



Mid-Way Regional Looks Forward with New Comprehensive Plan

Mid-Way Regional Airport in Midlothian, Texas is known for its first class service. They offer an array of amenities found only at larger airports, but without the congestion and hassle. Mid-Way is located on U.S. Hwy. 287 on the east side of Midlothian, just 30 minutes south of Dallas and 35 minutes southeast of Fort Worth. The 243-acre general aviation airport is home to over 100 aircraft. The airport currently offers hanger space, AVFuel, and a full service FBO, which offers maintenance, repair, rental, sales, servicing, flight planning, computerized weather, UNICOM, RCO and AWOS. Mid-Way is home to a number of aviation related companies and services such as Airborne Imaging, Contract Painters Corporation (CPC), Southern Star Aviation and A-One Aircraft Paint.

Airport Expansion

The airport's expansion began construction in 2009. Funding was provided by the FAA's Airport Improvement Program, with a 95% grant covering project costs of almost \$9 million.

The project has expanded the runway to 6,500 feet x 100 feet. The taxiway was also lengthened to match. All the airport lighting and electrical systems were replaced, and the remaining pavement was freshly overlaid to increase its overall weight bearing capacity.

The Mid-Way Regional Airport Terminal Building is now undergoing a renovation and expansion. The project will add additional pilot space, public areas, meeting rooms, a viewing pavilion and small restaurant. Additionally, the unfinished second story of the terminal building will be completed, doubling the building's useful

office space. The Terminal Building renovation project is being funded by a 50% state grant.

New Comprehensive Plan

Now that the expansion is complete and the terminal is under renovation, the governing board of Mid-Way Regional is ready to move forward with a new comprehensive plan. The consultants, Coffman Associates, are now in the information gathering stage. The new plan will address the airport's existing facilities, airspace and air traffic activity and local planning and land use. The plan will then look forward by examining the airports future airside and landside needs. The airport's plans and maps will be computerized. And finally, the plan will develop a 5-year financial management and development program which will include the airport's development schedule and cost estimates, financial analysis of recommended development, and management evaluations. The plan is expected to be completed by February 2012.

Once all of the renovations, expansions, and planning have been accomplished, Mid-Way Regional Airport will be better able to support local business and industry. Mid-Way will become an excellent location for aviation-related companies looking for a cost-effective airport that is centrally located within the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex.

Beyond Mid-Way Regional

The City of Midlothian is a progressive pro-business

community. Some of Midlothian's competitive advantages include close proximity to the DFW Metroplex, excellent transportation corridors, aggressive incentive packages, a quality workforce of over 500,000 and higher education.

Corporate citizens and their employees also enjoy a range of options because of Midlothian's quality of place. The City of Midlothian has a small town feel with a low crime rate, excellent schools and family friendly neighborhoods; yet, Midlothian is just a short drive from a multitude of services and opportunities along with endless recreation and entertainment in the DFW Metroplex. Midlothian has the best of both worlds – quiet, county living with access to all the amenities of the Metroplex. 🏠

