

III. AIRPORTS

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DEFINITIONS

Airport of Entry --An airport at which an aircraft entering the US may land without prior permission from the Bureau of US Customs.

Commercial Service Airport -- A public airport which is determined to enplane annually 2,500 or more passengers and receive scheduled passenger service.

General Aviation Airport -- An airport which is used or to be used for public purposes, under the control of a public agency, the landing area of which is publicly owned.

Heliport--An area of land, water, or any structure used or intended to be used for the landing and takeoff of helicopters.

Integrated Airport System Planning-See System Planning.

Primary Airport --A commercial service airport which is determined to have 0.01 percent or more of the total number of passengers enplaned annually at all commercial service airports.

Private-Use Airport- An airport which is not open for the use of the general public.

Privately Owned Airport-An airport which is owned by a private individual or corporation.

Project -- Projects (or separate projects submitted together) for the accomplishment of airport development or airport planning, including the combined submission of all projects which are to be undertaken at an airport in a fiscal year.

Public Airport-- See General Aviation Airport.

Public Owned Airport-- An airport which is publicly owned and under control of a public agency.

Public-Use Airport -- An airport open to public use without prior permission, and without restrictions within the physical capabilities of the facility. It may or may not be publicly owned.

Reliever Airport -- An airport designated as having the function of relieving congestion at a commercial service airport and providing more general aviation access to the overall community.

Sponsor -- Any private owner of a public-use airport or any public agency (either individually or jointly with other public agencies) that submits an application for financial assistance to the Secretary of Transportation.

Stolport -- An airport specifically designed for STOL (Short Takeoff and Landing) aircraft, separate from conventional airport facilities.

System Planning --The initial, as well as continuing, development for planning purposes of information and guidance to determine the extent, type, nature, location, and timing of airport develop needed in a specific area to establish a viable, balanced and integrated system of public use airports.

These definitions only apply to this chapter.