



Anoka County-Blaine Airport Advisory Commission

Regular Meeting

June 3, 2026



ANOKA COUNTY-BLAINE AIRPORT
ADVISORY COMMISSION
(ACBAAC)

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Anoka County-Blaine Airport Advisory Commission

GOAL

This Commission is formed to further the general welfare of the community and the Anoka County-Blaine Airport, a public airport in the City of Blaine, County of Anoka, state of Minnesota, through minimizing or resolving problems created by the aircraft operations at the airport.

PURPOSE

1. The Commission shall advise the community and the Metropolitan Airports Commission with regard to all matters affecting the Anoka County Blaine Airport, the classification, rules and regulations supplied to the operation of the Airport and the development of lands adjacent to the Airport.
2. The Commission shall cooperate with the Metropolitan Airports Commission staff in reviewing matters affecting the use and control of the Anoka County Blaine Airport.
3. The Commission shall make its recommendations to the Metropolitan Airports Commission regarding any proposal affecting the use or operations of Anoka County-Blaine Airport.

Community Representatives	Airport User/Tenant Representatives	MAC Delegates
Suzanne Erkel East Bethel	Scott Klobucher FBO Manager	Philip Tiedeman – Airport Manager
Jeff Reinert Anoka County	Greg Krantz North Central Aviation	Ryan Anderson – Community Relations Manager
Kim Devries Lexington	Cheryl Daml North Star Flyers	David Lafferty – Community Relations Assistant Manager
Chris Ford Blaine	Kevin Sislo EAA Chapter 237	Jennifer Lewis – Community Relations Coordinator
Kathryn Smith Mounds View	Joe Belany Life Link III	
Steve McChesney Circle Pines	Mike Miller Anoka County Airport Association	
Dean Quimby Lino Lakes	Dylan Girgen US Aviation Academy	

Agenda

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Consent Items
3. Public Comment
4. Business
5. Information
6. Members: Community Events/Around the Room
7. Review Meeting Dates
8. Closing Remarks





Consent Items



Public Comment

Members of the public are welcome to make a comment
(up to 3 minutes each)

Please state your name and address



Business



Airport Long-Term Planning Update





LONG-TERM PLAN (LTP) OVERVIEW

What is an Airport Long-Term Plan (LTP)?

- A planning document that memorializes current and future needs of an airport
- Focuses on a 20-year horizon, with intermediate steps at 5 and 10 years
- FAA typically requires an update every 7-10 years
- The last LTP update for ANE was completed in 2010
- Does not authorize construction
- Limited to immediate airport environment (on-airport property)





LONG-TERM PLAN (LTP) OVERVIEW

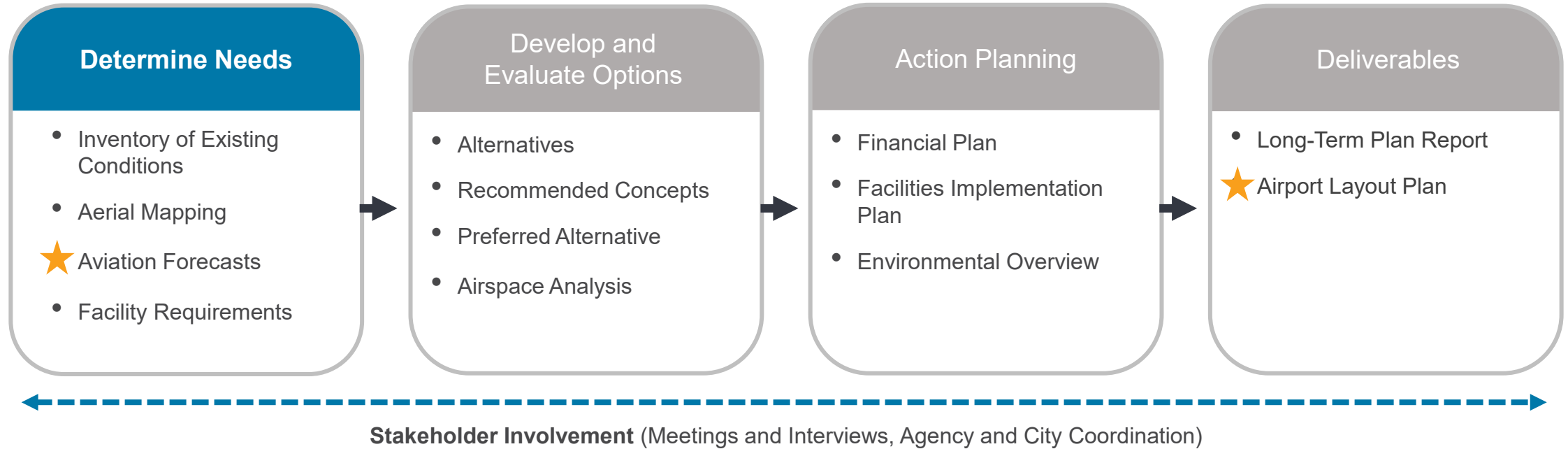
Long-Term Plan (LTP) Goals and Objectives

