AGENDA ITEM: 16



TRUCKEE TAHOE AIRPORT DISTRICT

GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

AGENDA TITLE:	General Manager's Monthly Update
MEETING DATE:	November 29, 2023
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Item 2. 2024 – 2026 Strategic Plan

Vision

Mission

region.

to be in the future-our horizon line.

A community-focused, high-quality aviation services sustainable, safe, and and facilities, reduce impact well-run airport district, on our neighbors and the respected locally and nationwide.

Defines where we want Defines what we do, where we serve and who we serve.

TTAD aims to provide safe,

and facilities, reduce impact

opportunities that increase

provide sustained benefit

to the entire Truckee Tahoe

environment, invest in

community safety and

Core Values

Defines and drives the culture of our organization and what we focus on daily.

- Safety for all Regionally focused
- Responsible

Innovative

Guiding Principles

Expands on core values and describes a set of principles that guide priorities and decision-making for the District.

- We adhere to high standards of safety, accountability, equitability, and transparency.
- · We care for and invest in our land, facilities, team, and community.
- We maintain exclusive rights of airport land and facilities in perpetuity.
- We strive to make fair and equitable decisions with property taxes and user fees.
- We listen to and learn from all our partners, neighbors, and constituencies.
- We are an industry leader in sustainable aviation innovation.

ECONOMIC VIABILITY

Operate a fiscally responsible District and contribute measurable community investments to the region.

NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION

Commit to climate-resilient practices and act to preserve and enhance the natural environment.



OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY

Effectively and safely operate the District.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Work to be a good neighbor and community partner for District and community outcomes.

Item 3. Airport Improvement Magazine – KTRK Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) Article

Author: Mike Schwanz

Published in: November-December 2023

"Truckee Tahoe Airport (TRK) in California recently made a bold environmental move by changing from standard Jet A to sustainable aviation fuel (SAF). The general aviation airport started offering SAF several years ago, with a goal of gradually increasing the percentage sold to 100% by the end of 2023."

Item 4. KTRK Aviation Fuel Update

100LL - Self-service & Full-service rates are now the same to promote fewer aircraft taxing operations and engine starts. Self-service will continue for those who cannot wait for a scheduled full-service fueling off the truck or prefer to self-fuel. Long term, KTRK is exploring immediate opportunities to replace 100 Low Lead (LL) fuel with a "drop in" unleaded fuel replacement as it becomes available in the market. Four fuels are currently undergoing certification prior to and because of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) <u>endangerment finding</u> regarding leaded aviation fuel. <u>https://flyeagle.org/</u>

JetA/SAF – KTRK continues to only provide Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF), which is a blended product of ~30% SAF and ~70% JetA Fuel. The current blend of SAF being offered at KTRK is estimated to reduce life cycle carbon emissions by ~24% per gallon compared to normal JetA Fuel. While there are several California (Low Carbon Fuel Standard / Credit) and Federal (Bipartisan Infrastructure Law [BIL] and Inflation Reduction Act [IRA]) incentives to produce SAF, which has reduced the overall cost of SAF while also increasing the supply, the fuel is still more expensive than traditional and more carbon intensive fossil fuel JetA. As a result, KTRK has lowered its margin on SAF sales for both transient customers and locally based tenants. We are also developing a verifiable methodology to transfer the environmental attributes of the SAF to every customer who purchases SAF from KTRK starting in 2024.

Item 5. Runway 2/20 Reconstruction

KTRK's cross wind runway 2/20 reopened on November 16, 2023, after 17 weeks of reconstruction. The ~\$7M project (same footprint at 4,650' x 75') was sponsored by FAA Airport Improvement Program (AIP), CA Division of Aeronautics, and Truckee Tahoe Airport District funding. Brandley Engineering was the engineering firm on the project, and Mercer-Fraser was the General Contractor. A final sealing of the reconstructed runway, with new markings, and additional seeding of the disturbed areas will take place in the spring 2024 with limited closure and impact on operations.

Item 6. USFS Tahoe Nation Forest 32 Acre Direct Sale Update

The Forest Service has received interest from more than one party for a direct sale. This will result in the lands being proposed for sale through a competitive bid public auction facilitated by the General Services Administration (GSA). For the proposed auction, a minimum opening bid would be established by the Forest Service through a market analysis conducted by our Regional Appraiser.

The Forest Service will be conducting an environmental review process and offering opportunities for public comments on the proposed sale of the lands. If a final decision is made to move forward with the sale, the Forest Service will publish the Invitation for Bid (IFB) on the GSA real property disposal website.



Item 7. T-TSA Land Exchange with TTAD Update

Working with Auerbach Engineering, both T-TSA and TTAD are reviewing detailed boundary surveys conducted following the approval of the land exchange. Once this review is complete, and final boundaries are determined based on surveyed maps, both agencies will begin the process of boundary adjustments and easement recording.

ATTACHMENTS

- Aviation and Communication Reports
- Financial Report and Statements
- USFS Letter dated November 7, 2023