



Anoka County-Blaine Airport Advisory Commission

Regular Meeting

September 2, 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



Information



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)



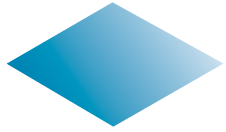


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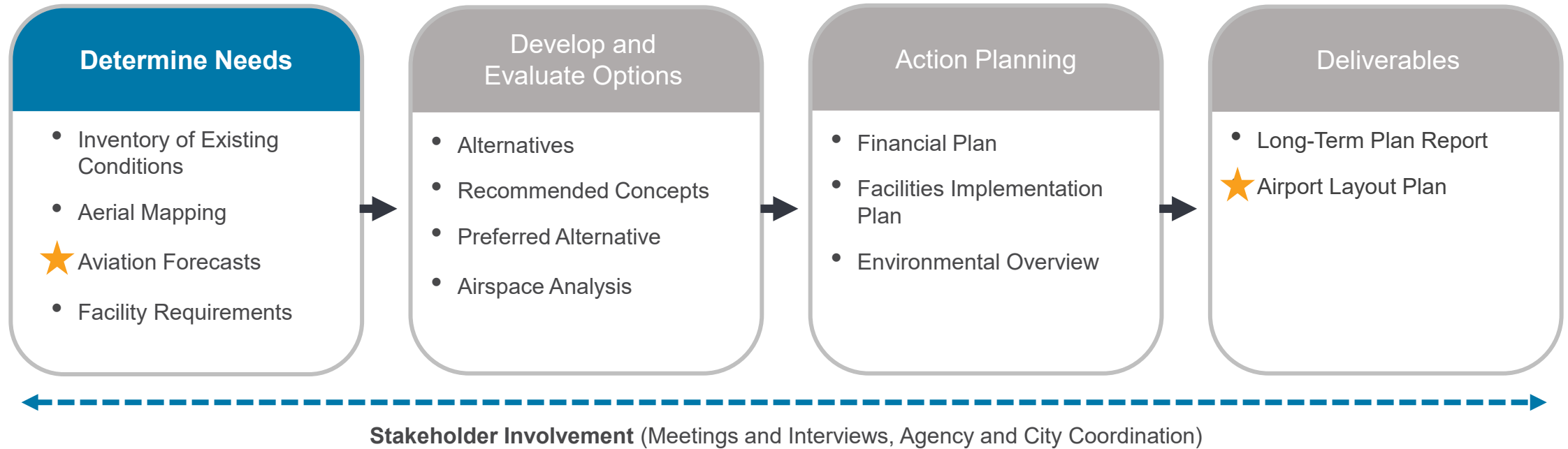
Long-Term Plan (LTP) Goals and Objectives

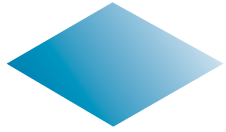
1. Enhance airport safety
2. Preserve and, if possible, improve operational capabilities for the current family of aircraft using the airport
3. Promote financial stability of the MAC reliever airport system by exploring revenue opportunities for aeronautical and non-aeronautical development



