



Airport Land Development Zone Program

Pennsylvania has a significant number of airports, serving commercial and general aviation needs, which are true economic development assets. While aviation plays a significant role in Pennsylvania's economy, many airports struggle despite their owning a substantial amount of land and buildings that can be developed into productive economic uses. Although FAA restrictions and federal law put airports at a disadvantage from other non-restricted property, more can be done to expand aviation's economic impact here in the Commonwealth.

PA Airport Snapshot:

124	Public Use Airports
15	Commercial Service Airports
62	National Plan of Integrated Airport System (NPIAS) Airports

Pennsylvania Aviation Economic Impact (Source PennDOT)

Jobs:	2011: 304,462	2019: 322,965
Payroll:	2011: \$9.2 Billion	2019: \$10.6 Billion
Total Output:	2011: \$23.6 Billion	2019: \$28.5 Billion

According to the International Finance Corporation airports have estimated a drop in revenues by 57% due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally only NPIAS airports can qualify for the majority of Federal aviation funding. This is why creative revenue streams and opportunities are needed to keep our aviation ecosystem alive.

This legislation creates the Airport Land Development Zone (ALDZ) program to incentivize development on vacant land and buildings owned by airports and leased to private businesses. The ALDZ designation will allow for a partnership between airports and developers resulting in significant new investment by expanding operations and creating new jobs in an ALDZ. The developer would receive a \$2,100 per job tax credit for each net-new job they create in Pennsylvania, each year for 10 years.

Program Overview

- Promotes and incentivizes economic development at Airports
- \$2,100 tax credit per net-new job created for a maximum of 10 years
- Includes ALL public use airports
- 4,000 acre program cap
- 2,000 acres for all commercial service airports at 300 acres maximum per airport
- 2,000 acres for all non-commercial service airports at 50 acres maximum per airport

Airport Development Survey Results:

87% have vacant land or buildings

77% have 50 acres or less of developable land

81% would be able to further develop with the addition of a tax credit incentive