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### **Enter the 2007 International Aviation Art Contest**

If you are interested in aviation and art, live in Washington State and are between the ages of 6 and 17, the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) is pleased to invite you to enter the 2007 International Aviation Art Contest. This year's art contest theme is simply "Airfield." Participants can take advantage of this broad theme to conjure innovative and creative aviation images.

All youth between the ages 6-17 are encouraged to participate even if they are related to officials or employees of any city, state, federal or international aviation organization. Artwork will be judged for its creativity and use of the theme in relation to the aviation world. The top three state winners will go on to compete for the national and international awards.

To enter the contest, print out and complete the [art contest application form](#) (pdf 521 kb). If you don't have Adobe Reader to download the application, you can [download Adobe Reader here](#).

Entries must be postmarked by January 12, 2007. Please attach the completed application form to your artwork and mail to:

WSDOT Aviation  
PO Box 3367  
Arlington, WA 98223

If you would like us to mail an application form to you, please email Nisha Marvel at [marveln@wsdot.wa.gov](mailto:marveln@wsdot.wa.gov) or call (360) 651-6310.

The 2007 International Aviation Art Contest is sponsored by the National Association of State Aviation Officials, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and the Federal

Aviation Administration, in cooperation with the Federation Aeronautique Internationale. WSDOT serves as the sponsor for Washington State.

WSDOT Aviation looks forward to receiving many works of art from young aviation enthusiasts throughout our state. More art contest information is available at: [NASAOCenter for Aviation Research and Education Web site](#).

### **Airports Providing Feedback on 2030 Forecasts for LATS**

Throughout December WSDOT staff will contact each of the state's 140 public-use airports to discuss activity forecasts for the Long-Term Air Transportation Study (LATS). The forecasts were prepared by WSDOT's consulting team to help describe what aviation system improvements will be necessary by the year 2030. Airport managers were briefed on the forecast for their airport, and had an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback.

Conference calls made thus far have been very positive, providing productive time for WSDOT staff to check in with airport managers and update them on the study progress. The calls will continue through mid-January.

### **Reminder: Applications Now Being Accepted for Third Round of Local Airport Aid Grants**

WSDOT Aviation announced on November 6 that it will offer a third round of Local Airport Aid Grant Program awards during the 2005 - 2007 biennium. This third round of grants has approximately \$200,000 available for any projects eligible under WSDOT's grant program. To maximize the limited funds, airport sponsors are encouraged to apply for smaller amounts to be used for such things as maintenance, security, and runway safety projects. Applicants must demonstrate the ability and commitment to complete proposed projects by June 30, 2007.

WSDOT will accept airport aid grant applications through the close of business December 18, 2006. After reviewing and prioritizing applications, WSDOT will announce grant awards on January 8, 2007.

In order to expedite the process, WSDOT reminds airport sponsors to submit the following with their application:

- Statement of support from appropriate elected official
- Adopted resolution stating matching funds are available and have been authorized by the appropriate governing body
- Preliminary plans and specifications
- Project schedule
- Property appraisals (land acquisition)
- Detailed estimated costs and spending schedule

- Consultant selection process documentation (for engineering and planning projects)

WSDOT also reminds airport sponsors with currently open grants that the grant close out date is June 30, 2007. Sponsors should be making significant progress on their projects in order to meet this deadline.

Airports are encouraged to contact their designated WSDOT Construction Project Manager, Eric Johnson or Jeff Kvamme, to discuss proposed projects and work through the application process.

WSDOT's Local Airport Aid Grant Program is funded through aviation fuel and aircraft registration fees. For more information on applying for a Local Airport Aid Grant, please contact:

Eric Johnson, WSDOT Aviation Construction Project Manager, (360) 651-6303, [johnsel@wsdot.wa.gov](mailto:johnsel@wsdot.wa.gov) , or

Jeff Kvamme, WSDOT Aviation Construction Project Manager, (360) 651-6304, [kvammej@wsdot.wa.gov](mailto:kvammej@wsdot.wa.gov) .

For more information on the Local Airport Aid Grant Program, go to: <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/aviation/grants/default.htm> .