AIRPORT MASTER PLAN UPDATE

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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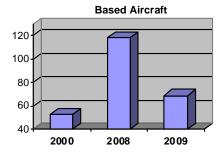
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INVENTORY

- Skyhaven Airport is designated by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) as a General Aviation (GA) airport.
- The single paved runway (15-33) is 4,001′ long x 100′ wide, with a full parallel taxiway. The runway is lighted and marked, and FAA recently published a new GPS instrument approach to Runway 33.
- The Pease Development Authority took over ownership of Skyhaven Airport from NHDOT in July 2009. The PDA is responsible for day-to-day airport operations and management.
- existing critical design The aircraft is the multi-engine piston Raytheon (Beech) Baron 58, which is representative of a group of aircraft in Airport Reference Code (ARC) B-I. The airport can accommodate aircraft as large as the Beech King Air 200, Cessna Citation CJ-3, and other aircraft in ARC B-II. Skyhaven Airport meets or exceeds most of the current FAA design criteria for ARC B-I, although there are penetrations to some imaginary surfaces on and in the vicinity of the airport.



- Based aircraft increased from 53 in 2000 to 118 in 2008, in part due to the presence of Ossipee Valley Aviation, the former FBO. The number of based aircraft declined to approximately 69 in early 2010.
- Estimated aircraft operations have decreased by approximately 8% since 2000, and the sale of both 100LL aviation fuel and Jet-A fuel have also declined. Jet-A is not currently available for sale at the airport.



- Flight tracking data shows 22 instrument operations were conducted by turboprop and jet aircraft at Skyhaven Airport between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008.
- Ossipee Valley Aviation was the Fixed Base Operator between 2001-2008. At the time of this report, an aircraft mechanic has begun operation and the airport is performing other FBO duties such as fuel sales and tie-down rentals.

A summary of airport facilities and activity levels is presented in Table 1, and the Existing Airport Layout Plan is shown in Figure 1.

Table 1

Summary of Airport Facilities and Activity Levels - 2008 Skyhaven Airport (DAW)

Airport Reference Code (ARC)	B-I
Critical Design Aircraft	Raytheon (Beech) Baron 58
FAA NPIAS + NH SASP Role	General Aviation
Elevation above sea level	322'
Mean maximum temperature	83°F
Area (acres)	195 +/-
Based Aircraft - Total	118
Single Engine Piston	97
Multi Engine Piston	6
Turboprop	0
Jet	1
Helicopter	2
Ultralight	12
Runway 15-33 (paved)	4,001'x100'
Medium intensity runway lights; Runway 33 – PAPI, REIL	
Aircraft Operations Per Year (estimated)	17,000
Average Aircraft Operations Per Day (estimated)	46
Annual Service Volume (Operational Capacity)	230,000
Hourly Capacity - Operations	86
Non-precision instrument approach	Runway 33
Lowest instrument approach minimums	305' HAT & 1 mile
Visual Runway	Runway 15
Air Traffic Control Tower	No
Unicom Radio (122.7 MHz)	Yes
Automated Surface Observing System (ASOS)	Yes

Notes:

FAA 3-letter identifier for Skyhaven Airport is DAW.

Airport Reference Code (ARC): Approach Category A = <91 knots. Design Group I = wingspan <49'.

Approach Category B = 91knots <121 knots. Design Group II = wingspan 49' <79'

Small = 12,500 lbs. maximum gross weight or less

FAA NPIAS = FAA National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems

NH SASP = New Hampshire State Airport System Plan

GPS = Global Positioning System. LPV = Localizer Performance with Vertical Guidance.

