



Federal Aviation Administration

Memorandum

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Subject: **ACTION:** FY 2018 EAS/EDA Determinations

Purpose

The purpose of this memo is to provide the Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 determination under Title 49 U.S.C. § 47109(f) Special Rule for Economically Distressed Communities (herein referred to as the “Special Rule”), which provides an exception to the 90 percent federal share for Airport Improvement Program (AIP) grants at smaller airports (i.e. other than large and medium hub) that are receiving Essential Air Service (EAS) and are located in Economically Distressed Areas (EDA).

FAA Regional Airports Offices and Airports District Offices are encouraged to distribute this memo to the airport and consultant community. The full listing of the FY 2018 EAS/EDA determinations are also available on the FAA Office of Airports website at: <http://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/eas-eda/>.

Determinations

The FAA makes an annual determination on which airports qualify for the 95 percent federal share for AIP grants. Because federal share percentages affect how the agency plans AIP spending, determinations will only be made based on the data available at the start of the fiscal year, or as soon as possible after October 1.

The Department of Transportation (DOT) administers the EAS program. Annually, DOT provides an official list of all EAS locations. For more information about the EAS program, visit the DOT website at: <http://www.dot.gov/policy/aviation-policy/current-list-eligible-eas-communities>.

EDAs, based on the Special Rule, are determined through a series of calculations which include unemployment data obtained from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) and per capita income data obtained from the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA). The Special Rule is applied when an area meets one or more of the following criteria:

1. The area’s per capita income is 80 percent or less of the national average or,
2. The unemployment rate is at least 1 percent greater than the national average or,
3. The area has unemployment or economic adjustment problems (as determined by the Secretary of Commerce)

In order for an airport to be considered for the Special Rule outlined in Title 49 U.S.C. §47109(f), the community where the airport is located must qualify using the EAS listing and EDA data available when the calculations are made at the start of the fiscal year. Once the FAA determines that an airport qualifies for the increased federal share, it will maintain that status for the entire fiscal year, regardless of any changes in EAS or EDA status.

Qualifying Airports

For FY 2018, the determination of airports that meet the Section 47109(f) criteria was made on January, 16, 2018.

In FY 2017, 99 airports qualified for the Special Rule. For FY 2018, 103 airports are qualified under the Special Rule as EAS/EDA locations (see Table 1). Of these locations, 10 are new qualifying airports. Qualifying airports will be eligible to receive a 95 percent federal share for grants issued in FY 2018.

Table 2 identifies five (5) airports that were on the list of eligible airports in FY 2017, but no longer qualify for the Special Rule in FY 2018.

TABLE 1: EAS Locations in EDAs - Of the 160 NPIAS airports designated as an Essential Air Service community, the FAA has identified 103 that are located in EDAs.

* Indicates new locations in FY 2018

ST	LocID	Airport Name	NPIAS
AK	AGN	Angoon	20018
AK	CEM	Central	20045
AK	AJC	Chignik	20330
AK	A79	Chignik Lake	20331
AK	CZN	Chisana	20057
AK	CRC	Circle City	20407
AK	CLP	Clarks Point	20438
AK	DM2	Diomedede	20381
AK	EII	Egegik	20422
AK	KEK	Ekwok	20088
AK	ELV	Elfin Cove	20089
AK	EXI	Excursion Inlet	20095
AK	FNR	Funter Bay	20101
AK	GKN	Gulkana	20110
AK	GST	Gustavus	20111
AK	HRR	Healy River	20414
AK	HYG	Hydaburg	20129
AK	IGG	Igiugig	20131
AK	KAE	Kake	20458
AK	JZZ	Koliganek	20424
AK	9Z8	Levelock	20167
AK	MLY	Manley Hot Springs	20170
AK	MBA	Manokotak	20171

