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MADISON, Wis. – Yesterday, the Biden administration announced a nearly \$40 million investment in Wisconsin’s airports. This announcement comes on the heels of the Biden-Harris administration announcing further investments in Wisconsin’s infrastructure including \$114.5 million for the state’s rural communities.

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CBS Milwaukee: [FAA to award nearly \\$40 million to Wisconsin airports](#)

The U.S. Department of Transportation’s Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announced Thursday, Dec. 16, it’s awarding an estimated \$39.7 million to Wisconsin’s 86 airports from funding made available by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

The money can be invested in runways, taxiways, safety and sustainability projects, as well as terminal, airport-transit connections and roadway projects.

“The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law has given us a once-in-a-generation opportunity to build safer and more sustainable airports that connect individuals to jobs and communities to the world,” said U.S. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg. “With this new funding, urban, regional and rural airports across the country now can get to work on projects that have waited for years, modernizing their infrastructure and building a better America.”

According to a news release, this is the first of five annual rounds of funding Wisconsin airports will receive.

Wisconsin airports can submit projects they wish to use the funds on for FAA review in the coming weeks. The FAA encourages airports to prioritize projects that increase airport safety, equity and sustainability. The agency also plans to conduct outreach with the minority business community on these opportunities at airports across the nation.

The following commercial airports in Wisconsin are estimated to receive funding during the first year of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law:

- Appleton International Airport: \$3,089,895
- Central Wisconsin Airport in Mosinee: \$1,605,349
- Chippewa Valley Regional Airport in Eau Claire: \$1,015,736
- Dane County Regional Airport-Truax Field in Madison: \$5,023,687
- General Mitchell International Airport in Milwaukee: \$8,962,017
- Green Bay-Austin Straubel International Airport: \$2,810,945
- La Crosse Regional Airport: \$1,359,313
- Rhinelander-Oneida County Airport: \$1,017,639

An additional 78 reliever and general aviation airports across Wisconsin are also estimated to receive funding during the first year of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. For an interactive map and listing of funding for all Wisconsin airports, visit <https://www.faa.gov/bil/airport-infrastructure>.

The money comes from the Airport Infrastructure Grant program, one of three new aviation programs created by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. The law provides \$15 billion over five years for this program. The FAA estimates the backlog of airport modernization and safety projects totals \$43.6 billion.