

Runway 9/27 Reconstruction Duluth International Airport (DLH)

Project Update

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Introduction:

This is the 19th weekly newsletter for the Runway 9/27 Reconstruction project at the Duluth International Airport (DLH) and the fourth of 2018. The purpose of these weekly newsletters is to provide updates throughout the project regarding construction impacts, runway closures, temporary runway conditions, and other information as needed. Earlier versions of the newsletter are available upon request.

Runway 9/27 Construction Progress (May 28 – June 4th)

Construction Progress

Through almost three weeks of construction, all concrete work is complete on the arresting systems, the blast pad is paved, and grooving and joint sealing are nearing completion. Bituminous paving of the shoulders has begun and should be finished by the weekend, weather permitting. There are some cracked concrete panels that require replacement, which has happened throughout the week and is progressing well. Other items taking place this week include sweeping, water blasting of temporary runway paint, striping, and in-pavement light adjustments.

Blast pad paved (final lift):





Water blasting paint and sweeping/cleaning lights:



Cracked slab removal and replacement:



Runway Operations

RUNWAY CLOSURE SCHEDULE: Runway 9/27 is expected to remain closed until June 9.

Taxiway closures consist of Taxiway A west of the Cirrus Production Ramp and connecting Taxiways A1, A3, and A5. (Taxiway A between Taxiway A1 and the Cirrus Production Ramp will be open for helicopter operations only.) On the east end of the airfield, Taxiways E1, E2, the East Runup Area, and the Runway 27 Approach Taxiway are also closed. Taxiway A2/B will be closed, but available with advanced notice for taxiing operations.

Runway 3/21 and Taxiway C will be used exclusively during this time.

Next Week (June 4 – 9): Runway 9/27 Closed, Planned Reopening on June 9

Next week will be the final week of construction that requires runway closure. Tasks scheduled include finishing saw cut grooving, joint sealing, final clean up, striping, and other final punchlist items. The 148th Fighter Wing will complete the final installation of mechanical/electrical components of the arresting systems. The runway is planned to be reopened on June 9th, with the time to be determined early in the week.

Schedule Updates:

Work has progressed well through three weeks of construction, with no unforeseen conditions. Therefore, the schedule remains as planned with a four week construction duration. Construction work may extend into the evening hours and on Saturdays and Sundays until the work is substantially complete.

Project updates and photos will continue to be provided on a weekly basis using this newsletter format. In addition to these newsletters, project updates will be given at the weekly tenant meetings in the Terminal Building, Second Floor Conference Room, on Tuesdays at 9:00 AM.