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Airports Division
Southern Region
Georgia, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Virgin Islands

1701 Columbia Avenue
College Park, GA 30337

August 30, 2021

Mr. Don Cook
Airport Commission Chairman
3250 West Britt David Road
Columbus, GA 31909

Honorable B.H. Henderson, III
100 10th Street
Columbus, GA 31901

Dear Mr. Cook, Mayor Henderson:

We are transmitting to you for execution the Grant Offer for Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Project No. 3-13-0035-048-2021 at Columbus Airport in Columbus, Georgia. This letter outlines expectations for success. Please read the conditions and assurances carefully.

To properly enter into this agreement, you must do the following:

- a. The governing body must provide authority to execute the grant to the individual signing the grant; i.e. the sponsor's authorized representative.
- b. The sponsor's authorized representative must execute the grant by providing their electronic signature.
- c. Once the sponsor's authorized representative has electronically signed the grant, the sponsor's attorney will automatically be sent via email the grant to provide their electronic signature.
- d. You may not make any modification to the text, terms or conditions of the grant offer.
- e. Following the attorney's action, the executed grant will be automatically sent to all parties as an attachment to an email.

Subject to the requirements in 2 CFR §200.305, each payment request for reimbursement under this grant must be made electronically via the Delphi eInvoicing System. Please see the attached Grant Agreement for more information regarding the use of this System.

The terms and conditions of this agreement require you to complete the project without undue delay. We will be monitoring your progress to ensure proper stewardship of these Federal funds. **We expect you to submit payment requests for reimbursement of allowable incurred project expenses consistent with project progress.** Should you fail to make draws on a regular basis, your grant may be placed in "inactive" status, which will affect your ability to receive future grant offers.

Until the grant is completed and closed, you are responsible for submitting formal reports as follows:

- A signed/dated SF-270 (non-construction projects) or SF-271 or equivalent (construction projects) and SF-425 annually, due 90 days after the end of each federal fiscal year in which this grant is open (due December 31 of each year this grant is open); and
- Performance Reports, which are due within 30 days of the end of a reporting period as follows:

1. Non-construction project: Due annually at end of the Federal fiscal year.
2. Construction project: Submit FAA form 5370-1, Construction Progress and Inspection Report at the end of each fiscal quarter.

As a condition of receiving Federal assistance under this award, you must comply with audit requirements as established under 2 CFR part 200. Subpart F requires non-Federal entities that expend \$750,000 or more in Federal awards to conduct a single or program specific audit for that year. Note that this includes Federal expenditures made under other Federal-assistance programs. Please take appropriate and necessary action to assure your organization will comply with applicable audit requirements and standards.

Once the project(s) is completed and all costs are determined, we ask that you close the project without delay and submit the necessary final closeout documentation as required by your Region/Airports District Office.

Russell Maraman, (404) 305-6745, is the assigned program manager for this grant and is readily available to assist you and your designated representative with the requirements stated herein. We sincerely value your cooperation in these efforts and look forward to working with you to complete this important project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Larry F. Clark".

Larry Clark
Manager



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FAA Airport Improvement Program (AIP)

GRANT AGREEMENT

Part I - Offer

Federal Award Offer Date	August 30, 2021
Airport/Planning Area	Columbus Airport
FY2021 AIP Grant Number	3-13-0035-048-2021
Unique Entity Identifier	107532855
TO:	Columbus Consolidated Government
	(herein called the "Sponsor")

FROM: **The United States of America** (acting through the Federal Aviation Administration, herein called the "FAA")

WHEREAS, the Sponsor has submitted to the FAA a Project Application dated May 17, 2021, for a grant of Federal funds for a project at or associated with the Columbus Airport, which is included as part of this Grant Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the FAA has approved a project for the Columbus Airport (herein called the "Project") consisting of the following:

Remark Taxiway A (RIM); Acquire Aqueous Film Forming Foam (AFFF) Testing System

which is more fully described in the Project Application.

NOW THEREFORE, Pursuant to and for the purpose of carrying out the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018 (Public Law Number 115-254); Title 49, United States Code (U.S.C.), Chapters 471 and 475; 49 U.S.C. §§ 40101 et seq., and 48103; the Department of Transportation Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116-260, Division L), as further amended by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law 117-2); and the representations contained in the Project Application; and in consideration of: (a) the Sponsor's adoption and ratification of the Grant Assurances attached hereto (b) the Sponsor's acceptance of this Offer; and (c) the benefits to accrue to the United States and the public from the accomplishment of the Project and compliance with the Grant Assurance and conditions as herein provided;

THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED STATES, HEREBY OFFERS AND AGREES to pay 100 percent of the allowable costs incurred accomplishing the Project as the United States share of the Project.

