

# Duluth International Airport: A Catalyst for Regional Growth

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# The Duluth Airport Authority

- **Legislation:**

- Duluth Airport Authority Act of 1969

- **Composition:**

- Seven Directors
  - Appointed by Mayor of Duluth
  - Approved by City Council
  - Three Year Terms
- 24 Employees

- **Vision:** *Our vision is to be a world-class aviation center that drives economic development and connects the region to the global economy.*

- **Mission:** *The Duluth Airport Authority is committed to delivering a superior airport experience in a safe and secure environment, while enriching the region's economy.*



# The Airport is an economic driver because the region has leveraged its infrastructure

## Airport Annual Economic Impact

Duluth International Airport

**\$760.6 Million**

**6,230 Jobs**

*(direct, indirect, induced)*

## Major Aviation Employers



148th Fighter Wing

Cirrus

Lake Superior College

Monaco Air

DLH Compared to Annual  
Statewide Impacts Minnesota's  
Public Airports (Non-MAC Airports)

- **76% of \$1.6 Billion** Annual Economic Activity
- **47% of 13,147 Jobs** (direct, indirect, induced)

Supports **483,000**

residents and major employers:

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ALLETE

Enbridge

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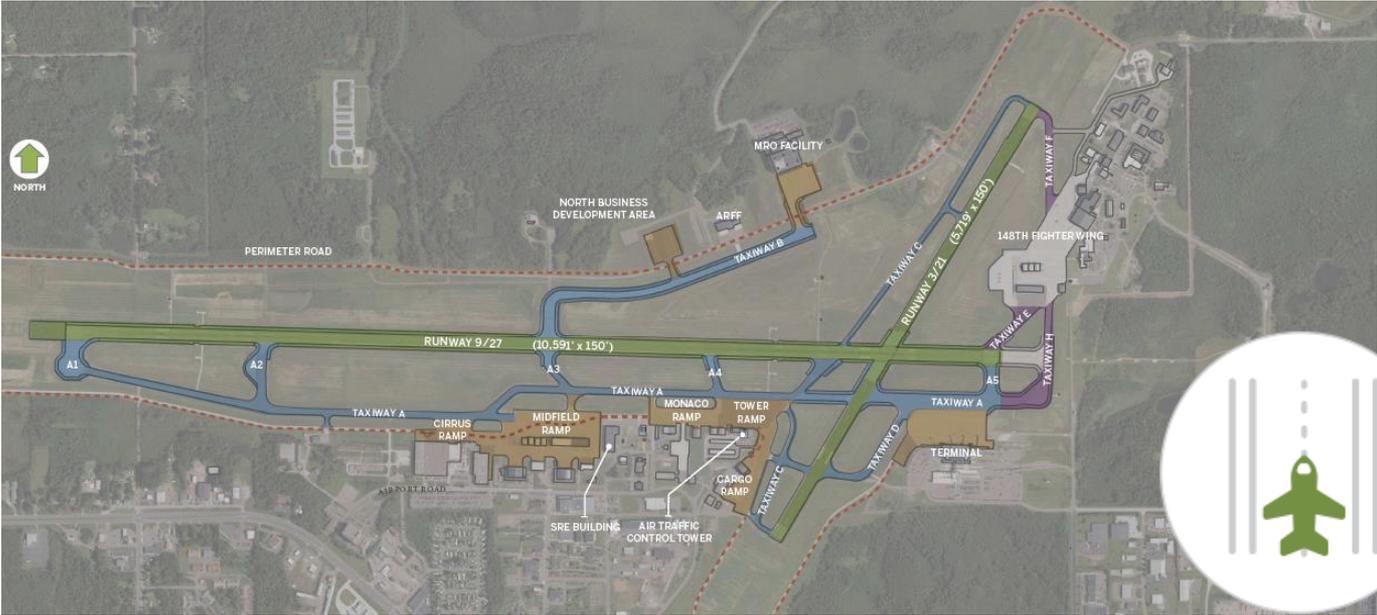
Health care and

