



Friedman Memorial Airport Authority

Regular Board Meeting

March 3, 2026





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Public Comment

(10 Minutes)



Approval of Meeting Minutes

February 3, 2026 Regular Meeting



Reports

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- ▶ Chair Report
- ▶ Blaine County Report
- ▶ City of Hailey Report
- ▶ Fly Sun Valley Alliance Report
- ▶ Staff Team Report



Airport Staff Brief



Team Updates

- ▶ Deputy Director of Admin/Finance
- ▶ Airport Security Manager
- ▶ Deputy Director of Operations
- ▶ Airport Director

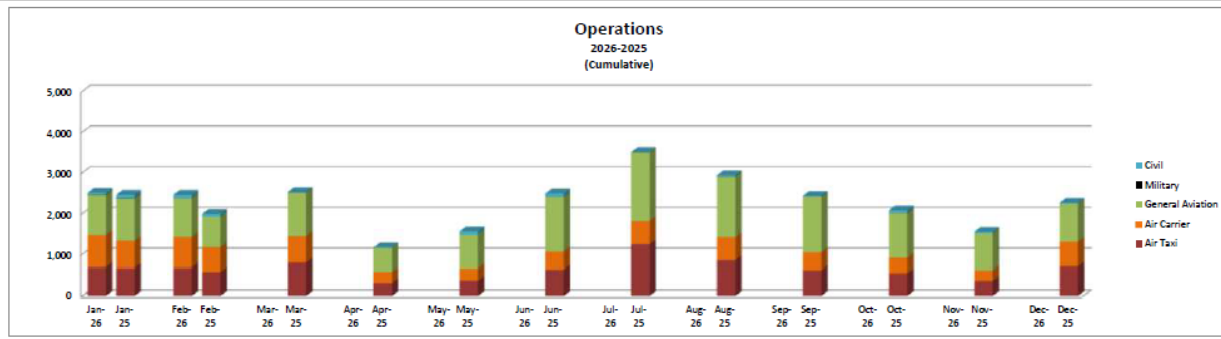
Airport Activity Status

- ▶ Passenger Enplanements
 - +11.2% over January 2025
 - +11.2% YTD vs 2025

- ▶ Operations (unofficial)
 - +23.3% from February 2025
 - +11.5% YTD vs 2025

Airport Activity Status

Month	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
January	3,622	3,893	3,912	2,800	3,028	2,787	4,547	2,520	2,070	2,379	2,408	2,098	2,454	2,128	2,249	1,842	1,865	2,019	2,172	1,987	2,001	2,250	1,988	1,875	2,455	2,502
February	4,027	4,498	3,073	3,122	3,789	3,597	3,548	2,857	2,244	2,647	2,117	2,205	2,612	1,417	2,268	2,533	1,629	1,914	1,187	2,253	2,185	2,362	2,237	1,905	1,990	2,454
March	4,952	5,126	3,086	4,097	3,618	2,918	4,677	3,097	2,145	2,709	1,813	1,921	2,753	1,924	2,023	1,917	1,895	1,880	2,016	1,480	2,512	2,376	1,971	2,031	2,523	
April	2,464	3,649	2,213	2,840	2,462	2,047	2,581	2,113	1,724	1,735	1,604	1,513	1,509	1,210	1,337	1,380	1,426	1,257	1,116	616	1,590	748	1,551	1,211	1,163	
May	3,905	4,184	2,854	3,282	2,729	2,134	1,579	2,293	2,280	1,891	1,533	1,693	1,852	555	668	1,501	1,802	1,442	1,174	1,127	1,894	779	1,437	1,552	1,559	
June	4,767	5,039	4,737	4,438	3,674	3,656	5,181	3,334	2,503	3,019	2,898	2,781	3,203	2,164	2,387	2,475	2,502	2,552	2,292	2,096	2,931	2,580	2,193	2,464	2,486	
July	6,359	8,790	6,117	5,910	5,424	5,931	7,398	4,704	4,551	5,005	5,004	4,810	5,345	4,345	4,159	4,502	4,573	5,033	4,266	3,356	4,005	3,965	3,535	3,374	3,508	
