



### **AU Faculty Senate**

June 5, 2012





### **AGENDA**

- → Airport History
- → Airport Operations University
- Airport Operations Community
- Airport Outreach / Marketing Efforts
- → Airport Future Plans





### AIRPORT HISTORY

- → 1930 Built by the Auburn-Opelika Airport Corporation as a privately-owned airport
- → 1931 Leased by the CAA for Atlanta to New Orleans mail route



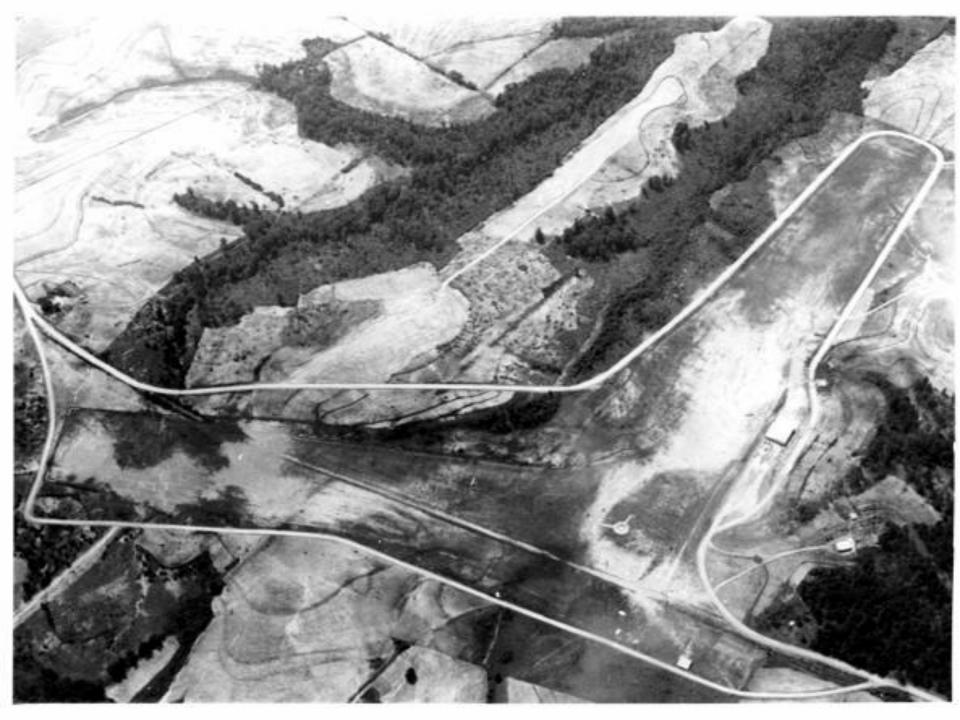


- → 1932 Commissioned to serve Auburn, Opelika, and the Alabama Polytechnic Institute
- → 1939 Most of the stock donated to API
- → 1939 -- Served as a pilot training site for the Civil Pilot Training Program











- →Owned by Auburn University, which has been awarding aviation degrees since 1930
- → Strong Partnership exists with cities of Auburn, Opelika, and Lee County
- Current name is Auburn University Regional Airport







Gary Fuller, Chairman, Mayor of Opelika Johnny Lawrence, Vice-Chairman, **County Commissioner** Bill English, Probate Judge/Chairman, Lee County Commission Bill Ham, Mayor of Auburn Joe Hanna, Associate Dean, College of Business Mike Hubbard, State Rep., Speaker of the House Joey Motley, Councilman, Opelika Dick Phelan, Councilman, Auburn Tom Tillman, University Planner





A City of Auburn, City of Opelika, Lee County and Auburn University Partnership





**→** 423 Acres

→ 60 Based Aircraft

→65,000 Annual Operations

→\$19.34 Million Annual Economic Impact



# AIRPORT OPERATIONS – UNIVERSITY











- → Professional Flight Management
- →~100 Total Flight Students
- → 15 Aircraft
- Airport Support: Fueling, Maintenance, Safety/Growth of Airport, etc.