mining industries

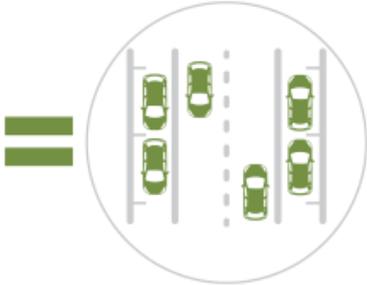


**INFRASTRUCTURE**

# Airside Pavement Inventory



**Airside paved infrastructure**

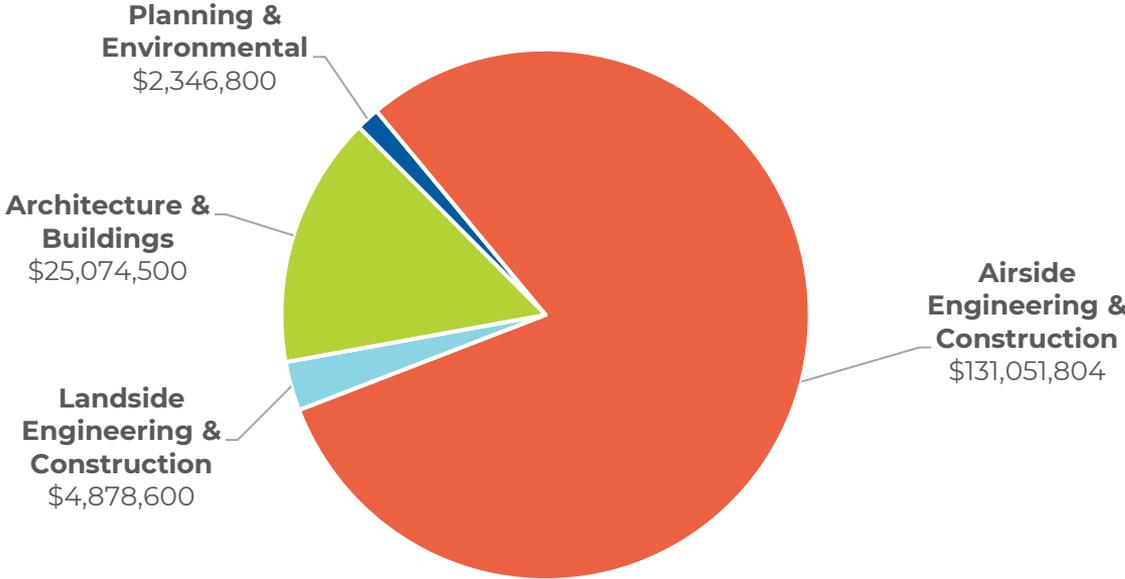


