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**AIRPORT TO RECEIVE A \$6,568,693 FEDERAL (FAA) CONSTRUCTION GRANT**  
***County Commission to Take Action on Grant September 3<sup>rd</sup>***

CASPER, WY – Casper / Natrona County International Airport announced that it has received a grant offer from the Federal Aviation Administration for a construction project which is scheduled to begin next spring. The project will: reconstruct portions of Taxiway Alpha, will remove one connector taxiway, will construct a new connector taxiway, will sealcoat and remark Taxiway Charlie, will replace the analog airfield signs with LED signs, and will replace two Visual Approach Slope Indicators (VASI's) with Precision Approach Path Indicators (PAPI's). Hedquist Construction is the general contractor on the project. The project was originally planned for construction in 2013 but funding uncertainty pushed the project to next year.

“The reconstruction of Taxiway Alpha has been something we have undertaken the last few years and it is nice to finally have the funds to complete the project,” said Glenn Januska, Airport Manager. “In addition to the Taxiway pavement reconstruction we will be removing one connector taxiway which has caused some pilot confusion and constructing a replacement. We will sealcoat and remark another taxiway which will maximize the life of that pavement. We will be replacing our analog signs with LED signs, not only reducing energy usage but reducing maintenance and increasing signage visibility for pilots. Finally, we will be upgrading two visual approach landing aids with newer generation, more reliable landing aids.” The total cost for the project is \$7,360,190.38.