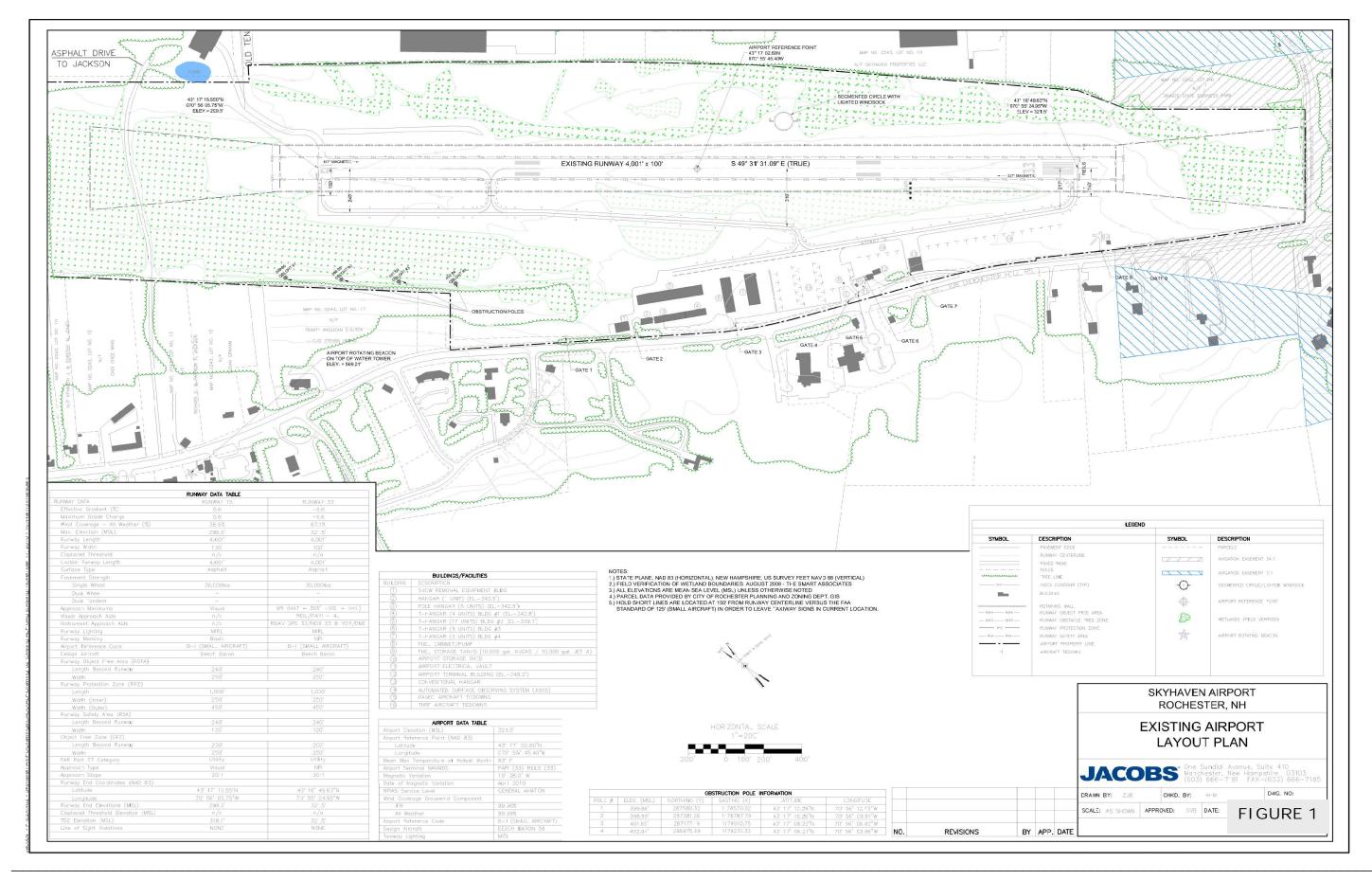
HAT = height above runway touchdown zone elevation

Annual Service Volume & Hourly Capacity Source: FAA Advisory Circular 150/5060-5, Airport Capacity and Delay, Chapter 2 FAA published a new GPS LPV instrument approach to Runway 33 in 2010.

