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December 12, 2023

The Honorable Ralph Hellmich  
Mayor, City of Foley  
407 East Laurel Avenue  
Foley, AL 36535

**Subject: Annual Inspection Report**  
**Foley Municipal Airport**

Dear Mayor Hellmich:

An inspection of Foley Municipal Airport was conducted by personnel of the Alabama Department of Transportation Aeronautics Bureau on December 6, 2023. The purpose of the inspection was to update the information currently on file regarding the airport and to ascertain compliance with the rules and regulations of the Alabama Department of Transportation governing licensed public-use airports within the State of Alabama.

Attached you will find a copy of the Annual Inspection Report. As noted in the report, the airport meets all requirements for the issuance of an operating license.

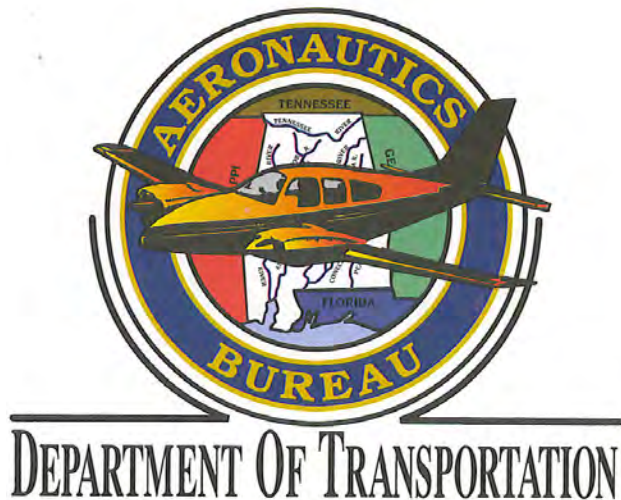
If you should have any questions concerning the inspection or corrective actions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Jason Hare with the Aeronautics Bureau at (334) 353-6223.

Sincerely,

Frank Farmer  
Chief, Aeronautics Bureau

Copy: Mr. Rans Black, FAA/ADO  
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Mrs. Rachel Keith, Foley Municipal Airport  
Mrs. Jordan Stringfellow, Volkert, Inc.

**December 6, 2023**



# **ANNUAL INSPECTION REPORT**



**FOLEY MUNICIPAL AIRPORT  
FOLEY, ALABAMA**

Alabama Department of Transportation Aeronautics Bureau—Annual Airport Inspection Report

In accordance with the provisions of the Code of Alabama 23-1-357, an inspection of the **Foley Municipal Airport** was conducted by **Mr. Jason Hare, Mr. Caleb Nall, and Mr. Noah Sowell** with the Alabama Department of Transportation Aeronautics Bureau on **December 6, 2023**.

The inspection was conducted on the airport under the provisions of the Administrative Code Chapter 450-9-1 for the following areas:

Aeronautics Administrative Code	Inspection Results	Corrective Action	Notes
<b>Approach &amp; Departure Paths</b> Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12 (1)	<i>In Compliance</i>	N/A	N/A
<b>Primary Surface</b> Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12 (2)	<i>In Compliance</i>	N/A	N/A
<b>Runway Safety Area</b> Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12 (3)	<i>In Compliance</i>	N/A	N/A
<b>Airport Markings</b> Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12 (4)	<i>In Compliance</i>	N/A	N/A
<b>Wind Direction Indicator</b> Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12 (5)	<i>In Compliance</i>	N/A	N/A
<b>Airport Lighting</b> Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12 (6)	<i>In Compliance</i> <i>Maintenance</i>	The non-operational lights need to be replaced.	There were 6 runway lights, 16 taxiway lights, and 2 threshold light out at the time of inspection. See page 10.
<b>Runway, Taxiway and Apron Conditions</b> Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12 (7)	<i>In Compliance</i>	N/A	N/A
<b>Fueling Area Requirements</b> Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12 (8)	<i>In Compliance</i> <i>Maintenance</i>	Bonding Cable needs to be replaced.	Bonding cable at fueling area has begun to fray and should be replaced soon.
<b>Prohibited Activities</b> Administrative Code 450-9-1-.16	<i>In Compliance</i>	N/A	No evidence of prohibited activities were found.
<b>Additional Items</b> Administrative Code 450-9-1-.16	<i>In Compliance</i> <i>Maintenance</i>	All lips on the taxiway should be less than 3 inches. The brush around the fire hydrant should be cleared.	Taxiway lip was observed on the taxilane area. The lip should be less than 3 inches. Brush was observed around a fire hydrant.

