2024-2030 MAC Capital Improvement Program Review
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Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) Roles

**Minnesota Statutes 473.601-473.679**

- Promote aviation & competitive air service
- Owns & operates seven public airports in metro area
- Prepares airport long-term comprehensive plans
- Annually prepares capital improvement program (CIP) to implement planned improvements
  - Annually prepare an environmental assessment of CIP projects (Assessment of Environmental Effects (AOEE))
Met Council Aviation Planning Roles

Minnesota Statutes 473.146 & 473.621

• Prepare Regional Aviation System Plan
• Review metro airport & community comprehensive plans, environmental evaluations
• Review MAC’s Capital Improvement Program and review and approve major capital projects that have a significant affect on the orderly and economic development of the region
MAC Capital Projects Review (1)

Capital Projects Review Criteria

- Projects over $5 million at MSP and over $2 million at reliever airports that have potential for significant effects
- Significant effects criteria
  - Location of a new airport
  - New runway at an existing airport
  - Runway extension at an existing airport
  - Runway strengthening other than routine maintenance
  - New or expanded passenger handling or parking facilities for 25% or more capacity increase
  - Land acquisition associated with the other criteria, or that would cause relocation of residential or business activities
MAC Capital Projects Review (2)

2024 Capital Projects Review

• Adequate public participation process
• Assessment of Environmental Effects (AOEE) completed and reviewed
• MAC’s CIP identifies adequate funding
• MAC’s CIP is consistent with the 2040 TPP
• Many large projects planned for 2024 at MSP
• There is one capital project requiring Met Council approval in 2024
2024 CIP Public Process

- Public comment period and public hearings held for CIP review
- Public comment and hearing held for environmental (AOEE) review
Big year planned for 2024 - $1 billion in new projects

Major MSP Projects in 2024 – no requirement for Met Council approval but notable projects

• Terminal 2 North Gate Expansion
• Concourse G Infill
• Safety and Security Center
MAC Capital Projects Review (5)

Lake Elmo Airport (21D) Runway 04-22

- Pavement rehabilitation and runway extension
  - Crosswind runway will be extended by 254' to 2,750'
- Included in 2016 Long Term Comprehensive Plan
  - Main runway extension (14-32) approved in 2018
  - Final planned runway project (runway 14-32 constructed in 2021)
- Included in 2018 EA/EAW
  - No significant environmental impact
- Consistent with Transportation Policy Plan
  - Lake Elmo is classified as a Minor Airport in the regional system, existing role will not change.
MAC CIP Looking Forward

2025-2030 Capital Investments

- 2024 will be a big year for MAC, over $1 billion capital program planned
  - MSP projects expected to continue above $500 million through 2027
- 2025 will likely have a project for Met Council approval next year, runway expansion at Airlake in Lakeville
- MSP and Flying Cloud Long-Term Comprehensive Plans anticipated to be completed in 2024
  - May see projects from these plans be incorporated beginning in next year’s CIP for later years.
Thank you!

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