



Great Falls International Airport Authority

NOTICE TO ALL AIR CARRIERS SERVING GREAT FALLS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY

RE: Proposed PFC "Impose and Use" Application # 5 for GTF

In accordance with the Federal Aviation Administration's 14 CFR Part 158 regulations governing Passenger Facility Charges (PFCs), the Great Falls International Airport Authority hereby provides notice of an official consultation with air carriers serving the Great Falls International Airport (GTF) regarding the submission of PFC Application Number 5. This meeting is intended to discuss, as required by the PFC Regulation, the submission of a new "Impose and Use" PFC Application to the FAA.

The Airport plans to continue to collect PFC at the maximum allowable level of \$4.50 per enplaned passenger. The charge effective date for this application is estimated to be October 1, 2021 (when PFC application # 4 is fully collected). The total amount to be collected under this new application is \$1,850,000. The PFC expiration date for this application is estimated to be September 30, 2023. Future PFC projects will likely extend the expiration date.

The Great Falls International Authority Board requests that Nonscheduled/On-Demand Air Carriers filing FAA form 1800-31 (Air Taxi's) continue to be excluded from the requirement to collect PFCs under this application. The carriers known in this class are Aero Jet Services LLC, Crow Executive Air, Inc., Executive Flight Services, Inc., IHC Health Services, Inc., and Jet Solutions LLC. The estimated number of passengers enplaned annually by these Air Taxi air carriers is less than 2,000, which represents less than 1% of the total enplanements at GTF. The reason for requesting that this Air Taxi class of carriers be exempt from collecting the PFCs is due to the burden it would put on the small carrier that enplane so few passengers at GTF both in the cost and complexity of the required recordkeeping.

This official notice outlines the proposed PFC Application # 5 for GTF as specified in the PFC legislation. The legislation requires airline notification of potential PFC funded projects 30 to 45 days prior to the PFC meeting. In addition, the legislation requires that information on the program be conveyed to the airlines and that the airlines respond to the Airport in writing, acknowledging receipt of the required notice. The PFC consultation meeting regarding the new proposed PFC Application Number 5 is scheduled for July 14, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. local time in the Airport Conference room located in the Administration offices at the Airport.

The four "Impose and Use" projects in this PFC Application Number 5 are described in the next page. If you have any questions prior to the consultation meeting, feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Faulkner", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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Great Falls International Airport Authority
PASSENGER FACILITY CHARGE APPLICATION # 5
“Impose and Use” Project Descriptions

1. Runway 16/34 Rehabilitation–

This project will fund \$476,000 (out of the total budget of \$4.88 million). It includes the mill and overlay of Runway 16/34. It also includes magnetic variation change (declination) associated with the runway. It has been approximately 30 years since this runway has been rehabilitated. In compliance with FAA’s request pertaining to runway’s design aircraft to meet FAA design group C – III, this project will reduce the runway from 150 feet wide to 100 feet wide including moving all edge lighting. Rehabilitation of the runway 16/34 allows the airport to utilize this secondary crosswind runway for additional operations while reducing activity on primary runway 3-21. It will also improve the drainage along the runway. In addition, the rehabilitation will improve existing pavement to meet the current FAA design standards.

2. Parallel Taxiway Construction -

This project will fund \$374,000 (out of the total budget of \$3.72 million). It includes the construction of Taxiway C, a full-length parallel taxiway to address the line of sight deficiency in Runway 16/34. In addition, the construction of TW C improves the safety area grading and provides improved access locations to runway 16-34. Safety area grading will also improve the drainage along the runway and taxiway. It includes redesignating runway 16/34 to Runway 17/35 to meet FAR Part 139 requirements and comply with FAA’s request.

3. Snow Removal Equipment Building Phase II –

This project will fund \$350,000 (out of the total budget of \$1.4 million). This project includes the second phase of construction the existing Snow Removal Equipment Building adding three additional storage bays to store the airport’s fleet of snow removal equipment. The additional storage bays will ensure adequate storage space for larger snow removal equipment to meet FAA Part 139 requirements and maintain a safe, effective, and efficient snow removal operation.

4. Snow Removal Equipment- Purchase Snow Blower –

This project includes the purchase of one 3000 ton blower costing about \$ 650,000. This unit will replace an aging (over 20 years old) military surplus snow blower that is currently in service. The snow blower will provide much more efficiency to the snow removal operations at the airport. It meets the requirements set forth in the most current FAA Advisory Circular (A/C 150/5200-20 and A/C 150/5220-30).