CHAPTER 716
COMMERCIAL SERVICE VERTICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM

761—716.1(328) Purpose. The purpose of the commercial air service vertical infrastructure program is to provide funding for improvements to the vertical infrastructure at Iowa’s commercial air service airports. The source of funds is an appropriation from the Iowa general assembly.

761—716.2(328) Definitions. The definitions in Iowa Code section 328.1 and rule 761—700.1(328) apply to these rules. In addition:

“Vertical infrastructure” means the same as defined in Iowa Code section 8.57(5).

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761—716.3(328) Information and forms. Program information, instructions, and forms are available on the department’s website at www.iowadot.gov. Requests for such materials or assistance may also be made by calling the office of aviation at (515)239-1048. Submission of application materials shall be made according to the annual application instructions included in the application materials. The office of aviation mailing address is: Office of Aviation, Iowa Department of Transportation, 800 Lincoln Way, Ames, Iowa 50010.

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761—716.4(328) Eligible airports. Eligible airports are those Iowa airports currently receiving scheduled commercial air service.

761—716.5(328) Eligible project activities. Activities that are eligible for reimbursement include, but are not limited to, the following:

716.5(1) Terminal building construction or renovation including associated design, land acquisition, grading and foundation work.

716.5(2) Hangar construction or renovation including associated design, land acquisition, grading and foundation work.

716.5(3) Maintenance facility building construction or renovation including, but not limited to, associated design, land acquisition, grading and foundation work.

761—716.6(328) Ineligible project activities. Rescinded IAB 1/7/04, effective 2/11/04.

761—716.7(328) Project application and review.

716.7(1) Each airport shall submit an application with the project or projects it intends to accomplish with the allocated funding. The completed application shall include the information and documents identified in the application instructions. The complete application shall be submitted to the department according to the annual application instructions.

716.7(2) The department shall review projects for eligibility and recommend projects and funding levels to the transportation commission. Funding criteria are included in application instructions provided to airport sponsors.

716.7(3) The transportation commission is responsible for approving the projects to be funded.

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761—716.8(328) Project administration.

716.8(1) Agreement. After the projects are approved by the commission, the department shall enter into an agreement with the airport sponsor that specifies the responsibilities of the sponsor. The agreement shall specify the amount of state funds, the contract period, the payment process, and the responsibilities for project planning, development, and reporting. The department may inspect the improvement for compliance with the agreement and may audit all project costs.
716.8(2) Payments. Payments to the airport sponsor for eligible project costs shall be made on a cost reimbursement basis. Engineering fees are an eligible project expense and shall be reimbursed in compliance with the agreement.

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These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 8.57(5) and 328.12.

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