Aeronautics Commission Budget No. 412 House Bill No. 1006

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2023-25 legislative appropriation	7.00	\$475,000	\$38,169,667 1	\$38,644,667
2021-23 legislative appropriation	7.00	475,000	35,741,987 2	36,216,987
2023-25 appropriation increase (decrease) to 2021-23 appropriation	0.00	\$0	\$2,427,680	\$2,427,680

¹This amount includes \$6,500,000 of one-time funding. Excluding this amount, the agency's ongoing other funds appropriation is \$31,669,667.

Item Description

Targeted market equity - The Legislative Assembly appropriated \$82.5 million, of which \$45.1 million is from the general fund, to the Office of Management and Budget for a targeted market equity pool to be distributed to state agencies.

New and vacant FTE funding pool - The Legislative Assembly reduced \$24,489 of 2023-25 biennium other funds appropriation authority for the Aeronautics Commission related to estimated vacant position savings for the new and vacant FTE funding pool.

International Peace Garden airport rehabilitation and airport infrastructure grants - Section 2 of House Bill No. 1006 (2023) appropriated \$6.5 million of one-time funding for airport grants during the 2023-25 biennium. Of this amount \$2.5 million, of which \$2.25 million is from federal funds and \$250,000 is from the Aeronautics Commission fund, is for the International Peace Garden airport rehabilitation and \$4 million from the Aeronautics Commission fund is for airport infrastructure grants.

Airport infrastructure fund - Section 3 of Senate Bill No. 2006 (2021) appropriated \$20 million from the airport infrastructure fund for airport grants during the 2021-23 biennium and authorized the funds to be continued into the 2023-25 biennium. Section 3 of House Bill No. 1006 (2023) appropriated \$20 million from the airport infrastructure fund for airport grants during the 2023-25 biennium and authorized the funds to be continued into the 2025-27 biennium.

State Fiscal Recovery Fund - Airport grants - Section 1 of Senate Bill No. 2345 (2021) appropriated \$5 million of one-time funding from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund for airport grants during the 2021-23 biennium. Section 4 of House Bill No. 1006 (2023) continued this funding through the 2023-25 biennium.

Status/Result

The Aeronautics Commission received \$22,386 of other funds authority for targeted market equity increases. Equity increases were provided to two employees.

The Aeronautics Commission has not received funding from the new and vacant FTE funding pool to fill vacant FTE positions. Through January 2024, the Aeronautics Commission had estimated vacant FTE position savings of \$71,344 related to one vacancy during the first 7 months of the 2023-25 biennium. The office used \$3,000 of the savings for bonuses.

Bidding for the International Peace Garden airport rehabilitation project is anticipated to open on April 30, 2024, and the Aeronautics Commission is currently accepting applications for the airport infrastructure grants.

As of April 2024, the 2021-23 biennium airport grants are expected to be awarded, but a significant portion of the funding will not be expended by the end of the 2023-25 biennium. The Aeronautics Commission anticipates requesting an exemption from the Legislative Assembly to continue this funding into the 2025-27 biennium. The agency anticipates that the 2023-25 biennium funding will be deposited into the fund prior to the end of the biennium.

As of April 2024, all funds have been expended.

²This amount includes \$5,000,000 of one-time funding from the federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund. Excluding this amount, the agency's ongoing other funds appropriation is \$30,741,987.