



LEE'S SUMMIT MISSOURI

Date: January 27, 2025

To: Mark Dunning, City Manager

Through: Michael Park, Director of Public Works *MP*

From: Joel Arrington, Airport Manager

RE: Lee's Summit Municipal Airport Staff Report December and January 2024/2025

East Side Infrastructure and Hangar 2

Construction on the east side infrastructure and Hangar 2 is progressing. As of January 22, 2025, the steel structure is being erected. Full enclosure should occur within 30 days.

East Side Terminal Development

On October 24, 2024, the FAA announced the list of Airports to receive the next round of BIL ATP grants for FY25. This is a competitive grant process, and Lee's Summit Airport was awarded a \$4.77M Federal grant to apply towards constructing the Terminal Building. The total cost of the Terminal building is approximately \$10M.

National Weather Service Terminal Aerodrome Forecast (TAF)

Joel Arrington, Airport Manager, will meet with staff from the Pleasant Hill National Weather Service to discuss implementing a Terminal Aerodrome Forecast (TAF) for the airport. A TAF is a weather statement of the expected meteorological conditions at an airport over a specified period, usually 24 hours. Implementing a TAF will help reassure pilots about the predicted weather conditions during their planned arrival times and make the airport more appealing to corporate customers.

Airport and Fixed-Based Operator Re-Branding

The staff has completed the Summit Aero logo and is finalizing the color selection. Creative Services is working on the new Kansas City-Lee's Summit Regional Airport Logo.



World Cup Preparation

Staff will include new fees in the FY26 Schedule of Fees in preparation for the World Cup. These fees will help cover the additional costs related to the event.

Thad Dearman, Assistant Airport Manager, attended the KC regional FIFA World Cup Meeting at the Downtown Airport to share high-level information about the event.

Chiefs vs Bills AFC Championship Game

The Airport staff estimated being at maximum capacity for the event. In addition to regular Airport staff, volunteers were requested from Public Works for additional assistance.

Airport Incidents & Noise Complaints

During December and January, there were no noise complaints.

Community Outreach

The Airport is committed to being a good neighbor. Since 2017, the airport has had a Fly Friendly Program designed to educate both pilots and residents on aircraft operations near the airport. To remain effective, the Fly Friendly Program is periodically updated based on the changing environment at the airport and feedback from the community. Recently, the Airport hosted a Lakewood resident meeting regarding noise around the Airport. Based on that meeting and other comments from residents, the airport staff felt it was time to update the Fly Friendly Program to meet the Airports growth and those of the local residents. Updates included

1. Improved the layout, reduced the number of paragraphs, shortened text, and added more bullet points for clarity.
2. The map and traffic pattern were updated based on new guidelines, and additional residential areas that were missed in the previous version were highlighted.
3. Updated hours of operation and the Napoleon VOR frequency.
4. Updated the photos and color scheme.
5. Added a section on "Evening Touch and Goes" that includes:
 - Added No Touch-and-goes between 10:00 pm and 7:00 am.
 - Added repeated takeoffs and landings between 10:00 PM and 7:00 AM need to be brought to a full stop and taxied back.
 - Added no midfield/intersection departures at any time.
6. Updated the crosswind turn for RWY 18 to 1,500' or at the hospital, whichever occurs first.
7. Updated the crosswind turn for RWY 36 to 1,500' or Woods Chapel Rd, whichever occurs first.
8. Updated the Notes section.

BOAC and the community can comment on the changes at the February 5 meeting.

