

Public Notice

The Fort Smith Airport Commission is providing notice and requesting public comment on our proposed Notice of Intent to apply for Authority to Impose and Use a Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) at the Fort Smith Regional Airport (FSM). In accordance with 14 CFR Part 158, Section 158.23, we have scheduled a carrier consultation meeting to discuss the new PFC. The meeting information is as follows:

Date: Tuesday, September 26, 2017
Time: 1:00 PM
Location: Airport Conference Room, on the second floor of the airline terminal building

Information on the proposed PFC is as follows:

Overview of the New PFC:

Proposed Charge Effective Date:	December 1, 2019**
Proposed Total PFC Impose and Use:	\$1,963,434
Estimated Charge Expiration Date:	September 1, 2025
Proposed PFC Charge Level for All Projects:	\$4.50

**or upon completion of collections on previously approved PFCs

Description of Projects:

Please see Attachment 1 for a breakdown of proposed projects and the associated proposed costs. Additional information will be provided at the carrier consultation meeting.

Request to Exclude Class(es) of Carriers:

The Fort Smith Airport Commission proposes that the following classes of carrier be excluded from the requirement to collect:

1. Unscheduled Part 135 air taxi and charter operators using aircraft with 12 seats or less.
2. Air Taxi/Commercial Operators operating under Part 135.
3. Commuter Air Carriers enplaning non-scheduled passengers filing DOT Form 41, Schedule T-100 (CACNS).
4. Air Taxi / Commercial Operators Filing FAA Form 1800-3

Based on the most recently published Enplanements by Individual Carriers Report (CY 2016 FAA, Report Date 06/28/2017), there are no carriers in the classes currently operating at FSM.

The Commission is proposing to exclude this class of carriers due to the cost of tracking and collecting PFC revenues in relationship to the anticipated level of revenue (i.e. it would cost more to collect than we would actually collect).

For questions and additional information on the proposed application, please contact Kathey Boze, Director of Administration, at (479) 452-7000 ext 50. Official comments should be submitted in writing to address below. Comments must be received by September 27, 2017.

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PROJECT INFORMATION**

**FORT SMITH ARKANSAS
FORT SMITH AIRPORT (FSM)
PASSENGER FACILITY CHARGE
AUGUST 2017**

#	Project Title	Project Description	Project Justification	Total Project Costs	Proposed PFC Amount	PFC Type	Proposed Project Implementation	Proposed Project Completion
1	Runway 1-19 Lighting Rehabilitation	This Project was to install an LED Medium Intensity Runway Lighting System (MIRLS) for Runway 1-19. The project included new light cans, transformers, light fixtures, conduit and cabling for the 5,100 foot long runway [(eligibility per FAA order 5100.38D, Table J2, Item (c)(2)].	The Runway 1-19 edge light system was installed over 20 years ago and outlived its useful life. The system was no longer dependable and required replacement to maintain the safety of the runway.	\$273,850	\$54,770	Impose and Use	1/1/2014	6/30/2014
2	Emergency Airfield Generator Replacement	This Project was to procure and install a replacement, fixed-location/non-mobile Engine Generator to support the Airfield as required by FAR Part 139. This included the replacement of two smaller E/G's that were over 20 years old with a larger, properly sized unit. The Project also included associated conduit, cabling and vault modifications necessary for the installation and commissioning [(eligibility per FAA order 5100.38D, Table M1, Item (c)(3)].	The existing E/G's were acquired over 20 years ago and had reached the end of their useful life. One of the two E/Gs no longer worked properly and the remaining unit was incapable of providing sufficient power. The new E/G was required to ensure reliability, comply with FAR Part 139 and to maintain airfield safety.	\$196,966	\$39,621	Impose and Use	1/1/2015	6/30/2015
3	Rehabilitate Terminal Building (Chiller, HVAC, Fire Alarm Panel)	This Project includes the Replacement of one 170-ton chiller with two separate 100-ton units including modifications of associated air handlers and pumps and rental of temporary chiller; replacement of HVAC control system; and replacement of fire alarm control panel [(eligibility per FAA order 5100.38D, Table N9, Item (d)(2)].	The Terminal equipment was purchased in the 2001/2002 timeframe and was failing, and no longer being supported by the manufacturer. Replacement of the equipment is necessary to maintain compliance with building codes and to ensure the safe and efficient passage of the travelling public.	\$360,000	\$355,213	Impose and Use	7/1/2015	12/31/2018
4	Acquire/Replace Snow Removal Equipment	This Project includes the purchase of one wheel loader to replace a 1985 John Deere loader previously acquired as snow removal equipment in AIP 3-05-0024-05; and replacement of a 1978 snow broom previously acquired as snow removal equipment in ADAP 6-05-0024-08. The existing equipment was approximately 39 years old and was previously acquired with FAA grant funds [(eligibility per FAA order 5100.38D, Table M1, Item (d)(1)].	The Airport has over 2.7 million square feet of priority one surfaces. The old equipment was approximately 39 years old and had outlived its useful life. Furthermore, the equipment is listed as necessary equipment in the Airport's Part 139 manual regarding snow removal. The equipment is necessary to ensure a safe airport and to comply with FAR Part 139 requirements.	\$306,330	\$306,330	Impose and Use	10/1/2014	12/31/2019
5	Acquire Runway Sweeper	This Project is to replace the 22 year old airport sweeper with a new unit to control airfield foreign object debris (FOD) [(eligibility per FAA order 5100.38D, Table L2, Item (i)].	The old Sweeper is 22 years old, no longer dependable and has outlived its useful life. A new sweeper is necessary to maintain safety and comply with FAR Part 139.	\$140,000	\$140,000	Impose and Use	1/1/2018	12/31/2019

