



PROJECT ANNOUNCEMENT

Subject: Oak Ridge General Aviation Airport Construction
TN-18621-C1-302-20

Grantee: Oak Ridge, City of
Oak Ridge, TN

Local Contact: Mark Watson **Congressional District(s):** 1,2,3,4,6
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Funding: ARC \$1,000,000
Local \$1,000,000
Total \$2,000,000

WASHINGTON, D.C.-

The Appalachian Regional Commission announced today approval of a grant in the amount of \$1,000,000 to the City of Oak Ridge, TN, for the construction of a new Oak Ridge General Aviation Airport. The project will support the creation of at least three new industries with approximately 600 new jobs.

The project will be part of the overall construction for a new general aviation airport at the East Tennessee Technology Park (ETTP) in the Roane County portion of Oak Ridge. Specifically, the project involves pre-airfield construction activities related to the relocation of existing infrastructure at ETTP in conflict with the future airfield. ARC funds will be used for the realignment and construction of approximately one mile of a roadway with relocation of utilities in and around the ETTP. The project is part of a broader state and regional strategy to leverage existing assets and strengthen the region's manufacturing base, particularly in Tennessee's automotive sector.

In addition to ARC funds, state and local sources will provide \$1,000,000, bringing the total project funding to \$2,000,000.

About the Appalachian Regional Commission

The Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) is an economic development agency of the federal government and provides grants and technical assistance to 420 counties across the Appalachian region.

ARC's mission is to innovate, partner, and invest to build community capacity and strengthen economic growth in Appalachia and help the region achieve socioeconomic parity with the nation. More information is available at www.arc.gov.

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