Project Funding

The FAA is providing the airport with 100% of the funding needed to develop the airport master plan. While the FAA does provide the funding, it does not direct the process.

Project Sponsor

As the owner of the airport, the City of Idaho Falls is the airport sponsor. The airport master plan will be supervised by the airport director with support from the IDA Airport Board.

Plan Guidance

The technical advisory committee (TAC) will also help guide the development of the plan. The TAC is comprised of stakeholders and city representatives. The TAC provides the aviation planning team with valuable feedback and insight into the needs of the local aviation community and keeps the team informed of local issues.

Who Approves a Master Plan?

The airport sponsor approves the airport master plan. FAA approval is required for the forecast and the airport layout plan (ALP) because the agency uses these elements to help determine the airport's eligibility for grant funding of proposed development.

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Community Outreach

Public meetings are an important part of this plan. These meetings provide airport planners with the opportunity to learn about your concerns and questions about the future of the airport. They also provide the community with access to the planning team, airport management, and city officials.

The planning team will hold several meetings where they will update the community as they reach major milestones in the plan. **The whole community is invited to attend these public meetings. We encourage you to share your thoughts and ideas and help shape the future of our airport.**

Plan Information and Updates

Project information and updates will also be posted online throughout the airport master plan process. This includes a project schedule, meeting announcements, and copies of plan documents as well as a comment page where you can submit your questions, concerns, and comments.

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Introduction

Idaho Falls Regional Airport (IDA) is owned and operated by the city. It proudly serves the aviation needs of Idaho Falls and the surrounding communities.

What is an Airport Master Plan?
An airport master plan is the process of establishing an airport's blueprint for long-term development. It is a comprehensive study of the airport to determine an effective plan for future airport development. It ensures the airport will continue to meet the needs of its customers in the future and that development is consistent with local, state, and national goals. This includes identifying potential environmental and socioeconomic impacts of future airport projects. An airport master plan is an important step in helping the airport become more efficient as well as financially and socially responsible.

Why Does the Airport Need One?
An airport master plan is typically updated every five to ten years. This helps the airport respond to updated design requirements, changes in the economy, and industry changes. The last airport master plan was completed for Idaho Falls Regional Airport in 2010.

Who Determines This Process?
The elements of an airport master plan are outlined by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), but the process is tailored to meet the needs of the airport and our community. An airport's size, as well as the number and type of aircraft using the airport, will determine the level of detail required.

DID YOU KNOW?

- The majority of the airport's capital improvements are funded through state and federal grants.

- Idaho Falls Regional Airport has an annual economic impact of more than $145.6 million (2020 Idaho Airport Economic Impact Analysis).

What Is the Purpose of the Plan?
The purpose of the Idaho Falls 2022 Airport Master Plan is to meet the following goals:

- Identify the condition and capacity of existing airport infrastructure.

- Identify existing problems, opportunities, and constraints.

- Determine if improvements are needed to meet current safety standards or future activity levels.

- Identify industry trends and their potential impact to the airport.

- Ensure the airport is able to continue to safely and efficiently meet the needs of customers.

- Allow the community to provide input on the plan.

- Develop a financially responsible plan for airport development.

- Determine the potential environmental and socioeconomic impact of airport development.

- Establish a realistic schedule for project implementation.

- Identify potential funding sources.

- Keep the community informed.

The Airport Master Plan Process
The FAA provides airports with guidance in the preparation of airport master plans. According to FAA Advisory Circular (AC) 150/5070-6B, *Airport Master Plans* each master plan should include the following steps:

- Research the airport's history.

- Inventory existing conditions.

- Develop a forecast of future activity levels.

- Assess the airport's ability to accommodate forecasted activity.

- Identify potential improvements or new facilities needed to accommodate forecasted levels of activity safely and efficiently.

- Evaluate each option to determine the most environmentally, socially, and financially responsible plan.

- Prepare a financial plan that describes how the airport will pay for each project.

- Prepare an implementation plan that includes a preliminary schedule and estimated costs.

- Prepare an airport layout plan (ALP) that illustrates the long-term development plan.