

2027-2033 MAC Capital Improvement Program Review

TAC Planning

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

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Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) Roles



Minnesota Statutes 473.601-473.679

- Promote aviation & competitive air service
- Owns & operates seven public airports in metro area
- Prepares airport long-term comprehensive plans
- Annually prepares capital improvement program (CIP) to implement planned improvements

Met Council Aviation Planning Roles



Minnesota Statute 473.621

- Prepare Regional Aviation System Plan
- Review metro airport & community comprehensive plans, environmental evaluations
- Review MAC's Capital Improvement Program and review and approve major capital projects that have a significant effect on the orderly and economic development of the region

MAC Capital Projects Review



Capital Projects Review Criteria

- Projects over $5 million at MSP and over $2 million at reliever airports that have potential for significant effects
- Significant effects criteria
  - Location of a new airport
  - New runway at an existing airport
  - Runway extension at an existing airport
  - Runway strengthening other than routine maintenance
  - New or expanded passenger handling or parking facilities for 25% or more capacity increase
  - Land acquisition associated with the other criteria, or that would cause relocation of residential or business activities

MAC Capital Projects Review (2)



2027 Capital Projects Review

- Adequate public participation process
- Assessment of Environmental Effects (AOEE) completed and reviewed
- MAC's CIP identifies adequate funding
- MAC's CIP is consistent with 2050 TPP, specifically the 2050 Regional Aviation Plan Update adopted in February 2026
- One CIP project will require Council approval in 2027
- Some other large or notable projects in line for 2027 and beyond
- Overall budget for 2027
    - MSP: $657 million
    - Relievers: $42 million

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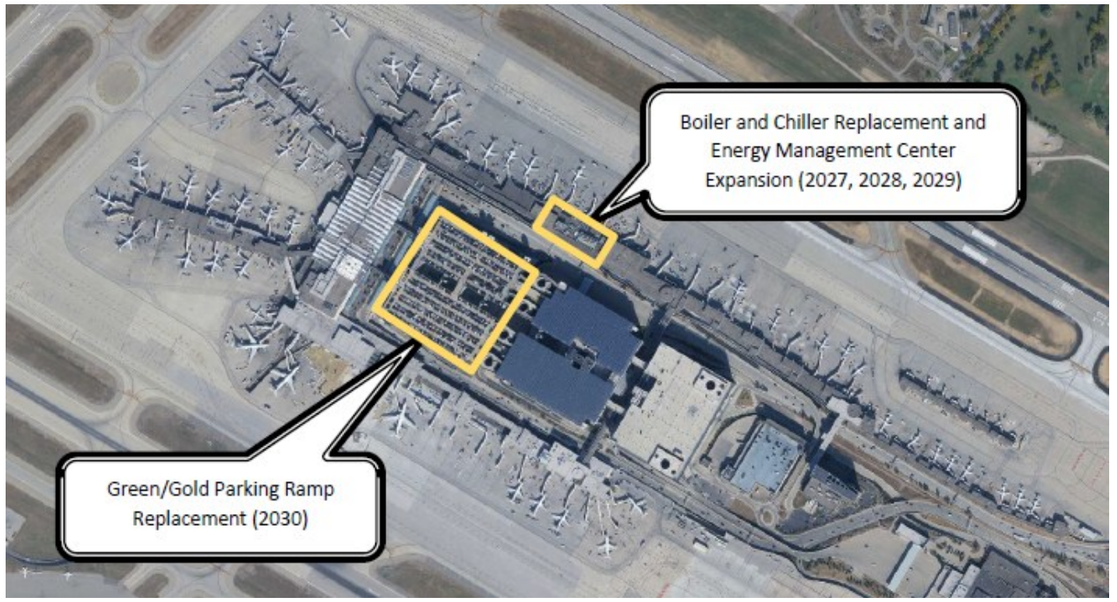
Overview of 2027 CIP Projects

- Majority of 2027 projects are maintenance, equipment replacement or multiyear projects from previous CIPs
- Large and notable projects at MSP:

Project	2027 Spending	Total Project Cost
Green/Gold Parking Demolition, Enabling Relocations project	$30 million	$530 million
Energy Management Center Expansion	$150 million	$550 million
West Cargo Development	$30 million	$60 million





