



## Rhode Island Airport Corporation

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### **RIAC Announces Master Plan Update for T.F. Green**

*T.F. Green Airport's Master Plan was last updated in 2002*

**Warwick, RI** -- The Rhode Island Airport Corporation (RIAC) announced today it will update the Master Plan for T.F. Green Airport as required by the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) guidance. No runway lengthening or realignment is under consideration. This process will focus on defining feasible and flexible development plans to accommodate forecasted demand over a 20 year period. The FAA ties federal funding to availability of such plans by airports.

The FAA defines the master planning process for airports nationwide and encourages updates to provide the framework needed to guide future airport development. By their nature, master plans strive to balance the anticipated pace of airport growth and the cost-effectiveness of aviation demand. Importantly, Master Plans also provide the airport with the necessary tools to react to uncertainties by examining key trends in the aviation industry, technology improvements and regional economic development variables.

“Ultimately, passenger growth at T. F. Green will decide if there are any development projects at the airport. We will look at both airside and landside needs,” said Iftikhar Ahmad, president and CEO. “In putting this plan together, we will focus on opportunities such as terminal capacity, parking, taxiways and aprons.”

RIAC is establishing a Technical Advisory Committee comprised of representatives from local, state and federal governmental agencies, airlines, concessions and private businesses to ensure expertise and input from all stakeholders is captured. There will be a robust and inclusive public outreach component, which will include a series of open houses, public workshops for community input and participation, stakeholder outreach, a dedicated web page and ongoing social media updates.

The RIAC Board of Directors authorized C&S Companies of Syracuse, New York to lead this effort. The Master Plan update will cost approximately \$1,310,000.

A dedicated webpage for the Master Plan is expected to launch on Friday, April 5 to allow for easy access to documents, updates and community outreach opportunities. The airport's website is [www.pvdairport.com](http://www.pvdairport.com). The webpage will also allow for commentary to be received and answered. Additionally, the community is also encouraged to follow the airport's social media channels, including:

Facebook: T.F. Green Airport (PVD)  
Twitter: @tfgreenairport

*The Rhode Island Airport Corporation is a quasi-public agency responsible for the design, construction, operation and maintenance of the state's commercial airport, T.F. Green Airport, and five general aviation airports throughout the state: Block Island, Newport, North Central, Quonset and Westerly.*