



**Aspen/Pitkin County Airport
Advisory Board**

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Aspen/Pitkin County Safety Task Force



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Mission Statement

The mission of the Safety Task Force would be to maximize safety and reduce aviation accidents and incidents at the Aspen/Pitkin County Airport (KASE) and associated airspace.

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Footnote:

On January 23, 2019, the Pitkin County Board of Commissions (BOCC) established the Aspen/Pitkin County Vision Committee (Vision Committee) and related working groups and focus group to develop a vision for the future of the airport. On April 16, 2020, at the end of an extensive and exhaustive public process, the Vision Committee submitted its final report and recommendations to the BOCC. On December 18, 2020, after further extensive public process, the BOCC passed resolution No. 105-2020, which adopted with additions and amendments the recommendations contained in the Vision Committee's report (the Common Ground Recommendations) and which also provided for the formation of an "Airport Advisory Board of citizen volunteers" (AAB) to advise and assist the BOCC regarding airport matters as recommended by the Vision Committee. On June 27, 2021, the BOCC passed ordinance no. 026-2021 authorizing the creation of the AAB. And on January 13, 2022 the BOCC passed resolution no. 005-2022 appointing the initial members of the AAB. Since then the AAB has been meeting regularly.

The principal role of the AAB as stated in the AAB's bylaws promulgated by the BOCC is to make recommendations implementing the Common Ground Recommendations. First among these is to "Maximize the Safety of Our Airport". The AAB's bylaws also provide that "the BOCC will support the Board's need to appoint sub-committees or special taskforce committees from time-to-time. Those appointments will be reviewed and approved by the BOCC prior to seating."

The AAB at its October 17, 2022 meeting approved in concept the formation of the Safety Task Force to develop and make recommendations to the AAB to, if approved, be presented to the BOCC for consideration and hopefully approval and implementation. The purpose of this document is to describe in greater detail the Safety Task Force concept for the AAB's and BOCC's consideration.

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Basic Concept

- Involve local pilots with substantial experience operating at KASE
- Brainstorm recommendations to enhance and improve safety
- Focus primarily on general aviation (GA)
- Reach out to aviation organizations
- Ascertain organizations' interest in partnering with Pitkin County to improve safety at the airport and in the air
- Formulate recommendations for consideration by KASE Airport Advisory Board (AAB) and Pitkin County Board of Commissioners (BOCC)
- Assist in implementation of recommendations once approved

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Measurements of Success

Unlike typical business or governmental objectives, the success of this mission would ultimately be measured in the negative, by a reduction in the number of accidents and incidents occurring at KASE and in the associated airspace, and in the reduction of the number of concomitant accident/incident reports by the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB).

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Importance of Partnerships

There are numerous organizations in the aviation community who share our community's interest in aviation safety. A focus of the Safety Task Force will be to reach out to these organizations to explore the possibility of partnerships with these organizations to promote safety at our airport and in our airspace. No commitments would of course be made by Safety Task Force members in exploring these possibilities without express, prior AAB and BOCC approval. Such organizations could include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following: . . .

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- AOPA, the Aircraft Owners & Pilots Association
- NBAA, the National Business Aviation Association
- GAMA, the General Aviation Manufacturer's Association
- FSF, the Flight Safety Foundation
- Fractional Jet Ownership business, such as
 - Flexjet
 - NetJets, Inc.
- Aviation Charter Companies (“Air Taxi”)
- the KASE FBO, once the next operator is selected
- FAA, the Federal Aviation Administration
- KASE Tower Controllers
- CPA, the Colorado Pilots Association
- Flight Safety International, professional aviation training
- Colorado Division of Aeronautics, a division of CDOT
- Aviation insurance companies and brokers

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Guardrails

The Safety Task Force's work will be limited to aviation safety. Although its members may occasionally express their opinions as individuals and members of the community on other subjects before the AAB and BOCC, the Safety Task Force as a body will be cognizant of its guardrails and not stray into areas beyond its remit.

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Safety Task Force Members

The following local pilots have agreed to serve on the Safety Task Force subject to the approval of the AAB and BOCC: . . .

