

**STATE OF MINNESOTA
STATE AIRPORTS FUND
AIRPORT MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS GRANT AGREEMENT**

State Project Number (S.P.): A5901-MO26

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This Agreement is between the State of Minnesota, acting through its Commissioner of Transportation (“State”) and City of Pipestone, 119 - Second Avenue SW, Pipestone, MN 56164 acting through its City Council (“Grantee”) (“Agreement”).

RECITALS

1. Minnesota Statutes §§360.015 and 360.305 authorize the State to provide financial assistance to airports for maintenance and operations activities.
2. Grantee owns, operates, or controls an airport (“Airport”) in the state system, and desires financial assistance from the State for maintenance and operations activities for State Fiscal Year 2026 and State Fiscal Year 2027.
3. Grantee represents that it is duly qualified and agrees to perform all services described in this Agreement to the satisfaction of the State.

AGREEMENT TERMS

1. Term of Agreement and Survival of Terms

- 1.1. **Effective Date.** This Agreement will be effective on the date the State obtains all required signatures under Minnesota Statutes §16B.98, subdivision 5, whichever is later. As required by Minnesota Statutes §16B.98 Subd. 7, no payments will be made to Grantee until this Agreement is fully executed.
- 1.2. **Expiration Date.** This Agreement will expire on June 30, 2027.
- 1.3. **Survival of Terms.** All clauses which impose obligations continuing in their nature and which must survive in order to give effect to their meaning will survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the following clauses: Indemnification; State Audits; Government Data Practices; Governing Law, Jurisdiction and Venue; and Data Disclosure.

2. Grantee’s Duties

- 2.1. **Airport Use.** In accordance with Minnesota Statutes §360.305, subd. 4, Grantee must operate and maintain the Airport, for the use and benefit of the public, in a safe, serviceable manner for aeronautical purposes only for a period of one (1) year from the date Grantee receives final reimbursement under this Agreement.
- 2.2. **Grounds Maintenance.** Grantee will keep the runway and the area around the lights at the Airport mowed and plowed. The grass must be mowed at least seven (7) feet beyond the lights and must not exceed six (6) inches in height on the landing area. The areas around any navigational aids must be sufficiently mowed and plowed to keep the area clear for vehicle access. If the Airport remains operational during the winter months, Grantee will keep at least one runway, associated taxiway, and apron area cleared of snow and ice to the same priority as arterial roads. Snowbanks must be limited in height so that aircraft wings, engines, and propellers will clear them. Landing strip markers and/or lights must remain visible.

- 2.3. **Periodic Paint Striping.** If the State contracts for the periodic paint striping of the Airport's runways and taxiways during the term of this Agreement, Grantee will cooperate with the marking operation. Grantee must coordinate seal coat pavement maintenance projects with the State to maximize the pavement marking life.
- 2.4. **Inspections.** Grantee will allow a representative of the State's Office of Aeronautics access to any area of the Airport necessary for the purpose of periodic inspections.
- 2.5. **Third-Party Contracting.** Grantee will comply with all applicable local, state, or federal laws, regulations, policies and procedures in the procurement of goods and services funded in whole or in part under this Agreement.

3. Grantee's Assurances

- 3.1. Grantee represents and warrants that Grantee has established a zoning authority for the Airport, and such authority has completed, or is in the process of and will complete, with due diligence, an airport zoning ordinance in accordance with Minnesota Statutes §§360.061 to 360.074.
- 3.2. Grantee will comply with all required grants management policies and procedures set forth in Minnesota Statutes §16B.97 subd. 4(a)(1).