Sources:

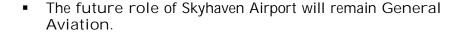
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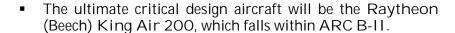
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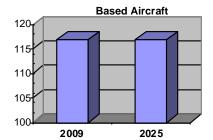


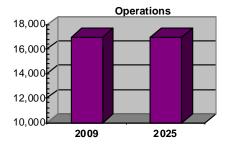
FORECASTS OF AVIATION ACTIVITY

- Three forecast scenarios were developed based on a variety of factors that could affect future aviation activity at Skyhaven Airport. Two of the forecast scenarios presented a high and low range of potential activity.
- The FAA's Terminal Area Forecast (TAF) represents a balance between the high and low forecast scenarios and is the recommended forecast for this AMPU. FAA's TAF projects that there will be 106 based aircraft and 17,000 aircraft operations annually (an average of 46 aircraft operations per day) through 2025.
- The forecasts concluded that corporate jets and turboprops may generate between 200 and 500 operations annually at Skyhaven Airport by 2028 if certain improvements were made to the airport, including transient aircraft parking, Jet-A fuel, and the availability of FBO services.









SKYHAVEN AIRPORT FACILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Additional T-hangars: At the time of this report, PDA has 37 aircraft owners on a waiting list to rent T-hangars. Some of the demand comes from owners of based aircraft presently on tiedowns at the airport.
- Transient aircraft parking apron: The apron should provide sufficient space for 2 to 3 parking positions for aircraft the size of a Beech King Air 200 and/or Cessna Citation CJ-3, as well as 3 to 4 positions for single and multi-engine piston aircraft, such as a Raytheon (Beech) Baron, Piper Navajo, etc. The apron should also provide sufficient space to allow for power-in, power-out maneuvering, particularly for turbine-powered aircraft.
- Runway length: An analysis of runway length requirements for corporate aircraft concluded that the majority of corporate jets in production can takeoff and land on the existing 4,001′ Runway 15-33. Some mid-size and large jets would need to takeoff with reduced payload and fuel, but most could carry 4 passengers and fly non-stop for 1,000 miles after taking off from Runway 15-33. There is room on airport property to extend Runway 15 to the north by 500′, which would allow turbine aircraft to takeoff with increased payload and fuel. Runway 15-33 is recommended to ultimately be 4,500′ x 75′ if corporate aircraft demand increases sufficiently by 2028.
- The forecasts of demand note that if certain improvements are made to Skyhaven Airport corporate jets may generate 500 operations annually by 2028, which is needed to justify the 500' extension to Runway 15.

- Some FAR Part 77 imaginary surfaces over and in the vicinity of the airport have penetrations, primarily vegetation, which should be removed, marked, or lighted, as determined by FAA.
- FAA has published a new LPV (localizer performance with vertical guidance) instrument approach to Runway 33. Installation of an Omni Directional Approach Light System (ODALS) to Runway 33 could allow the visibility minimums to be reduced from 1 mile to ¾ mile, which would provide operational benefits to aircraft operators and potentially increase the number of aircraft that land at Skyhaven. If the visibility minimums are reduced by FAA, the Runway 33 Runway Protection Zone (RPZ) would increase in size from the current 8 acres to almost 49 acres (Figure 2), which may require property acquisition in order to control the land use within the RPZ in conformance with FAA crtieria.
- Acquire property(ies) currently designated as through-the-fence in accordance with current FAA guidance.
- If the existing based aircraft parking apron is converted to transient aircraft parking, a new paved based aircraft tiedown apron will be needed.
- Runway 15-33, the based aircraft tiedown apron, and the auto parking lot pavement are in poor condition and should be rehabilitated or reconstructed by 2015.
- The existing aircraft self-serve fuel pumps should be relocated to a location that will avoids interference with other aircraft taxiing to and from parking.

ALTERNATIVES

Alternatives were developed and analyzed for a number of facilities on the airport:

- Four runway length options
- Installation of the ODALS to Runway 33
- Relocation of the self-serve fuel pumps
- Development and location of the transient parking and new based tiedown aprons

A detailed alternatives evaluation process was prepared and a recommended layout was developed. The layout of future hangars shown on the 2001/2003 Airport Layout Plan (ALP) was carried forward in this plan (Figure 3).

