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2024 Airport of the Year

We are thrilled to announce that the nominations for the Airport of the Year award are officially open! This prestigious platform is designed to honor and celebrate excellence within the aviation industry, and we invite all members of our airport community to participate.

This year, nominations can be submitted online! By now, you should have received an email containing a Google Form link. This email came from aeronautics@azdot.gov. If you haven't received it, please send an email to the aforementioned email address or reach out to your grants manager. Last day to submit your nomination is March 1st.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to the 2023
Airport of the Year, the Colorado City Municipal
Airport. Their steadfast commitment to excellence,
innovation, and service has set an admirable standard
for all airports within our community.



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Aeronautics Group Manager's Report

Aeronautics is thrilled to publish our very first quarterly newsletter. In an effort to stay connected and increase communication with our sponsors, this newsletter will play a small part and our hopes are that you find this outlet useful and beneficial. On the staffing front, Aeronautics is fully staffed for the grant manager positions, but the State Engineer remains vacant. We anticipate that being filled in the near future. I'm excited to announce that the State Aviation System Plan (SASP) RFQ should be issued in the Spring of 2024. The last SASP update was in 2018 and as many of you know, the SASP serves as the long-term strategic plan for

Arizona's aviation system. The SASP update is a crucial component to ensuring Arizona airports continue to meet the needs of the public throughout the 20 year planning horizon. As always, if you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, please feel free to reach out!



Quarterly Based Aircraft

As a reminder, sponsors are required to submit their based aircraft reports to their grants manager on a quarterly basis. This is not only a requirement of your grant assurances, but this information is critical for the purposes of registration and taxation. Revenue from aircraft registration is used to fund the State Aviation Fund. Lastly, sponsors must use the approved excel template for your reports. Thank you for your cooperation!

Land Use Study

The Land Use Study is well underway and is anticipated to be completed by December 2024. The Land Use Study will be the official state guidance on land use compatibility issues within the State of Arizona. This will be a valuable resource for a variety of stakeholders such as airport managers/directors, city leadership, planners, etc. The deliverables, in part, will be a robust manual with complementary website with a plethora of tools.