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- ▶ **Daniel Baker**
 - ▶ Commercial pilot
 - ▶ FlightAware founder & former CEO
 - ▶ Collins Aerospace strategic advisor
 - ▶ GAMA executive committee
 - ▶ Aircraft owner
- ▶ **Brett Detwiler**
 - ▶ Airline Transport Pilot
 - ▶ Retired senior Airline pilot & trainer
 - ▶ Charter pilot
- ▶ **Bruce Gordon**
 - ▶ Airline Transport Pilot
 - ▶ EcoFlight founder & chief pilot
 - ▶ AAB Member
- ▶ **Peter Hutter**
 - ▶ Private Pilot, Multi Engine
 - ▶ Aerospace engineer & manufacturer
 - ▶ Search & rescue pilot
 - ▶ Aircraft owner
- ▶ **Gary Kraft**
 - ▶ Certified flight instructor, CFII
 - ▶ Aircraft owner
- ▶ **William Landis**
 - ▶ Airline Transport Pilot
 - ▶ Charter pilot & operations director
- ▶ **John McBride**
 - ▶ Private pilot
 - ▶ Real estate developer
 - ▶ Aircraft owner
- ▶ **Walter Obermeyer**
 - ▶ Airline Transport Pilot
 - ▶ Investment Advisor
 - ▶ Aircraft owner
- ▶ **Mike Solondz**
 - ▶ Airline Transport Pilot
 - ▶ Airline pilot & staff trainer
- ▶ **Steve Vance**
 - ▶ Private pilot, multi engine, instrument rated
 - ▶ Engineer, business owner
 - ▶ Aircraft owner
- ▶ **Barry Vaughan, chair**
 - ▶ Retired attorney
 - ▶ Private pilot, single engine, instrument rated
- ▶ **Tyson Weihs**
 - ▶ Private pilot, multi engine, instrument rated
 - ▶ ForeFlight founder & former CEO
 - ▶ NBAA board member
 - ▶ GAMA executive committee
 - ▶ Aircraft owner

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Preliminary Timeline

November 2022

AAB approval

December 2022

BOCC approval

December 2022 - January 2023

Organizational meeting of the Task Force

Introductions

Open meeting law compliance

Interest conflict avoidance

Conceptual review

Guardrails

Task assignments

Preliminary recommendation formulation and compilation

Potential aviation partnership outreach

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Preliminary Timeline, cont.

January-February 2023

Further Task Force meetings

Review and refinement of recommendations

Report results of potential partnerships outreach effort

March 2023

Finalization of initial Task Force recommendations

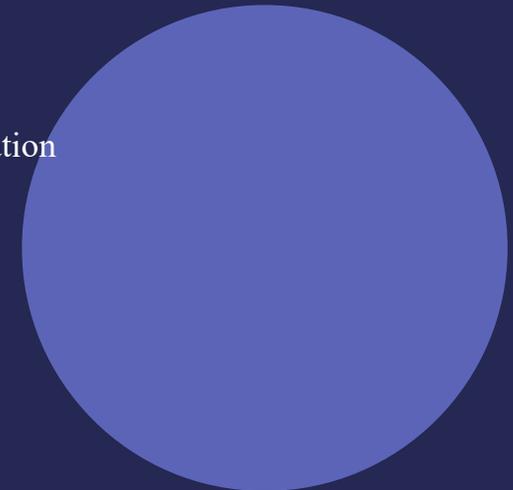
Submission to AAB for consideration and approval

April 2023

Presentation of recommendations to BOCC for consideration and approval

April-May 2023

Commence implementation



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Meeting Location and Public Involvement

The meetings of the Safety Task Force will be conducted preferably in person and by Zoom™ as necessary, preferably at the KASE operations center. The proceedings and internal communications of the Safety Task Force will be subject to, and comply with, the Colorado Open Meetings Law, CRS § 24-6-401 et seq., with the assistance of county and airport staff. Notices to the public of task force meetings will be given in the same manner as for AAB meetings.

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Monthly Reporting and Coordination with Staff

The Safety Task Force chair will report to the AAB at its regular meetings and to the BOCC as requested on the task force's progress. The Safety Task Force will also coordinate and consult with county and airport staff on a regular basis during the task force's work.

