2020 IS Science Colorado Aviation System Plan and Economic Impact Study

VANCE BRAND

Vance Brand Municipal Airport (LMO) is a general aviation airport in Boulder County, located three miles southwest of Longmont's central business district. The airport is owned and operated by the City of Longmont. LMO has a single concrete runway (11/29) that is 4,799 feet long by 75 feet wide and is equipped with a non-precision instrument approach. LMO supports a wide range of activities including flight training, recreational flying, and aerial photography. LMO is also home to several businesses including Mile-Hi Skydiving, one of the busiest skydiving companies in the country. The airport attracts visitors coming to do business or to try skydiving at LMO, providing meaningful contributions to the local economy.

Airport Classification

The 2020 Colorado Aviation System Plan (CASP) has identified six functional classifications for Colorado's 65 publicly-owned, public-use airports and one privately-owned, public-use airport. The six classifications were newly developed for the 2020 CASP and replace the roles previously developed in the 2011 study. These classifications follow the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) role categories as defined by the National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS) and the ASSET study. However, the CASP expands upon these roles to create more specific classifications for airports that are not included in the NPIAS. Airports that are included in the NPIAS are eligible for federal funding. As of the 2019 NPIAS publication, 48 publicly-owned airports and one privately-owned airport in the Colorado airport system are included in the NPIAS, while 17 publicly-owned airports are not.

Vance Brand Municipal Airport is one of five airports in Colorado classified as a GA-Regional airport. The airport regularly receives interstate and IFR operations and supports based jets or 100 based piston aircraft. GA-Regional airports can be located in micropolitan or metropolitan areas or can be designated as a Reliever airport by the FAA's National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS). These types of airports consistently serve personal or business piston-powered aircraft and occasional jet operations.



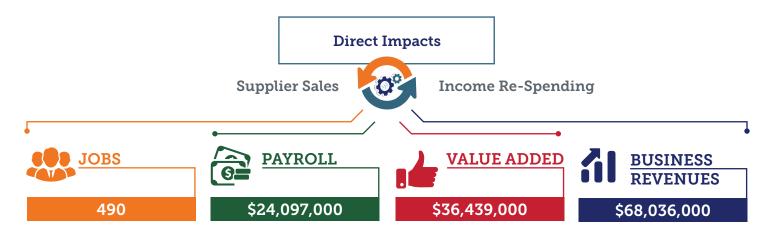


Vance Brand Features

| III. | Associated City/County | Longmont/Boulder | |
|------|---------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| | Associated OEDIT Region | 3 - Denver Region | |
| | FAA GA ASSET Classification | Regional | |
| \$ | Annual Operations (2018) | 72,939 | |
| × | Number of Based Aircraft (2018) | 274 | |
| | Runway(s) | 1 | |
| 1 | Air Traffic Control Tower | No | |
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Economic Impacts of LMO

The 2020 Colorado Aviation Economic Impact Study (CEIS) measured the economic impacts of all airports in the state. Vance Brand is one of 56 general aviation airports contributing to the state's aviation economic impacts. The components that comprise the total economic impacts for LMO are summarized below. Visit the project website to learn more about the methodology used to determine the economic impacts of LMO and all other Colorado airports.





Airport Needs and Recommendations

The 2020 CASP identified several performance measures (PMs) and facility and service objectives (FSOs) to provide a baseline for the infrastructure, facilities, and service capabilities required to best support the type and volume of aviation activity typified by each classification. The CASP identified gaps between the airport's existing condition and the needs to satisfy PMs, FSOs, and/or future facility needs driven by aviation demand forecasts. It is important to note that the PMs and FSOs are not requirements or mandates for airports to meet, rather, they serve as guidelines for airports and CDOT Division of Aeronautics to use during the airport planning process. Airports considered to be deficient in meeting the PMs and/or FSOs were reviewed to determine the recommended projects needed to satisfy those components.

