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WOODBINE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT EXTENDS BIDDING DATE FOR RUNWAY REHABILITATION

Woodbine—Mayor William Pikolycky is pleased to announce that bid opening for the resurfacing of Runway 12-30 at the Woodbine Municipal Airport has been extended from July 16 to July 17 at 11 a.m. at the Woodbine Municipal Services Building. A pre-bid meeting was held on June 25, with nine interested contractors in attendance. Bid packages are still available at the Clerk's Office. Any questions concerning the project, call the Clerk's Office at 861-2153.

"I am encouraged to see the amount of interest that has been expressed in this contract and look forward to seeing the result in some good competitive bids," added Mayor Pikolycky.

The cost of this project is estimated at \$1 million. Funds are being provided by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), the New Jersey Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics, and the Casino Redevelopment Authority (CRDA). This will provide full funding for the project.

This project involves the rehabilitation of Runway 12-30, which is 3073 feet long and 75 feet wide (asphalt over concrete). Cracks and other distresses will be repaired and the runway will receive a minimum 2 inch asphalt overlay. Where this runway abuts other taxiways or runways, milling will take place so that elevations of finished pavement will match adjoining pavements. Approximately 300 feet of Taxiway B (75 feet wide) will be milled, repaired and paved with a 3 inch overlay.

This project is part of the \$ 4 million airport capital improvement program. This is the next phase of contracts to be awarded. Resurfacing of Runway 1-19 is currently in the planning stages. Almost completed is the Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS), which reports weather conditions to pilots approaching the airport. The consistency of weather data across the state is critical to safety, and AWOS addresses this need.

"This comes on the heels of a state DOT, Division of Aeronautics, grant in the amount of \$377,000 for security fencing," added Mayor Pikolycky. "This now puts us in a stronger position since the closing of Bader Field. These ongoing improvements have attracted additional air traffic."