4. Consideration and Payment

- 4.1. **Consideration.** State will pay for all eligible maintenance and operations costs incurred by Grantee under this Agreement as follows:
 - 4.1.1. **Basis.** Grantee will be reimbursed for 75% of all eligible maintenance and operations costs not reimbursed by any other source. Eligible maintenance and operations costs will be determined at the sole discretion of State's Authorized Representative or their designee according to the State's Funding Eligibility Guidance, which is available at:
<https://www.dot.state.mn.us/aero/airportdevelopment/fundingandgrants.html>
 - 4.1.2. **Fiscal Year Obligations.** State has currently obligated \$32,761.14 in each state fiscal year to reimburse 75% of eligible costs incurred by Grantee during each fiscal year and will be capped at this amount for each fiscal year. Any funding granted but not requested for reimbursement within the first fiscal year will not roll over into the second fiscal year.
 - 4.1.3. **Total Obligation.** The State's total obligation for all compensation and reimbursements to Grantee under this Agreement will not exceed \$65,522.29 (reflecting state fiscal years 2026 and 2027 combined obligations).
- 4.2. **Payment.**
 - 4.2.1. **Invoices.** Grantee must submit detailed reimbursement requests for its eligible costs to the State's Authorized Representative on a quarterly basis or as otherwise directed by State's Authorized Representative. Invoices for expenses incurred after grant funds were encumbered by the State, but before the Effective Date of this Agreement, may not be submitted for reimbursement until after the Effective Date of this Agreement. The State's Office of Aeronautics will supply the reimbursement request forms that Grantee must submit. Reimbursement requests must be submitted according to the following schedule:
 - Quarter 1 (Jul. 1st – Sept. 30th): **On or after October 1, and no later than November 15;**
 - Quarter 2 (Oct. 1st – Dec. 31st): **On or after January 1, and no later than February 15;**
 - Quarter 3 (Jan. 1st – Mar. 31st): **On or after April 1, and no later than May 15;** and
 - Quarter 4 (Apr. 1st – Jun. 30th): **On or after July 1, and no later than August 15.**

The State may reject any costs submitted for reimbursement that the State determines, in its sole discretion, are not eligible maintenance and operations expenses. Any invoices not received by the State's Authorized Representative by December 31st of the fiscal year in which the expenses were incurred will be ineligible for reimbursement and rejected.

- 4.2.2. **All Invoices Subject to Audit.** All invoices are subject to audit, at the State's discretion.
- 4.2.3. **Progress Reports.** The State may, at its sole discretion, require Grantee to submit quarterly progress reports in addition to its invoices. If so requested, the State will provide a progress report form for Grantee's completion and submittal with its invoices.
- 4.2.4. **The State's Payment Requirements.** The State will promptly pay all valid obligations under this Agreement as required by Minnesota Statutes §16A.124. The State will make undisputed payments no later than thirty (30) days after receiving Grantee's invoices and progress reports, if requested by the State, for services performed. If an invoice is incorrect, defective or otherwise improper, the State will notify Grantee within ten (10) days of discovering the error. After the State receives the corrected invoice, State will pay Grantee within thirty (30) days of receipt of such invoice.
- 4.2.5. **Grant Monitoring Visit and Financial Reconciliation.** If the State's total obligation is greater than \$50,000.00, the State will conduct at least one monitoring visit and financial reconciliation of Grantee's expenditures. If the State's total obligation is greater than \$250,000.00, the State will conduct annual monitoring visits and financial reconciliations of Grantee's expenditures. The State's Authorized Representative will notify Grantee's Authorized Representative where and when monitoring visits and financial reconciliations will take place, which state employees and Grantee staff members should be present, as well as which, if any, of Grantee's contractors or consultants, or their agents, are required to participate. Grantee will be provided at least seven (7) days' notice prior to monitoring visits and/or financial reconciliations. Following a monitoring visit or financial reconciliation, Grantee will take timely and appropriate action on all deficiencies identified by the State. At least one monitoring visit and one financial reconciliation must be completed prior to final payment being made to Grantee.
- 4.2.6. **Closeout.** The State will determine, at its sole discretion, whether a closeout audit is required prior to final payment approval. If a closeout audit is required, final payment will be held until the audit has been completed. Monitoring of any capital assets acquired with grant funds will continue following grant closeout.

5. **Conditions of Payment.** All services provided by Grantee under this Agreement must be performed to the State's satisfaction, as determined at the sole discretion of State's Authorized Representative and in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations, including business registration requirements of the Office of the Secretary of State. Grantee will not receive payment for work found by the State to be unsatisfactory or performed in violation of federal, state or local law. In the event the Airport fails to pass any periodic inspection conducted by a representative of the State's Office of Aeronautics, Grantee will not receive payment under this Agreement until all deficiencies identified by any such inspection have been rectified to the Office of Aeronautics' satisfaction.

6. Authorized Representatives

- 6.1. **State's Authorized Representative.** State's Authorized Representative will be:

Name/Title: Jenny Bahneman, Grants Specialist Coordinator
 Address: Office of Aeronautics
 395 John Ireland Boulevard, Mail Stop 410
 Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155
 E-Mail: jenny.bahneman@state.mn.us

State's Authorized Representative or their successor, will monitor Grantee's performance and has the authority to accept or reject the services provided under this Agreement. If the Grantee's duties are performed in a satisfactory manner, the State's Authorized Representative will accept each reimbursement request submitted for payment.