Assistance Listings Number (Formerly CFDA Number): 20.106

This Offer is made on and SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

CONDITIONS

1. **Maximum Obligation.** The maximum obligation of the United States payable under this Offer is **\$351,778**.

The following amounts represent a breakdown of the maximum obligation for the purpose of establishing allowable amounts for any future grant amendment, which may increase the foregoing maximum obligation of the United States under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. § 47108(b): **\$ 351,778** airport development or noise program implementation.

2. **Grant Performance.** This Grant Agreement is subject to the following Federal award requirements:
 - a. Period of Performance:
 1. Shall start on the date the Sponsor formally accepts this Agreement and is the date signed by the last Sponsor signatory to the Agreement. The end date of the Period of Performance is 4 years (1,460 calendar days) from the date of acceptance. The Period of Performance end date shall not affect, relieve, or reduce Sponsor obligations and assurances that extend beyond the closeout of this Grant Agreement.
 2. Means the total estimated time interval between the start of an initial Federal award and the planned end date, which may include one or more funded portions or budget periods. (2 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 200.1).
 - b. Budget Period:
 1. For this Grant is 4 years (1,460 calendar days) and follows the same start and end date as the period of performance provided in Paragraph a.1. Pursuant to 2 CFR § 200.403(h), the Sponsor may charge to the Grant only allowable costs incurred during the Budget Period.
 2. Means the time interval from the start date of a funded portion of an award to the end date of that funded portion during which the Sponsor is authorized to expend the funds awarded, including any funds carried forward or other revisions pursuant to § 200.308.
 - c. Close Out and Termination
 1. Unless the FAA authorizes a written extension, the Sponsor must submit all Grant closeout documentation and liquidate (pay-off) all obligations incurred under this award no later than 120 calendar days after the end date of the period of performance. If the Sponsor does not submit all required closeout documentation within this time period, the FAA will proceed to close out the grant within one year of the period of performance end date with the information available at the end of 120 days. (2 CFR § 200.344).
 2. The FAA may terminate this Grant, in whole or in part, in accordance with the conditions set forth in 2 CFR § 200.340, or other Federal regulatory or statutory authorities as applicable.

3. **Ineligible or Unallowable Costs.** The Sponsor must not include any costs in the project that the FAA has determined to be ineligible or unallowable.
4. **Indirect Costs - Sponsor.** The Sponsor may charge indirect costs under this award by applying the indirect cost rate identified in the project application as accepted by the FAA, to allowable costs for Sponsor direct salaries and wages.
5. **Determining the Final Federal Share of Costs.** The United States' share of allowable project costs will be made in accordance with 49 U.S.C. § 47109, the regulations, policies, and procedures of the Secretary, and any superseding legislation. Final determination of the United States' share will be based upon the final audit of the total amount of allowable project costs and settlement will be made for any upward or downward adjustments to the Federal share of costs.
6. **Completing the Project Without Delay and in Conformance with Requirements.** The Sponsor must carry out and complete the project without undue delays and in accordance with this Agreement, 49 U.S.C. Chapters 471 and 475, and the regulations, policies, and procedures of the Secretary of Transportation ("Secretary"). Per 2.CFR § 200.308, the Sponsor agrees to report to the FAA any disengagement from performing the project that exceeds three months or a 25 percent reduction in time devoted to the project, and request prior approval from FAA. The report must include a reason for the project stoppage. The Sponsor also agrees to comply with the grant assurances, which are part of this Agreement.
7. **Amendments or Withdrawals before Grant Acceptance.** The FAA reserves the right to amend or withdraw this offer at any time prior to its acceptance by the Sponsor.
8. **Offer Expiration Date.** This offer will expire and the United States will not be obligated to pay any part of the costs of the project unless this offer has been accepted by the Sponsor **on or before September 16, 2021**, or such subsequent date as may be prescribed in writing by the FAA.
9. **Improper Use of Federal Funds.** The Sponsor must take all steps, including litigation if necessary, to recover Federal funds spent fraudulently, wastefully, or in violation of Federal antitrust statutes, or misused in any other manner for any project upon which Federal funds have been expended. For the purposes of this Grant Agreement, the term "Federal funds" means funds however used or dispersed by the Sponsor, that were originally paid pursuant to this or any other Federal grant agreement. The Sponsor must obtain the approval of the Secretary as to any determination of the amount of the Federal share of such funds. The Sponsor must return the recovered Federal share, including funds recovered by settlement, order, or judgment, to the Secretary. The Sponsor must furnish to the Secretary, upon request, all documents and records pertaining to the determination of the amount of the Federal share or to any settlement, litigation, negotiation, or other efforts taken to recover such funds. All settlements or other final positions of the Sponsor, in court or otherwise, involving the recovery of such Federal share require advance approval by the Secretary.
10. **United States Not Liable for Damage or Injury.** The United States is not responsible or liable for damage to property or injury to persons which may arise from, or be incident to, compliance with this Grant Agreement.
11. **System for Award Management (SAM) Registration and Unique Entity Identifier (UEI).**
 - a. Requirement for System for Award Management (SAM): Unless the Sponsor is exempted from this requirement under 2 CFR 25.110, the Sponsor must maintain the currency of its information in the SAM until the Sponsor submits the final financial report required under this Grant, or receives the final payment, whichever is later. This requires that the Sponsor review and update the information at least annually after the initial registration and more frequently if

