ASSISTANCE TO IDAHO’S AIRPORTS

Purpose
This policy defines the Idaho Transportation Department’s role in aeronautics in Idaho. The Idaho Transportation Department (ITD), as assigned by Title 21, Idaho Code, is responsible to further public interest and aeronautical progress, and to promote the growth of aeronautics within the state of Idaho. Further, in the best interest of the citizens of Idaho, the Department is committed to protect public airports as essential community facilities that provide safe transportation alternatives and contribute to the economy of the state.

Legal Authority
- Idaho Code 21-102 – the purpose of aeronautics legislative titles is for safety and to impose obligations on Department.
- Idaho Code 21-104 – The Department shall have general supervision over aeronautics within Idaho.
- Idaho Code 21-105 - The Department may provide technical services and financial assistance to municipal airports.
- Idaho Code 21-106 - The establishment, operation and maintenance of state airports.
- Idaho Code 21-132 - Purpose of Aeronautic Act is to improve and expand air service to meet increased demands of air transportation.
- Idaho Code 21-142 – General powers and duties of the Idaho Transportation Board with respect to aeronautics.

The Department through the Division of Aeronautics shall assist in:
- Conducting airport inspections and airspace evaluations to prevent the creation of aviation hazards in addition to maintaining safe conditions consistent with industry standards and FAA requirements;
- Developing the statewide airport system plan and airport master plans;
- Improving communication between airports, local communities, and airport users;
- Providing airport managers with appropriate information, publications, standards, and technical assistance to effectively manage Idaho’s airports;
- Providing financial and technical assistance to obtain private, state, or federal grants to maintain and improve airports.
- Providing lighting and other safety supplies to Idaho’s airports; and
• Providing coordination and technical assistance to municipal airport owners and local planning and zoning officials to establish and enforce compatible land use planning and zoning at municipal and state operated airports.

Approved by the Board on:

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Jerry Whitehead
Board Chairman