- 6.2. **Grantee's Authorized Representative.** Grantee's Authorized Representative will be:

Name/Title: Deb Nelson, City Administrator
 Address: 119 - Second Avenue SW, Pipestone, MN 56164

Telephone: (507) 825-3324
E-Mail: dnelson@cityofpipestone.com
If Grantee's Authorized Representative changes at any time during this Agreement, Grantee must immediately notify State.

7. Assignment; Amendments; Waiver; Agreement Complete; Electronic Records; Certification

- 7.1. **Assignment.** Grantee may neither assign nor transfer any rights or obligations under this Agreement without the prior consent of the State and a fully executed Assignment Agreement, executed and approved by the same parties who executed and approved this Agreement, or their successors in office.
 - 7.2. **Amendments.** An amendment to this Agreement must be in writing and will not be effective until it has been executed and approved by the same parties who executed and approved the original agreement, or their successors in office.
 - 7.3. **Waiver.** If the State fails to enforce any provision of this Agreement, such failure does not waive the provision or the State's right to subsequently enforce it.
 - 7.4. **Agreement Complete.** This Agreement contains all prior negotiations and agreements between the State and Grantee. No other prior understanding regarding this Agreement, whether written or oral, may be used to bind either party.
 - 7.5. **Electronic Records and Signatures.** The parties agree to contract by electronic means. This includes using electronic signatures and converting original documents to electronic records.
 - 7.6. **Certification.** By signing this Agreement, Grantee certifies that it is not suspended or debarred from receiving federal or state awards.
8. **Liability and Indemnification.** Each party is responsible for its own acts, omissions, and the results thereof to the extent authorized by law. Minnesota Statutes § 3.736 and other applicable law govern liability of the State. Minnesota Statutes Chapter 466 and other applicable law govern liability of Grantee. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Grantee will indemnify, hold harmless, and defend (to the extent permitted by the Minnesota Attorney General) the State against any claims, causes of actions, damages, costs, and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, arising in connection with the services performed under this Agreement, asserted by, or resulting from the acts or omissions of Grantee's contractors, consultants, agents or any other third parties under the direct control of Grantee.
9. **State Audits.** Under Minnesota Statutes § 16B.98 subd. 8, the books, records, documents, and accounting procedures and practices of Grantee, or those of any other party relevant to this grant Agreement, or transactions resulting from this Agreement, are subject to examination by the State and/or the State Auditor or Legislative Auditor, as appropriate, for a minimum of six (6) years from the expiration of this Agreement or receipt and approval of all final reports, whichever is later. Grantee will take timely and appropriate action on all deficiencies identified by an audit.
10. **Government Data Practices.** Grantee and the State must comply with the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13, as it applies to all data provided by the State under this Agreement, and as it applies to all data created, collected, received, stored, used, maintained or disseminated by Grantee under this Agreement. The civil remedies of Minnesota Statutes §13.08 apply to the release of the data referred to in this clause by either Grantee or the State. If Grantee receives a request to release the data referred to herein, Grantee must immediately notify the State and consult with the State as to how Grantee should respond to the request. Grantee's response to the request must comply with applicable law.
11. **Workers' Compensation.** Grantee certifies that it is in compliance with Minnesota Statutes §176.181, subd. 2, pertaining to workers' compensation insurance coverage. Grantee's employees and agents will not be considered state employees. Any claims that may arise under the Minnesota Workers' Compensation Act on behalf of Grantee's employees, as well as any claims made by any third party as a consequence of any act or omission on the part of Grantee's employees are in no way the State's obligation or responsibility.