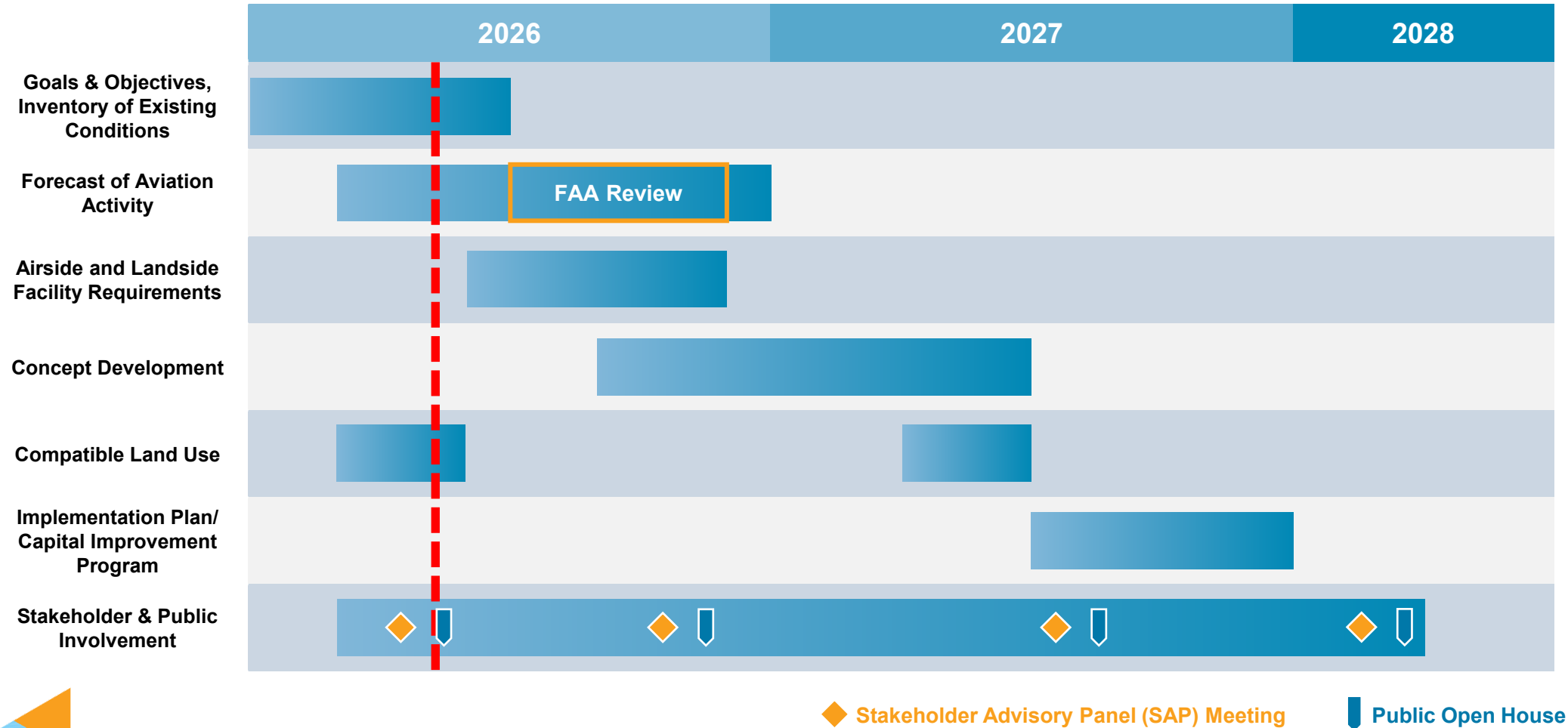


LONG-TERM PLANNING PROCESS





PROJECT SCHEDULE





Stakeholder Spotlight

Our Mission:

*To build and connect a
community of aerospace and
defense enthusiasts*







Defense Innovation
OnRamp Hub: Minnesota

Twin Cities Aerospace Network Guest Speaker Series



"Considerations for Defense Leaders on Artificial Intelligence as a Tool for Military Power"

Hear from Dr. Sean Costigan, AI and cybersecurity leader with 25+ years of experience. Senior Adviser at NATO DEEP e-Academy and architect of NATO's AI military curriculum. Former roles at MIT, Harvard, Columbia, and ETH Zurich.

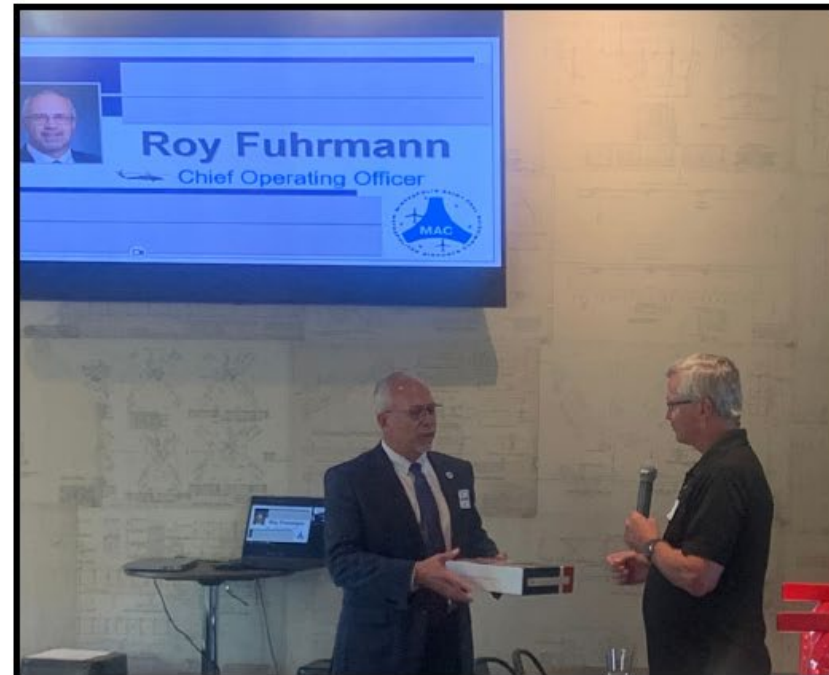
Advancing AI collaboration between innovators and national security partners.



March 18, 2026
4 PM - 6 PM



OnRamp Hub: Minnesota
New St. Paul event space. Address provided upon RSVP.