RECOMMENDED AIRPORT LAYOUT

- Rehabilitate Runway 15-33 4,001' x 75' by 2015
- Acquire property in the larger Runway 33 RPZ.
- Construct new paved based aircraft tiedown apron south of the terminal building.
- Construct new aircraft runup pad adjacent to the parallel taxiway in the vicinity of the Runway 33 threshold.
- Rehabilitate the existing based aircraft tiedown apron and convert it to a transient parking apron.
- Construct an aircraft washpad on the apron. Remove existing self-serve fuel pumps and install new pumps in corner of new transient parking apron.
- Reconstruct and stripe auto parking lot.
- Construct new conventional hangar (approximately 60' x 60' in size) adjacent to and south of the terminal building.

- Construct approximately 87 new T-hangar units (actual number and timing based on commitments from aircraft owners).
- Extend Runway 15 by 500 feet to the north (ultimate runway = 4,500′ x 75′). Extend the parallel taxiway 500′ and construct aircraft runup pad adjacent to new 15 threshold. Displace the Runway 33 threshold by 300 feet to the north. Relocate the existing Runway End Identifier Lights (REILS) and Precision Approach Path Indicator (PAPI) lights adjacent to displaced threshold.
- Install ODALS to Runway 33 after the 33 threshold has been displaced by 300′. Note that if visibility minimums are reduced to ¾ mile, the Runway 33 protection zone increases in size (Figure 2).
- Complete installation of airport fence around the entire airport perimeter to prevent wildlife encroachment on the runway environment.

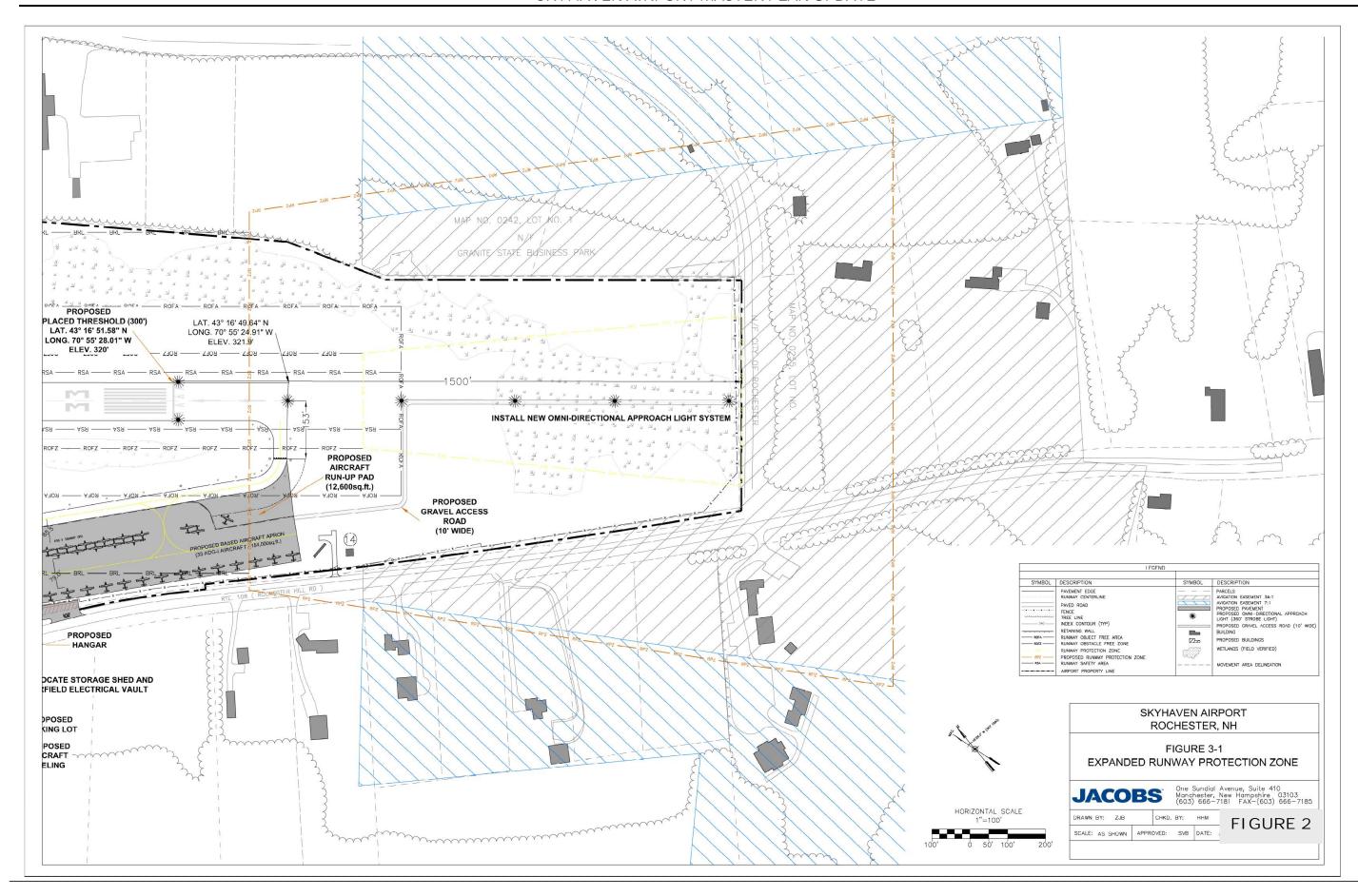
The Ultimate Terminal Area Plan is shown in Figure 3, and the Ultimate Airport Layout Plan (ALP) is shown in Figure 4. Table 2 presents the cost estimate for each project, potential funding sources, as well as the sequence and time frame. The CIP is subject to change based on funding availability, agency approvals, and obtaining permits.

