



**Media Release – September 16, 2014**  
**FAA Funding Approved for**  
**Pangborn Memorial Airport Runway Extension Project**

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The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announced a Notice of Grant Award for \$9,500,057.00 to fund phase 2 of the 3 phase project to extend the main runway at Pangborn Memorial Airport. Total cost of the Runway Extension Project could reach \$30 million, with \$27 Million provided by FAA funds and \$3 million in local funds provided by The Port of Chelan County (\$2.1 million) and the Port of Douglas County (\$900,000). “We are grateful to our Congressional delegation and the FAA for their continued support of the Runway Extension Project.” stated Craig Larsen, Business Development Director for the Port of Chelan County.

The current length of usable runway is 5,700 feet. Extending the runway to 7,000 feet will minimize flight restrictions current aircraft encounter, provide additional safety margins, as well as allow Pangborn Airport to recruit additional service carriers that fly regional jets. “Extending the runway is a critical capital improvement to maintain and expand commercial airline service to residents and businesses of North Central Washington.” stated Mr. Larsen. Phase 2 is currently out to bid, and bidding information can be found at [www.PortofChelanCounty.com](http://www.PortofChelanCounty.com).

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