

Appleton Airport breaks ground on business park expansion

When: Tuesday, 9/17/24 - 10:00 a.m.

Where: Endeavor Drive – NW side of the Airport – Use Endeavor Drive entrance off of Hwy 96,

between Hwy CB and Hwy 76

Who: Airport Director Abe Weber, Outagamie County Exec. Thomas Nelson will be available

Officials at <u>Appleton International Airport</u> will break ground on a business park expansion designed to fuel growth in aviation related businesses. The first phase of the project consists of building a road connecting Endeavour Drive to State Highway 76 to allow for future development. The construction project is being executed by <u>Murphy Concrete and Construction</u>. In addition to building the road, other improvements include water, electric, and gas utilities along with an expanded concrete apron.

The site will open approximately 100 acres for development and will provide space for up to ten large airplane hangars. The business park opened in the 1990s with the most recent addition being the Gulfstream paint hanger, which was completed in 2023.

"This is the next frontier of growth and development for the airport and the region," said Airport Director Abe Weber. "We expect to attract businesses as diverse as aircraft maintenance, repair, and aircraft manufacturing." Weber adds that the business park is only minutes away from access to Interstate 41 and near the private airplane flight center and main terminal.

"Our airport is already one of the largest economic engines in the region," said Outagamie County Executive Thomas Nelson. "Commercial aviation is a growth sector, and this development will provide the infrastructure for future growth to attract new businesses to the area and provide more high-quality jobs."

The project is being funded by a \$3 million grant from the U.S. Economic Development Administration—the total expansion is estimated at \$3.9 million. Road construction is expected to complete in July of 2025.

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