License Status—**COMPLIANCE**

The corrective actions that may be prescribed in this inspection report do not relieve the airport sponsor from compliance with any other Federal, State or local laws, ordinances or regulations that may be applicable. It is the responsibility of the airport sponsor to be aware of and obey all Federal, State or local laws, ordinances or regulations that may have a bearing on the corrective actions that may be specified in this report.

**Code of Alabama 23-1-357(a)**... a person or municipality may not operate an airport, restricted landing area, or other navigation facility without a license issued by this Department.

# Foley Municipal Airport

## Approach and Departure Paths—RUNWAY 18

Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(1)



There were no obstructions in the ALDOT Approach/Departure Path of Runway 18. The tree circled in orange creates a 22:1 slope and could possibly penetrate the FAA Part 77 Approach soon. See Appendix 2 for more information.

Note: Obstructions identified are representative and may not include all existing obstructions.



## Foley Municipal Airport

### Approach and Departure Paths—RUNWAY 36

Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(1)



There were no obstructions in the ALDOT Approach/Departure Path of Runway 36. The tree circled in orange creates a 20:1 slope and could possibly penetrate the FAA Part 77 Approach soon. See Appendix 3 for more information.

Note: Obstructions identified are representative and may not include all existing obstructions.



# Foley Municipal Airport

## Primary Surface

Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(2)



Primary Surface **MEETS** state licensing standards.



# Foley Municipal Airport

## Runway Safety Area

Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(3)



Runway Safety Area **MEETS** state licensing standards.

## Foley Municipal Airport

### Airport Markings—Runway

Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(4)



Runway markings are in **GOOD** condition.



## Foley Municipal Airport

### Airport Markings—Taxiway

Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(4)



Taxiway markings are in **GOOD** condition. However, the Hold Short Line for Runway 18 is in **FAIR** condition.



## Foley Municipal Airport

### Airport Markings—Apron

Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(4)



Apron markings are in **FAIR** condition.



## Foley Municipal Airport

### Wind Direction Indicator

Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(5)



Wind direction indicator is in **FAIR** condition. Windsock should be replaced soon.

## Foley Municipal Airport

### Airport Lighting

Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(6)

An inspection of the lighting system had the following results:

<b>Runway Lights</b>	6 inoperable
<b>Taxiway Lights</b>	16 inoperable
<b>Threshold Lights</b>	2 inoperable
<b>PAPI</b>	0 inoperable
<b>REIL</b>	N/A

**MEETS** State Licensing Standards for night-time operation.



## Foley Municipal Airport

### Runway, Taxiway and Apron Conditions—RUNWAY

Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(7)



Runway surface is in **GOOD** condition.

## Foley Municipal Airport

### Runway, Taxiway and Apron Conditions—TAXIWAY

Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(7)



Taxiway surface is in **GOOD** condition.



## Foley Municipal Airport

### Runway, Taxiway and Apron Conditions—APRON

Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(7)



Apron surface is in **GOOD** condition.



## Foley Municipal Airport

### Fueling Area Requirements

Administrative Code 450-9-1-.12(8)



Fueling area **MEETS** state licensing standards. However, the State of Alabama Department of Agriculture may have additional requirements for fueling systems that were not considered during this inspection.

**Maintenance:** Bonding Cable is beginning to fray and should be replaced soon.



# Foley Municipal Airport

## Prohibited Activities

Administrative Code 450-9-1-.16



No prohibited activities were observed during this inspection.

## Foley Municipal Airport

### Additional Items

Administrative Code 450-9-1-.16



The lip on the taxiway at Runway 18 end exceeds 3 inches. Please ensure the distance from the pavement surface to the ground does not exceed three inches.



