



NMDOT - Aviation Division

Aviation Air Service Update/LFC TAOS, NM, 9/21/2022
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RASE PROGRAM

Rural Air Service Enhancement

- 2021 Act to Enhance Passenger Air Service in Rural NM
- NM Qualifying County or Municipal Airports:
 - Population: 20,000
 - Distance: Within 50 Miles of Airport
- Funding: \$9,000,000.00 to be used:
 - Two-year minimum grant program
 - 10% of July 1 Balance for Related Infrastructure
 - 9-Passenger Maximum Capacity Turbo Aircraft



2021 RASE Program

- Matching Funds Percentage:
 - 10% if do not have Existing Scheduled Air Service
 - 50% if do have Existing Scheduled Air Service
- Maximum funds available per year:
 - \$1,750,000.00 if have no Existing Air Service
 - \$1,250,000.00 if do have Existing Air Service

MINIMUM REVENUE GUARANTEE:
CONTRACT AMOUNT DUE, LESS
ACRUAL FLIGHT REVENUE



2022 RASE PROGRAM

- 2022 Amendments to the 2021 program:
 - Additional \$5,000,000.00 funded
 - Increased size of Aircraft to 30 Passenger jets
 - Allows 2022 and 2021 programs to merge
 - Matching funds are changed as follows:
 - 10% if have no Existing Air Service
 - 20% if do have Existing Air Service
 - Maximums per year:
 - \$2,750,000 if have no Air Service
 - \$2,250,000 if have air service



New Mexico Airport System

50 –PAVED AIRPORTS IN NM

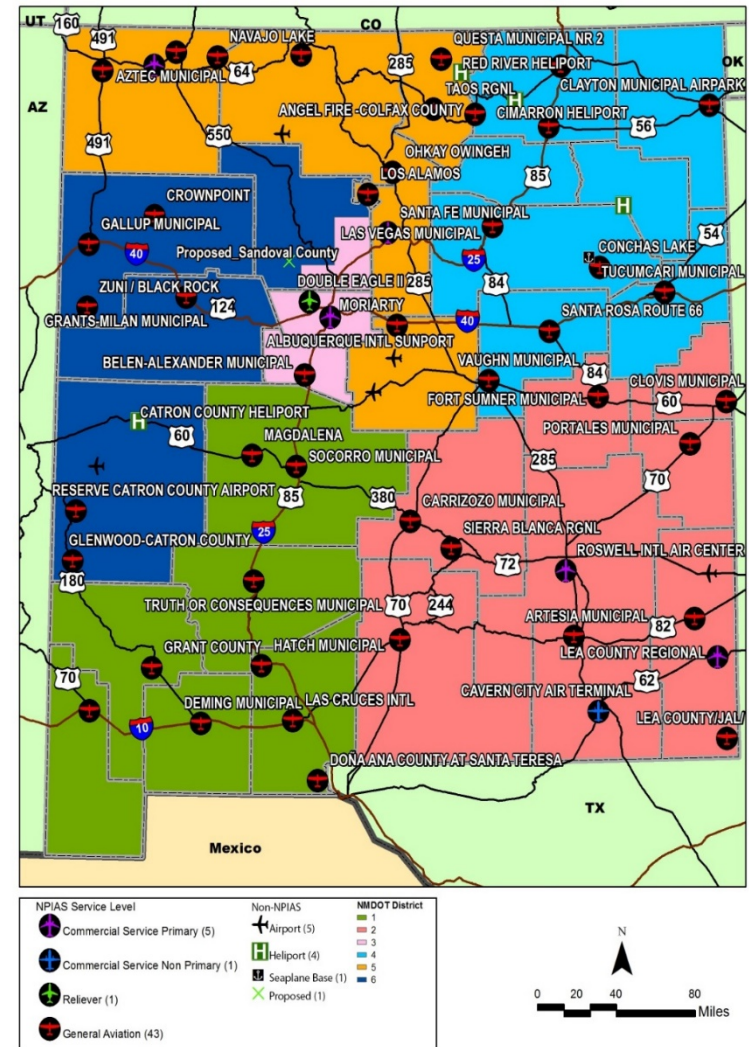
20 QUALIFY FOR RASE PROGRAM

6 HAVE FULL AIR SERVICES

1 HAS PART-TIME AIR SERVICES

TWO GRANTS AWARDED, 2021 FY
Gallup
Las Cruces

NONE THUS FAR IN 2022



WHAT DOES “ESSENTIAL AIR SERVICE” MEAN?

1. IT IS NOT A STATE PROGRAM
2. IT IS STRICTLY FEDERAL
3. SUPPLEMENTS VARIOUS AIRPORTS AROUND U.S.
4. RUN INDEPENDENTLY OF NM AVIATION DIVISION
5. FEDERAL GOV'T AND SPONSORS DETERMINE ROUTES
6. NM HAS THREE SUCH AIRPORTS (CLOVIS, CARLSBAD, SILVER CITY) WITH ESSENTIAL AIR SERVICE.



QUESTIONS?



Thank You!

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