

# Project Advisory Committee Meeting #1

October 16, 2018



#### Introductions

- MnDOT Staff
- Members of the PAC
- Consultant

#### Who is on the Consultant Team?

• Jviation (Prime Consultant)

- TKDA

• Kramer Aerotek







#### How did we Establish the PAC?

- Considered recently completed studies from other states
- Invited representatives with varied aviation interest and roles
  - Public and Private Sector as well as Not for Profit entities
- Invited representatives with diverse interests outside of, or indirectly benefiting from, aviation
  - Provides balance of viewpoints and helps with impartiality

#### What is the PAC's Role?

- Be informed on project formulation
- Provide input on making products "Minnesota" specific
- Help lend credibility and acceptance to final study results
- Act as conduit between study and agencies/organizations represented on PAC
- Champion study results and findings

## Why and When did MnDOT Initiate This Project?

- MnDOT project formulation
  - State Aviation System Plan in progress stakeholder feedback suggested economic impact study was most pressing need in aviation "family of plans"
- RFP released and proposals received
  - March 12<sup>th</sup>
  - April 15<sup>th</sup>
- Consultant selection
  - May 1<sup>st</sup>

#### What is Today's Agenda?

- Agenda
  - Opening
  - Project Approach
  - Going Beyond the Numbers
  - Wrap-Up
- Project Idea Cards

## What is the Focus of the Study?

- Measure the annual economic impact of general aviation and commercial airports
- But...go beyond the numbers
- Put a face on each airport
- Show how airports support health, welfare, and business activities



Project Approach

#### What Factors are Used to Measure Each Airport's Annual Economic Impact?

#### ECONOMIC IMPACTS COME FROM 5 "BUCKETS"





### How Will Direct Impacts for Each Airport be Gathered?

- Airport Management
  - Surveys, Interviews, On-Site Visits
- Airport Tenants
  - Surveys, Interviews, On-Site Visits
- Capital Investment
  - FAA & State Grants, Local Match, Private Investment
- Commercial Visitors
  - Surveys, USDOT Data
- General Aviation Visitors
  - Surveys, Realistic Visitor Estimates



#### How are Visitor Impacts Measured?

- General Aviation Visitor Surveys
- Commercial Visitor Surveys



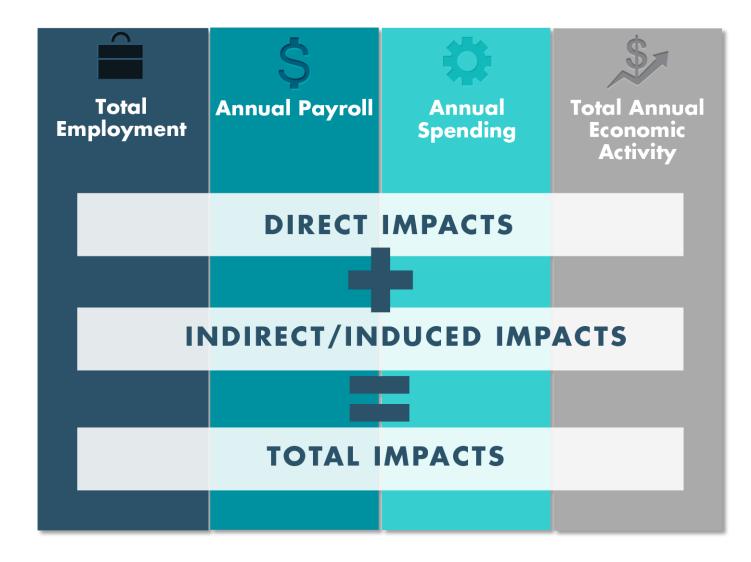
#### How Will Airports be Engaged in the Study?

<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>RESPONSIBLE ENTITY</u>	<u>TIMEFRAME</u>
Tenant lists	Airport management	Mid - August
Management survey	Airport management	Early - October
Tenant survey	All airport tenants; management support needed	October
General aviation visitor survey	Airport management; FBOs	August
Commercial visitor survey	Commercial airport IT staff	September
Estimating general aviation	Airport management; FBOs	October-November