1. Enhance airport safety
2. Preserve and, if possible, improve operational capabilities for the current family of aircraft using the airport
3. Promote financial stability of the MAC reliever airport system by exploring revenue opportunities for aeronautical and non-aeronautical development



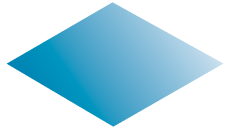


LONG-TERM PLANNING PROCESS

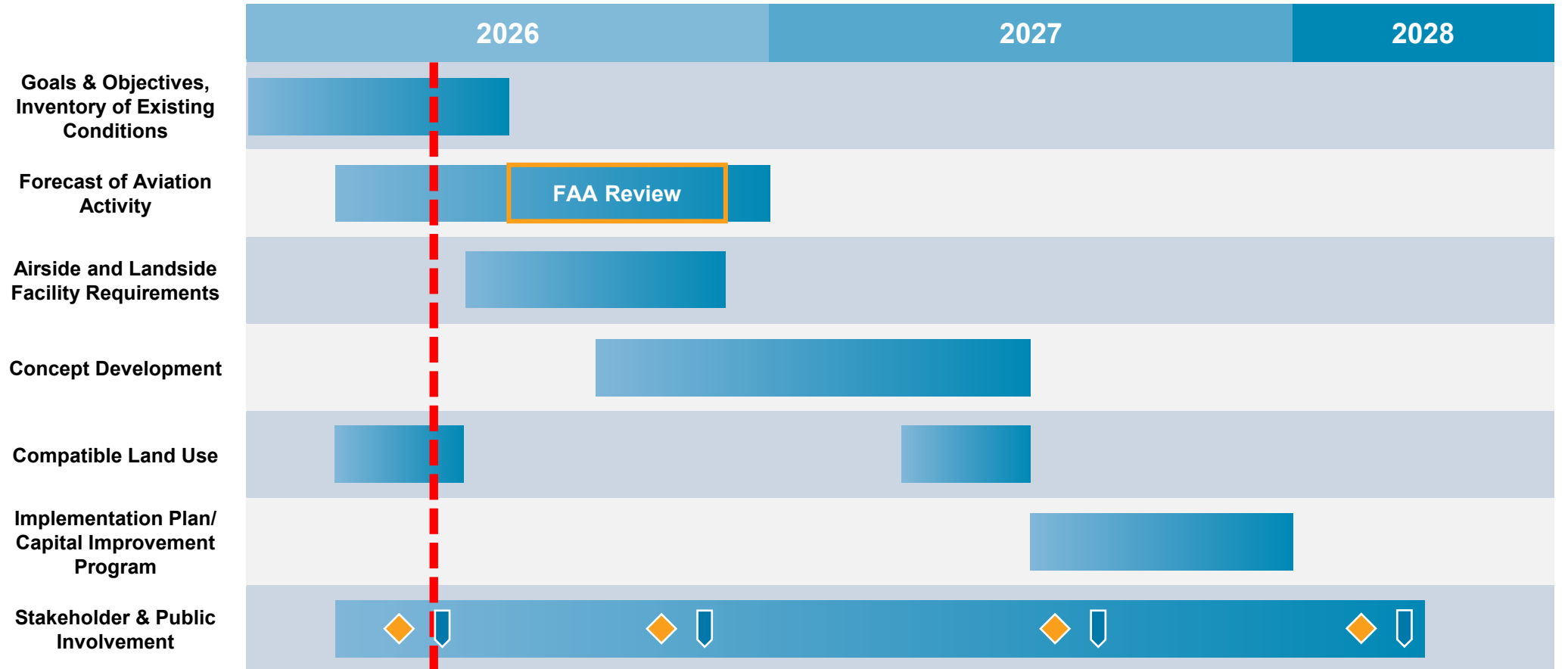


★ Requires FAA Approval





PROJECT SCHEDULE



◆ Stakeholder Advisory Panel (SAP) Meeting

▮ Public Open House





Update on Anoka Airport Aviation Festival



Information



Welcome to
Blaine, Minnesota

**City of Blaine
Update
Erik Thorvig**

Strategic Priorities

1. Financial Stability
2. Economic Development
3. Infrastructure Management
4. Organizational Health
5. Collaboration and Engagement
6. Trunk Highway 65 Improvement



2026 Council Goals

- Enhance Economic Development & Business Recruitment
- Enhance Council Relations
- Advance Infrastructure
- 105th Redevelopment District
- 2026 Budget/Financial