#### → Misc. Research

- Fire Ants
- Wildlife/Birds
- AE Remote Controlled Aircraft
- AU Formula SAE Racing

#### → Student Employees

- Customer Service
- Flight Line
- Aircraft Maintenance
- Airport Management Internships



# AIRPORT OPERATIONS – COMMUNITY

- Airport serves as a link to the National Air Transportation System
- Airport is viewed by the local governments as an economic development tool























# AIRPORT OUTREACH / MARKETING EFFORTS







#### → Civil Air Patrol

- USAF Auxiliary Unit Since 1941
- 3 Missions: Aerospace Education, Cadet Programs, Emergency Services
- Includes Leadership Skills, Character Development, and Physical Fitness
- Auburn Composite Squadron Meets at AUO
  - Active/Award Winning Squadron
  - Assists with Engineering Technology Academy hosted by the College of Engineering

























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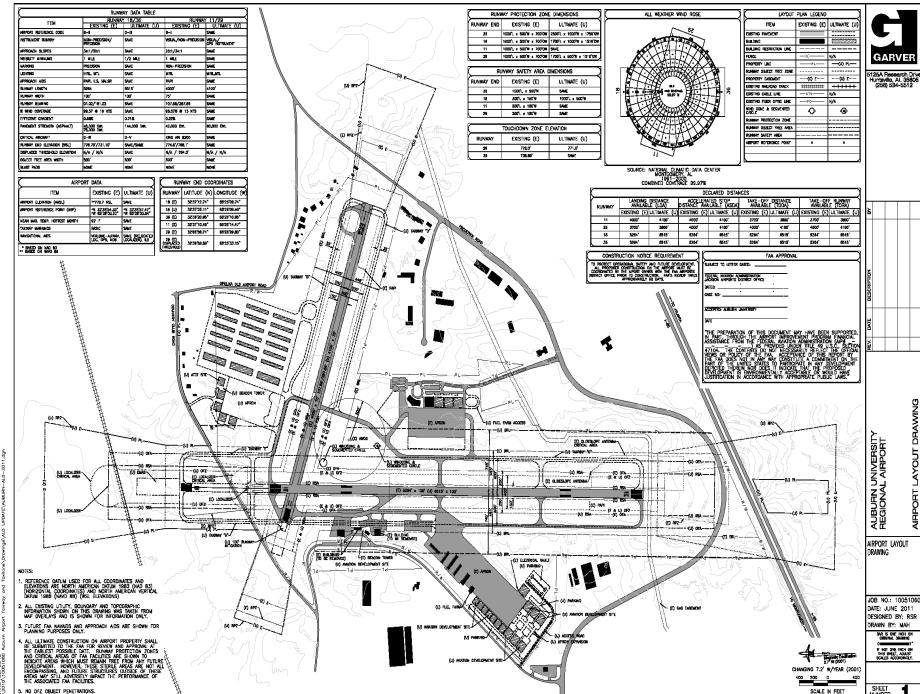
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- Flight Planning Computers
- Weather Services