#### How are Study Impacts Measured?

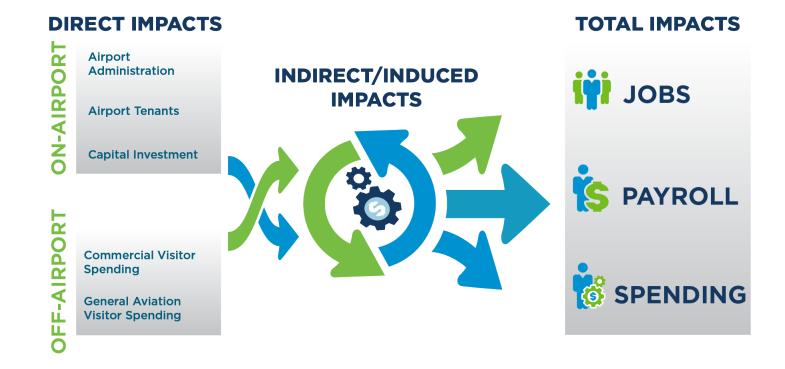


#### What is the Process Used to Estimate Annual Economic Impacts?

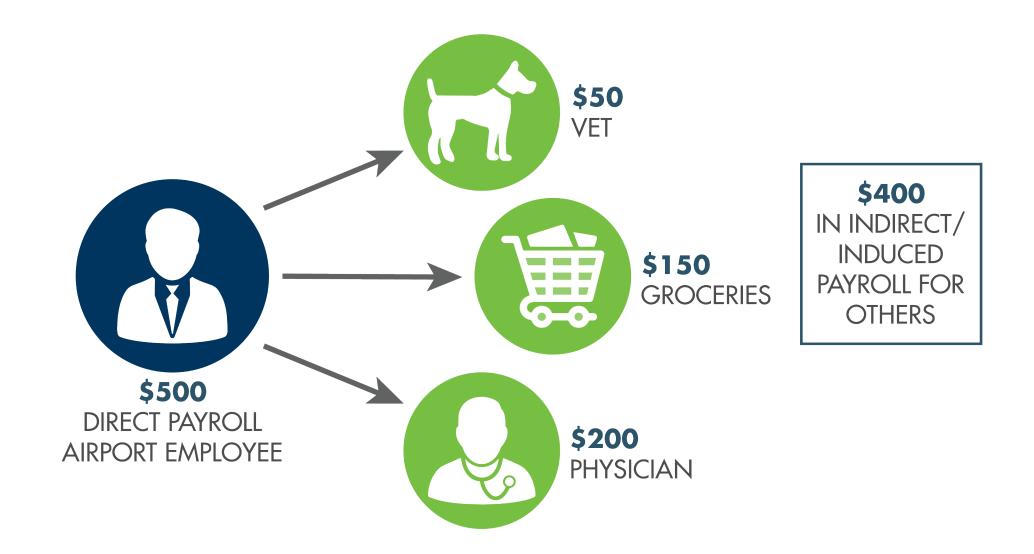


## What are Indirect/Induced Impacts?

- \$1 of direct impact enters Minnesota's economy
- The \$1 of direct airport impact is re-spent
- The re-spending is often referred to as the "multiplier" effect



#### How are Indirect/Induced Impacts Created?



#### How are Indirect/Induced Impacts Estimated?

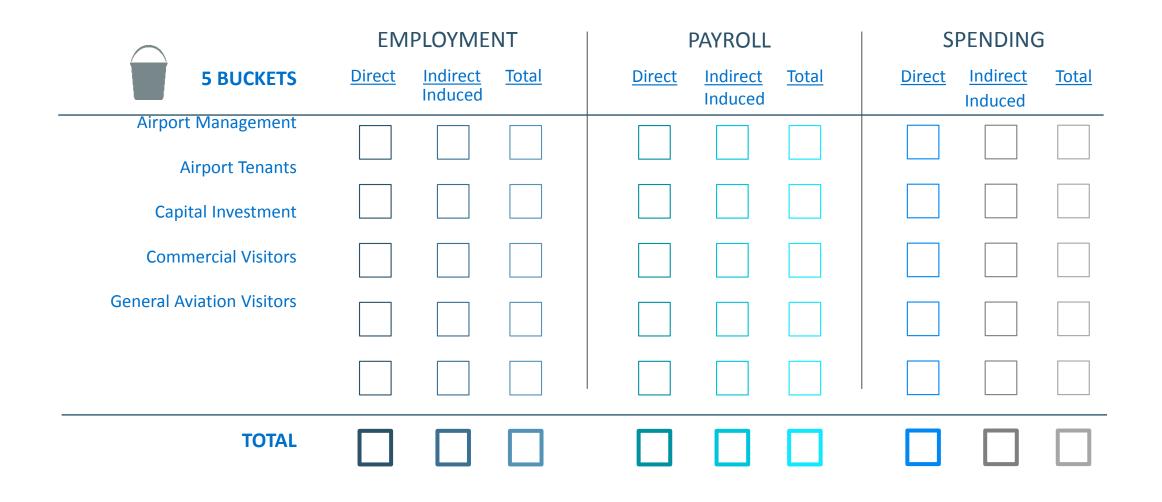
- Econometric Model IMPLAN
- Based on socio-economic, demographic, and business characteristics for all counties in Minnesota
- IMPLAN measures "re-cycling" of the initial direct impacts