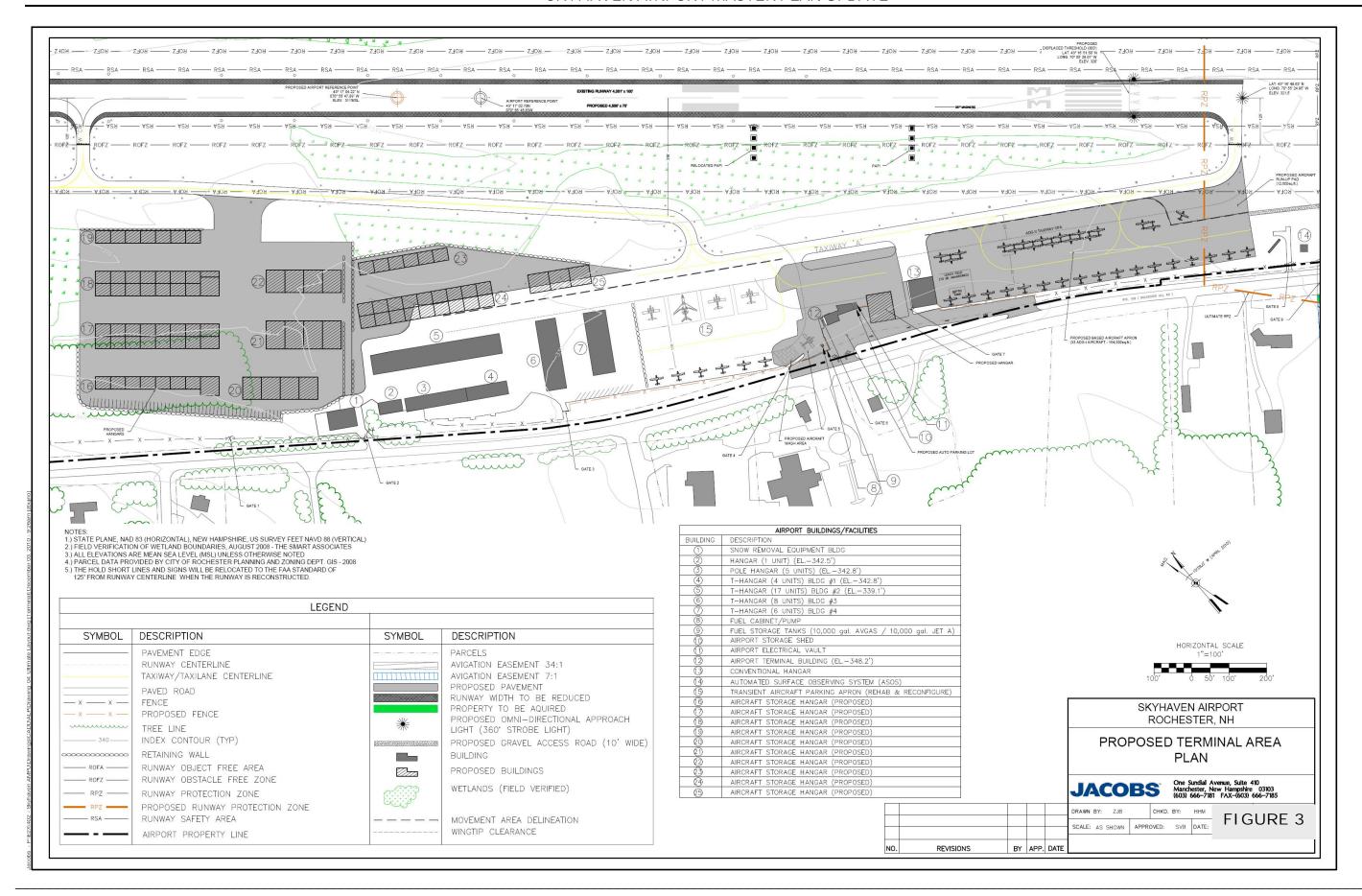
ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

