

**NOTICE OF  
OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO  
PASSENGER FACILITY CHARGES**

The Port of Walla Walla (Port) is providing an opportunity for public comment until April 9, 2025 related to our proposed new Impose and Use Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) Application #3 for the Walla Walla Regional Airport. This written notice is provided in accordance with requirements contained in Federal Aviation Regulation 49 CFR Part 158.24 Passenger Facility Charge.

The Port plans to submit a new PFC Application #3 at the PFC rate of \$4.50 per enplaned passenger. We anticipate collection on this application to begin on January 1, 2026 when the previous application is fully collected. The total PFC revenue to be collected for projects in this application is \$2,098,784. The PFC expiration date for this application is estimated to be October 1, 2042. Future PFC projects will likely extend the expiration date. The fifteen projects in this application are described below.

**03-001      Install Perimeter Security Fencing**

This project included the installation of approximately 7,200 linear feet of security fencing on the Airport's western perimeter. The fencing is 6 feet tall with 3 stands of barbed wire.

This project was necessary for the Airport to comply with CFR 1542 security requirements to ensure security of the Air Operations Area (AOA), and to prevent unauthorized persons and unauthorized uses of the AOA.

The total cost of this project was \$211,963. AIP Grant #30 funded \$194,752. PFCs are requested to fund the local match totaling \$17,211. This project started in April 2015 and was completed in June 2015.

**03-002      Conduct Master Plan Study Update**

This project included a Master Plan Study update. It provided information on historic and current activities at the Airport, evaluated projects future activities, and identified a plan to accommodate airport improvement and development. The planning included an AGIS survey development.

The previous Master Plan was conducted in 2002 and was in need of updating. This project was necessary to identify future planning projects for its aviation assets.

The total cost of this project was \$562,878. AIP Grant #31 funded \$517,172. State Funds provided \$22,853. PFCs are requested to fund the remaining local match totaling \$22,853. This project started in September 2015 and was completed in December 2016.

### **03-003 Acquire Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Truck**

This project included the acquisition of a new Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) truck and ARFF auxiliary equipment. The equipment was purchased in accordance with Advisory Circular 150/5220-10E, *Guide Specification for Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) Vehicles*.

This Airport's existing ARFF vehicle was built in 1996 and per FAA Order 5100.38D was past its useful life of 15 years. The FAA's Part 139 Inspector notified the airport that a new truck was needed due to the age and unreliability of the existing ARFF Truck. This project was necessary for the Airport to satisfy its ARFF B Index.

The total cost of this project was \$772,837. AIP Grant #30 funded \$34,898 and AIP Grant #32 funded \$675,184. PFCs are requested to fund the local matches totaling \$62,755. This project started in June 2016 and was completed in March 2017.

### **03-004 Reconstruct Taxiway A**

This project included the design and reconstruction of Taxiway A and its existing taxiway connectors. This included realignment of connectors to meet current design standards. The project also included a new medium-intensity taxiway lighting system, taxiway signs, REILs for Runway 2 and improved drainage.

Taxiway A was originally constructed in the 1940's. The last overlay was in 1982 and crack sealing on the asphalt took place in 2010. The pavement was in need of reconstruction due to the age of the pavement and pavement distresses. PCI numbers for the existing pavement per the WSDOT Pavement Management Program ranged from 56 to 70. The pavement had spider cracks throughout and cracks that measured up to 1" in width.

The total cost of this project was \$14,315,396. AIP funds totaled \$13,152,985 (AIP Grants #30, #33 and #34). State Funds provided \$324,261. PFCs are requested to fund the remaining local matches totaling \$838,150. This project started in April 2017 and was completed in September 2018.

### **03-005 Conduct Runway 2/20 Safety Area Study**

This project included the undertaking of a Runway 2/20 safety area study to evaluate the existing drainage condition within the RSA and complete a preliminary design for grading and drainage improvements. The study included runway safety area investigation, evaluation, modifications to Standards, preparation of the runway safety area and pavement condition capital improvement plan.

This study project was a needed precursor for the FAA to determine what approach and what the cost would be for the Airport to phase the work for the runways non-compliant elements.

