



2021-2022 Florida Job Growth Grant Fund Public Infrastructure Grant Proposal

Proposal Instructions: Please read this document carefully and provide the information requested below. Some questions may request that a separate narrative be completed. If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.

Governmental Entity Information

Name of Governmental Entity: Hillsborough County Aviation Authority
Government Federal Employer Identification Number: [REDACTED]

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Public Infrastructure Grant Eligibility

Pursuant to section 288.101, F.S., the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund was created to promote economic opportunity by improving public infrastructure and enhancing workforce training. Eligible entities that wish to access this grant fund must submit public infrastructure proposals that:

- Promote economic recovery in specific regions of the state, economic diversification or economic enhancement in a targeted industry. ([View Florida's Targeted Industries here.](#))
- Are not for the exclusive benefit of any single company, corporation or business entity.
- Are for infrastructure that is owned by the public and is for public use or predominately benefits the Public.

1. Program Requirements:

(If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.)

Each proposal must include the following information describing how the project satisfies eligibility requirements listed on page 1.

- A.** Provide a detailed description of the public infrastructure improvements.
Eastside Development Area (please see attached word document for full description)

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- B.** Provide location of public infrastructure, including physical address and county of project.
Tampa International Airport, 4100 George J. Bean Parkway, Tampa FL 33607

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- C.** Is this infrastructure currently owned by the public? Yes No

If no, is there a current option to purchase or right of way provided to the County?

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- D.** Provide current property owner.
Hillsborough County Aviation Authority

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- E.** Is this infrastructure for public use or does it predominately benefit the public? Yes No

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- F.** Will the public infrastructure improvements be for the exclusive benefit of any single company, corporation, or business entity?

Yes No

G. Provide a detailed description of, and quantitative evidence demonstrating, how the proposed public infrastructure project will promote:

- Economic recovery in specific regions of the state;
- Economic diversification; or
- Economic enhancement of a Targeted Industry ([View Florida's Targeted Industries here.](#))
 - Describe how the project will promote specific job growth. Include the number of jobs that will be retained or created, and in which industry(ies) the new net jobs will be created using the North American Industry Classification System ([NAICS](#)) codes. Where applicable, you may list specific businesses that will retain or create jobs or make capital investment.
 - Provide a detailed explanation of how the public infrastructure improvements will connect to a broader economic development vision for the community and benefit additional current or future businesses.

Tampa International Airport (TPA) is experience record cargo growth along with strong increases in passenger volume. This project will allow UPS to continue to expand and enables the space for a new Airside which will serve both international and domestic passengers potentially adding carriers and allowing existing carriers to expand. This project fuels economic diversification in the region by allowing major domestic and cargo carriers and expand in Florida while adding jobs directly with the companies and indirectly with companies on the ground. The jobs are in the categories of airport cargo handling services, air cargo carriers, other support activities for aircraft service and maintenance and repair for aircraft under the NAICS.

2. Additional Information:

(If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.)

A. Provide the proposed commencement date and number of days required to complete construction of the public infrastructure project.

Construction is expected to commence on September 1, 2022 with an overall duration of 540 calendar days.

B. What permits are necessary for the public infrastructure project?

City of Tampa building, water and wastewater permits; FAA NEPA Categorical Exclusion (CATEX), Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) Environmental Resource Permit (ERP), FAA Height Zoning permit, Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) sanitary pump station permit.

- C. Detail whether required permits have been secured, and if not, detail the timeline for securing these permits. Additionally, if any required permits are local permits, will these permits be prioritized?

City of Tampa permits will be secured between March 2022 and June 2022. FAA NEPA is complete. SWFWMD ERP is complete. FAA Height Zoning Permit will be secured between March 2022 and June 2022. FDEP sanitary pump station permit is complete. No permit expediting is anticipated to be required.

- D. What is the future land use and zoning designation on the proposed site of the infrastructure improvements, and will the improvements conform to those uses?

Current and future land use and zoning designation is M-AP-1, Airport Compatibility District. The proposed improvements conform to this land use and zoning.

- E. Will an amendment to the local comprehensive plan or a development order be required on the site of the proposed project or on adjacent property to accommodate the infrastructure and potential current or future job creation opportunities? If yes, please detail the timeline.

Yes No

- F. Is the project ready to commence upon grant fund approval and contract execution? If no, please explain.

Yes No

- G. Does this project have a local match amount?

Yes No

If yes, please describe the entity providing the match and the amount.

HCAA providing \$64, 318, 024

- H. Provide any additional information or attachments to be considered for this proposal. Maps and other supporting documents are encouraged.

Please see attached map and word document.

3. Program Budget

(If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.)