required by changes in information or another award term. Additional information about registration procedures may be found at the SAM website (currently at <http://www.sam.gov>).

- b. Unique entity identifier (UEI) means a 12-character alpha-numeric value used to identify a specific commercial, nonprofit or governmental entity. A UEI may be obtained from SAM.gov at <https://sam.gov/SAM/pages/public/index.jsf>.

12. **Electronic Grant Payment(s).** Unless otherwise directed by the FAA, the Sponsor must make each payment request under this Agreement electronically via the Delphi eInvoicing System for Department of Transportation (DOT) Financial Assistance Awardees.
13. **Informal Letter Amendment of AIP Projects.** If, during the life of the project, the FAA determines that the maximum grant obligation of the United States exceeds the expected needs of the Sponsor by \$25,000 or five percent (5%), whichever is greater, the FAA can issue a letter amendment to the Sponsor unilaterally reducing the maximum obligation.

The FAA can also issue a letter to the Sponsor increasing the maximum obligation if there is an overrun in the total actual eligible and allowable project costs to cover the amount of the overrun provided it will not exceed the statutory limitations for grant amendments. The FAA's authority to increase the maximum obligation does not apply to the "planning" component of Condition No. 1.

The FAA can also issue an informal letter amendment that modifies the grant description to correct administrative errors or to delete work items if the FAA finds it advantageous and in the best interests of the United States.

An informal letter amendment has the same force and effect as a formal grant amendment.

14. **Air and Water Quality.** The Sponsor is required to comply with all applicable air and water quality standards for all projects in this grant. If the Sponsor fails to comply with this requirement, the FAA may suspend, cancel, or terminate this Grant Agreement.
15. **Financial Reporting and Payment Requirements.** The Sponsor will comply with all Federal financial reporting requirements and payment requirements, including submittal of timely and accurate reports.
16. **Buy American.** Unless otherwise approved in advance by the FAA, in accordance with 49 U.S.C. § 50101, the Sponsor will not acquire or permit any contractor or subcontractor to acquire any steel or manufactured products produced outside the United States to be used for any project for which funds are provided under this grant. The Sponsor will include a provision implementing Buy American in every contract and subcontract awarded under this Grant.
17. **Maximum Obligation Increase.** In accordance with 49 U.S.C. § 47108(b)(3), as amended, the maximum obligation of the United States, as stated in Condition No. 1 of this Grant Offer:
- a. May not be increased for a planning project;
 - b. May be increased by not more than 15 percent for development projects if funds are available;
 - c. May be increased by not more than the greater of the following for a, land project, if funds are available:
 1. 15 percent; or
 2. 25 percent of the total increase in allowable project costs attributable to acquiring an interest in the land.

If the sponsor requests an increase, any eligible increase in funding will be subject to the United States Government share as provided in 49 U.S.C. § 47110, or other superseding legislation if applicable, for the fiscal year appropriation with which the increase is funded. The FAA is not responsible for the same Federal share provided herein for any amount increased over the initial grant amount. The FAA may adjust the Federal share as applicable through an informal letter of amendment.

18. Audits for Sponsors.

PUBLIC SPONSORS. The Sponsor must provide for a Single Audit or program-specific audit in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200. The Sponsor must submit the audit reporting package to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse on the Federal Audit Clearinghouse's Internet Data Entry System at <http://harvester.census.gov/facweb/>. Upon request of the FAA, the Sponsor shall provide one copy of the completed audit to the FAA.

