## **ATTACHMENT R**

## **OP&P PROGRAM LETTER**



July 31, 2017

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Mr. Steve Andras:

The Illinois Department of Transportation's Airport Improvement Program provides funding for projects at airports throughout the state to ensure the continuation of safe and efficient operations at these facilities and maximize opportunities for economic development in Illinois.

The projects detailed herein were selected for your airport based on project requests submitted to the Department during the Fall 2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) meetings. This program is based on Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) funding levels established in federal legislation which provide for a minimum of \$1 million in entitlement funds for primary airports and a maximum of \$150,000 entitlement funds for non-primary airports. Federal legislation calls for a maximum 90% federal match. As such, the state and local match will be 5% each for all projects which are eligible for state funding. All other federal projects will require a minimum 10% local match.

Funding for the Illinois Airport Improvement Program is depended upon receipt of Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2018 federal funds, legislative authorization of state appropriations, and the release of funds by the Governor's Office.

The Department and the Airport Sponsor hereby agree to participate in the project indicated below at the designated funding levels. The Airport Sponsor shall pay any additional project costs which exceed the total sum of Department funds and federal funds, planned and programmed. In the event the Illinois General Assembly fails to appropriate funds, or sufficient funds are otherwise not made available for these projects, the Airport Sponsor will be required to pay the State and local costs as itemized below. This will include any amount which exceeds the totals listed.

The projects included in the program were selected from the many projects that were submitted as the result of the fall 2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) meetings. Projects were selected based on the FAA's National Priority System as well as other state and local priorities.

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The Illinois Department of Transportation, Office of Planning and Programming has programmed the following project(s) to be included in the FFY 2018 Proposed Airport Improvement Program for your airport:

The project "Phase 2: Airfield Pavement Rehabilitation Including General Aviation Apron and Taxiway P" will be funded as follows:

FFY-2018 Non-Primary Entitlement	\$148,500
FFY-2018 State Apportionment	\$427,500
State Match	\$32,000
Local Match	\$32,000
Total Cost	\$640,000

The Office of Intermodal Project Implementation (Aeronautics) letting schedule for construction projects must be strictly followed to ensure projects are advertised and brought to letting in an organized manner within the fiscal year in which they are programmed. The letting schedule allows for 30 weeks to develop a project from the date of the pre-design meeting to the letting.

To ensure eligibility for state and federal funding participation, you are required to enter into a professional services agreement with the consultant of record selected for the programmed project prior to any costs being incurred. This should take place prior to the project initiation/pre-design meeting. Aeronautics will facilitate this process, as well as the initial development and review of fees.

The project contained in this letter is officially programmed for development and this letter constitutes the official "Notice to Proceed". It is now the Airport Sponsor's responsibility to initiate the professional services phase of the project. Please contact Aeronautics, either directly or through your consultant, to schedule a project initiation meeting.

Your Aeronautics Design Engineer is Alan Mlacnik, P.E. and he may be reached at 217-785-4884 to initiate the project(s). Please initiate the programmed project within one year of the date on this letter.