**75+ miles of City street**

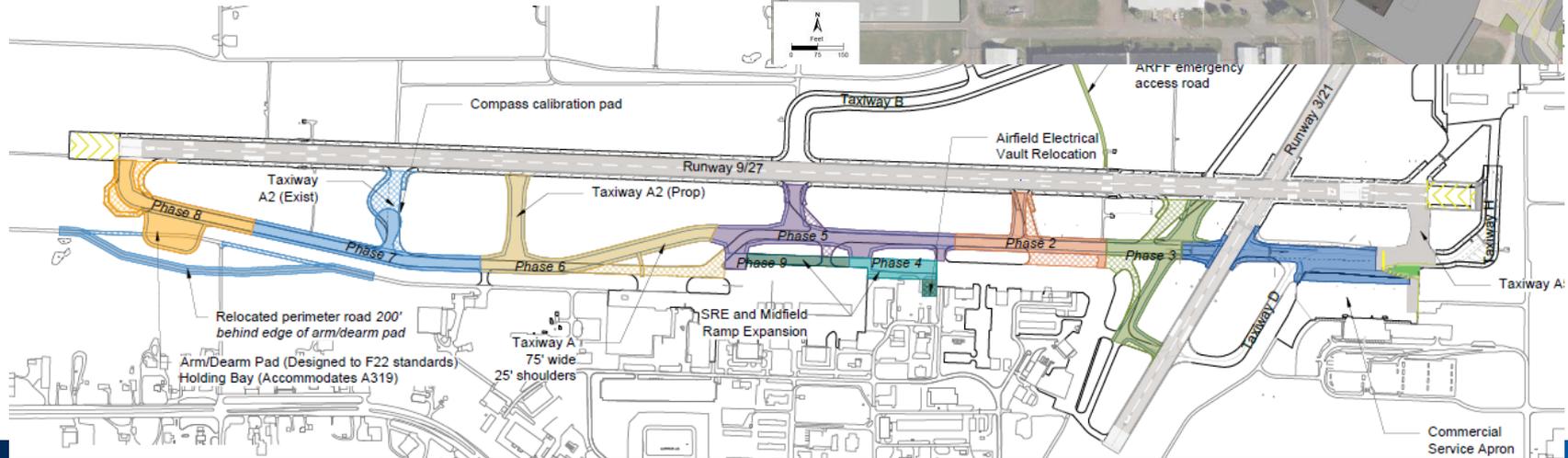
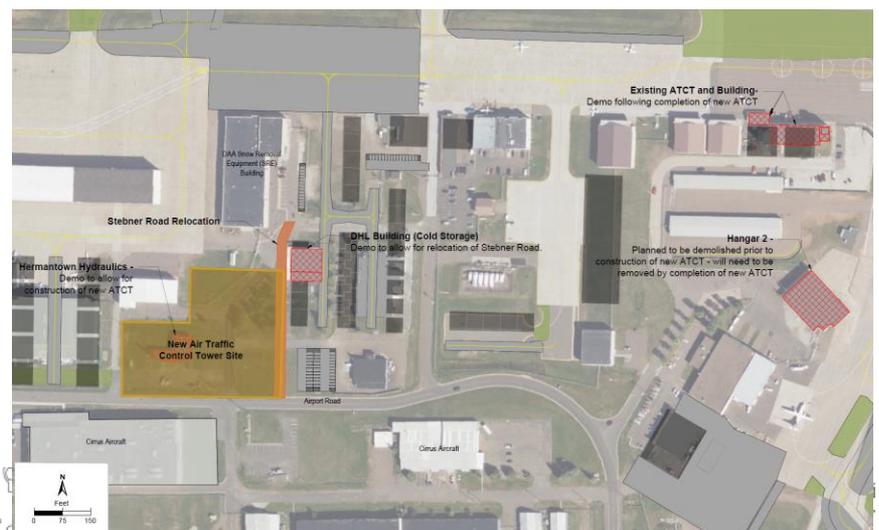
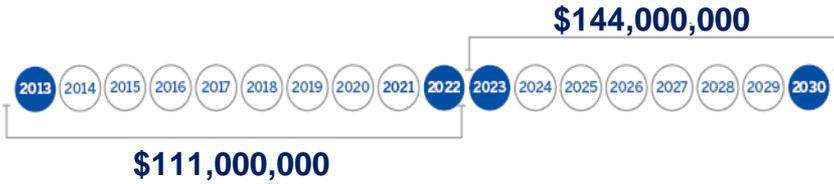
# FINANCIAL IMPLEMENTATION BREAKDOWN