Estimated Costs and Sources of Funding: Include all applicable public infrastructure costs and other funding sources available to support the proposal.

1.) **Total Amount Requested** \$ 8,000,000 _____
 Florida Job Growth Grant Fund

A. Other Public Infrastructure Project Funding Sources:

City/County \$ \$64,318,024 _____

Private Sources \$ _____

Other (grants, etc.) \$ \$9,913,664 _____

Total Other Funding \$ 74,231,688 _____

Please Specify: _____ FDOT

B. Public Infrastructure Project Costs:

Construction \$ \$66,430,374 _____

Reconstruction \$ 0 _____

Design & Engineering \$ \$7,649,842 _____

Land Acquisition \$ _____

Land Improvement \$ _____

Other \$ \$151,472 _____

Total Project Costs \$ \$74,231,688 _____

Please Specify: _____

Note: The total amount requested must be calculated by subtracting the total other public infrastructure project funding sources in A. from the total public infrastructure project costs in B.

- C. Provide a detailed budget narrative, including the timing and steps necessary to obtain the funding and any other pertinent budget-related information.

This project has been approved by the airlines and the Board of Directors and is included in the current capital improvement program and budget.

4. Approvals and Authority

(If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.)

- A. If the governmental entity is awarded grant funds based on this proposal, what approvals must be obtained before it can execute a grant agreement with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (e.g., approval of a board, commission or council)?

Policy P452 gives the CEO authorization to execute all grants and funding mechanisms.

If board authorization is not required, who is authorized to sign?

The CEO or his designate

- B. If approval of a board, commission, council or other group is needed prior to execution of an agreement between the governmental entity and the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity:

- i. Provide the schedule of upcoming meetings for the group for a period of at least six months.
- ii. State whether entity is willing and able to hold special meetings, and if so, upon how many days' notice.


Not applicable

- C. Attach evidence that the undersigned has all necessary authority to execute this proposal on behalf of the governmental entity. This evidence may take a variety of forms, including but not limited to: a delegation of authority, citation to relevant laws or codes, policy documents, etc.

Please see attached policy.

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I have express authority to sign this proposal on behalf of the above-described entity and to the best of my knowledge, that all data and information submitted in proposal is truthful and accurate and no material fact has been omitted.

Name of Governmental Entity: Hillsborough County Aviation Authority

Name and Title of Authorized Representative:  7/14/21

Representative Signature: J.W. LOP ATVO

Signature Date: 7/14/21

Tampa International Airport

Eastside Development Area

Section 1 (A)

The purpose of this project is to redevelop the Eastside of the Tampa International Airport (TPA) to serve new air cargo service and facilitate the expansion of cargo and passenger aircraft operations as determined by the 2012 Master Plan, all of which will increase private sector jobs and encourage private capital investment in the development area. This area on the east side of the airport is a prime location for continued expansion. It is easily accessible via Air Cargo Road, which is strategically located in proximity to I-275 and has minimal site preparation requirements. Additionally, this development is in a location consistent with current master plan recommendations for future air cargo based on co-location of comparable development including access to the ground run-up enclosure and existing fueling facilities.

TPA ranked second among U.S. airports in cargo growth from 2010 to 2016, and TPA's cargo volume has grown more than 156% since 2015. All-cargo carriers at TPA include FedEx, UPS, ABX, ATI, Atlas Air, and Southern Air (the latter four operating for Amazon), and other companies have expressed interest in establishing cargo service at TPA. Cargo facilities at the airport, however, are constrained to the point of deterring growth.

The air cargo expansion portion of the project will include cargo facilities, site development, taxilanes, aircraft parking aprons, ground service equipment storage areas, landside roadway access improvements, aircraft fueling facilities and trailer staging areas.

While this activation and development is taking place, current cargo operators will conduct temporary operations at the airport's Hardstand D, which typically is utilized by passenger air carriers. In 2024, cargo carriers will cease operations on Hardstand D, as construction will begin in that area for the future 16-gate Airside D to enable both domestic and international passenger growth.

Future Eastside Development

Air Cargo Facility

The new air cargo expansion will include cargo facilities, site development, taxilanes, aircraft parking aprons, ground service equipment storage areas, landside roadway access improvements, aircraft fueling facilities, relocation of fuel pipeline, and trailer staging areas.

Once the site preparation work is completed, some existing roadways will be removed, while constructing new roadways and modifying others. In addition to the roadway work, construction will include new cargo buildings, parking areas and trailer storage areas. The essential airfield work includes constructing a new taxilane, relocating the airport's main fuel line, and aircraft parking aprons including appropriate lighting and signage.