## Foley Municipal Airport

### Additional Items

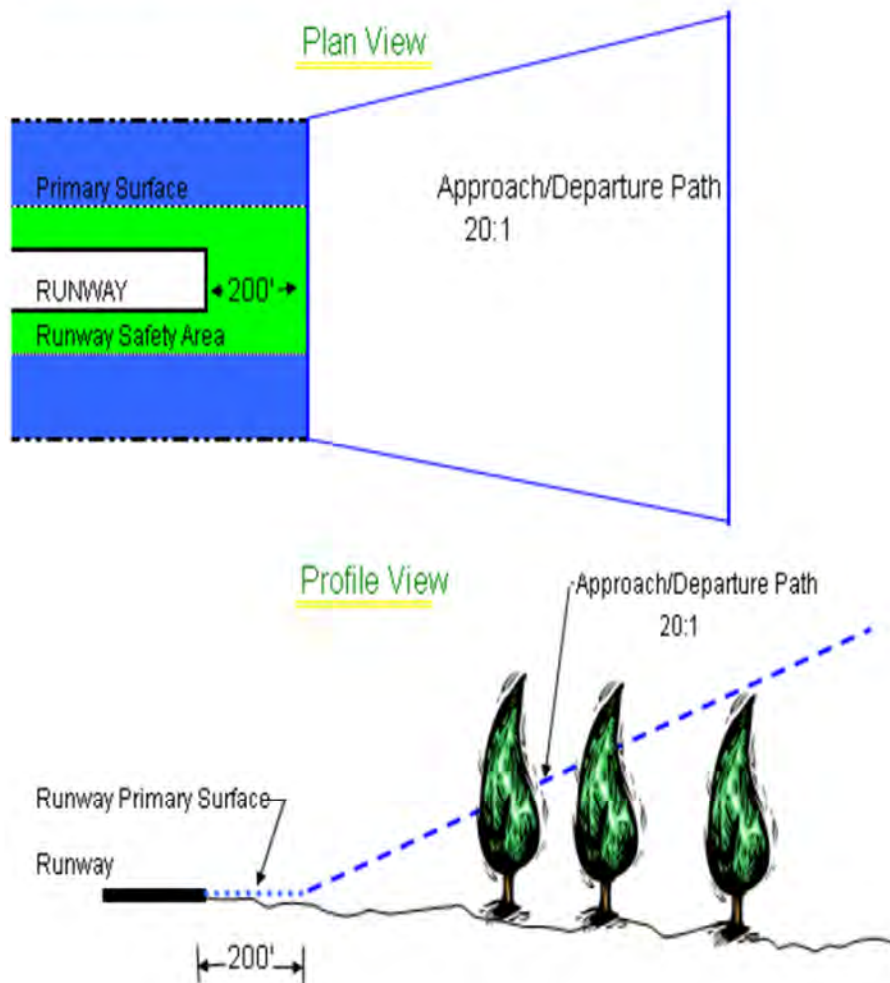
Administrative Code 450-9-1-.16



Please clean up the brush around the fire hydrant by the hangars.

# APPENDIX 1

Approach and Departure Path Dimensions			
Inner Width	Outer Width	Length	Acreage
250 Feet	450 Feet	1,000 Feet	8.04 Acres
Primary Surface Dimensions			
250 Feet Wide Centered Along Runway Centerline			
Extending 200 Feet Past the Runway End			
Runway Safety Area Dimensions			
120 Feet Wide Centered Along Runway Centerline			
Extending 200 Feet Past the Runway End			





# APPENDIX 2

Foley Municipal Airport  
Foley, AL  
Runway 18  
Obstruction Evaluation  
December 6, 2023

4. Tree 48' Above Runway End  
280' From Runway End  
82' Left of CL  
22:1 Obstruction Clearance

ALDOT 20:1 APP/DEP PATH

FAA PART 77 20:1 SURFACE

● Controlling Obstruction





# APPENDIX 3

Foley Municipal Airport  
Foley, AL  
Runway 36  
Obstruction Evaluation  
December 6, 2023

2. Tree 89' Above Runway End  
1813' From Runway End  
200' Right of CL  
20:1 Obstruction Clearance

ALDOT 20:1 APP/DEP PATH

FAA PART 77 20:1 SURFACE



Controlling obstruction



FAA APP/DEP Violation Soon

