

**Port of Walla Walla, Washington
Walla Walla Regional Airport**



**FY 2025-2026-2027 Goal Update
Disadvantaged Business
Enterprise (DBE) Program**

July 2024

FY 2025-2026-2027 DBE Goal Update

Name of Recipient: Port of Walla Walla

Goal Period: October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2027

DOT-assisted contract amount:	FY-2025	\$ 750,000
	FY-2026	\$ 6,626,000
	<u>FY-2027</u>	<u>\$ 750,000</u>
	Total	\$ 8,126,000

Overall goal for FY2022-2023-2024: 6.12% to be accomplished through race-conscious participation

Total dollar amount to be expended on DBEs: \$831,516

This document proposes a DBE goal update for FY 2025-2026-2027 for the Walla Walla Regional Airport (Airport) in Walla Walla, Washington. The projects referred to in this report appear on the most recent Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for the Walla Walla Regional Airport and are being funded with Airport Improvement Program (AIP) grant dollars and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) funds.

The purpose of establishing a DBE goal is to promote the use of disadvantaged businesses in our geographical area and to assure FAA grant eligibility for projects at the Airport.

Describe the Number and Type of Contracts that the airport anticipates awarding:

Table 1 below shows the upcoming projects for FY 2025-2026-2027 at the Walla Walla Regional Airport based on the current CIP. Estimated costs are also listed in **Table 1**. The projects create possible subcontracting opportunities in six (6) different disciplines, as listed in **Table 2**, paired with their respective NAICS codes.

Table 1: FY 2025-2026-2027 Capital Improvement Projects

FY 2025 Projects		
Contract #1	GA Apron Rehabilitation -Design Engineering	\$750,000
FY 2026 Projects		
Contract #1	GA Apron Rehabilitation -Construction	\$6,626,000
FY 2027 Projects		
Contract #1	Runway Pavement Maintenance	\$750,000

Table 2: Disciplines Anticipated in FY 2025-2026-2027 Projects

Discipline	NAICS
Engineering	541330
Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction	237310
Surveying & Mapping	541370
Erosion Control	561730
Demolition, Excavation, Earthwork	238910
Traffic Control	561990

Market Area

The Market Area was determined using the 2019 Washington State Airports Disparity Study, conducted for the WA State Department of Transportation by Colette Holt & Associates. **The Market Area has been defined as the East Region.** This region includes the following counties: Adams, Asotin, Benton, Chelan, Douglas, Franklin, Grant, Kittitas, Klickitat, Lincoln, Okanogan, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Stevens, Walla Walla, Whitman, and Yakima.

Federal grant authorities prohibit recipients from using geographic preference in the evaluation of bids or proposals for DOT-assisted contracts, including contracts funded with AIP grants. The specific regulation outlining this requirement is 49 CFR, Part 18, “Uniform Administration Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments.”

Weighted Availability of DBE Firms

Tables 1 through 3 below summarize the total trade dollars, the percentage of DBE businesses in the Market Area, and estimated available DBE contract dollars for each aspect of the FY 2025-2026-2027 projects. The data source for the total available businesses comes from the 2019 Washington State Airports Disparity Study, conducted for the WA State Department of Transportation by Colette Holt & Associates. This study was used to determine the number of available contractors and subcontractors for the work anticipated on the projects.

Tables 1 through 3 are used to determine the percentage of the total estimated project costs which is available to DBE Contractors for each project. A rough estimate of the combined project costs is tabulated along with a breakdown of costs by category. From these figures, a weighted percentage of contract dollars available to DBE's in the Market Area can be calculated. First, the percent of DBE firms in each category is determined by the Disparity Study. The estimated cost for each category is multiplied by this percentage to determine the amount that would be paid to DBE firms if they were to do this work. Next, the amounts available for DBE firms in each category are totaled. Finally, the dollar value available to DBE firms is divided by the estimated combined project total. The result is the percentage of contract work available to DBE firms for each project. An overall goal for all the projects will be determined using a cumulative weighted average.

Step 1 Base Figure

Table 1 (Contract #1): Aviation Apron Pavement Rehabilitation - Phase 1 Design Engineering					
Trade Description	NAICS Description	NAICS	Trade (\$)	DBE (%)	DBE (\$) (=Trade \$ x DBE %)
Engineering	Engineering Services	541330	\$750,000	8.10%	\$60,750.00
Total Contract #1			\$750,000	8.10%	\$60,750.00
Total FY-2025			\$750,000	8.10%	\$60,750.00

