



# The Airport Cooperative Research Program

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# Airport Cooperative Research Program Projects in the Fiscal Year 2022 Program

Project No.	Title
<a href="#">01-50</a>	Guidance for Improved Data Privacy Management for Airports
<a href="#">01-51</a>	Enhancing DBE and ACDBE Participation at Airports
<a href="#">01-52</a>	Championing the Airport System--Facing Challenges to the Paradigm
<a href="#">02-97</a>	Update to ACRP Environmental Reports 11, 43, 147 & 160
<a href="#">02-98</a>	Airport Energy Resiliency
<a href="#">02-99</a>	Use of Equity and Environmental Justice Data to Support Airport Decision- Making
<a href="#">02-100</a>	Pathways to Airport Net Zero Carbon Emissions
<a href="#">02-101</a>	Airport Employee Onboarding to Environmental Issues
<a href="#">02-102</a>	Encouraging Community Support for Airports and Air Travel
<a href="#">03-65</a>	ACRP Policy and Planning Product Updates
<a href="#">03-66</a>	Digital Twins for Airports
<a href="#">03-67</a>	Peer-to-Peer Car Sharing Challenges and Opportunities at Airports
<a href="#">03-68</a>	Integrated Contingency Planning for Small and Non-Hub Airports
<a href="#">05-03</a>	Mitigating and Responding to Airport Cybersecurity Events
<a href="#">07-19</a>	Update to ACRP Report 25: Airport Passenger Terminal Planning and Design
<a href="#">09-22</a>	Cost-Effective Training for Airfield Electricians at General Aviation and Small Airports
<a href="#">10-33</a>	Incorporating Emerging Ground Access Technologies at Airports
<a href="#">10-34</a>	Airport Microgrid Toolkit Upgrade to WebResource
<a href="#">11-02/Task 43</a>	Quick Response: Successful Community Integration of Advanced Air Mobility





# Graduate Research Award Program on Public Sector Aviation Issues

- To encourage applied research on airport and related aviation system issues and to foster the next generation of aviation leaders.
- To stimulate thought, discussion, and research by those who may become future airport managers, operators, designers, and policy makers in aviation.
- There have been 91 recipients since the program's inception.

# Graduate Research Award Program on Public Sector Aviation Issues

- Applicants select the research topics, supervised by a faculty member at their institution.
- Program funds up to 12 one-year awards of \$12,000 each
- The program provides mentors to help guide the project, review research, and offer comments on the final papers
- Final papers are published in the TRB's Journal *Transportation Research Record*



# University Design Competition for Addressing Airport Needs

National competition that engages graduate and undergraduate students to consider innovative approaches to address issues relating to airports and the National Airspace System.

- Builds on the former FAA Design Competition for Universities.
- Managed for the ACRP by the Virginia Space Grant Consortium.
- Students receive cash prizes for winning innovative design solutions.
- First place winners present their work at a national award ceremony.

“Through this competition, the students learn that even though they come from different backgrounds, they can contribute to the aviation field in a major way.” - *Dr. Mary Johnson, Faculty Advisor, Purdue University*

# University Design Competition for Addressing Airport Needs

## Goals

- Increase academic community's awareness of and involvement in ACRP
- Encourage undergraduate and graduate students to contribute innovative ideas and solutions to issues facing airports and the National Airspace System.

## Competition focuses on design solutions in the following broad areas:

- Airport Operation and Maintenance,
  - Runway Safety/Runway Incursions/ Runway Excursions,
  - Airport Environmental Interactions, and
  - Airport Management and Planning.
- Students are not limited to the suggested topical areas listed and are free to propose design solutions based on other topics that fit the four broad challenge areas.



# ACRP INSIGHT EVENTS

## What are ACRP Insight Events?

- Gatherings of airport industry leaders, subject matter experts, and researchers to discuss emerging topics
- Promote communication and collaboration, foster innovation, and help identify areas of future interest and research

## Resources

- 6 Insight Events to date
- Presentations available on website
- 4 planned for 2021
  - ✈ Future of Aviation
  - ✈ On-Demand Aviation Services for Passengers and Goods
  - ✈ Future of Airport Finances
  - ✈ Issues on Systemic Racism





# RECENT PUBLICATIONS

## Research Report 236: *Preparing Your Airport for Electric Aircraft and Hydrogen Technologies*

Design innovation for electrically powered and hybrid-electric aircraft is accelerating rapidly. While there are many potential benefits of electric aircraft and hydrogen technologies, not all air service can be replaced by electrically powered aircraft in the near term. The TRB Airport Cooperative Research Program's *ACRP Research Report 236: Preparing Your Airport for Electric Aircraft and Hydrogen Technologies* offers an introduction to the emerging electric aircraft industry, gives estimates of potential market growth, and provides guidance to help airports estimate the potential impacts of electric aircraft on their facilities and to be prepared to accommodate them.