- The primary environmental issue on Skyhaven Airport is wetlands. A mitigation agreement was signed between NHDOT and NHDES in 2004 that identified wetlands impacts from improvement projects shown on the 2001/2003 ALP. Under the agreement, a total of 11.84 acres of wetlands were allowed to be disturbed, and the taxiway project impacted approximately 4.59 acres of wetlands, which leaves approximately 7.25 acres of wetlands. Calculations of potential wetlands impacts from the projects shown on this ALP would result in approximately 6 acres of impacts. As a result, all of the projects shown on the ALP can be accomplished within the limits of the existing mitigation agreement. The agreement has no expiration date. An environmental assessment will need to be prepared and permits will be required for certain projects prior to construction.
- The 2001 Airport Master Plan developed FAA approved noise contours (based on the Day-Night Noise metric, or LDN), for various activity forecast scenarios. The 65 LDN noise contour that was developed based on the forecast scenario closest to the projections presented in this master plan was overlaid on a land use map. The 65 LDN noise contour does not extend off airport property, and it does not impact any noise-sensitive land uses adjacent to the airport.
- The strobe lights on the ODALS would be noticed by adjacent residents and car drivers on Route 108, particularly at night and in poor weather (low cloud and/or mist) conditions. One option to mitigate the lights is to put shields adjacent to the lights on each pole, ensuring that the lights are clearly visible to pilots approaching to land on Runway 33. In addition, existing ambient lighting will help mitigate the impact of the approach lights. Acquiring property will also help mitigate the affect of ODALS on neighbors to the south of the airport by giving the airport better control over installation and maintenance of the lights, better control over use of the lights, and better control of land use.

PROJECT COORDINATION

A number of meetings were held with the Skyhaven Airport Advisory Committee (SAAC) throughout the preparation of the Master Plan. In addition, meetings were held with the City of Rochester, Ossipee Valley Aviation (the former FBO), airport users, and NHDOT.