#### How Will Results Promote Transparency?



Going Beyond the Numbers

## How do We Tell the Airport's Story?

#### DIG....TO FIND THE USERS WHO RELY ON THE AIRPORT



Doctors/hospitals



**Emergency services** 



Farms/ranches



Colleges/universities



State/federal agencies & organizations



Local & visiting businesses

#### One Way to Show the Story.....Show the Connections

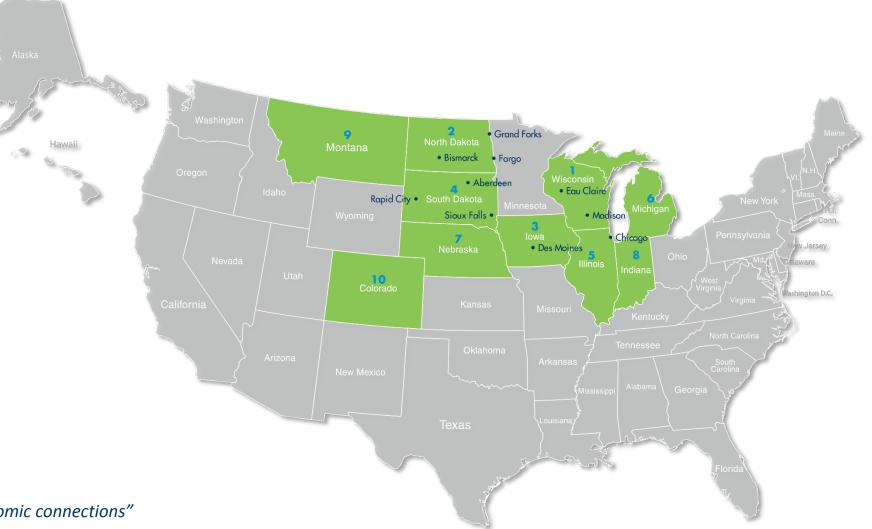
#### Flight Map for Duluth International Airport



Flights depicted here represent only a percentage of all of airport's origination/destination flights.

#### What Does the NOP Data Tell Us?

- 36% of all NOP records show flights from one Minnesota airport to another
- Top destinations by volume from Minnesota, states and cities, are shown here.



## What Other Impacts Will be Measured/Researched?



Airport supported tax revenues (state income and sales tax)







Aerial firefighting



#### Unmanned aircraft



Jobs that gain "efficiency" from using aviation





## How Will Study Results be "Refreshed"?



## Economic Impact Studies Are a "Snapshot" in Time

- New economic impact calculator being developed
- Tool will be online
- Enables updates to impacts for management, tenants, capital spending and visitor spending
- Facilitates estimates of "potential" economic impact
- User friendly (training and user's guide part of the study)

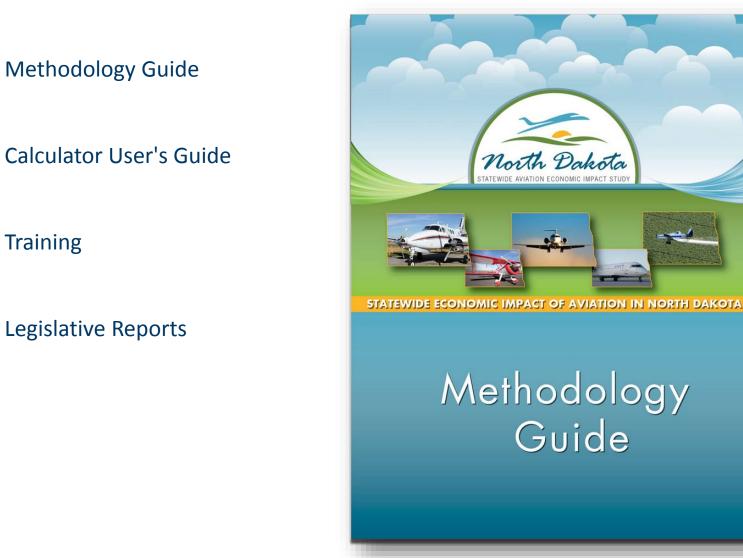


## How Will the Study be Documented?

- Technical Report
- Statewide Executive Summary
- Individual Airport Reports
- One Page Factsheet
- PowerPoint Summary



#### How Will We Make Study Results "Usable"?



Training

**Legislative Reports** 





## What are the Keys to the Study's Success?

- Airport cooperation
- Persistent data gathering
- Conservative approach for indirect/induced impacts
- Transparent process
- Effective communication
- Training/education



Wrap-Up

#### What is the Project Schedule?



MEETINGS

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

- April 2019 Update on surveys, data collection, direct impacts
- October 2019 Review economic impact estimates, discuss the modeling process
- January 2020 Review final impact estimates, tax estimate, case studies
- March 2020 Provide study findings and Economic Impact Calculator Training (PAC attendance optional – but encouraged!)



# How Can I Stay in Touch?

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#### **PROJECT WEBSITE:**

Work in progress

