



A MEMBERSHIP ORGANIZATION
REPRESENTING PUBLIC-OWNED
AIRPORTS IN THE STATE OF IOWA

IPAA Federal Legislative Priorities 2025

IPAA encourages increasing spending levels through an annual and timely appropriations process for the Airport Improvement Program (AIP), Essential Air Service, Contract Tower Program, and other programs that provide for the safe operation, development, and maintenance of facilities at airports around the country.

1. IPAA requests Congress take immediate action to address the aviation workforce shortage through multiple programs and initiatives.

Aviation workforce shortages are creating a strain felt across the industry and is being felt most by the smaller communities who are struggling to maintain their basic level service or have lost their scheduled air service altogether.

A. Appropriate funds toward Aviation Workforce identified in the FAA Reauthorization Act 2024: Aviation Workforce Development Programs, Airport Service Workforce Analysis

2. IPAA requests Modernize the Air Service Development and Essential Air Service to meet today's evolving small community and industry needs.

A. Appropriate funds for the Air Service Development and the Essential Air Service Program identified in FAA Reauthorization Act 2024.

3. IPAA requests Congress pass liability legislation that holds airports harmless for present and past use of PFOS and PFAS in Aqueous Film Forming Foam (AFFF) as was mandated/required by the FAA.

A. Appropriate funds towards a PFAS Replacement Grant Program identified in the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024.

a. A one-time initial acquisition, disposal, cleaning or disposal of existing equipment, acquisition of equipment.

b. Replacement of AFFF concentrate relative to total AFFF requirement under Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part-139.

4. IPAA requests Congress require TSA retain the roles the agency was created to execute following 9/11, instead of placing that unfunded burden mandate on airports.

One of TSA's founding purposes was to provide consistent security screening across the National Airspace System (NAS), and now critical security screening tasks are being placed back into the antiquated pre-9/11 processes and programs.

A. IPAA supports the ongoing need for Airport Worker Screening.