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AOC Conference Room Upgrades



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AOC Conference Room Upgrades



98-Inch Flat Panel Display



1080p Zoon/Tilt Camera



6x Pendant Ceiling Speakers



6x Ceiling Microphones w/ Amplifier

- Acoustical Ceiling Panels
- Dedicated Computer
- Front Room vs. Back Room Lighting Control
- Remove Individual Laptops
- Remove Phone Controlled Audio
- Remove Overhead Projector and Screen

2023 Airport Budget



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Airport Revenues

- **Taxes** - Revenue from locally assessed taxes imposed on the sale or consumption of selected goods and services.
- **Intergovernmental** - Revenues from the federal, state, local and any other governmental entities in the form of **grants**, shared revenues, payments for services or payments instead of taxes.
- **Fees & Charges for Services** - Revenue from specific services of the county charged. (Example: Landing Fees).
- **Licenses & Permits** - Revenue from activities which must be licensed or permitted before the activity is conducted within the county.
- **Fines & Forfeitures** - Monies derived from fines and penalties imposed for the commission of statutory offences, violation of lawful administrative rules and regulations. (Example: Curfew Violation)
- **Other Revenues** - Amounts received but not classified by any of the above.

Airport Expenses

- **Personal Services (Salaries & Wages)** - Amounts paid to county employees.
- **Personal Services (Employee Benefits)** - Amounts paid by the county on behalf of employees.
- **Purchased Services** - Services that can be performed only by persons or firms with specialized skills and knowledge. (Example: Consultants).
- **Purchased Property Services** - Services purchased to operate, repair, maintain. (Example: Flood Remediation Services)
- **Other Purchased Services** - Amounts paid for services rendered by organizations or from a county enterprise fund (Example: Fleet Services).
- **Supplies** - Amounts paid for items that are consumed through use.
- **Property** - Expenditures for acquiring assets, including land or existing buildings, improvements of grounds, equipment. (Example: Snow Plow).
- **Other Expenditures** - Amounts paid for goods and services not previously classified by any of the above.