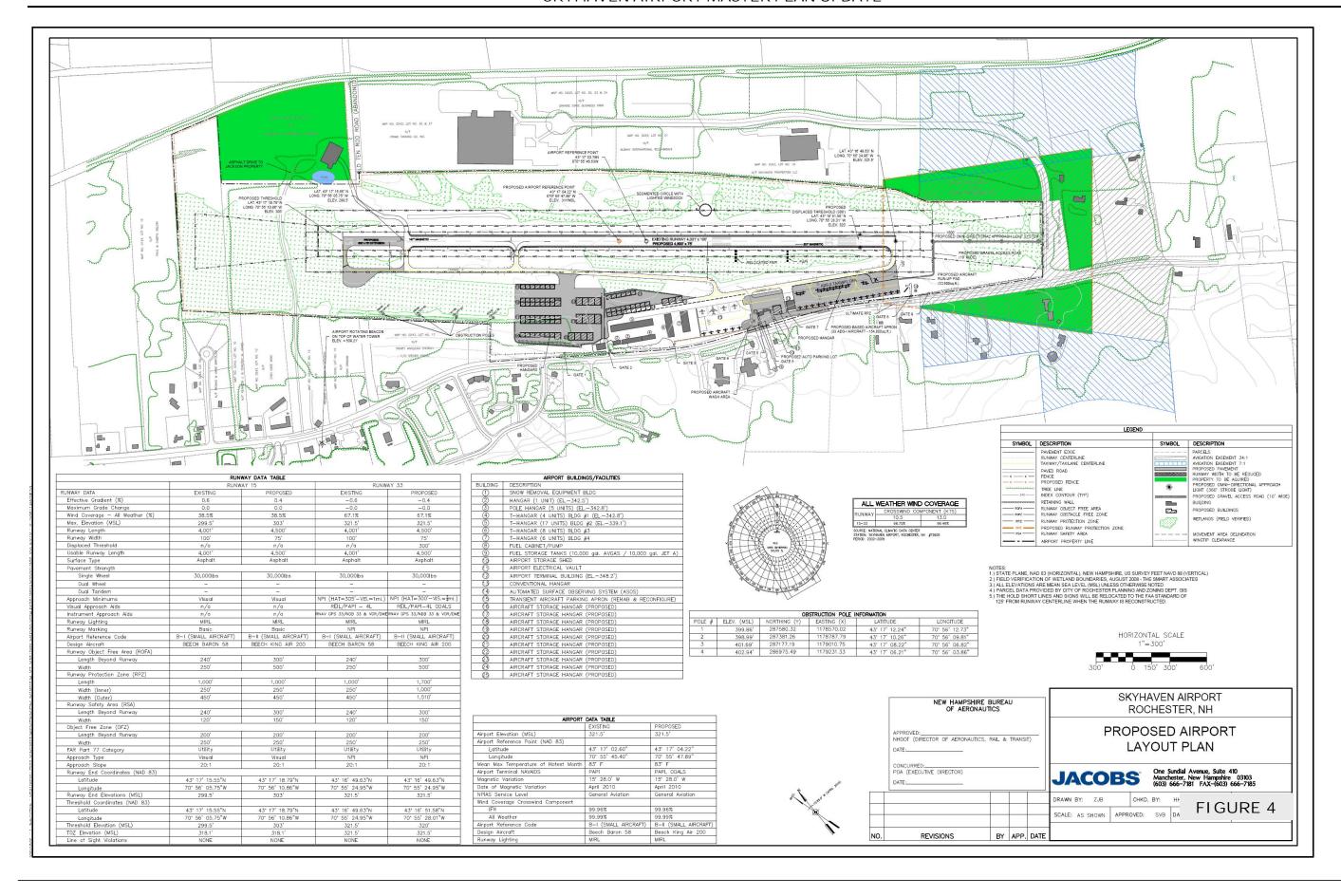


Table 2								
Skyhaven Airport Master Plan Update - Capital Improvement Plan								
EEV	Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2010		EAA	NUDOT	DD 4	Deirocke		
FFY 2010	Project Description	Total	<u>FAA</u>	NHDOT \$15,800	PDA \$15,800	Private \$0		
2010	Property Acquisition in Runway 33 Approach Surface	\$631,600	\$600,000	\$12,705	\$15,800			
	Purchase SRE Equipment	\$254,100	\$241,395	200	\$12,705	\$0		
2012	Design only: rehabilitation of Runway 15-33 (4,001' x 75')	\$380,000	\$361,000	\$19,000	\$19,000	\$0		
2013	Construct only: rehabilitation of Runway 15-33 (4,001' x 75') & displace Rwy 33 threshold by 300'.	\$1,800,000	\$1,710,000	\$90,000	\$90,000	\$0		
2013	Off-airport obstruction removal	\$100,000	\$95,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0		
2013	Prepare EA for ODALS and New Based AC Tiedown Apron	\$20,000	\$19,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0		
2014	Install ODALS to Runway 33	\$80,000	\$76,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0		
2014	Design only: new based aircraft tiedown apron	\$237,000	\$225,150	\$11,850	\$11,850	<u>\$0</u>		
	Sub-Total Five Year Period	\$3,502,700	\$3,327,545	\$159,355	\$159,355	\$0		
2015	Acquire property in Runway 33 RPZ as it becomes available	\$350,000	\$332,500	\$17,500	\$17,500	\$0		
2015	Construct only: new based aircraft tiedown apron + remove septic system	\$950,000	\$902,500	\$47,500	\$47,500	\$0		
2016	Design only: rehab terminal area tiedown apron & move self-serve fuel pumps	\$308,750	\$293,313	\$15,438	\$15,438	\$0		
2016	Acquire property in Runway 33 RPZ as it becomes available	\$350,000	\$332,500	\$17,500	\$17,500	\$0		
2017	Construct only: rehab terminal area tiedown apron & move self-serve fuel pumps	\$1,235,000	\$1,173,250	\$61,750	\$61,750	\$0		
2018	Environmental Assessment: North apron & runway extension	\$237,500	\$225,625	\$11,875	\$11,875	\$0		
2019	Construct row of 10 T-hangar units	\$600,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$600,000		