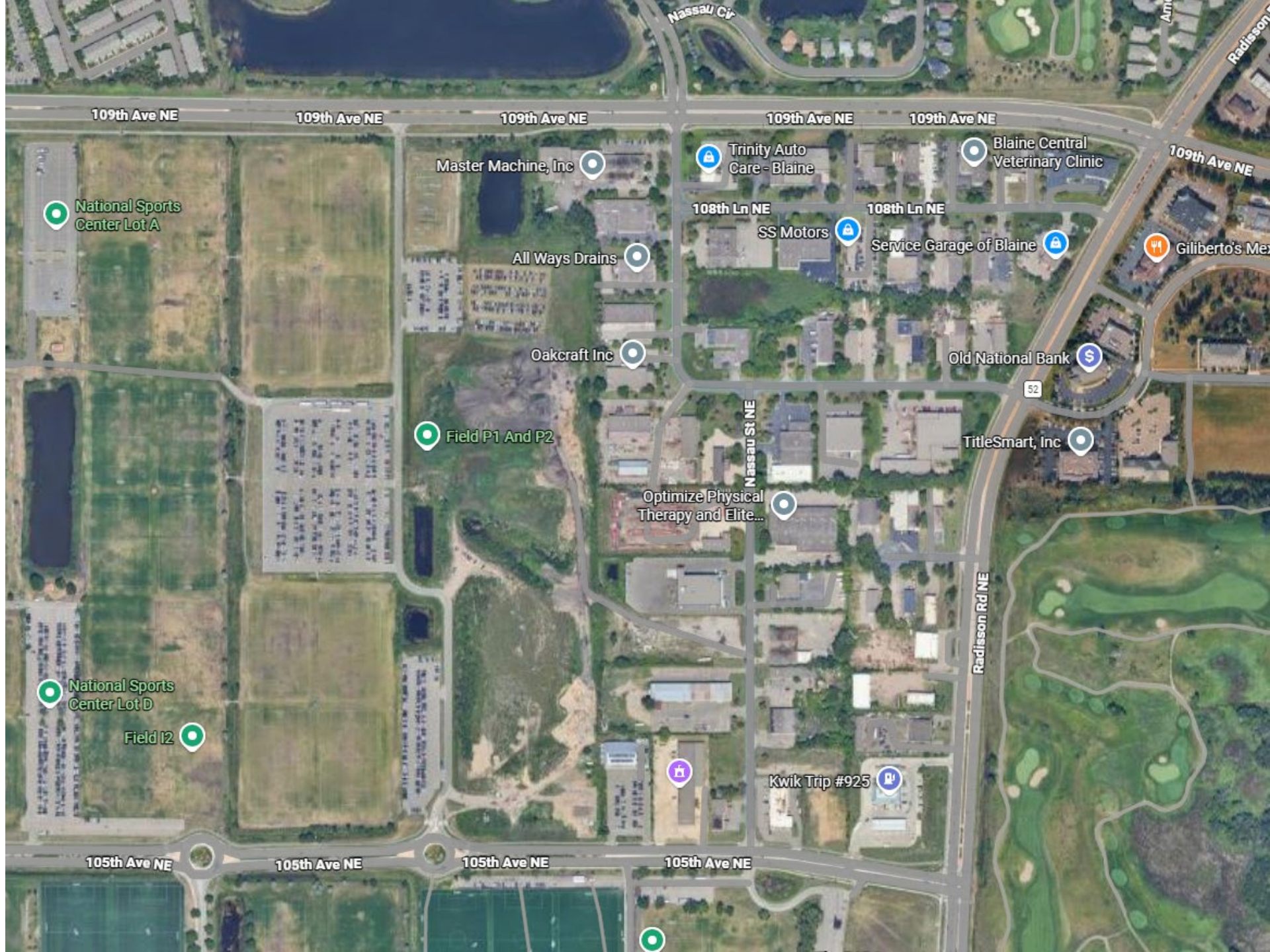
Blaine

Where we are – and
where we're going



Road Construction

- 105th Ave NE closed until June
 - Kwik Trip, National Sports Village, & Topsy Steer access from Radisson
 - Everything else access from Davenport
- 109th & Radisson- to start August
