Plane Speaking: Aviation in the States

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• Proudly Serving the 50 States, Guam and Puerto Rico Since 1931
• Representing the men and women in state aviation serving the public interest
T.F. Green Airport
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State Block Grant Program

- Missouri
- Georgia
- Illinois
- Michigan
- New Hampshire
- Wisconsin
- North Carolina
- Pennsylvania
- Tennessee
- Texas
NASAO/FAA Memorandum of Understanding

A path to greater Cooperation since 1996.
Airport Cooperative Research Program

www.trb.org/CRP/ACRP/ACRP.asp
A path to a brighter future.
Aviation Fuel Tax

- 61% of reporting states collect tax
- % Revenue generated from fuel tax
Aircraft Registration

- 50% of reporting states register aircraft with fees based on:
  - Age
  - Weight
  - Value
  - Fixed rate $10 - $300
Missouri Success

530 Airports
375 GA Airports

Missouri Legislature

- No sales tax for FBO parts
- Qualify more aircraft for personal property tax refund
Arkansas Success

101 Airports
91 GA Airports

• Web Site
• Airport Directory
• Airfield Pavement Maintenance Program

• Newsletter
• Aeronautical Chart
• Aviation Education
• System Plan
Arkansas Success

- Effective government relations
- 6% gross sales tax
- Dedicated revenue fund
  - Predictable funding 2009 and 2010
  - $15 million USD for GA projects
Alabama Success

$1,610,500 USD from highway signs
H.R. 915 FAA Reauthorization

- AIP Levels
  2010      $4 Billion
  2012      $4.2 Billion
- Non-Primary Grants
  $150,000
H.R. 915 FAA Reauthorization

- ARFF
H.R. 915 FAA Reauthorization

NASAO’s position: Congress should not mandate rule making on ARFF this year.
Where do we stand today?
TSA GA Airport Vulnerability Assessment

Congressionally mandated.
LASP

• 12,500 pounds
• Security Coordinator
• Passenger manifest
• Prohibited items
• 7,000+ letters opposing NPRM
LASP?

- 100,309 pounds
- Trusted pilot
- Secure aircraft
FAA GA Mandate

- Counting airplanes
- Justifying duplicates
Credit Suisse

Domestic Bizjet Activity May Have Stabilized

Kerry Lynch, June 30, 2009 Aviation Daily
Future

• Very light jets
• Light sport aircraft
• NextGen
Join State Aviation Directors and Airport Executives/Managers at the

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