## 20 Year Infrastructure Improvements

Approximately  
**\$175 Million**  
Infrastructure  
Investment  
Through 2040



# Investing in Infrastructure, Capacity and Growth





# General Aviation Hangar Expansion Phase 1

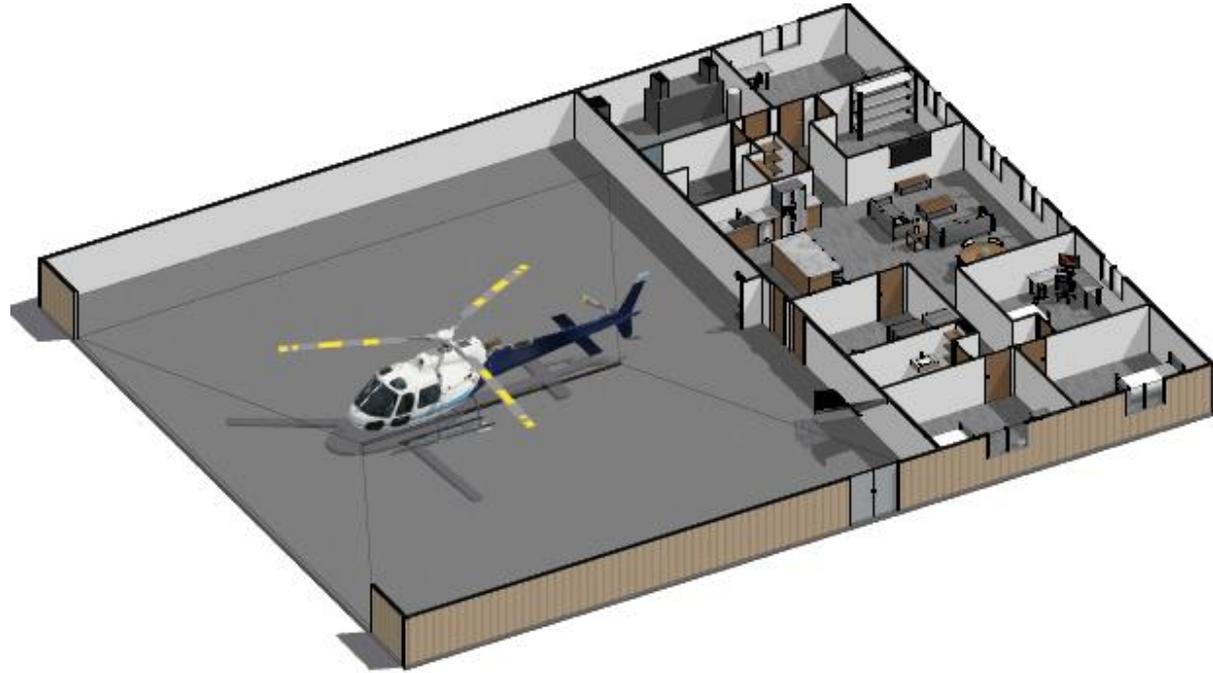
- \$2,000,000 Project Cost
- 5 Bay Ranch Hangar
- Prefabricated Metal Building
- Total Size 40'x225'
- Individual Bays 40'x43'
- Insulated and Heated
- Expected Completion Fall of 2023



# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

# Life Link III

## Aircraft Base and Training Facility



- ≈ \$3,000,000 Project Cost
- 72'x100' Hangar
- 2024 Project Completion
- Leonardo AW119Kx Helicopter
- Pilatus PC-12 airplane
- Life Link III bases create/maintain a minimum of 17 FTE's
  - 5 paramedics
  - 5 nurses
  - 4 Pilots in command
  - 2 aircraft maintainers
  - 2 half-time managers (1 aviation, 1 clinical, each one covers two base locations) for a total of 1 FTE

# Cirrus Aircraft

## Fuel Calibration Facility



- ≈ \$1,800,000 Project Cost
- 100'x90' Hangar
- 2024 Project Completion

# Cirrus Aircraft

*Rehabilitation for Cirrus Flying Club*



- \$1,700,000 Project Cost
- 18,900 sf Facility
- November 2023 Project Completion

# Non-Aeronautical Development

**163 acres** and **4 sites**

*available for development*





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