Table 2 (Contract #2): Aviation Apron Pavement Rehabilitation - Phase 1 Construction					
Trade Description	NAICS Description	NAICS	Trade (\$)	DBE (%)	DBE (\$) (=Trade \$ x DBE %)
Asphalt Paving, Pavement Marking	Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction	237310	\$3,881,000	12.10%	\$469,601.00
Demolition, Excavation, Earthwork	Site Preparation Contractors	238910	\$1,800,000	8.30%	\$149,400.00
Engineering	Engineering Services	541330	\$750,000	8.10%	\$60,750.00
Land Surveying	Surveying and Mapping (except planning)	541370	\$60,000	6.60%	\$3,960.00
Erosion Control	Landscaping services (except planning)	561730	\$50,000	5.10%	\$2,550.00
Traffic Control	All Other Support Services (Traffic Control)	561990	\$85,000	4.50%	\$3,825.00
Total Contract #1			\$6,626,000	10.41%	\$690,086.00
Total FY-2026			\$6,626,000	10.41%	\$690,086.00

Table 3 (Contract #3): Runway Pavement Maintenance					
Trade Description	NAICS Description	NAICS	Trade (\$)	DBE (%)	DBE (\$) (=Trade \$ x DBE %)
Asphalt Paving, Pavement Marking	Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction	237310	\$550,000	12.10%	\$66,550.00
Engineering	Engineering Services	541330	\$120,000	8.10%	\$9,720.00
Land Surveying	Surveying and Mapping (except planning)	541370	\$30,000	6.60%	\$1,980.00
Erosion Control	Landscaping services (except planning)	561730	\$30,000	5.10%	\$1,530.00
Traffic Control	All Other Support Services (Traffic Control)	561990	\$20,000	4.50%	\$900.00
Total Contract #1			\$750,000	10.76%	\$80,680.00
Total FY-2027			\$750,000	10.76%	\$80,680.00

The base goal projection after weighting is as follows:

- Total Weighted DBE Availability: \$831,516
- Total for All Trades: \$8,126,000

Dividing the weighted DBE totals by the total estimate for all trades gives a base DBE availability figure for the projects anticipated during the goal-setting period. This figure is expressed as a percentage and serves as the basis for the three-year overall goal.

Base of DBE Goal: 10.23%

Step 2 - Adjustments to Step 1 Base Figure

After calculating a base figure of the relative availability of DBEs, evidence was examined to determine what, if any, adjustment to the base figure was needed in order to arrive at the overall goal.

One piece of data used to determine the adjustment to the base figure was the median of historical DBE accomplishments, as follows in Table 4:

Table 4: Past History Participation

FY	Total AIP Grant / CARES \$ Amount	DBE Goals			Accomplishments			Type of work
		RC	RN	Total	RC	RN	Total	
FY 21	\$13,111,888	10.4%	0%	10.4%	.6%	0%	.6%	GA Apron Rehabilitation
FY 23	\$585,219	5.19%	0%	5.19%	0%	0%	0%	Terminal Design Engineering
FY 23	\$952,358	5.19%	0%	5.19%	6.16%	0%	6.16%	Twy Pavement Maintenance
FY 23	\$6,321,590	5.19%	0%	5.19%	1.34%	0%	1.34%	Rwy RSA Grading/Drainage
Total	\$20,971,055				2.02%	0%	2.02%	

Upon arranging the historical data for like projects in FY2021 and FY2023 the median DBE is 2.02%.

Step 1 Base averaged with historical median: $(10.23\% + 2.02\%)/2 = 6.12\%$

To arrive at an overall goal, the Step 1 base figure was added to the Step 2 adjustment figure and the total was averaged, arriving at an overall goal of 6.12%. The Port of Walla Walla believes this adjusted goal accurately reflects DBE participation that can be achieved for the type(s) of work being awarded during the FY2025-2026-2027 period.

Step 2(b) – Disparity Studies

The data source for the total available businesses comes from the 2019 Washington State Airports Disparity Study conducted for the WA State Department of Transportation by Colette Holt & Associates was used to determine the number of available contractors and subcontractors for the work anticipated on these projects.

Step 2(c) – Consultation

Prior to finalizing the goal, a video conference call was held to allow businesses in the Market Area to provide input on the methodology used in this goal calculation.

Step 2(d) – Adjusted DBE Goal

The overall DBE Goal is 6.12%.

Breakout of Estimated “Race and Gender Neutral” (RN) and “Race and Gender Conscious” (RC) Participation.

The Port of Walla Walla does not have a history of over-achievement of goals and expects to obtain its DBE participation through the use of DBE contract goals or a conscious effort to obtain DBE participation.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Port of Walla Walla is proposing a 2025-2026-2027 Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) goal of 6.12% Race Conscious for projects being undertaken during this time at the Walla Walla Regional Airport. The proposed goal and its attendant methodology are available for inspection online at <https://wallawallaairport.com>.

Comments on the DBE goal will be accepted for 30 days from the date of this publication and can be sent to the following:

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