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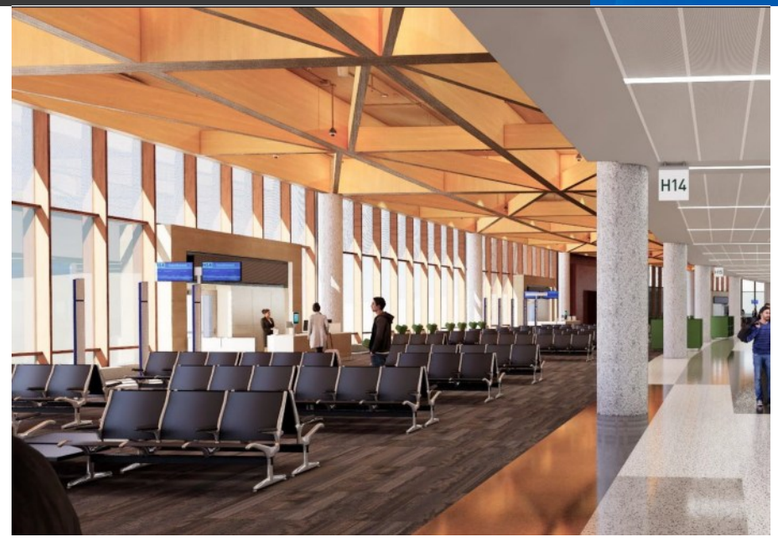
Major Projects Wrapping up in 2027

- Terminal 2 Expansion (top two images)
- Concourse G Infill (bottom left)
- MSP Public Safety and Operations Center (bottom right)





