



Federal Aviation Administration

Memorandum

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To: FAA Office of Airports
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Subject: **ACTION:** FY 2017 EAS/EDA Determinations

Purpose

The purpose of this memo is to provide the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 determinations 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 grants at smaller airports (i.e. other than Large and Medium Hub) that are both 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 widely to the airport and consultant community.

Full listings of the FY 2017 EAS/EDA determinations are available on the FAA Office of Airports website at: <http://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/eas-eda/>.

Determinations

FAA makes a determination of whether an airport qualifies for the increased 95 percent federal share for Airport Improvement Program (AIP) grants on an annual basis. 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. 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 mid-year changes in EAS or EDA status.

For FY 2017, the determination of airports that meet the Section 47109(f) criteria was made on December 30, 2016.

The EAS program is administered by the DOT. The DOT office administering the program provides the FAA annually with 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 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). Because unemployment data is updated on a monthly rate and per capita income data is updated on an annual rate, it is possible that a community may change EDA status throughout the fiscal

year. In order for an airport to be considered for the Special Rule outlined in Title 49 U.S.C. §47109(f), the community wherein the airport is located, must qualify using the latest data available when the calculations are made at the start of the fiscal year.

Qualifying Airports

In FY 2016, there were 100 airports that qualified for the Special Rule. For FY 2017 thirteen (13) new airports did qualify under the Special Rule as EAS/EDA locations for a total of 99 qualifying airports as of December 30, 2016 (see Table 1). The 13 new qualifying airports for FY 2017 are marked with an asterisk (*). The 99 qualifying airports will be eligible to receive the higher 95 percent federal share for grants issued in FY 2017 only. Table 2 identifies fourteen (14) airports which were on the list of eligible airports in FY 2016, but no longer qualify for FY 2017.

TABLE 1: EAS Locations in EDAs - Of the 162 NPIAS airports receiving EAS, the FAA has identified 99 that are located in EDAs as of December 30, 2016. These airports are eligible to receive a 95 percent federal share for AIP grants in FY 2017.

* Indicates new locations in FY 2017

ST	Loc ID	Airport Name	NPIAS
AK	5A8	Aleknagik /New	02-0359
AK	AGN	Angoon	02-0018
AK	CEM	Central	02-0045
AK	AJC	Chignik*	02-0330
AK	A79	Chignik Lake*	02-0331
AK	CZN	Chisana	02-0057
AK	CRC	Circle City	02-0407
AK	CLP	Clarks Point	02-0438
AK	DM2	Diomedea	02-0381
AK	EII	Egegik*	02-0422
AK	KEK	Ekwook*	02-0088
AK	ELV	Elfin Cove	02-0089
AK	EXI	Excursion Inlet	02-0095
AK	FNR	Funter Bay	02-0101
AK	GKN	Gulkana	02-0110
AK	GST	Gustavus	02-0111
AK	HRR	Healy River	02-0414
AK	HYG	Hydaburg	02-0129
AK	IGG	Igiugig*	02-0131
AK	KAE	Kake	02-0458
AK	JZZ	Koliganek*	02-0424
AK	9Z8	Levelock*	02-0167
AK	MLY	Manley Hot Springs	02-0170
AK	MBA	Manokotak*	02-0171
AK	MYK	May Creek	02-0173
AK	15Z	McCarthy	02-0334
AK	CDV	Merle K (Mudhole) Smith	02-0067

ST	Loc ID	Airport Name	NPIAS
AK	MHM	Minchumina	02-0180
AK	51Z	Minto Al Wright	02-0336
AK	KNW	New Stuyahok*	02-0193
AK	PEC	Pelican	02-0216
AK	PEV	Perryville	02-0218
AK	PSG	Petersburg James A Johnson	02-0219
AK	PNP	Pilot Point*	02-0222
AK	AHP	Port Alexander	02-0228
AK	PTH	Port Heiden*	02-0234
AK	RMP	Rampart	02-0244
AK	WSN	South Naknek Nr 2	02-0186
AK	7KA	Tatitlek	02-0342
AK	TKE	Tenakee	02-0295
AK	A63	Twin Hills	02-0356
AK	WRG	Wrangell	02-0323
AK	YAK	Yakutat	02-0327
AL	MSL	Northwest Alabama Regional	01-0054
AR	HRO	Boone County	05-0026
AR	JBR	Jonesboro Municipal	05-0033
AR	HOT	Memorial Field	05-0031
AZ	PRC	Ernest A Love Field	04-0030
AZ	PGA	Page Municipal	04-0025
AZ	SOW	Show Low Regional	04-0035
CA	IPL	Imperial County	06-0109
CA	CEC	Jack McNamara Field	06-0057
CA	MCE	Merced Regional/Macready Field	06-0152

