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BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS APPROVES RUNWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FOR MARTIN STATE AIRPORT

\$32 Million Contract Will Rehabilitate Runway and Enhance Airfield Infrastructure

(January 4, 2024) – The Maryland Board of Public Works yesterday unanimously approved a contract for a comprehensive pavement rehabilitation project for the runway at Martin State Airport in Middle River, Baltimore County. The Board, chaired by Governor Wes Moore and including Comptroller Brooke Lierman and Chief Deputy Treasurer Jon Martin, approved the nearly \$32 million contract that will replace pavement and enhance the airport runway, improve taxiway connections and upgrade electrical components, including the installation of LED airfield lighting and signage.

“This investment by the Board of Public Works paves the way for a significant advancement in economic development at Martin State Airport,” said Maryland Transportation Secretary Paul Wiedefeld. “The rehabilitation project will bring important improvements to the airport and ensure it is better equipped to meet the needs of its customers.”

“We thank the Board of Public Works for this important investment to maintain and improve the airfield at Martin State Airport, a critical part of the Maryland aviation system,” said Ricky Smith, Executive Director/CEO of the Maryland Department of Transportation Maryland Aviation Administration. “This work will help ensure a safe, efficient airport that meets the highest standards for our customers and partners.”

P. Flanigan and Sons Inc. of Baltimore was awarded the construction contract. A 21% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation goal was established for the contract. The preliminary schedule calls for the airfield work at Martin State to begin in the spring. Construction is expected to last for approximately 255 days.

Martin State Airport is a general aviation airport that supports a variety of services, including corporate and private aviation, flight schools, law enforcement and the Maryland Air National Guard. Martin State is designated as a reliever airport by the Federal Aviation Administration that helps divert general aviation activities from commercial operations at BWI Thurgood Marshall Airport.

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