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6	Runway 7-25 Rehabilitation and Runway Renumbering	This Project is to crack repair, sealcoat and remark Runway 7-25 (approx. 8,017 x 150) [(eligibility per FAA order 5100.38D, Table G3 Item 6)].	The project is necessary to extend the useful life of the runway, preserve safety and capacity by reducing FOD and to update the runway numbers to comply with FAA requirements.	\$600,000	\$120,000	Impose and Use	1/1/2019	12/31/2020
7	ARFF Facility Design and Construction	This Project is to design and construct a new, three bay, Airfield Rescue and Firefighting (ARFF) Facility consistent with the requirements of Advisory Circular 150/5210-15 [(eligibility per FAA order 5100.38D, Table O1, Item (a) through (g)].	Until 2014, ARFF Services at FSM were provided by the DOD. Since the DOD stopped providing those services, FSM has contracted them out. The FAA has been encouraging FSM to acquire the necessary ARFF vehicles and associated ARFF Station to provide ARFF services that satisfy the requirements of FAR Part 139. The construction of the ARFF Station will enhance safety at the Airport by helping them to comply with FAR Part 139.	\$2,900,000	\$290,000	Impose and Use	6/1/2016	12/31/2018
8	Master Plan Update and Airport Layout Plan	This Project is to prepare an Airport Master Plan Update and Airport Layout Plan in accordance to FAA AC 150/5070-6 [(eligibility per FAA order 5100.38D, Table E2, Item (c)].	Project is required to help ensure that the airport is being operated in a safe and efficient manner.	\$575,000	\$57,500	Impose and Use	1/1/2018	12/31/2020
9	Taxiway A East Lighting Rehabilitation and Electric Vault Phase Modifications	This Project is to install new, LED, Medium Intensity Taxiway Edge Lights on Taxiway A. The project entails replacing the 20+ year old stake mounted incandescent lights and direct buried circuits with new LED light fixtures, cans, transformers along with circuits in conduit. Additionally, the project includes modification to vault and vault equipment (constant current regulators) to support the recent airfield electrical work [(eligibility per FAA order 5100.38D, Table J2, Item (c)(2)].	The existing Taxiway A edge light system is more than 20 years old and is no longer reliable. The system had outlived its useful life and in need of replacement to maintain airfield safety and compliance with FAA and FAR Part 139 requirements.	\$800,000	\$80,000	Impose and Use	12/1/2018	8/31/2020
10	Rehabilitate Terminal Building (Public Information System Improvements: Upgrade Flight Information Display System and Security Announcements System)	This Project is to purchase and install upgraded components of the Flight Information Display Systems (FIDS) in the terminal and to purchase and install new Public Address and Security Announcement System.	The existing Flight Information Display, Public Address and Security Announcement Systems in the terminal are well over 20 years old and are no longer dependable. The systems are required for the safe and efficient movement of passengers and to comply with TSA requirements.	\$20,000	\$20,000	Impose and Use	6/1/2019	12/31/2021

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11	Upgrade Airport Security Systems & Security Fencing	This Project is to rehabilitate/replace portions of the security access control system including the replacement of approx. 1,300 feet of perimeter fencing; Replacement of approx. 20 CCTV cameras and cards/card readers; Upgrades to the access control operating system equipment/technology to allow the airport to comply with TSA requirements [(eligibility per FAA order 5100.38D, Table L2, Items (o) and (p)].	The security system components are over 20 years old and in need of replacement and technology upgrade to remain effective. The fencing repair is part of an ongoing program to replace old fencing and address eroded areas along/associated with the fenceline. The security access control system components are difficult to maintain and keep operational due to their age, outdated technology and inability to get replacement parts. The Project is necessary to maintain airfield security and comply with both TSA 1542 and FAR Part 139.	\$400,000	\$400,000	Impose and Use	8/1/2017	11/30/2025
12	PFC Program Management	This Project is for PFC management including the application and application process, quarterly reports, annual audits, collecting from the carriers and the final PFC closeout for the life of this specific PFC.	This PFC will continue for approximately 67 month. This project is necessary to recover the costs of the application and closeout processes, as well as approx. 67 months of collections; approx. 17 quarterly reports and 6 annual audits.	\$100,000	\$100,000	Impose and Use	3/1/2016	11/30/2025
				Total	\$1,963,434			