

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
2358-A Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
2358-A Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$3.6 million in funding for the Ankeny Regional Airport (IKV) – Runway 18/36 Extension (500'x100') Project for Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Polk County Aviation Authority, located at 3700 SE Convenience Blvd, Ankeny, IA 50021. The funding would be used to extend the 5,500 ft long Runway 18/36 to the north by 500 ft to its ultimate length of 6,000 ft. The Runway 18/36 is used for the vast majority of the ever-increasing traffic at the airport. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because since its opening in the early 1990's, the Ankeny Regional Airport has served as a major contributor to the Des Moines metro area's quality of life, serving not only metro area residents but also visitors and the business community. The airport serves as a reliever for the Des Moines International Airport and provides critical connections that support economic growth and prosperity in central Iowa. The significance of continued infrastructure investment and expansion of facilities at the Ankeny Regional Airport cannot be understated.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in AIP eligible in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 47100 et seq., and FAA policy and guidance.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Zach Nunn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rep. Zach Nunn (IA-03)