2019	Acquire property in Runway 33 RPZ as it becomes available	\$350,000	\$332,500	\$17,500	\$17,500	\$0		
2019	Design only: new paved north apron w/tiedowns	\$285,000	\$270,750	\$14,250	\$14,250	\$0		
	Sub-Total Five Year Period	\$4,666,250	\$3,862,938	\$203,313	\$203,313	\$600,000		
2020	Construct only: grading & site work for new north apron	\$2,850,000	\$2,707,500	\$142,500	\$142,500	\$0		
2021	Construct only: new paved north apron w/tiedowns	\$1,140,000	\$1,083,000	\$57,000	\$57,000	\$0		
2022	Construct row of 10 T-hangar units	\$600,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$600,000		
2023	Off-airport obstruction removal	\$100,000	\$95,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0		
2024	None	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
2021	Sub-Total Five Year Period	\$4,690,000	\$3,885,500	\$204,500	\$204,500	\$600,000		
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2024		\$380,000	\$361,000	\$19,000	\$19,000	\$0		
2025	Construct only: 500' extension to Runway 15, Taxiway A, and safety area	\$1,472,500	\$1,398,875	\$73,625	\$73,625	\$0		
2026	Acquire property in Runway 33 RPZ as it becomes available	\$350,000	\$332,500	\$17,500	\$17,500	\$0		
2027	Design & construct airport perimeter fencing	\$300,000	\$285,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$0		
2028	Construct row of 10 T-hangar units	\$600,000	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	\$600,000		
	Sub-Total Five Year Period	\$3,102,500	\$2,377,375	\$125,125	\$125,125	\$600,000		
	GRAND TOTAL	\$15,961,450	\$13,453,358	\$692,293	\$692,293	\$1,800,000		

Notes:

- 1. FFY = Federal Fiscal Year
- 2. Cost estimates shown in 2009 \$.
- 3. Assume FAA share for eligible projects remains at 95%. May change as a result of future legislation.
- 4. The time frame for specific project implementation is subject to a number of variables including funding availability, as well as environmental reviews and permitting. As a result, the actual year in which a project is undertaken may vary from what is shown above