



THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



William Cass, P.E.
Commissioner

David Rodrigue, P.E.
Assistant Commissioner

6

The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court and

Bureau of Aeronautics
April 28, 2025

Her Excellency, Governor Kelly A. Ayotte
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the New Hampshire Department of Transportation to budget and expend prior year carry-forward funds in the amount of \$388,317 to fund the Airport Improvement and Maintenance (AIM) Program as prescribed by State statute, effective upon the date of Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2025. 100% Agency Income – Aircraft Toll (Fuel Fees).

In SFY 2025, funds shall be budgeted and expended within 04-096-096-964010-2029 – Airway Toll Fund, as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Fund ID, Current Budget FY2025, Requested Change, Revised Budget FY2025. Rows include Airway Toll Fund (Fuel) Expenses: 038-500177 Technology - Software, 046-500464 Consultants, 073-500581 Grants-Non-Federal, Total.

Table with 4 columns: Source of Funds, Current Budget FY2025, Requested Change, Revised Budget FY2025. Rows include Revenue: 006-407545 Aircraft Toll (Fuel Fee), Total.

EXPLANATION

The Department has \$559,438 in revenue from the Aeronautics Airway Toll (fuel fees) collected since fiscal year 2021. In accordance with the Federal Aviation Administration’s (FAA’s) Final Rule (Federal Register/Vo. 64, No. 30 7696) on policy and procedures concerning the use of airport revenue, all aviation revenue collected by the state must be deposited into a dedicated account to be used for aviation programs. Per RSA: 422:34, all Airway Toll fees collected are credited to the Department and shall not lapse. The revenue is used to provide funding to the 25 open-to-the-public airports in the state for the Airport Improvement and Maintenance (AIM) Program. This aviation program provides an

80% matching share for eligible airport improvement capital and maintenance programs to ensure safe operations at the airports. The airport sponsor provides a 20% matching share to complete the project.

This request will provide funding for two projects:

- \$344,344.00 (80% of the total project) to rehabilitate Runway 2-20 (approximately 3,280 x 75') at the Hawthorne-Feather Airport in Hillsborough.
 - 8B1, LLC, owner/sponsor of the Hawthorne-Feather Airport, will provide the remaining \$ 86,086 (20% of the total project) to complete the runway rehabilitation project.
 - Total cost of the project is \$430,430.
- \$43,972.80 (80% of the total project) to prepare a GPS ALP at the Hawthorne-Feather Airport in Hillsborough.
 - 8B1, LLC, owner/sponsor of the Hawthorne-Feather Airport, will provide the remaining \$10,993.20 (20% of the total project) to complete the planning project.
 - Total cost of the project is \$54,966.

Your approval of this resolution is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,



William J. Cass, P.E.
Commissioner