August	6,479	6,917	5,513	5,707	5,722	6,087	6,196	4,498	4,498	4,705	4,328	3,823	4,644	3,114	2,932	3,719	3,873	3,175	3,260	2,859	3,289	3,286	2,959	2,746	2,939	
September	3,871	4,636	4,162	4,124	4,809	3,780	4,311	2,866	3,376	3,128	3,359	2,996	2,403	2,237	2,262	2,379	2,036	2,224	2,235	2,692	2,864	2,408	2,341	2,181	2,429	
October	3,879	3,856	3,426	2,998	3,570	3,339	3,103	2,134	2,145	2,012	1,886	1,958	1,874	1,780	1,789	1,789	1,939	1,670	1,571	2,212	2,128	2,236	1,907	2,003	2,077	
November	3,082	2,698	2,599	2,749	2,260	2,912	2,892	1,670	1,901	1,309	1,114	1,325	1,475	908	1,229	1,314	1,135	1,362	1,328	1,365	1,695	1,370	1,322	1,346	1,548	
December	3,401	2,805	3,247	3,227	2,722	3,834	2,869	1,848	2,272	1,811	2,493	2,086	2,016	1,545	1,482	1,717	2,217	2,033	1,980	2,051	2,018	1,851	2,171	2,087	2,281	
Totals	50,858	55,897	44,739	45,032	43,607	43,002	50,712	33,836	31,699	32,350	30,555	28,269	32,140	23,307	24,815	26,716	26,692	26,571	24,577	24,067	29,102	26,211	25,210	24,775	26,938	4,956



2002 – 55, 897
 2007 – 50,712
 2013 – 30,555
 2025 – 26,938

ATCT Operations Change (February 2026 vs. February 2025)			
	2026	2025	% Change
Air Taxi	680	575	18.3%
Air Carrier	742	597	24.3%
General Aviation	949	746	27.2%
Military	3	0	0.0%
Civil	80	72	11.1%
Total	2,454	1,990	23.3%
YTD Total	4,956	4,445	11.5%





Airport Staff Brief Questions?



Action
New Business
None



Continuing Business None



Updates and Discussion

New Business
None



Updates and Discussion

Continuing Business



Miscellaneous



Air Traffic Control Replacement Project – Update and Discussion

- ▶ The public comment period for the Draft EA has closed
 - ▶ The FAA is currently preparing responses to public comments which will be used to finalize the EA
 - ▶ Staff anticipates a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)
 - ▶ Once the FAA has issued a Record of Decision (ROD) on the FONSI, Staff will post the Final EA on the website
- ▶ Staff has received FAA concurrence on the engineering fee estimate and will execute the work per Board direction in the January meeting