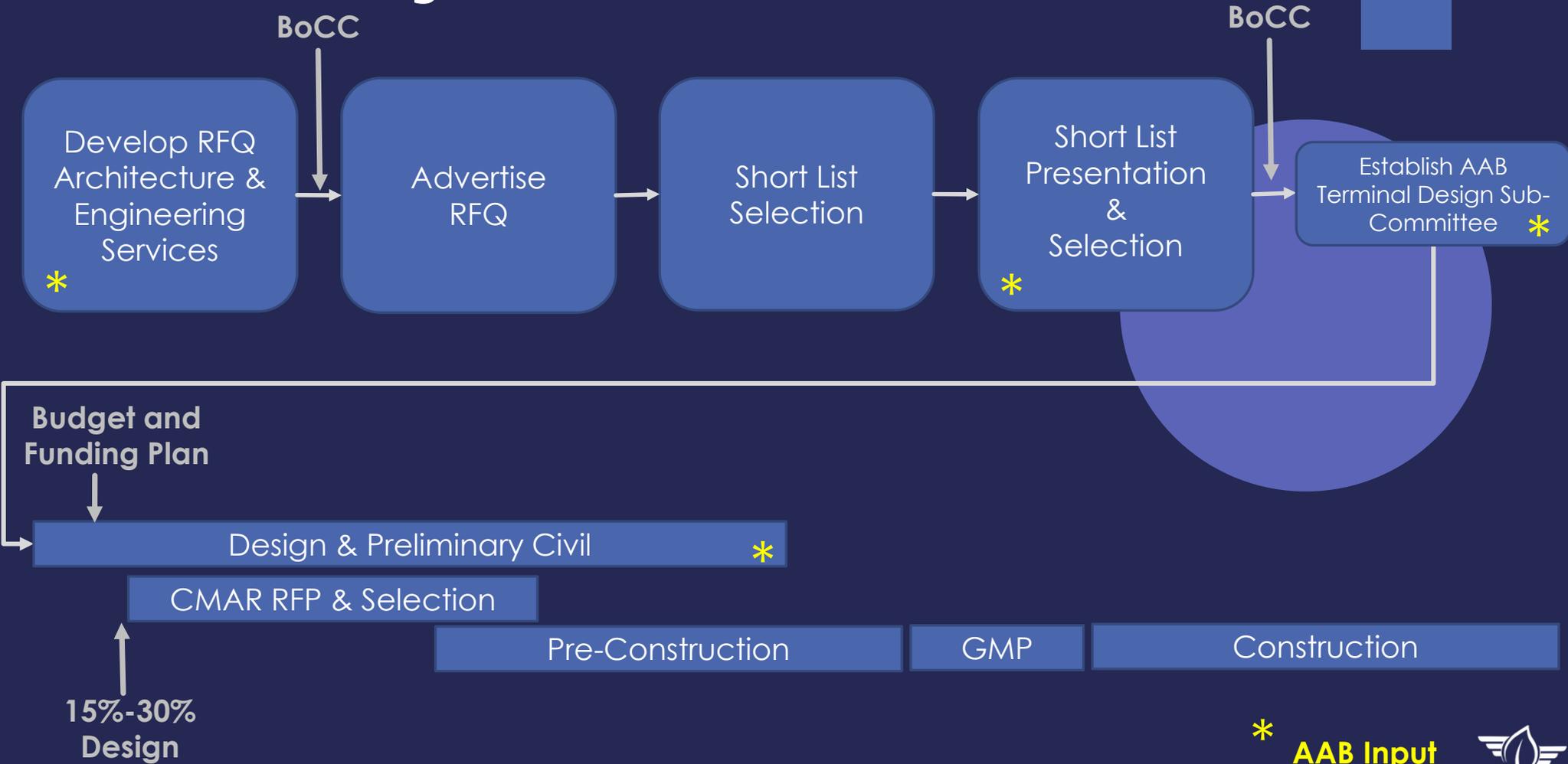


Passenger Terminal Design Process



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Terminal Design and Construction Process



* **AAB Input**

Terminal Facility Funding Options

- FAA Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Grant
- Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Airport Infrastructure Funding
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- State Grants
- Airport Revenue Bonds
- Passenger Facility Charges (PFC)
- Certificates of Participation (COP)
- Airport Revenue (Airport Fund)
- Airline Funding



An aerial photograph of the Aspen/Pitkin County Airport, showing the runway, taxiway, and terminal building nestled in a lush green valley. In the background, there are snow-capped mountains under a bright blue sky with scattered clouds. A semi-transparent dark blue box with a grid pattern is overlaid on the center of the image, containing the text "Airport Website Update".

Airport Website Update



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ASE Website Update

The screenshot shows the website's header with navigation links: Airport Advisory Board, Airport Guide, Parking & Transportation, Operation, About, News, and Contact. A notification banner reads "Masks are Now Optional at the Aspen/Pitkin County Airport". The main banner features a rainbow over a wet tarmac with the text "COVID-19 SAFETY Socially distanced from arrival to departure." Below this is a flight schedule table with tabs for "ARRIVALS" and "DEPARTURES". A search bar is present above the table. To the right, there is a "Flight Schedule" section with a "View Schedule" link.

AIRLINE	FLIGHT	CITY	TIME	CLAIM	STATUS
UNITED	UA 5468	Denver	4:31 pm	2	On time

- Airport Advisory Board Bios
- Ease of Navigation
- Additional Information and/or Resources
- Etc.
- Provide Comments and Feedback to Sandra

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December Meeting



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December AAB Meeting

DECEMBER 2022						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 Winter Begins	22	23	24 Christmas Eve
25 Christmas Day	26	27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve



Commercial Passenger Update



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ASE YTD Passenger Traffic with YOY Comparisons