19. Suspension or Debarment. When entering into a "covered transaction" as defined by 2 CFR § 180.200, the Sponsor must:

- a. Verify the non-Federal entity is eligible to participate in this Federal program by:
 1. Checking the excluded parties list system (EPLS) as maintained within the System for Award Management (SAM) to determine if the non-Federal entity is excluded or disqualified; or
 2. Collecting a certification statement from the non-Federal entity attesting they are not excluded or disqualified from participating; or
 3. Adding a clause or condition to covered transactions attesting individual or firm are not excluded or disqualified from participating.
- b. Require prime contractors to comply with 2 CFR § 180.330 when entering into lower-tier transactions (e.g. Sub-contracts).
- c. Immediately disclose to the FAA whenever the Sponsor (1) learns they have entered into a covered transaction with an ineligible entity or (2) suspends or debar a contractor, person, or entity.

20. Ban on Texting While Driving.

- a. In accordance with Executive Order 13513, Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving, October 1, 2009, and DOT Order 3902.10, Text Messaging While Driving, December 30, 2009, the Sponsor is encouraged to:
 1. Adopt and enforce workplace safety policies to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers including policies to ban text messaging while driving when performing any work for, or on behalf of, the Federal government, including work relating to a grant or subgrant.
 2. Conduct workplace safety initiatives in a manner commensurate with the size of the business, such as:
 - a. Establishment of new rules and programs or re-evaluation of existing programs to prohibit text messaging while driving; and
 - b. Education, awareness, and other outreach to employees about the safety risks associated with texting while driving.

- b. The Sponsor must insert the substance of this clause on banning texting while driving in all subgrants, contracts, and subcontracts funded with this Grant.

21. Trafficking in Persons.

- a. You as the recipient, your employees, subrecipients under this Grant, and subrecipients' employees may not –
 - 1. Engage in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the Grant and applicable conditions are in effect;
 - 2. Procure a commercial sex act during the period of time that the Grant and applicable conditions are in effect; or
 - 3. Use forced labor in the performance of the Grant or any subgrants under this Grant.
- b. We as the Federal awarding agency, may unilaterally terminate this Grant, without penalty, if you or a subrecipient that is a private entity –
 - 1. Is determined to have violated a prohibition in paragraph a. of this condition; or
 - 2. Has an employee who is determined by the agency official authorized to terminate the Grant to have violated a prohibition in paragraph a. of this condition through conduct that is either –
 - a. Associated with performance under this Grant; or
 - b. Imputed to the subrecipient using the standards and due process for imputing the conduct of an individual to an organization that are provided in 2 CFR Part 180, "OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)," as implemented by our agency at 49 CFR Part 29.
- c. You must inform us immediately of any information you receive from any source alleging a violation of a prohibition in paragraph a. of this condition.
- d. Our right to terminate unilaterally that is described in paragraph a. of this condition:
 - i. Implements section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)), and
 - ii. Is in addition to all other remedies for noncompliance that are available to us under this Grant Agreement.

22. AIP Funded Work Included in a PFC Application. Within 90 days of acceptance of this Grant Agreement, the Sponsor must submit to the FAA an amendment to any approved Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) application that contains an approved PFC project also covered under this Grant Agreement as described in the project application. The airport sponsor may not make any expenditure under this Grant Agreement until project work addressed under this Grant Agreement is removed from an approved PFC application by amendment.

23. Exhibit "A" Property Map. The Exhibit "A" Property Map dated February 1, 2010, is incorporated herein by reference or is submitted with the project application and made part of this Grant Agreement.