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**Building and connecting a community
of Aerospace & Defense enthusiasts**

Our Mission: Build and connect a community of Aerospace & Defense enthusiasts.

Our Vision: Elevate the Twin Cities Aerospace & Defense community to national prominence as a premier hub for innovation, thought leadership, and industrial expertise.

Small and Mid-sized Manufacturers Must Rethink Digital Transformation to Remain Competitive — Siemens – July 14, 2025

Small and mid-sized manufacturers—long considered the backbone of industrial supply chains—are facing a moment of reckoning. Pressured by rising costs, aging infrastructure, and relentless global competition, these companies are being forced to modernize or risk irrelevance. Yet for many, the traditional digital transformation playbook—engineered for billion-dollar enterprises—is ill-suited to their operational and economic realities.

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DID YOU KNOW...?

By Brandon Montanye, Minnesota Aviation Hall of Fame

The B-4 life preserver, famously worn by WWII military aircrews and nicknamed the "Mae West," was invented by Minnesota merchant and boater Peter Markus.

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SPOTLIGHT COMPANY – Cloud 1941

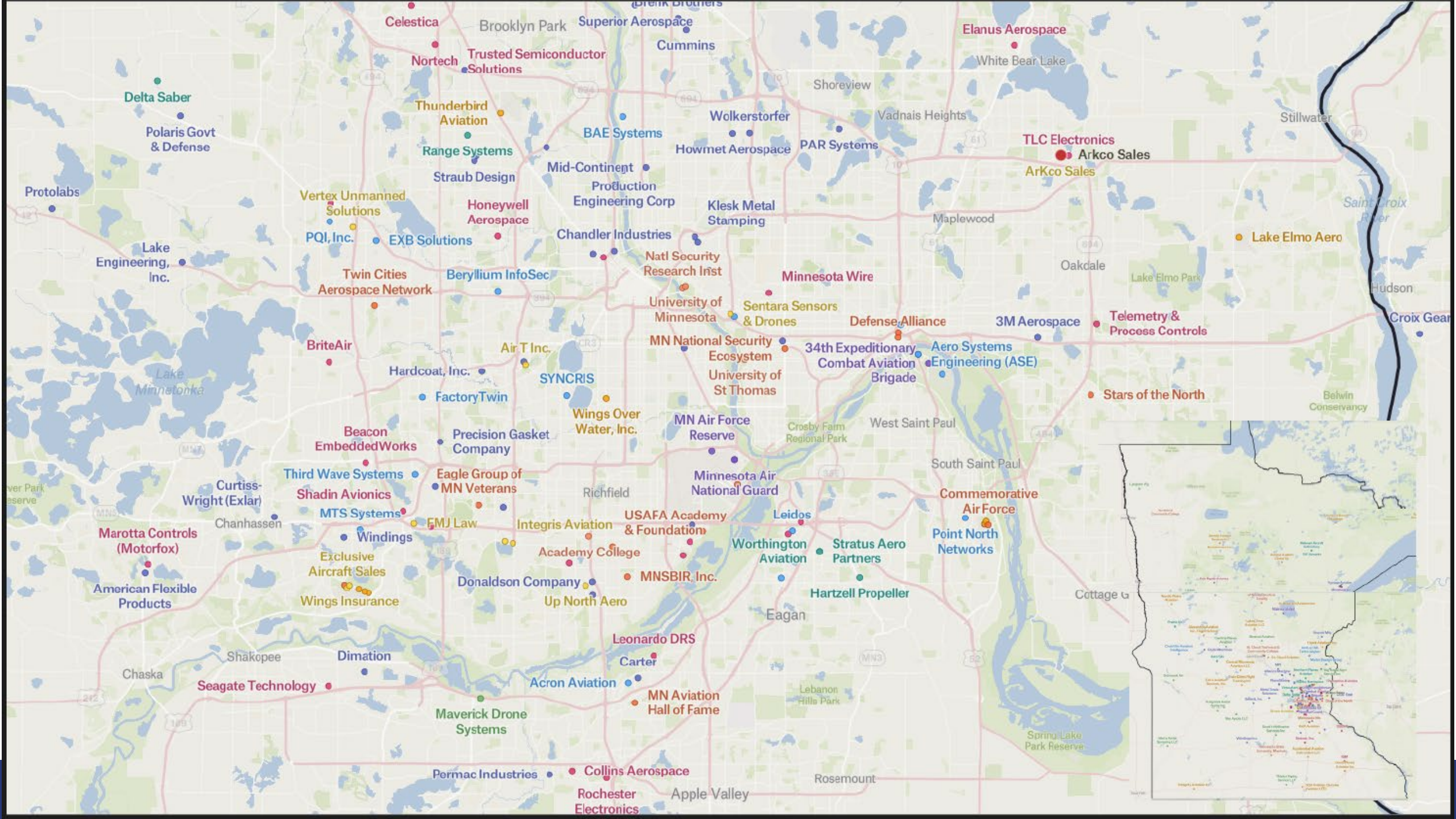
Cloud 1941 is a private aviation-based social club located at Flying Cloud Airport. This isn't just a club—it's a curated community built on connection, conversation, and shared experience. Our members include pilots, aircraft owners, students, air traffic controllers, dispatchers, engineers, and aviation professionals from all corners of the industry.