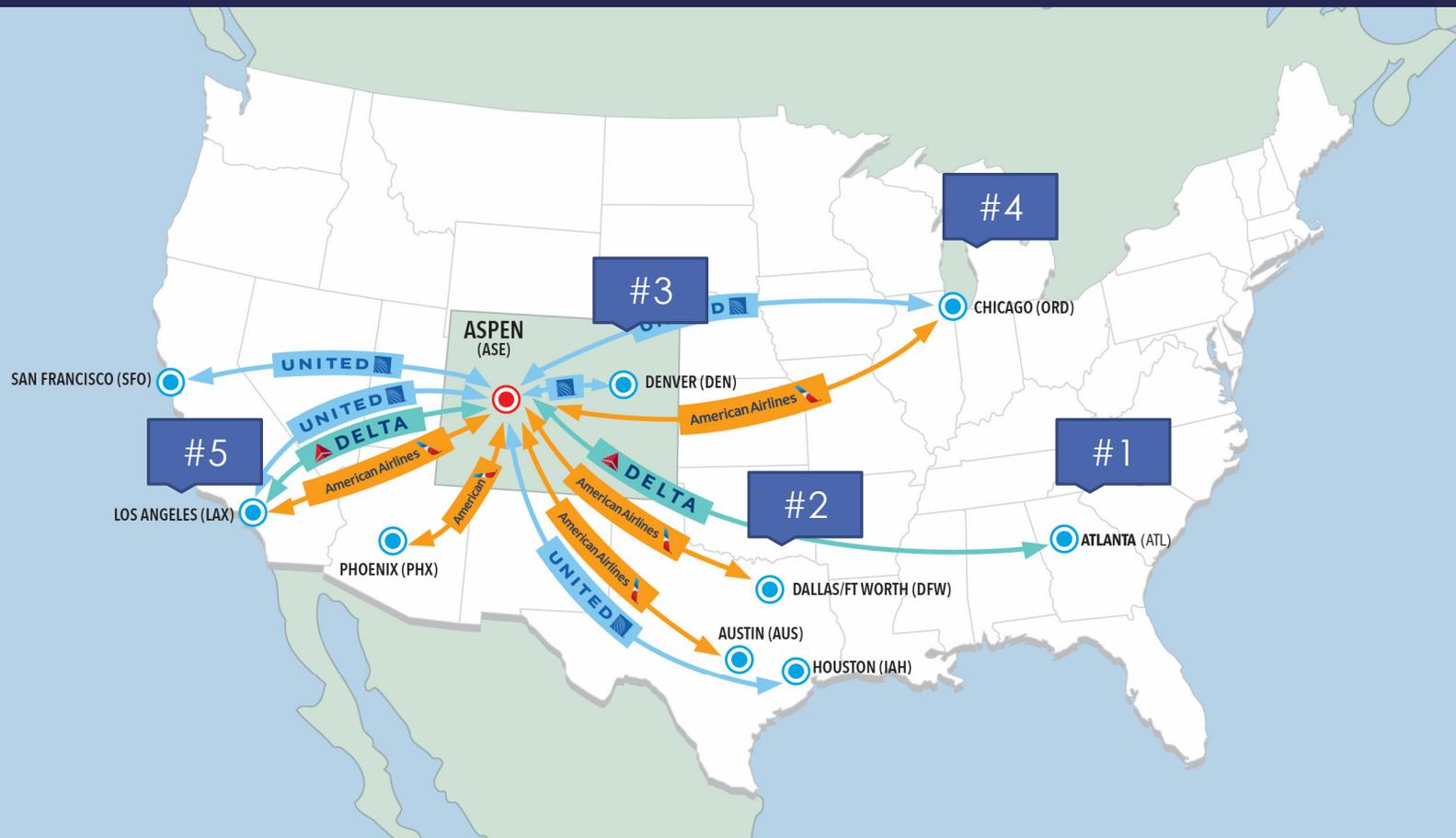
Aspen / Pitkin County Airport (ASE) 2022 YOY Passenger Comparisons

Month	ASE Total Passengers In & Out								
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	% Chg 2021	% Chg 2020	% Chg 2019	% Chg 2018
January	77832	41700	79805	80807	75082	86.6%	-2.5%	-3.7%	3.7%
February	77990	45187	84591	76051	71132	72.6%	-7.8%	2.5%	9.6%
March	92614	65406	47187	89476	89104	41.6%	96.3%	3.5%	3.9%
April	24337	24134	771	29701	31526	0.8%	3056.5%	-18.1%	-22.8%
May	9752	13887	2681	23527	21389	-29.8%	263.7%	-58.5%	-54.4%
June	48246	45237	8595	49593	45703	6.7%	461.3%	-2.7%	5.6%
July	58322	63763	20179	63664	44570	-8.5%	189.0%	-8.4%	30.9%
August	56034	59855	26614	59863	54284	-6.4%	110.5%	-6.4%	3.2%
September	46499	43355	20896	40176	37437	7.3%	122.5%	15.7%	24.2%
October	32485	29490	20671	28117	27519	10.2%	57.2%	15.5%	18.0%
November		22179	16272	20251	24609				
December		49413	39974	64898	65103				
YTD	524111	432014	311990	540975	497746	21.3%	68.0%	-3.1%	5.3%
Total		503606	368236	626124	587458				

➤ Like September, October also set new monthly record for total passenger traffic at ASE.

➤ YTD #'s are now pacing -3.1% behind 2019 levels.

Winter Service Patterns: ASE is well connected to what are now the world's five busiest hub airports (ATL, DFW, DEN, ORD & LAX)



Questions?

