

Assiniboia airport gets provincial funding for upgrades

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ASSINIBOIA — Provincial funding will support runway improvements at the Assiniboia Municipal Airport, strengthening emergency services, agriculture, business and rural connectivity in south-central Saskatchewan.

The Assiniboia Municipal Airport Authority has secured funding through Saskatchewan’s Community Airport Partnership (CAP) program to complete infrastructure improvements at the Assiniboia Municipal

Airport.

The Government of Saskatchewan announced the funding on May 20, 2026.

According to Grant Payant, chairperson for the Assiniboia Municipal Airport Authority, the idea of this program is to help rural areas by providing important infrastructure improvements, including support for adequate health-care systems.

The CAP program will provide [more than \\$2 million for airport improvement projects](#) across nine community airports in the province during the 2026 construction season.

The CAP program operates as a 50/50 cost-sharing partnership between the provincial government and local airport operators with a maximum provincial contribution of \$275,000.

The funding allocated to Assiniboia will be used for a runway extension and crack-sealing work, according to Payant. The estimated costs is \$715,420. The province will contribute the maximum eligible amount of \$275,000.

Local officials say the upgrades will strengthen long-term operations and improve service capacity for the community and surrounding region.

“Local airports play an essential role in supporting rural Saskatchewan,” Payant said. “This investment will help ensure the Assiniboia airport remains safe, reliable and capable of supporting emergency services, agriculture, business development and community connectivity for years to come.”

The provincial government noted that community airports across Saskatchewan are heavily relied upon by essential sectors, including air ambulances, firefighting, policing services and agriculture.

The Assiniboia Municipal Airport is a regional transportation and emergency services hub for south-central Saskatchewan.

The authority stated the planned upgrades will enhance existing infrastructure while supporting future economic growth and maintaining access to essential aviation services.

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