Whether you're in training, managing operations, running a business, or simply have a lifelong passion for flight, if aviation is part of your world, there's a place for you here.

Located at Flying Cloud Airport, the club offers 24/7 access to a space designed around flexibility and comfort. Members can fill their own personalized, secured locker—complete with nameplate and code—with spirits or personal items, and enjoy complimentary food and beverages from our stocked fridges and freezers. The space includes a conference room with seating for ten, a large screen, printer, and inviting patio with fire pits, umbrellas, and yard games. Members also benefit from access to FBO services and exclusive discounted rates through Inflight Pilot Training.

We invite you to experience Cloud 1941 at our upcoming **Open House on Wednesday, August 20, 2025**, at Flying Cloud Airport. Join us for an unforgettable evening featuring games, a live DJ, full bar service, catered food, and an impressive lineup of aircraft on display. It's the perfect opportunity to see who we are, explore the space, and watch our vision fully come to life. Register here: [Open House](#)





TCAN AERODEFENSE SUMMIT 2026





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Airport Manager Update

2026 Completed Construction

Rice Creek Watershed District – Drainage Ditch Clearing

MnDOT Aeronautics – AWOS Replacement Project

2026 Construction

Gate Controller Replacement

- Contractor: Morcon Construction
- Proposed Start: Early Sept
 - Moved up due to Gate B being damaged
 - Contractor is ready as soon as equipment arrives

Notes:

Gate A and Gate B off of 93rd Lane as well as Gate D off of Radisson Road will have new gate panels and controllers installed. Gate E will need some extra work done and will be replaced in a future project.

2026 Construction

Runway 9/27 Edge Lighting & PAPI Replacement

- Contractor: Neo Electric
- Proposed construction: November 2026-July 2027
- Anticipating both runways being closed for two nights to tie in both sides of the runway

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

- Primary Contractor: Bituminous Roadways
- 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 between ATCT and the aircraft wash pad. This project will include new electrical service, airfield regulators, control cabinets, wiring, airfield radios, and new tower connections.

2026 Construction

Southeast Side Fence Improvements

- Proposed construction: Fall 2026

Notes:

This project includes a review of current fencing needs and the installation of new fencing at the airport. Anticipating a second project in the future for the northeast side of the airport

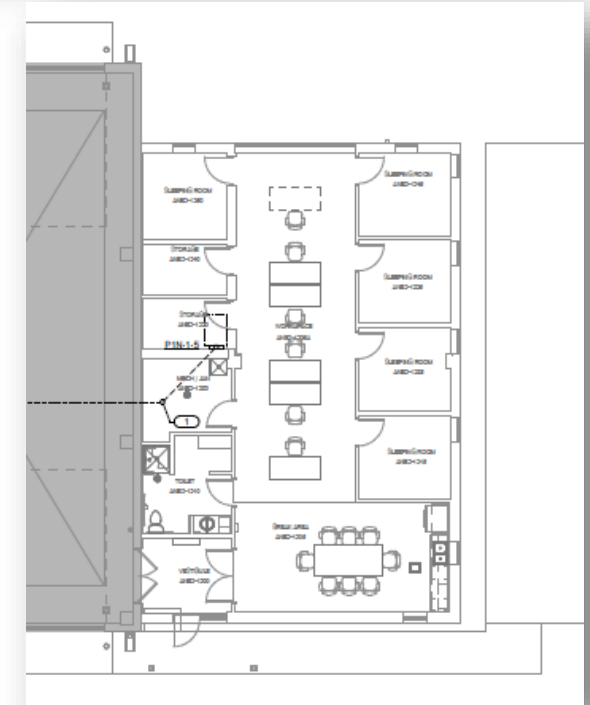
2026 Construction

Crew Quarter Design

- Advertise: August 31
- Award: earliest would October 19
- Substantial Completion: May 1, 2027

Notes:

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





FBO Update

(Fixed Base Operation)



Update



Discover Aviation Days Update



Members: Community Events/ Around the Room



Review Meeting Schedule

Next Meeting:

**December 2, 2026
4 p.m.**



Closing Remarks



Thank you for joining us!

