

761—700.7(328) General aviation vertical infrastructure program.

700.7(1) Purpose. The purpose of the general aviation vertical infrastructure program is to provide funding for vertical infrastructure improvements at Iowa's general aviation airports.

700.7(2) Applicant eligibility. A governmental subdivision owning or establishing a public airport is eligible to apply to the department for funding.

700.7(3) Eligible project activities. Facilities eligible for reimbursement include but are not limited to terminal building, hangar, fuel facility, and maintenance facility construction or renovation. Activities may include associated design, land acquisition, grading and foundation work.

700.7(4) Funding. The department establishes the maximum percentage of state share for eligible projects and may annually set a maximum dollar amount per award. Funding criteria are included in application instructions provided to airport sponsors.

700.7(5) Application for funding. The department will make available application instructions and forms to eligible airports. Applications are to be submitted to the department by the due date specified in the instructions.

700.7(6) Review and approval. The department will review each completed application and evaluate the impact of the project on the aviation system considering the following factors: state system plan airport roles, goals and objectives; justification provided; ability to enhance aeronautical activity for the airport and system; local participation; and multijurisdictional support of the airport. The department will recommend projects to the commission for approval.

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