INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT AIRPORTS

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), signed on November 15, 2021, is a reauthorization of the federal surface transportation act.





What does the IIJA mean for Florida's airports?

The IIJA increases funding opportunities for Florida's airports. It creates three new major programs that invest in airport facilities such as taxiways and runways, airport terminals, and a modernized air traffic control system. These programs are in addition to the existing Airport Improvement Program. Other provisions in the IIJA will make additional airport components eligible for grants and existing loan programs for multimodal system modernization and resilience.

New funding programs will improve the safety and efficiency of the airport system.

- The Airport Infrastructure Grant Program provides formula grants to airports to invest in runways, taxiways, and other infrastructure.
 It provides funding in addition to the existing Airport Improvement Program and encourages projects that reduce emissions and noise impacts. Florida has already received \$240 million from this new program in FY 2022.
- <u>The Airport Terminals Program</u> provides competitive grants for terminal projects that increase passenger access, improve energy efficiency, and strengthen airfield safety.
- The Air Traffic Facilities contract grants will modernize the nation's air traffic control system to better track airspace and improve air safety and efficiency.

What other programs could potentially be used for funding airports?

- Surface transportation components of airports, including access roads, service roads, terminal people movers, and access rail, are newly eligible for <u>Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE)</u> grants.
- Airports can now use their Passenger Facility Charges in support of <u>Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Improvement Act (TIFIA)</u> loans.







Where Can I Learn More?

- » FDOT IIJA Information (see the Spreadsheet under the Formula and Competitive Programs link).
- » Federal Aviation Administration IIJA Information
- » FDOT Aviation Office