The total cost of this project was \$169,674. AIP Grant #35 funded \$155,896. State Funds provided \$6,567. PFCs are requested to fund the remaining local match totaling \$7,211. This project started in July 2019 and was completed in June 2020.

### **03-006     Rehabilitate Runway 2/20**

This project included the design and construction of the rehabilitation of Runway 2/20. The project included crack repairs, a slurry seal application, and a full runway remarking.

This project was necessary to extend the useful life of the pavement on the Airport's only open runway.

The total cost of this project was \$438,774. AIP Grant #35 funded \$403,146. State Funds provided \$17,304. PFCs are requested to fund the remaining local match totaling \$18,324. This project started in August 2020 and was completed in September 2020.

### **03-007     Acquire Snow Removal Equipment**

This project includes the acquisition of two pieces of snow removal equipment – an MB5 multitasking (MTE) unit and a 20-foot rotary broom.

This is an additional piece of equipment to the Airport's SRE fleet and was necessary to meet airport operational requirements in the Snow & Ice Plan. The need for this equipment was noted in the Airport's 2019 Part 139 Certification Inspection.

The total cost of this project was \$1,440,694. AIP Grant #36 funded \$775,329 and AIP Grant #37 funded \$596,844. PFCs are requested to fund the local matches totaling \$68,521. This project started in October 2019 and was completed in September 2020.

### **03-008     Construct Snow Removal Equipment Building**

This project included the design and construction of a new snow removal equipment building. The building is a 16,000 square foot building with a 1,000 square feet of mezzanine storage space. Space in the building includes two pull through storage bays, a pull through wash bay, a broom make-up area with jib crane, sand and deicer storage, wood and plumbing shops, bathrooms, staff offices, and a conference room. Additional work included paving the lot connecting the new building and the existing SRE facility, paving the vehicle approach to the building off Fairchild Avenue, improvements to the SRE facility fuel island, paving the fixed base operator (FBO) parking lot, installing a new automatic airfield gate on Fairchild Avenue, and a new double swing gate into the SRE facility on Douglas Avenue.

This project was necessary to store and protect snow removal equipment necessary to meet airport operational requirements in its Snow and Ice Plan. This building will protect the equipment from adverse weather conditions.

The total cost of this project was \$6,034,586. AIP Grants #37, #38 and #41 funded \$6,018,678. PFCs are requested to fund the local match totaling \$15,908. This project started in April 2022 and was completed in November 2023.

### **03-009 Reconstruction and Rehabilitation of General Aviation Apron**

This project included the reconstruction of approximately 80,000 square feet of the existing general aviation apron pavement. The GA Apron Rehabilitation scope included new Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) and asphalt pavement, new pavement markings, stormwater collection and conveyance facility reconfiguration, reconstruction of pavement subdrains, trench drains, slotted drains, catch basins, manholes, storm sewers, and other connecting infrastructure. The cement concrete pavement section was treated with concrete panel replacement over reconditioned base while the section with surface asphalt required a mill of the surface asphalt, crack and seat the pavement, and then pave a new asphalt surface. Additionally, the adjacent general aviation apron was sealed and remarked with this project.

This pavement had reached the end of its useful life. The Washington Airport PCI ratings for the apron was between 35 and 56. The adjacent apron has a PCI rating of 93 so preventative maintenance only was performed at that location.

The total cost of this project was \$14,638,100. AIP Grants #40 and #41 funded \$14,200,878. PFCs are requested to fund \$437,222 which includes the required local match of \$107,454 plus \$329,768 in eligible costs for which there was no federal funding available. This project started in February 2022 and was completed in November 2023.

### **03-010 Rehabilitate Taxiway A (Seal Coat and Grading Construction)**

This project included the rehabilitation of Taxiway A including connecting taxiways. The project included the application of a rejuvenator and replacement of pavement markings. Cracks in the pavement were sealed prior to seal coating. The milling along the shoulder of Taxiway A inside the RSA were regraded. The project also included the remarking of Runway 2/20.

Taxiway A at Walla Walla Regional Airport was reconstructed in 2018. Five years later, maintenance was necessary to preserve the life of the pavement of Taxiway A and Taxiway A connectors. This project also included remarking on Runway 2/20 which was previously remarked in 2020. This project also restored the shoulders of Taxiway A to grades allowable by Advisory Circular 5300-13B, *Airport Design*. The pavement life of Taxiway A was extended as a result of this project. This will increase the time until the next reconstruction project is necessary. The improvements to both the pavement surface and shoulder grading increased safety at the Airport.