## AIRPORT FUTURE PLANS

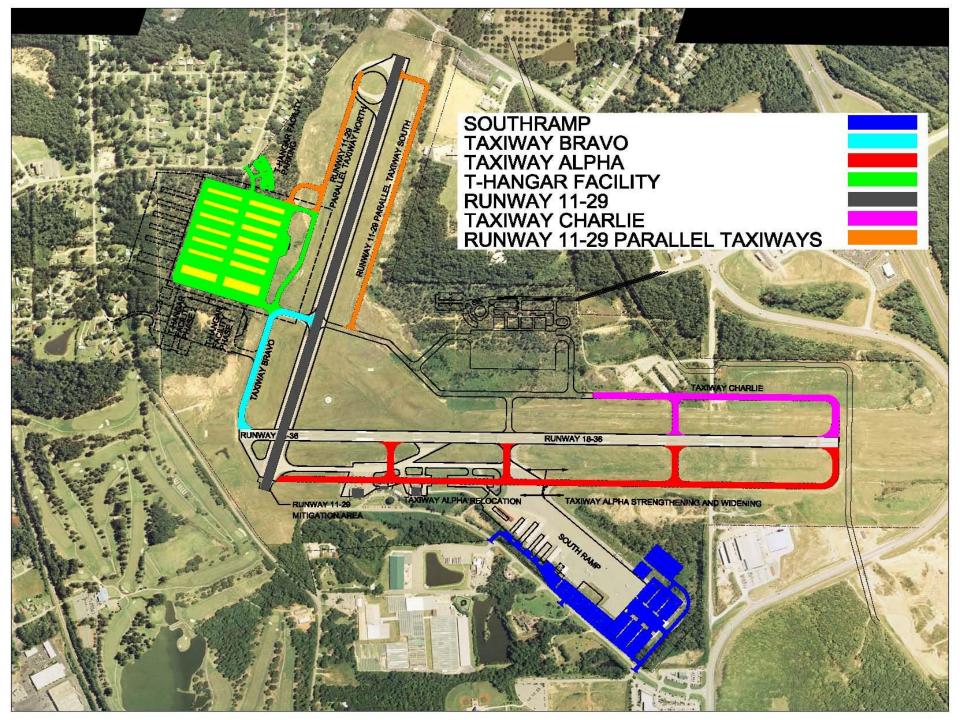






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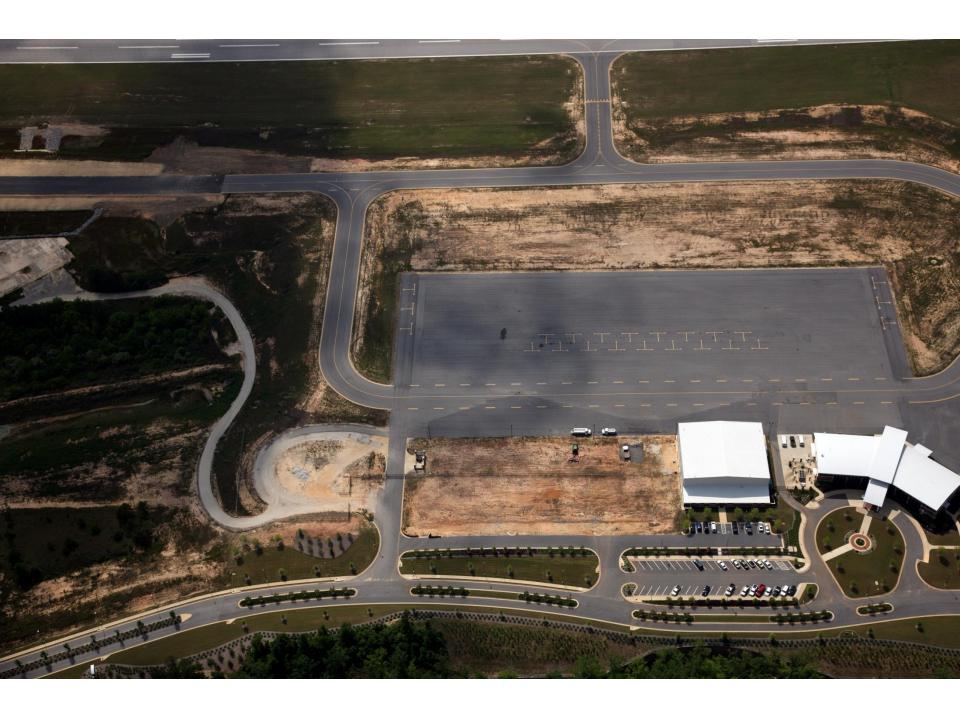
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## CONCLUSION

- → Continue to support University academic related functions
- Grow airport to meet current and future demands of the University and the community



