



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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GOVERNOR

J.R. "JOEY" HOPKINS  
SECRETARY

09/08/2025

The Honorable Mitch Colvin, Mayor  
City of Fayetteville  
400 Airport Road, Suite 1  
Fayetteville, NC 28306

**RE: NOTIFICATION OF FUNDING ALLOCATION**  
**§ 63-74 Airport Improvement Program**

Dear Mr. Colvin:

On behalf of N.C. Governor Josh Stein, Transportation Secretary J.R. "Joey" Hopkins, and the NC Board of Transportation, this Notification of Award serves as official verification that state funds have been programmed for **Fayetteville Regional Airport**, Project Request No. 6090 for state fiscal year (SFY) 2026 and were announced at the September 3, 2025 Board of Transportation meeting.

Pursuant to the authorizing legislation, the Department of Transportation provides to the Authority funding outlined below for the purposes of funding improvements to the airport and paying debt service or related financing costs and expenses on revenue bonds or notes issued by the airport. The Authority hereby represents and warrants that all funds shall be utilized exclusively for the purposes listed in the authorizing legislation and in compliance with all other applicable laws, rules, regulations and requirements.

The specific work elements and funding allocation is noted below:

<b>Award ID</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>State Funds</b>	<b>Local Funds</b>
36244.27.20.1	NC Airport Improvement Program (NCAIP)	\$2,137,074	\$0

The Department of Transportation shall not allocate funds prior to receiving a report (please use the AV-109 form) outlining their use in conformance with the purposes of the program. No later than 45 days from the date the department receives the report, the department shall make a determination whether the intended use of the funds matches the purposes of the program and, if so, allocate funds under this section to the airport. An airport that receives funds under this section shall return the funds to the department if the funds are in the possession or control of the airport and not expended or encumbered by September 30 of the year following the fiscal year in which the department makes the allocation, which is September 30, 2027. The AV-106 Directed Funding Encumbrance Report will be submitted to the department as funds are encumbered. All funds returned to the department under this section or retained by the department for failure of an eligible airport to submit a report under this subsection, shall be credited to the fund from which they were appropriated and shall remain unexpended and unencumbered until appropriated by the North Carolina General Assembly.

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The Department of Transportation shall disburse funds to a compliant airport on a quarterly schedule. The quarterly payments will be distributed for the **Fayetteville Regional Airport** as follows:

	Disbursement Amount
First Payment (Q1) – pending signed agreement	\$534,269
Second Payment (Q2) – December 2025	\$534,269
Third Payment (Q3) – March 2026	\$534,268
Fourth Payment (Q4) – June 2026	\$534,268

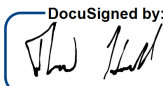
Upon receipt of this letter, NCDOT Aviation requires that you submit a Request for Aid. The application for the funding will be delivered through the NCDOT Enterprise Business System (EBS). NCDOT Aviation has reference materials available, such as checklists, on our Connect Site under the Directed Funding section.

<https://connect.ncdot.gov/municipalities/State-Airport-Aid/Pages/default.aspx>

As previously done, NCDOT Aviation will again create claims in EBS for compliant airports to ensure payments are issued in a timely manner to align with the Division's approved spend plan. Please contact airport project manager Mortaza Habibi at [gmhabibi@ncdot.gov](mailto:gmhabibi@ncdot.gov) or (919) 814-0553 with questions.

NCDOT Aviation appreciates your commitment and contribution to our state aviation system, and we are excited to partner with you on this grant.

Sincerely,

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Interim Director of Aviation

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cc: N.C. Governor Josh Stein

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