- Highway 65 Frontage Road construction to begin this year





[Hwy 65 Birds Eye NB](#)



Addresses existing congestion and safety concerns



Supports current and future development

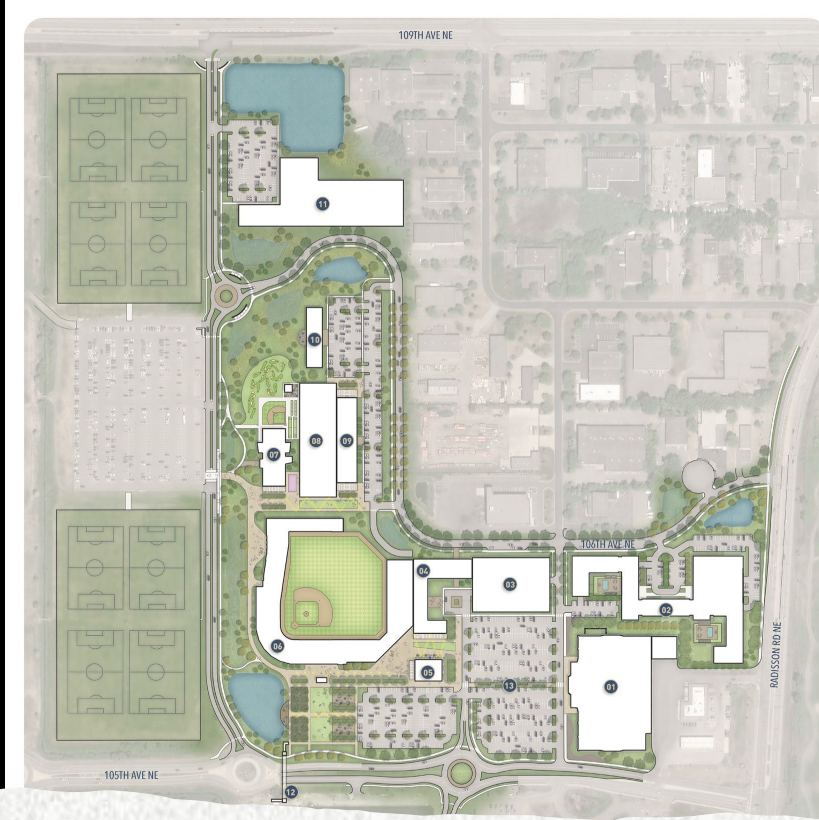
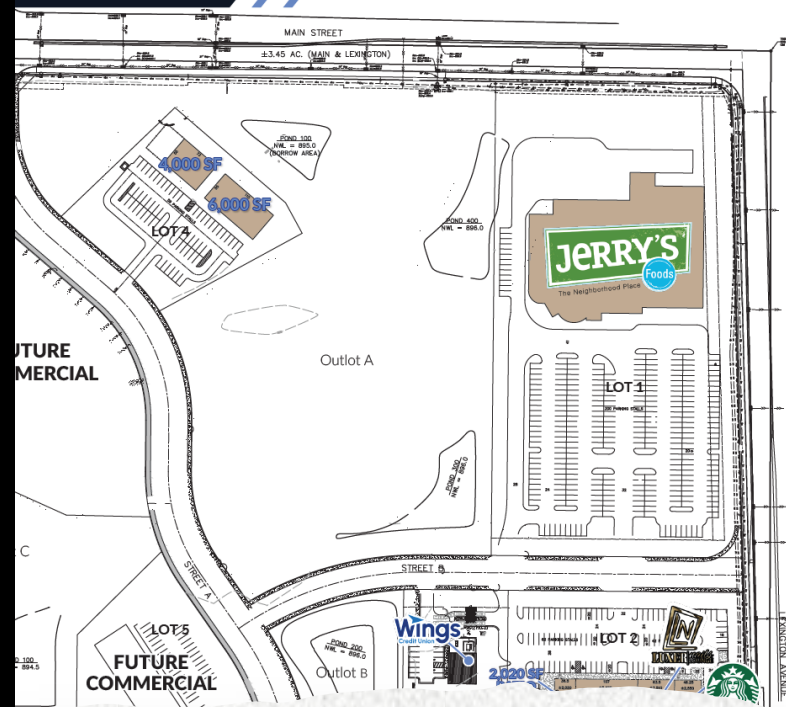