Hidden Disabilities Sunflower Program– Discussion

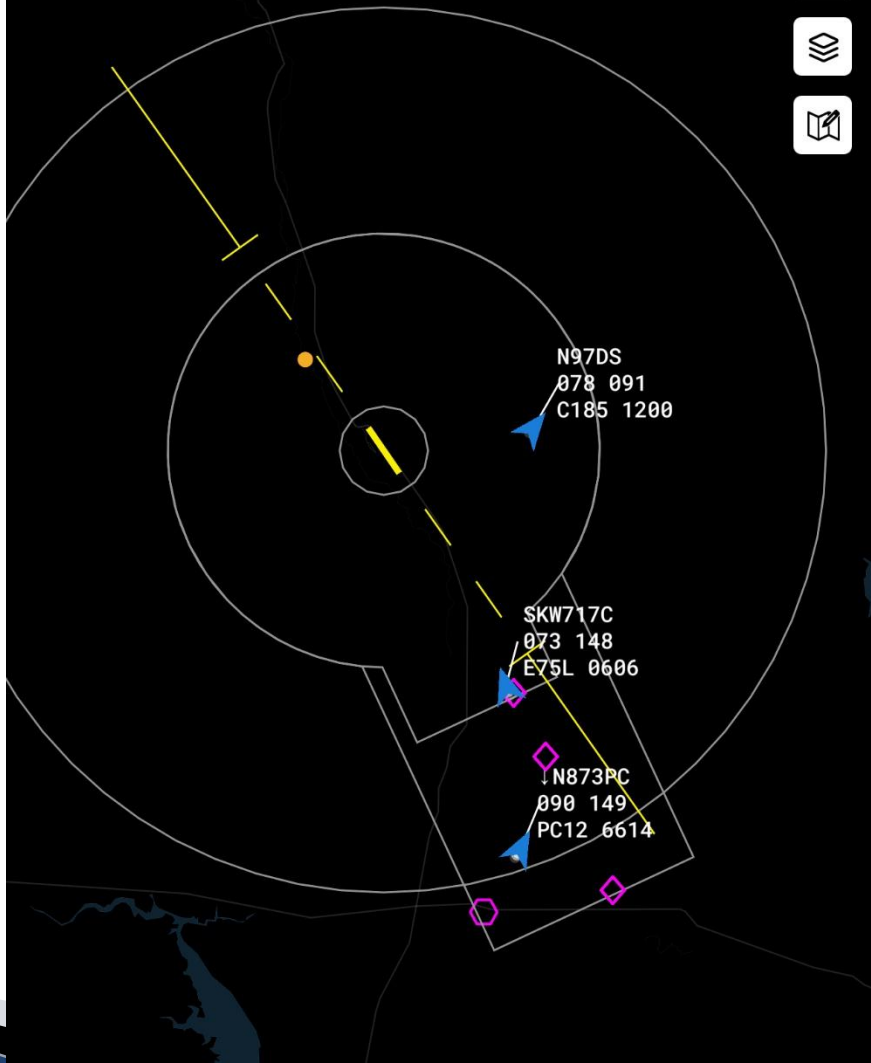
- ▶ Internationally recognized initiative to support travelers with non–visible disabilities such as autism, anxiety, PTSD, and sensory processing disorders
- ▶ At Board direction in February, Staff moving forward with implementation
 - ▶ Staff training includes computer–based training videos
 - ▶ The goal is to train all FMAA employees and tenants within the terminal building

ARPT – ATC “Radar Feed” – Update and Discussion

- ▶ As of February 25, 2026, Friedman Memorial Airport became the fifth Federal Contract Air Traffic Control Tower (FCT) in the nation to implement Airborne Position Reference Tool (ARPT) in the tower cab
- ▶ The radar-like technology enhances controllers’ situational awareness and provides real-time information about aircraft position, altitude, and velocity
- ▶ Reduces the need for redundant “aircraft position reports” thus reducing frequency congestion.
- ▶ This is a meaningful step forward in improving safety, operational awareness, and overall efficiency



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Construction and Capital Projects



GA Pilot Lounge – Update and Discussion

- ▶ Construction is on schedule for the new pilot lounge and a ribbon cutting is still expected in the Spring



Airport Planning Projects



Airport Infrastructure and Optimization Study – Update and Discussion

- ▶ Staff and consultants continue to advance on the Airport Infrastructure and Optimization Study
- ▶ Delays at the Federal level continue to delay the approval of the Aviation Activity Forecasts
 - ▶ Aviation Activity Forecasts are a key component, establishing the foundation for predicting future demand
 - ▶ Once approved, they will be used to evaluate long-term passenger facility requirements and airfield infrastructure needs

Terminal Architectural Study – Update and Discussion

- ▶ The purpose of this study is to evaluate potential layout adjustments and modest improvements to enhance employee and passenger comfort in the terminal
- ▶ Last week, the Airport had a productive discussion with the FAA District Office
 - ▶ Many proposed interior improvements may be eligible for federal funding, so long as the terminal does not expand toward the runway
 - ▶ As a reminder, the terminal improvements will not change how many airlines the terminal can handle.



Public Comment



Thank You!

