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BISMARCK AIRPORT RECEIVES \$12.4 MILLION IN PROJECT GRANTS

Bismarck, ND: Bismarck Airport has received \$12,407,848 in grant funding from the Federal Aviation Administration for infrastructure improvements. The grant funds will be used for water management improvements and wetland mitigation, including a new drainage system.

“We are extremely pleased to have received these federal funds,” Bismarck Airport Director Greg Haug said. “This enables the airport to continue to perform much needed drainage improvements, which will reduce wildlife attractants and move ground water away for the airport’s new runway.” This is the 5th project in a series of projects to remove wetlands and drain ground water off the airport. “Each prior project has resulted in greater safety for the flying public by reducing the number of birds and other wildlife near the airport” said Haug. “An additional benefit of this project, will be the connection to the drain tile under the new runway which will help drain away the negative effects of the airport’s high water table” Haug added. Future wetland removal projects will be considered as airport staff continue their goal of removing wildlife attractants from the airport property.

This project will be completed during the 2021 construction season and will include constructing a lift station, a deep storm water drain pipe and surface drainage improvements. The project was designed by KLJ engineers and will be constructed by KLE Construction LLC and Edling Electric.

\$6 million of the grant is in the form of discretionary funds which are distributed on a competitive basis to airports across the country based on need. The City Commission will review and take action on the grant offer at their regular meeting on September 8th.

About Bismarck Airport: The Bismarck Airport is a public airport located in the Capitol of North Dakota. The Airport is operated by the City of Bismarck and is currently served by five commercial airlines offering routes to seven airport destinations. The Airport has realized a 70% increase in passenger boardings over the last ten years. For more information on the airport visit www.bismarckairport.com

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