Planning level costs were developed for recommended projects and were associated with the appropriate goal category, PM, or FSO. These costs were developed based on 2019 Colorado material costs and industry knowledge and were adjusted to reflect cost differentials between types, sizes, and locations of airports. Projects and associated costs from available airport master plans and the CDOT 20-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) were also incorporated into the CASP to provide an estimate of the airport's needs based on meeting PMs and FSOs as well as forecasted future demand. The project cost estimates for Vance Brand to meet appropriate goals, PMs, and FSOs, and projects identified by the airport from other planning efforts, are categorized by project type in the following chart.

Did You Know?

LMO is home to Mile-Hi Skydiving, one of the largest and most active skydiving companies in the country. Mile-Hi Skydiving conducted nearly 40,000 jumps in 2017 and participates in a variety of public events. Additionally, several notable skydiving teams train at LMO, including the Denver Broncos Thunderstorm team and the U.S. Air Force Academy Skydiving team.

Airport Project Costs by Type





Airport Report Card

Facility and service objectives (FSOs) were developed for each of the six airport classifications in the 2020 CASP. The following table details the FSOs and corresponding performance of Vance Brand. These objectives were analyzed in conjunction with the other performance measures (PMs) to determine the airport's project needs and associated costs.

| Objective Category | | GA-Regional Objective | Current Condition | | | Meets 2020 Objective? | | | | |
|---------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|---|--------------------------|-----------------|--|--|--|
| | Airfield | | | | | | | | | |
| A | ARC | B-II | | B-II | | | Yes | | | |
| R | Runway Length | Align with Master Plan | 4,799 feet (6,390 feet) | | | No | | | | |
| R | Runway Width | 75 feet | 75 feet | | | Yes | | | | |
| R | Runway Strength | 30,000 pounds | 30,000 lbs SW | | | Yes | | | | |
| Т | axiway | Full parallel | Full parallel | | | Yes | | | | |
| R | Runway Markings | Non-precision | Visual | | | No | | | | |
| | Lighting/NAVAIDS | | | | | | | | | |
| | Approach | Non-precision with vertical | Nc | on-pre | cision | | No | | | |
| | /isual Aids | guidance Rotating beacon, lighted wind | Rotating beacon, lighted wind cone, VGSIs | | | No | | | | |
| P | Runway Lighting | cone, REILs, VGSIs MIRL | MIRL | | | Yes | | | | |
| | Veather Reporting | On-site ASOS or AWOS | AWOS-3 | | | | Yes | | | |
| v | Airport Facilities | | | | | | | | | |
| Т | erminal (CS and/or GA) | Facility with restrooms, pilot- lounge, and Wi-Fi | Facility with restrooms and pilot lounge | | | No | | | | |
| A | Apron Tie-Downs | Tie-downs for 40% of based aircraft fleet plus 50% of weekly average overnight transient storage during peak season | 40% of based aircraft fleet plus 50% transient aircraft fleet: | 124 | Total tie-down spaces: | 48 | Νο | | | |
| | 20215 | Hangars for 60% of based aircraft fleet and 50% of weekly average overnight transient storage | 60% of based aircraft fleet: | 177 | Number of based aircraft hangar spaces: | 271 | Νο | | | |
| | langars | | 50% of transient aircraft fleet: | 6 | Number of transient aircraft hangar spaces: | 2 | | | | |
| 65.9 | Dedicated Maintenance/SRE Storage Building | Yes | No | | | No | | | | |
| | lectric Vehicle Charging Itations | Yes | No | | | | No | | | |
| P | Perimeter Security | signage | | | | | No | | | |
| | Services/Other | | | | | | | | | |
| J | et A Fuel | Full service | Full service | | | | Yes | | | |
| _ | AvGas Fuel | as Fuel Full service | | Full service | | | Yes | | | |
| | Aircraft De-icing | Dedicated de-icing area | None | | | No | | | | |
| | Courtesy Car | Yes | Yes | | | Yes | | | | |
| S | ustainability Plan | Yes | No | | | | No | | | |
| Minimums for All Airports | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Restroom (24-hr accessible) Cell Phone ServiceAirport Layout Plan (ALP) | | | | | | Wi-Fi Service 🗴 | | | |

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