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SAAA April Update

Activity at SAAA has been picking up as growth continues at KSAV. Please see below about the various meetings and events that we have been tracking and involved with over the previous months.

SAAA Meeting Preference Survey

We're interested to know whether we're meeting your expectations regarding engagement and opportunities to meet.

Attached is a 2-question survey that should take you about 30 seconds, please indicate your preference on how you'd like to interface with SAAA, whether that's via these emails, online, or in person.

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Meeting with Buddy Carter



SAAA Board Member Ted Meyer met with <u>Rep. Buddy Carter (R-GA)</u> on 3/7/25 at Carter's office in Savannah to discuss opportunities for enhancing options for General Aviation in the Savannah Area.

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increase in rents being experienced. Good discussion ensued about the specific constraints on airport options in the Savannah area as contrasted against other cities where multiple airports catering to various needs, and discussions about airport land use and development pressures creating outsized issues for individual aircraft owners.

Sharing opportunities for improving conditions for General Aviation is a key focus of SAAA, and while we did not have any specific asks of the representative as this is fundamentally a local concern, Rep. Carter was engaged and forthcoming in offers to assist with anything we develop that may have national applications, as he works closely with many of the representatives comprising the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

The slide deck from the meeting is available here.

Public Comment Period on Airport Projects open until April 10

A public notice detailing some future projects in areas of the airport used by General Aviation is open for public comment until on or before April 10th. <u>Passenger Facility Charge Notice of Intent No. 25-12-C-00-SA</u> has been posted on the airport website, and the 44 page document is linked at that location.

The notice contains 26 items, 5 of which may be of interest to General Aviation users - Notably:

- 12.03 Design and Construct Phase I and Phase IA Cargo Apron Redevelopment
- 12.12 Update Airport Master Plan
- 12.13 Design & Reconstruct/Expand North Aircraft Parking Apron
- 12.14 Design & Construct Demolition Air Cargo Apron Phase 1B
- 12.23 Conduct Environmental Assessment Phase II Taxiway H

Submit comments to <u>Jbrotka@flysav.com</u> on or before April 10. Note that the Airport Master Plan update will provide additional opportunities to comment as that process gets underway this year.

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Following the interest generated by SAAA member Jawanza Bassue's <u>Open Source GA video</u> highlighting some of the opportunities to improve base tenant conditions at Savannah, featuring discussion about SAAA, Savannah Airport Commission Executive Director Greg Kelly invited SAAA to attend a meeting to discuss the airport's future plans for General Aviation on site on April 3rd. Shawn Schroeder, Director of Planning and Facilities, and Lenard Robinson, Senior Director of Administration, were in attendance from the Savannah Airport Commission.

SAAA Board Members Ted Meyer and Jamie Graham were in attendance, as well as SAAA member Jawanza Bassue. SAAA Board Member Patti Stearns had a scheduling conflict, and contributed notes and discussion during our planning session in the lead-up to the meeting.

We had a wide-ranging discussion on opportunities to help enhance General Aviation at Savannah and in the surrounding area in the years ahead, and look forward to sharing those with the wider audience.

Watch for invites to an online Q&A session to prep for the meeting later this month, followed by an in-person meeting opportunity where Executive Director Kelly will brief SAAA directly on those plans. Dates to be announced soon.

Thanks for reading, and look for more updates soon.

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