Improves regional connectivity



crossings
in Avenue NE | Blaine, MN

Site Plan



Development Activity Across Blaine

- CSM Pheasant Ridge Business Park
- Lexington Crossings at 125 & Lexington
- 105th Redevelopment



Blaine in 3–5 Years

- Highway 65 complete
- Lexington Crossings complete (125 & Lexington)
- 105th Avenue Redevelopment Project complete
- [Asia Village complete](#)
- Development to begin along new frontage road west of Highway 65 between 99th & 103rd
- Additional investment in the Northtown Area
- Additional investment into North Meadows and Lexington Meadows (109th & Lexington)



Questions?



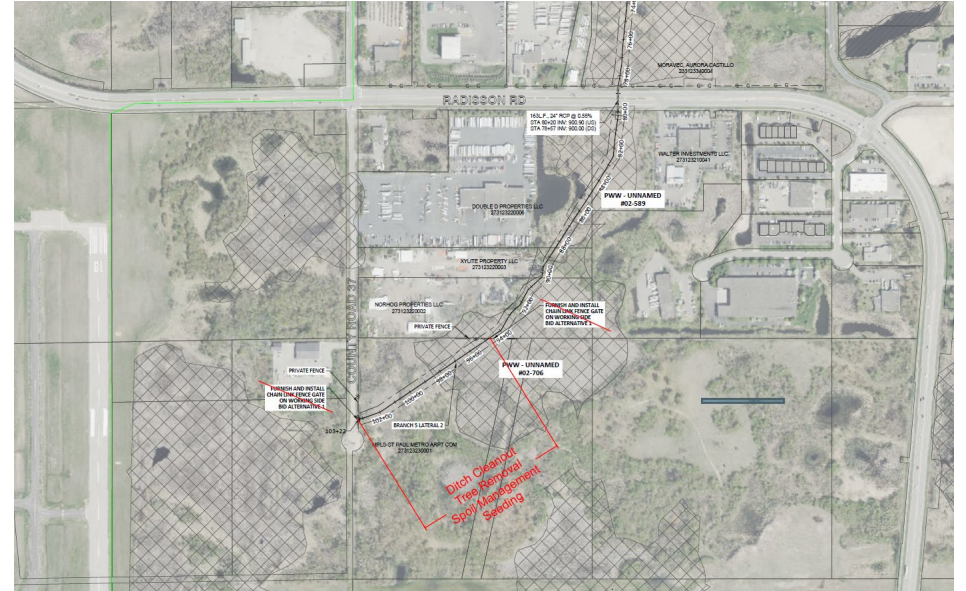
Airport Manager Update

Ryan Anderson & David Lafferty

2026 Construction

Rice Creek Watershed District

- Ditch Cleanout
- Completed: March 2026



Notes:

The Rice Creek Watershed District contracted work with Rybak Companies to clean out Anoka County Ditch 53-62. This work should help flow water not only through the ditch system but off airport property as well.

2026 Construction

MnDOT Aeronautics – AWOS Replacement Project

- Contractor: Neo Electric
- Construction Timeline: 2026

Notes:

MnDOT Aeronautics has been planning a new Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS). A new tower has already been installed in the field, and work is being done in the Control Tower to be ready for new weather sensors. MnDOT will still need to install the new sensors on the new tower and remove the old tower and complete their testing. Some process are already being transition and the impact to pilots should be minimal.

2026 Construction

Gate Controller Replacement

- Contractor: Morcon Construction
- Proposed construction: Fall 2026

Notes:

Gate A and Gate B off of 93rd Lane will have new gate panels and controllers installed. These two gates have had several issues and have reached the end of their useful life. Previously new call boxes have been installed along with cameras and this project will finish out the proposed work at these gates. Additional work is planned for other airport gates in future years.

2026 Construction

Runway 9/27 Edge Lighting & PAPI Replacement

- Contractor: Neo Electric
- Proposed construction: November 2026-July 2027

Notes:

This project includes the replacement of the High Intensity Runway Edge Lighting (HIRLs), Runway End Identifier Lights (REILs), Precision Approach Path Indicators (PAPIs), and associated circuitry for all components. The runway edge lights will be removed and replaced with new LED lighting to improve safety and efficiency.



2026 Construction

Electrical Vault Building Improvements

- Final work linked to Runway 18/36 Reconstruction
- Proposed construction: October 2026

Notes:

This project includes constructing a new airfield electrical vault and replacing outdated equipment. The new vault will be a standalone building north of the ATCT and will include new electrical service, airfield regulators, control cabinets, wiring, airfield radios, and necessary tower connections.



2026 Construction

Fence Improvements

- Proposed construction: Fall 2026
- To be Anticipating a second project in the future

Notes:

This project includes a review of current fencing needs and the installation of new fencing at the airport. The wetland/wooded area on the southeast side of the airport is planned to have new fence installed.

2026 Construction

Crew Quarter Design

- Proposed design and construction: Fall 2026/Spring 2027

Notes:

This project includes a design and buildout of new crew quarters and break space attached to the new MAC equipment building recently completed.

2026 Special Olympics USA Games & Aviation Airlift June 19-27, 2026

- Minnesota will host more than **3,000 athletes** and **1,500 coaches** from all 50 states.
- The **Special Olympics Airlift** on **June 19** will transport athletes and coaches to the Twin Cities aboard volunteer aircraft from across the country. (Callsign **DOVE**)
 - Arrivals every 3-4 minutes
- **St. Paul Downtown Airport (STP)** will serve as the primary Airlift airport.
- **Anoka County–Blaine Airport (ANE)** has been designated as the backup airport.
- Airport users should anticipate **higher-than-normal aircraft activity and airspace congestion** in the Twin Cities region on June 19.
- Airport staff, Air Traffic Control, and event organizers are coordinating to support the operation.

June 19th may be one of the busiest general aviation days of the year in the Twin Cities region.



Update



Members: Community Events/ Around the Room



Review Meeting Schedule

2026 Meeting Schedule

September							October							November							December						
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ACBAAC Meeting
<i>Holiday</i>



Closing Remarks



Thank you for joining us!