Section 1 (G)

TPA's longest operating cargo airline, FedEx, occupies a building and ramp constructed in 2009 already on the Eastside adjacent to the new proposed air cargo expansion. FedEx enjoys a mature operation and employs 300 people at TPA.

The expansion of cargo airlines ABX, ATI, Atlas Air, and Southern Air (operating for Amazon), and Ground Handler LGSTX, have led to total job creation of 420 employees, which we expect will continue to increase job numbers in the coming months. Amazon's recent expansion into Lakeland has not substantially hindered its growth plans for TPA, as its airlines still operate four flights a day at TPA, with the expectation that the number of flights will increase starting in November and into next year.

The cargo operation for UPS began at TPA in October, 2017. Facilitating the growth of UPS at TPA will create economic diversification by continuing to grow the air cargo market in Tampa. UPS has added 36 direct employees and 172 employees working for Quantem Aviation, UPS' ground handler. This summer, UPS will fly six flights a day at TPA, with three aircraft on the ground at the same time. UPS has not only increased its number of flights since it began flying at TPA, but has also upgauged the aircraft flown into TPA. This cargo expansion project will allow UPS to upgauge its aircraft even more and more than double its sortation capacity.

Total employment for all TPA cargo operations (including FedEx and others) has grown to over 950 employees.

The project will create or retain 375 construction related jobs in Tampa. While these jobs are temporary at TPA, they are critical for our future growth and the growth of our region. These are a combination of design-build and construction jobs with good wages assisting to protect a skilled labor force for our state.

The project also benefits commercial passenger airlines, specifically international carriers, operating at TPA. The Airport's Master Plan includes construction of an airside where the current cargo operation is located. By relocating the cargo facility from Hardstand D, all cargo and passenger air carriers at TPA benefit by gaining additional space for the cargo carriers to expand and by enabling the construction of a new Airside D slated to begin construction in 2024. Airside D will have both domestic and international capability, providing more opportunities for international growth and sustaining domestic growth by decongesting airside and providing 16 additional gates with a larger customs facility.

Additional air service benefits the Tampa Bay Region and the state of Florida by increasing the ability of the region and state to compete for business growth leading to higher wage jobs. International markets not only bring the point-to-point connections, but access to almost any point in the world in less time while contributing to our local economy.

Section 3 (C) Program Budget

The program budget is \$74,231,688. Funding sources committed to date include, \$9,913,664 from the Florida Department of Transportation and \$64,318,024 from the Hillsborough County Aviation Authority (HCAA). The Florida Job Growth Grant Fund request is \$8,000,000. Should the Department wish to award less funding, the project will continue on schedule.

Section 1 (H)