ST	Loc ID	Airport Name	NPIAS
CA	VIS	Visalia Municipal	06-0271
CO	PUB	Pueblo Memorial	08-0046
CO	ALS	San Luis Valley Regional/Bergman Field	08-0002
GA	MCN	Middle Georgia Regional	13-0079
HI	MUE	Waimea-Kohala	15-0010
IL	DEC	Decatur	17-0033
IL	MWA	Williamson County Regional	17-0065
KS	DDC	Dodge City Regional	20-0017
KS	LBL	Liberal Mid-America Regional	20-0050
ME	PQI	Northern Maine Regional Airport at Presque Isle	23-0039
MI	APN	Alpena County Regional	26-0004
MI	CIU	Chippewa County International	26-0139
MI	ESC	Delta County	26-0031
MI	IWD	Gogebic-Iron County	26-0050
MI	CMX	Houghton County Memorial	26-0041
MI	MBL	Manistee Co-Blacker	26-0059
MI	MKG	Muskegon County	26-0071
MI	PLN	Pellston Regional Airport of Emmet County	26-0076
MN	BJI	Bemidji Regional	27-0010
MN	INL	Falls International-Einarson Field	27-0043
MO	CGI	Cape Girardeau Regional	29-0013
MO	JLN	Joplin Regional	29-0037
MO	IRK	Kirksville Regional	29-0045

ST	Loc ID	Airport Name	NPIAS
MS	GLH	Greenville Mid-Delta	28-0027
MS	PIB	Hattiesburg-Laurel Regional	28-0041
MS	MEI	Key Field	28-0050
MS	TUP	Tupelo Regional	28-0070
MT	OLF	L M Clayton*	30-0086
NE	GRI	Central Nebraska Regional*	31-0034
NE	CDR	Chadron Municipal	31-0017
NM	SVC	Grant County	35-0039
NY	SLK	Adirondack Regional	36-0105
NY	JHW	Chautauqua County/Jamestown	36-0048
NY	MSS	Massena International-Richards Field	36-0054
NY	OGS	Ogdensburg International	36-0089
NY	ART	Watertown International	36-0120
OR	PDT	Eastern Oregon Regional at Pendleton	41-0046
PA	DUJ	Dubois Regional	42-0023
PA	JST	John Murtha Johnstown-Cambria County	42-0045
PA	FKL	Venango Regional	42-0032
PR	MAZ	Eugenio Maria De Hostos	72-0010
TN	MKL	McKellar-Sipes Regional	47-0032
UT	CDC	Cedar City Regional	49-0005
UT	VEL	Vernal Regional	49-0037
WV	LWB	Greenbrier Valley	54-0012
WV	BKW	Raleigh County Memorial	54-0001

TABLE 2: Airports Qualifying in FY 2016 that do not Qualify in FY 2017 - Fourteen (14) locations qualified for the Special Rule in FY 2016, but do not qualify in FY 2017.

ST	Loc ID	Airport Name	NPIAS
AK	7AK	Akutan	02-0005
PA	BFD	Bradford Regional	42-0008
ME	BHB	Hancock County-Bar Harbor	23-0006
CO	CEZ	Cortez Municipal	08-0011
UT	CNY	Canyonlands Field	49-0020
AR	ELD	South Arkansas Regional at Goodwin Field	05-0018
MD	HGR	Hagerstown Regional-Richard A Henson Field	24-0019
MI	IMT	Ford	26-0049
AK	KFP	False Pass	02-0097

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KY	PAH	Barkley Regional	21-0043
NY	PBG	Plattsburgh International	36-0229
WV	PKB	Mid-Ohio Valley Regional	54-0018
WI	RHI	Rhineland-Oneida County	55-0070
MO	TBN	Waynesville-St Robert Regional Forney Field	29-0091