

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-1503

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Chairwoman Kay Granger
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Ranking Member Rosa DeLauro
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 20515

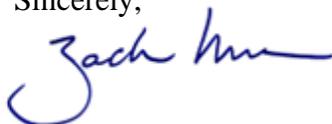
Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting that the Appropriations Committee provide a funding level of \$6,000,000 for DSM Construct Terminal DeIcing Apron Expansion – Bid Package #2, as a community project funding request. The entity to receive funding for the project is the Des Moines Airport (DSM) located at 5800 Fleur Drive, Des Moines, IA 50321. The funding will be used to complete the second phase of construction for a new DeIcing Apron at Des Moines International Airport. This project greatly enhances the efficiency and safety of deicing operations. Additional benefits include the reduction of wastewater treated as a result of deicing operations and the potential to reuse captured glycol. The growth of air service at DSM is outpacing the improvements that are in progress to meet demand. This project will bring the benefit of a central deicing pad online so that increased aircraft departures can be handled safely and efficiently. Additional flights mean more competition and lower fares for IA-03. This is a good use of taxpayer funds as the project is a sound investment in the nation's air traffic system. DSM is classified by the FAA as a small hub airport and serves a significant portion of the state of Iowa. In addition to service for the residents of Iowa, DSM often receives diverted traffic from other major airports in the Midwest.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 49 U.S.C. 47100 et seq.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Zach Nunn
Member of Congress