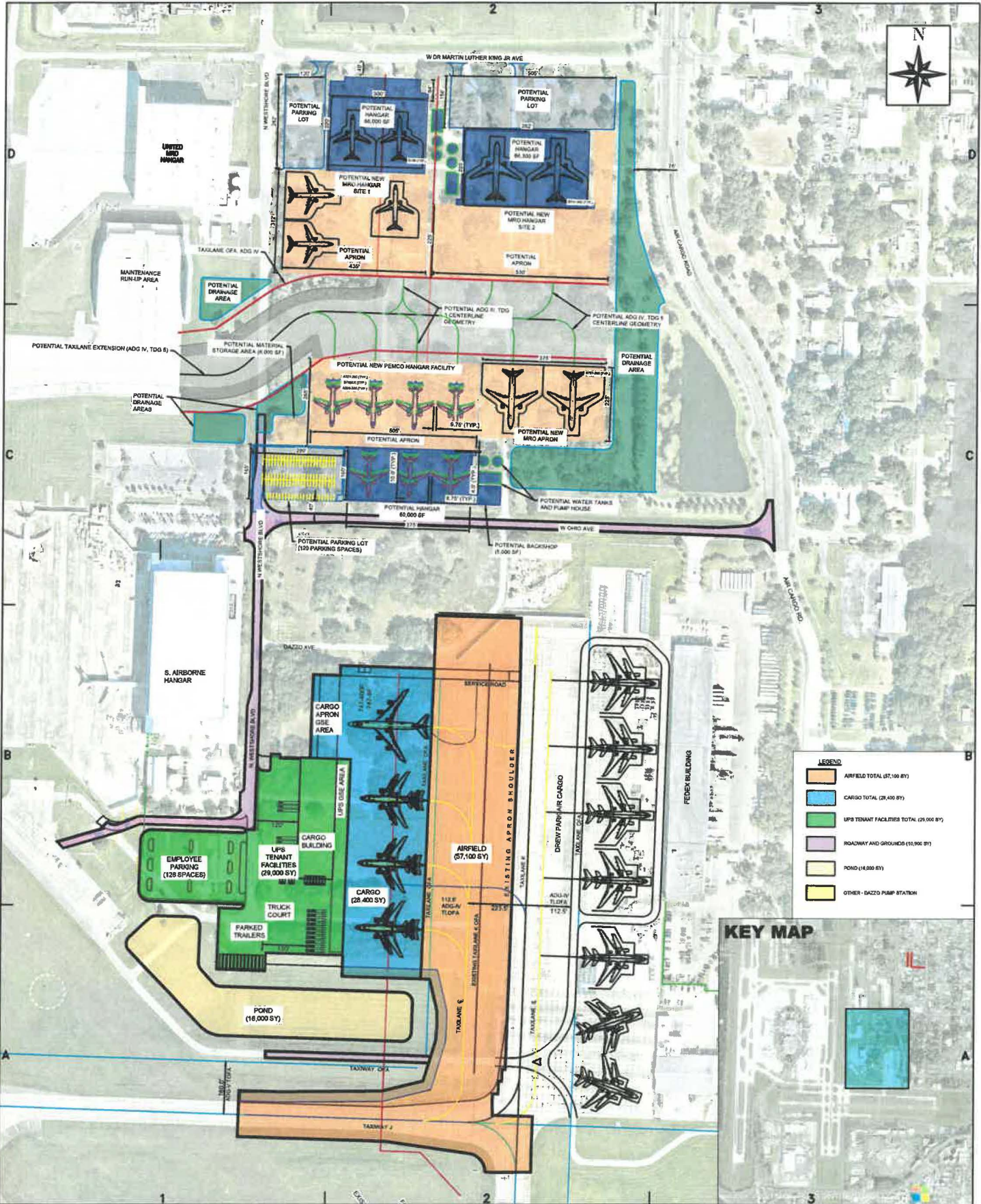
Tampa International Airport (TPA) was the nation's second fastest growing airport for cargo from 2010 to 2016, seeing significant growth in cargo due to the expansion of ABX, ATI and Atlas (operating for Amazon) and UPS in addition to the already operating FedEx. The airport has seen more than 156% growth in cargo volume since 2015. This project will allow ABX, ATI, and Atlas (Amazon) and UPS to continue expansion,

creating more opportunities for the ground-handling and fueling companies such as Quantem, Menzies, and LGSTX who support their operations.

This project fuels economic diversification through the expansion of cargo operators which allows major air cargo companies, and affiliated support companies, to grow, expand, relocate and create jobs in Florida. The jobs are in the category of airport cargo handling services, air cargo carriers, and other support activities for aircraft services and maintenance repair overhaul for aircraft under the North American Industry Classification System.

Overall, this project will create private sector jobs and encourage private sector capital investment through the expansion of the cargo tenants. The private investments will lead to a diversification of jobs. It is also an enabling project for future growth to increase the ability for Tampa Bay and the State of Florida to compete for business growth and recruitment.

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LEGEND

	AIRFIELD TOTAL (57,100 SY)
	CARGO TOTAL (28,400 SY)
	UPS TENANT FACILITIES TOTAL (29,000 SY)
	ROADWAY AND GROUNDS (10,900 SY)
	POND (16,000 SY)
	OTHER - DAZZO PUMP STATION



HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY AVIATION AUTHORITY
TAMPA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
 TAMPA - FLORIDA

HCAA Planning & Development

PROJECT NAME
TPA Eastside Development Plan

F.A.A. NO. _____ JOB NO. _____ HCAA NO. _____
 DESIGN DRAWN CHECKED

SHEET TITLE
AREA PLAN

SCALE: _____
 DATE: **6/30/2021**

EX-1

SHEET OF

AVIATION AUTHORITY POLICY

400:	FISCAL MATTERS	Effective:	10/03/02
	TREASURY	Revised:	03/04/04
			03/02/06
			04/05/12
			12/20/12
P452:	Acceptance of Public or Private Moneys, Grants, Contributions or Loans		10/01/15

PURPOSE: To establish a policy regarding the acceptance of public or private moneys, grants, contributions or loans.

LEGAL CONSIDERATION: Section 6(2)(hh) of the Hillsborough County Aviation Authority Act allows the Authority to accept federal, state and any other public or private moneys, grants, contributions or loans for the acquisition, construction, enlargement, improvement, maintenance, equipment, or operation of Authority facilities, or any other lawful purpose.

POLICY: To ensure maximum funding for the Authority utilizing public or private moneys, grants, contributions or loans, the Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to pursue these funding sources to the maximum extent possible and to sign grant applications and other acceptance documents.