The total cost of this project was \$1,031,725. BIL Grant #47 funded \$947,949. State funds provided \$38,305 of the local match. PFCs are requested to fund the remaining local match totaling \$45,471. This project started and was completed in August 2023.

### **03-011 Construction of New Fuel Storage Tank**

This project includes the installation of one (1) 12,000 gallon above ground double-walled Jet-A fuel tank in close proximity to the existing Jet-A fuel tank at the existing Fuel Facility located at the Airport. The project also includes the required updated SPCC Plan and SWPPP.

This project is necessary to support on-going growth of fuel storage needs at the Airport.

The total cost of this project is estimated to be \$1,019,448. BIL Grant #48 is anticipated to fund \$936,669. PFCs are requested to fund the required local match totaling \$82,779. This project started in June 2023 and is estimated to be completed in May 2025.

### **03-012 Reconstruct Runway 2-20 Lighting, Guidance Signs, NAVAIDs and Safety Areas**

This project includes the replacement of existing drainage facilities to prevent ponding during weather events, Runway Safety Area grading including pavement removal and unclassified excavation, replacement of airfield lighting and signage infrastructure including LED edge lights, LED airfield guidance signs, CCR(s), conduit, cable and counterpoise.

The Runway 2/20 RSA Evaluation identified drainage deficiencies within the safety area. This project will construct improvements to the storm water infrastructure within the Runway 2/20 safety area. Several elements of Runway 2/20 and associated safety area were noted as non-compliant with FAA Advisory Circular 150/5300-13A, *Airport Design* during the Airport's master plan update in 2015. The Runway 2/20 electrical system is approaching the end of its useful life. This project will construct a rehabilitation of the system including new edge lighting, signage, cable, and CCRs.

The total cost of this project is estimated to be \$7,519,030. AIP Grant #44 provided \$586,894 and AIP Grant #49 is anticipated to fund \$6,321,590. State funded totaled \$296,652. PFCs are requested to fund the required local matches totaling \$313,894. This project started in August 2023 and is estimated to be completed in July 2025.

### **03-013 Rehabilitate Terminal Apron**

This project includes the rehabilitation of the terminal apron including replacing PCC apron pavements, repairing concrete spalls, removing and resealing joints, crack repairs and remarking pavements.

The Terminal Apron was showing signs of pavement wear, including joint deterioration and pavement cracking deterioration and pavement cracking. Timely maintenance and repair of pavements was required to maintain its structural capacity, the ride quality needed for safe aircraft operations, good friction characteristics under all weather conditions, and limiting foreign object debris (FOD) potential.

The total cost of this project was \$708,339. AIP Grant #52 funded \$650,821. PFCs are requested to fund the required local match totaling \$57,518. This project started in July 2024 and was completed in September 2024.

### **03-014 Acquire Snow Removal Equipment**

This Project includes the acquisition of snow removal equipment consisting of a carrier chassis with a plow and liquid deice system with a 20' blade.

This acquisition is necessary to support winter snow removal operations at ALW and supported with the FAA Part 139 Inspector. This new equipment will replace the Airport's 2004 plow which has met its useful life of 20 years.

The total cost of this project is estimated to be \$779,594. AIP Grants #53 and #54 are anticipated to fund \$716,291. PFCs are requested to fund the required local matches totaling \$63,303. This project started in May 2024 and is estimated to be completed in September 2025.

### **03-015 PFC Administration Costs**

PFC-eligible general formation costs included in this PFC project are the necessary expenditures to prepare the new PFC application. Development associated with the approved projects in this application will preserve and enhance safety and capacity at the Airport. The total cost of this project is \$47,664. PFCs are anticipated to provide 100% funding for this project. This project started in January 2025 and is estimated to be completed in October 2042.

**Comments or a request for more details regarding this amendment should be sent to Jennifer Skoglund, Airport Manager, Walla Walla Regional Airport, 310 A Street, Walla Walla, Washington, 99362.**