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GREELEY-WELD COUNTY AIRPORT ADVANCES TOWARD AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER  
FOLLOWING FAA PROGRAM ACCEPTANCE

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The Greeley-Weld County Airport Authority is pleased to announce that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has accepted the Greeley-Weld County Airport (GXY) as a candidate for the FAA Contract Tower (FCT) Program. Acceptance into the program recognizes the growing level of activity at GXY and positions the airport to pursue the development of an air traffic control tower.

“This milestone reflects the continued growth and evolution of Greeley-Weld County Airport,” said Cooper Anderson, Airport Director. “As activity increases, it’s important that our infrastructure keeps pace. We’re focused on taking the right steps now to ensure the airport remains safe, efficient, and well positioned to support future demand.”

The addition of an air traffic control tower will improve safety and coordination of aircraft operations, particularly as operations continue to grow alongside ongoing development at the airport, including the Northeast Development area and expansion of corporate aviation operations.

“The airport authority is encouraged by the inclusion of GXY in the FCT program, which complements the significant investments made by Weld County and the City of Greeley to support continued growth at the airport.”— Kevin Ross, Airport Board Chair, Weld County Commissioner.

In addition to local benefits, the project will strengthen the broader Northern Colorado and Denver metro aviation system by providing an additional controlled-airport option for flight training and general aviation activity, helping distribute demand across the region and reduce congestion at busier airports.

With the inclusion of GXY in the FCT program, the airport is now positioned to advance into the siting, design, and construction phases of the project. The Airport Authority is actively coordinating with local, state, and federal partners, including Congressman Gabe Evans, to secure funding for the project.

“This is a major step forward for the Greeley-Weld County Airport and for Northern Colorado. As a former U.S. Army Black Hawk helicopter pilot who has flown in and out of GXY, I know

firsthand how critical safe, efficient, and well-supported aviation infrastructure is for our communities. Increased activity at GXY makes investments like an air traffic control tower not just important—but necessary.

My office has been actively engaged in supporting this project, including submitting the airport’s request through the Community Project Funding process, and we will continue working to help secure the resources needed to move this forward. This investment will strengthen safety, expand capacity, support economic growth, and ensure Northern Colorado remains competitive as our region continues to grow,” said Congressman Evans.

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