24. Employee Protection from Reprisal.

- a. Prohibition of Reprisals —

1. In accordance with 41 U.S.C. § 4712, an employee of a Sponsor, grantee, subgrantee, contractor, or subcontractor may not be discharged, demoted, or otherwise discriminated against as a reprisal for disclosing to a person or body described in sub-paragraph a.2. below, information that the employee reasonably believes is evidence of:
 - i. Gross mismanagement of a Federal grant;
 - ii. Gross waste of Federal funds;
 - iii. An abuse of authority relating to implementation or use of Federal funds;
 - iv. A substantial and specific danger to public health or safety; or
 - v. A violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a Federal grant.
2. Persons and bodies covered. The persons and bodies to which a disclosure by an employee is covered are as follows:
 - i. A member of Congress or a representative of a committee of Congress;
 - ii. An Inspector General;
 - iii. The Government Accountability Office;
 - iv. A Federal employee responsible for contract or grant oversight or management at the relevant agency;
 - v. A court or grand jury;
 - vi. A management official or other employee of the Sponsor, contractor, or subcontractor who has the responsibility to investigate, discover, or address misconduct; or
 - vii. An authorized official of the Department of Justice or other law enforcement agency.
3. Submission of Complaint — A person who believes that they have been subjected to a reprisal prohibited by paragraph a of this grant term may submit a complaint regarding the reprisal to the Office of Inspector General (OIG) for the U.S. Department of Transportation.
4. Time Limitation for Submittal of a Complaint — A complaint may not be brought under this condition more than three years after the date on which the alleged reprisal took place.
5. Required Actions of the Inspector General — Actions, limitations, and exceptions of the Inspector General's office are established under 41 U.S.C. § 4712(b).
6. Assumption of Rights to Civil Remedy — Upon receipt of an explanation of a decision not to conduct or continue an investigation by the Office of Inspector General, the person submitting a complaint assumes the right to a civil remedy under 41 U.S.C. § 4712(c).

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

25. **Buy American Executive Orders.** The Sponsor agrees to abide by applicable Executive Orders in effect at the time this Grant Agreement is executed, including Executive Order 14005, Ensuring the Future Is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers.

The Sponsor's acceptance of this Offer and ratification and adoption of the Project Application incorporated herein shall be evidenced by execution of this instrument by the Sponsor, as hereinafter provided, and this Offer and Acceptance shall comprise a Grant Agreement, constituting the contractual obligations and rights of the United States and the Sponsor with respect to the accomplishment of the Project and compliance with the Grant Assurances, terms, and conditions as provided herein. Such Grant Agreement shall become effective upon the Sponsor's acceptance of this Offer.

Please read the following information: By signing this document, you are agreeing that you have reviewed the following consumer disclosure information and consent to transact business using electronic communications, to receive notices and disclosures electronically, and to utilize electronic signatures in lieu of using paper documents. You are not required to receive notices and disclosures or sign documents electronically. If you prefer not to do so, you may request to receive paper copies and withdraw your consent at any time.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.¹

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION**



(Signature)

Larry F. Clark

(Typed Name)

Manager, ATL-ADO

(Title of FAA Official)

¹ Knowingly and willfully providing false information to the Federal government is a violation of 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 (False Statements) and could subject you to fines, imprisonment, or both.

Part II - Acceptance

The Sponsor does hereby ratify and adopt all assurances, statements, representations, warranties, covenants, and agreements contained in the Project Application and incorporated materials referred to in the foregoing Offer, and does hereby accept this Offer and by such acceptance agrees to comply with all of the Grant Assurances, terms, and conditions in this Offer and in the Project Application.

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Dated August 30, 2021

Columbus Consolidated Government

(Name of Sponsor)

Don Cook

Don Cook (Aug 30, 2021 15:46 EDT)

(Signature of Sponsor's Authorized Official)

By: Don Cook

(Typed Name of Sponsor's Authorized Official)

Title: Commissioner, Chair

(Title of Sponsor's Authorized Official)

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CERTIFICATE OF SPONSOR’S ATTORNEY

I, _____, acting as Attorney for the Sponsor do hereby certify:

That in my opinion the Sponsor is empowered to enter into the foregoing Grant Agreement under the laws of the State of Georgia. Further, I have examined the foregoing Grant Agreement and the actions taken by said Sponsor and Sponsor’s official representative, who has been duly authorized to execute this Grant Agreement, which is in all respects due and proper and in accordance with the laws of the said State, the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018 (Public Law Number 115-254); Title 49 U.S.C., Chapters 471 and 475; 49 U.S.C. §§ 40101, et seq., and 48103; and the Department of Transportation Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116-260, Division L), as further amended by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law 117-2). In addition, for grants involving projects to be carried out on property not owned by the Sponsor, there are no legal impediments that will prevent full performance by the Sponsor. Further, it is my opinion that the said Grant Agreement constitutes a legal and binding obligation of the Sponsor in accordance with the terms thereof.

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Dated at _____

By: _____
(Signature of Sponsor’s Attorney)

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Dated _____

Columbus Consolidated Government

(Name of Sponsor)

(Signature of Sponsor's Authorized Official)

By: _____

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By: _____
(Signature of Sponsor’s Attorney)