# RECENT PUBLICATIONS

## ACRP WebResource 10: *Periodic Publication on Transformative Technologies at Airports*

New and emerging technologies have the potential to revolutionize the aviation industry, particularly in the fields of customer service, safety, and operational efficiency on the ground and in-flight. However, these technologies bring disruptions that can be difficult for airports to prepare for. The TRB Airport Cooperative Research Program's *ACRP WebResource 10: Periodic Publication on Transformative Technologies at Airports* aims to help by posting periodic articles on transformative technologies anticipated to be the most impactful, including relevant definitions and background for each, plus compendious descriptions of timeline, cost, impact on affected populations, and degree of airport control.



# COMING SOON

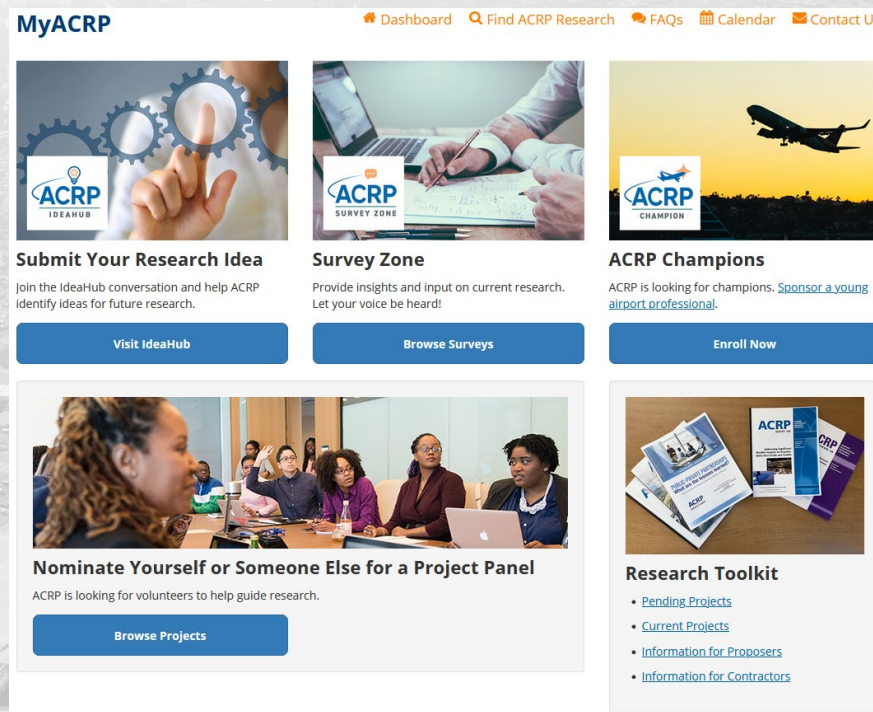
ACRP 06-08 Human Factors in Airport Airside Operations

ACRP 09-19 Airfield Pavement Markings - Effective Techniques for Removal and Temporary Applications

ACRP 09-20 Quantifying the Impacts of Delayed Maintenance of Airport Assets

# Problem Statements due April 4, 2022

Sign into [MyACRP](#) and click *Submit a Research Idea!*



The screenshot displays the MyACRP website with a navigation bar at the top containing links for Dashboard, Find ACRP Research, FAQs, Calendar, and Contact Us. The main content area is divided into six sections:

- Submit Your Research Idea:** Includes an image of a hand pointing at gears and the ACRP IdeaHub logo. Text: "Join the IdeaHub conversation and help ACRP identify ideas for future research." Button: "Visit IdeaHub".
- Survey Zone:** Includes an image of a person writing on a notepad and the ACRP Survey Zone logo. Text: "Provide insights and input on current research. Let your voice be heard!" Button: "Browse Surveys".
- ACRP Champions:** Includes an image of an airplane and the ACRP Champion logo. Text: "ACRP is looking for champions. [Sponsor a young airport professional.](#)" Button: "Enroll Now".
- Nominate Yourself or Someone Else for a Project Panel:** Includes an image of a group of people in a meeting. Text: "ACRP is looking for volunteers to help guide research." Button: "Browse Projects".
- Research Toolkit:** Includes an image of research toolkits. List of links: [Pending Projects](#), [Current Projects](#), [Information for Proposers](#), and [Information for Contractors](#).



# ACRP is Hiring!!!

- ✈ A Senior Program Officer is responsible for managing projects in administration, operations, environment, finance and other topics.

More Information at  
<https://www.trb.org/ACRP/ACRP.aspx>

# Airport Cooperative Research Program Weblinks

FY22 Project Announcement:

<https://onlinepubs.trb.org/onlinepubs/acrp/docs/FY22ACRPProjectAnnouncement.pdf>

ACRP Publications:

<http://www.trb.org/Publications/Blurbs.aspx?fields=PublicationType|ACRPReport>

ACRP Homepage: <http://www.trb.org/ACRP/ACRP.aspx>