ST	LocID	Airport Name	NPIAS
AK	MYK	May Creek	20173
AK	15Z	McCarthy	20334
AK	CDV	Merle K (Mudhole) Smith	20067
AK	MHM	Minchumina	20180
AK	51Z	Minto Al Wright	20336
AK	KNW	New Stuyahok	20193
AK	PEC	Pelican	20216
AK	PEV	Perryville	20218
AK	PSG	Petersburg James A Johnson	20219
AK	PNP	Pilot Point	20222
AK	AHP	Port Alexander	20228
AK	PTH	Port Heiden	20234
AK	WSN	South Naknek Nr 2	20186
AK	7KA	Tatitlek	20342
AK	TKE	Tenakee	20295
AK	A63	Twin Hills	20356
AK	WRG	Wrangell	20323
AK	YAK	Yakutat	20327
AL	MSL	Northwest Alabama Regional	10054
AR	HRO	Boone County	50026
AR	JBR	Jonesboro Municipal	50033
AR	HOT	Memorial Field	50031

ST	LocID	Airport Name	NPIAS
AZ	PRC	Ernest A Love Field	40030
AZ	PGA	Page Municipal	40025
AZ	SOW	Show Low Regional	40035
CA	IPL	Imperial County	60109
CA	CEC	Jack McNamara Field	60057
CA	MCE	Merced Regional/Macready Field	60152
CO	CEZ	Cortez Municipal *	80011
CO	PUB	Pueblo Memorial	80046
CO	ALS	San Luis Valley Regional/Bergman Field	80002
GA	MCN	Middle Georgia Regional	130079
HI	MUE	Waimea-Kohala	150010
IL	DEC	Decatur	170033
IL	MWA	Williamson County Regional	170065
KS	DDC	Dodge City Regional	200017
KS	LBL	Liberal Mid-America Regional	200050
KY	PAH	Barkley Regional *	210043
ME	PQI	Northern Maine Regional Airport at Presque Isle	230039
MI	APN	Alpena County Regional	260004
MI	CIU	Chippewa County International	260139
MI	ESC	Delta County	260031
MI	IWD	Gogebic-Iron County	260050
MI	CMX	Houghton County Memorial	260041
MI	MBL	Manistee Co-Blacker	260059
MI	MKG	Muskegon County	260071
MI	PLN	Pellston Regional Airport of Emmet County	260076
MN	BJI	Bemidji Regional	270010
MN	BRD	Brainerd Lakes Regional *	270014
MN	INL	Falls International-Einarson Field	270043
MN	TVF	Thief River Falls *	270043

ST	LocID	Airport Name	NPIAS
MO	CGI	Cape Girardeau Regional	290013
MO	JLN	Joplin Regional	290037
MO	IRK	Kirksville Regional	290045
MO	TBN	Waynesville-St Robert Regional Forney Field *	290091
MS	GLH	Greenville Mid-Delta	280027
MS	PIB	Hattiesburg-Laurel Regional	280041
MS	MEI	Key Field	280050
MS	TUP	Tupelo Regional	280070
MT	OLF	L M Clayton	300086
NE	CDR	Chadron Municipal	310017
NM	CNM	Cavern City Air Terminal *	350007
NM	SVC	Grant County	350039
NY	SLK	Adirondack Regional	360105
NY	MSS	Massena International-Richards Field	360054
NY	OGS	Ogdensburg International	360089
NY	ART	Watertown International	360120
OR	PDT	Eastern Oregon Regional at Pendleton	410046
PA	BFD	Bradford Regional *	420008
PA	DUJ	Dubois Regional	420023
PA	JST	John Murtha Johnstown-Cambria County	420045
PA	FKL	Venango Regional	420032
PR	MAZ	Eugenio Maria De Hostos	720010
UT	CNY	Canyonlands Field *	490020
UT	CDC	Cedar City Regional	490005
UT	VEL	Vernal Regional	490037
WV	LWB	Greenbrier Valley	540012
WV	PKB	Mid-Ohio Valley Regional *	540018
WV	BKW	Raleigh County Memorial	540001
WY	LAR	Laramie Regional *	560017

TABLE 2: Airports Qualifying in FY 2017 that do not Qualify in FY 2018

ST	LocID	Airport Name	NPIAS
AK	KFP	False Pass	20097
AK	KVC	King Cove	20147
NE	GRI	Central Nebraska Regional	310034

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NY	JHW	Chautauqua County/Jamestown	360048
TN	MKL	McKellar-Sipes Regional	470032