12. **Governing Law, Jurisdiction and Venue.** Minnesota law, without regard to its choice-of-law provisions, governs this Agreement. Venue for all legal proceedings arising out of this Agreement, or its breach, must be in the appropriate state or federal court with competent jurisdiction in Ramsey County, Minnesota.
13. **Data Disclosure.** Under Minnesota Statutes §270C.65, and other applicable law, Grantee consents to disclosure of its social security number, federal employer tax identification number and Minnesota tax identification number, already provided to the State, to federal and state agencies and state personnel involved in the payment of state obligations. These identification numbers may be used in the enforcement of federal and state laws which could result in action requiring Grantee to file state tax returns and pay delinquent state tax liabilities, if any, or pay other state liabilities.
14. **Termination and Suspension**
- 14.1. **Termination by the State.** The State or Commissioner of Administration may unilaterally terminate this Agreement at any time, with or without cause, upon written notice to Grantee. Upon termination, Grantee will be entitled to payment, determined on a pro rata basis, for services satisfactorily performed.
- 14.2. **Termination for Cause.** The State may immediately terminate this Agreement if the State finds that there has been a failure to comply with the provisions of this Agreement, that reasonable progress has not been made, that fraudulent or wasteful activity has occurred, that Grantee has been convicted of a criminal offense relating to a state grant agreement, or that the purposes for which the funds were granted have not been or will not be fulfilled. The State may take action to protect the interests of the State of Minnesota, including the refusal to disburse additional funds and requiring the return of all or part of the funds already disbursed.
- 14.3. **Termination for Insufficient Funding.** The State may immediately terminate this Agreement if it does not obtain funding from the Minnesota Legislature or if funding cannot be continued at a level sufficient to pay for the services contracted for under this Agreement. Termination must be by written or fax notice to Grantee. The State is not obligated to pay for any services that are performed after notice and effective date of termination. However, Grantee will be entitled to payment, determined on a pro rata basis, for services satisfactorily performed to the extent that funds are available. The State will not be assessed any penalty if the Agreement is terminated because of the decision of the Minnesota Legislature, or other funding source, not to appropriate funds. The State will provide Grantee notice of the lack of funding within a reasonable time of the State's receiving that notice.
- 14.4. **Suspension.** The State may immediately suspend this Agreement in the event of a total or partial government shutdown due to its failure to pass an approved budget by the legal deadline. Work performed by Grantee during a period of suspension will be deemed unauthorized and undertaken at risk of non-payment.
15. **Fund Use Prohibited.** Grantee will not utilize any funds received pursuant to this Agreement to compensate, either directly or indirectly, any contractor, corporation, partnership, or business, however organized, which is disqualified or debarred from entering into or receiving a state contract. This restriction applies regardless of whether the disqualified or debarred party acts in the capacity of a general contractor, a subcontractor, or as an equipment or material supplier. This restriction does not prevent Grantee from utilizing these funds to pay any party who might be disqualified or debarred after Grantee has been awarded funds for the Project. For a list of disqualified or debarred vendors, see www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us/debarredreport.asp.
16. **Discrimination Prohibited by Minnesota Statutes §181.59.** Grantee will comply with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes §181.59 which requires that every agreement for or on behalf of the State, or any county, city, town, township, school, school district or any other district in the State, for materials, supplies or construction will contain provisions by which Grantee agrees that:
- 16.1. In the hiring of common or skilled labor for the performance of any work under any agreement, or any sub-agreement, no contractor, material supplier, vendor, or other agent of Grantee will, by reason of race, creed or color, discriminate against the person or persons who are citizens of the United States or resident aliens who are qualified and available to perform the work to which the employment relates;

- 16.2. No contractor, material supplier, vendor, or other agent of Grantee will, in any manner, discriminate against, or intimidate, or prevent the employment of any person or persons identified herein, or on being hired, prevent or conspire to prevent, the person or persons from the performance of work under any agreement on account of race, creed or color;
 - 16.3. A violation of this Section is a misdemeanor; and
 - 16.4. Any subsequent violations of this Section may result in the termination of this Agreement and any sub-agreements by the State, or any county, city, town, township, school, school district or other entity or person authorized to enter into agreements for employment, and all money due, or to become due, under this Agreement or any sub-agreements may be forfeited.
17. **Limitation.** Under this Agreement, the State is only responsible for disbursing funds. Nothing in this Agreement will be construed to make the State a principal, co-principal, partner, or joint venturer with respect to the Project(s) covered herein. The State may provide technical advice and assistance as requested by Grantee; however, Grantee will remain responsible for providing direction to its contractors and consultants and for administering its agreements with such entities. Grantee's consultants and contractors are not intended to be third party beneficiaries of this Agreement.

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STATE ENCUMBRANCE VERIFICATION

Individual certifies that funds have been encumbered as required by Minnesota Statutes §16A.15 and §16C.05.*

By: _____

SWIFT Contract (SC) ID No. _____

Purchase Order (PO) ID No. _____

*PO staged and to be encumbered with future State fiscal year funds.

GRANTEE

Grantee certifies that the appropriate persons have executed this Agreement on behalf of Grantee as required by applicable articles, bylaws, ordinances, or resolutions.

By: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

By: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
(with delegated authority)

By: _____

MnDOT CONTRACT MANAGEMENT

By: _____