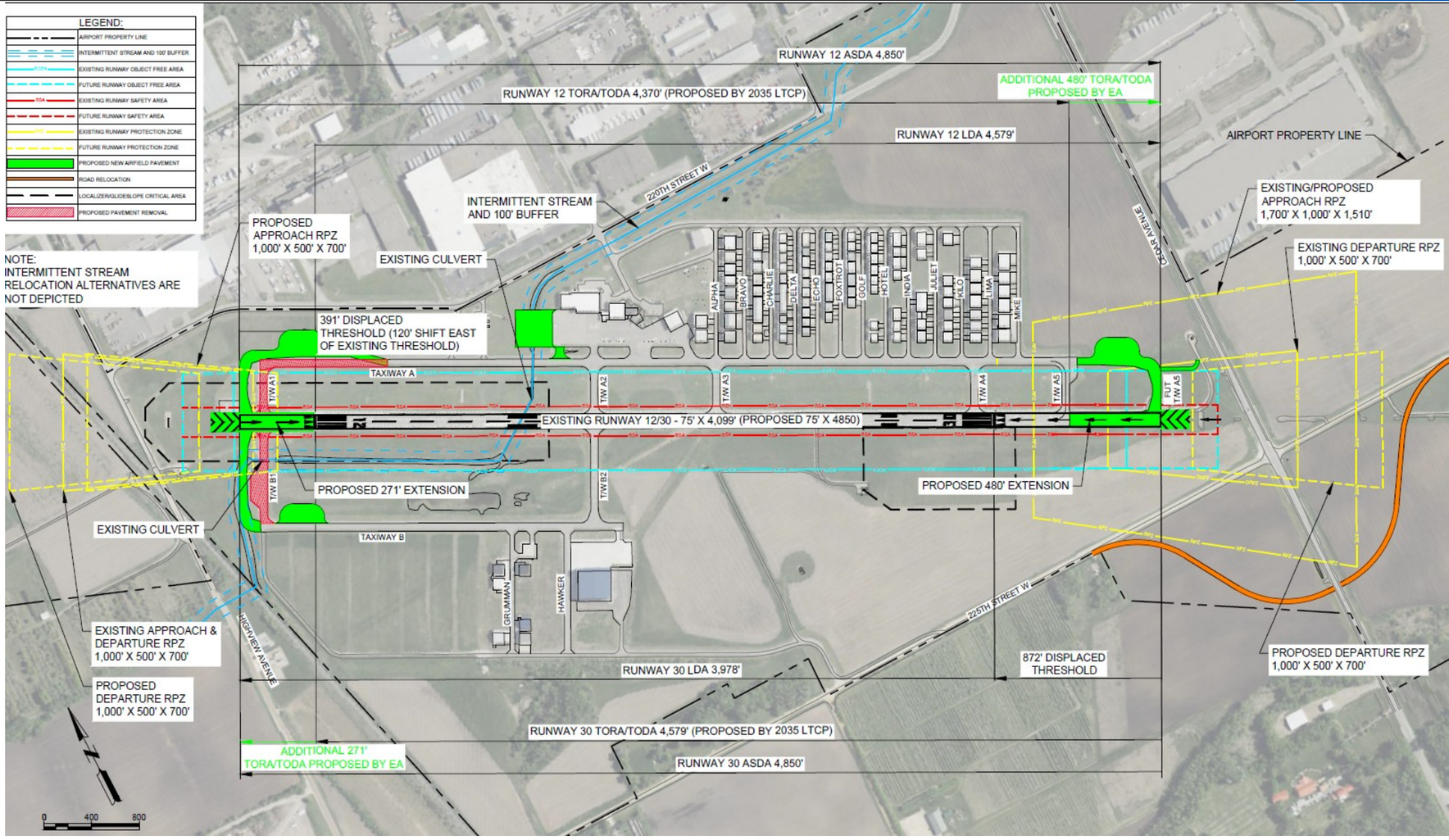




Airlake Airport Runway 12-30 Reconstruction and Extension

Project Details

- Extend Runway 12-30 750 feet to a total length of 4,850 feet to serve existing Fixed Base Operator (FBO)
- Reconstruct the existing runway
- Realign and reconstruct supporting taxiway system
- Realign stream
- Additional support facility improvements
- Project planned to begin in 2027 and be complete in 2028



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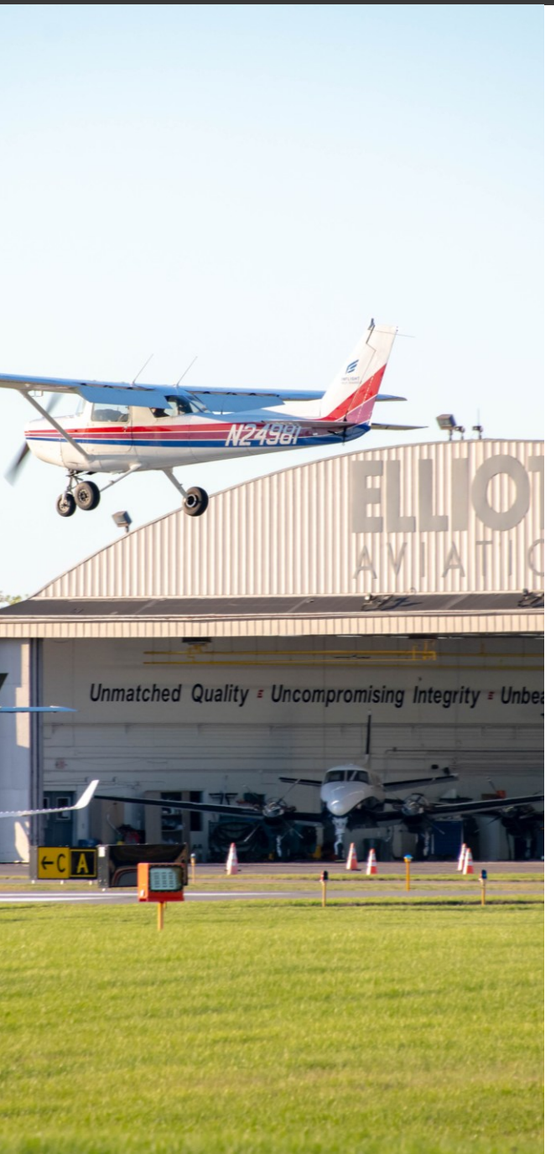

Project Background and Analysis

Project meets state threshold for formal review and approval

Project identified in the Airlake 2035 Long Term Comprehensive Plan (LTCP)

- Approved in 2018
- Runway extension identified initially in 2025 LTCP

MAC conducted a combined Environmental Assessment (EA) and Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) for the project

- Process was coordinated with local and federal partners (Council staff involved in scoping and review)
- Limited Council staff comments (response letter attached to staff report)
- Anticipated to receive a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) by the FAA

Project is consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan

- Airlake Airport is classified as a Minor Secondary Airport, existing role not anticipated to change with this project

MAC CIP Looking Forward



Major 2027-2033 Capital Investments

- Large projects at MSP to continue into future years planned
  - EMC Expansion ($400M – 2028-2029)
  - West Cargo Development ($30M – 2028)
  - Green and Gold Parking Ramp Replacement ($500M – 2028-2030)
  - Concourse and Hub Tram Replacement ($600M – 2031-2033)
- Major runway and safety work at Flying Cloud - 2029
  - Runway 10L-28R Reconstruction ($44M)
  - Runway 10R-28L EMAS Bed ($20M)
  - Taxiway A Extension ($6M)

Recommended Motion

That the TAC Planning Committee recommend to TAB:

- To accept and forward comments from staff analysis that MAC's 2027-2033 CIP is consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan and included adequate public participation, and
- To approve the proposed 2027 CIP Runway Reconstruction and Extension Project at the Airlake Airport, which meets the dollar threshold and significant effects criteria.





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