

Build Kansas Fund | Fiscal Year 2026 Application Package | Memo



To: Senator Rick Billinger, Chair, Build Kansas Advisory Committee
Chardae Caine, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Shauna Wake, Office of the Kansas State Treasurer

From: Jason Fizell, Interim Executive Director, Kansas Infrastructure Hub

RE: Build Kansas Fund Application #2025-153-NWKPCD

Date: July 22, 2025

Attached, please find an application made to the Build Kansas Fund by the Rooks County Airport Commission. The application packet includes the following items:

- Coversheet – provides a high-level overview of the application including a unique identification number, page 1 of 10 of the Build Kansas Fund Application Package.
- Build Kansas Fund Application – includes information submitted with the Build Kansas Fund Application, pages 2-9. Page 9 provides the table of funding sources and zip codes served by the project.
- Attachments – Executive Summary, page 10.

Project Overview

The Rooks County Airport Commission seeks funding from the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration for funding available through the Airport Infrastructure Grants (AIG) program for their Construct Taxiway Extension and Two Rectangular Hangars project which includes constructing a new taxiway and up to three hangars to increase based aircraft capacity, preserve FAA funding eligibility, and accommodate future aviation demand.

This opportunity is a formula IIJA program with a local match requirement of 5% of the total project cost. The entity is requesting \$22,201.00 from the Build Kansas Fund, and is providing a local match of \$1,168.00. This request has the potential to unlock \$444,000.00 in federal funds, for a total project cost of \$467,369.00.

The deadline was June 30, 2025, and this Build Kansas Fund application was received on June 18, 2025.

Build Kansas Fund Steering Committee Recommendation

The Build Kansas Fund Steering Committee reviewed this application on June 25, 2025 following a successful completeness check. The Steering Committee **RECOMMENDS APPROVAL** of Build Kansas Funding to the Build Kansas Advisory Committee for final advice.

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Application Package | Coversheet



Build Kansas Fund Application Number	2025-153-NWKPDC
Applicant Name	Rooks County Airport Commission
Application Date Received	6/18/2025
Project Name	Construct Taxilane Extension and Two Rectangular Hangars
Project Description	Construct a new taxilane and up to three hangars to increase based aircraft capacity, preserve FAA funding eligibility, and accommodate future aviation demand
Entity Type	County Government
Economic Development District (EDD) Planning Commission	Northwest KS Planning & Development Commission
Infrastructure Sector(s)	Transportation
BIL Program	Airport Infrastructure Grant (AIG) Program
BIL Program Type	Formula
Application Type	Implementation
BIL Application Deadline	6/30/2025
Build Kansas Fund Request	\$22,201.00
Technical Assistance Received	General Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
	BIL Application Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Build Kansas Fund Application Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
	Other (Brief Description): Provided General TA and BKF Application Support.
Application Notes	Build Kansas Fund contribution of \$22,201.00 will unlock \$444,000.00 in federal BIL funding, with a local cash contribution of \$1,168.00, for a total project cost of \$467,369.00.
Steering Committee Funding Recommendation	6/25/2025 Recommend <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Declined <input type="checkbox"/>
Advisory Committee Funding Recommendation	7/22/2025 Recommend <input type="checkbox"/> Declined <input type="checkbox"/>

Title	Rooks County Airport Commission	06/18/2025
	by Ian Wright in Build Kansas Fund Application	id. 50860081
	iwright@hwlochner.com	

Original Submission	06/18/2025
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Score	n/a
Part 1: Applicant Information	
The name of the entity applying for the Build Kansas Fund:	Rooks County Airport Commission
Project Name:	Construct Taxilane Extension and Two Rectangular Hangars
Entity type:	County Government
Entity Population:	4,778
Applicant Contact Name:	Roger Hrabe
Applicant Contact Position/Title:	Economic Development Director
Applicant Contact Telephone Number:	+17854256881
Applicant Contact Email Address:	roger@rookscounty.net
Applicant Contact Address:	115 N. Walnut Street
Applicant Contact Address Line 2 (optional):	
Applicant Contact City:	Stockton
Applicant Contact State:	Kansas
Applicant Contact Zip Code:	67669

Is the Project Contact the same as the Applicant Contact?	No
Project Contact Name:	Ian Wright
Project Contact Position/Title:	Project Manager
Project Contact Telephone Number:	+13165189244
Project Contact Email Address:	iwright@hwlochner.com
Project Contact Address:	15717 College Boulevard
Project Contact Address Line 2 (optional):	
Project Contact City:	Lenexa
Project Contact State:	Kansas
Project Contact Zip Code:	66219
Part 2: Build Kansas Fund - Eligibility Criteria	
Certify that you are pursuing an Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity for which your entity is eligible:	Yes
Certify that the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity you are pursuing has a required non-federal match component:	Yes
What is the primary county that the project will occur in?	Rooks County

The Build Kansas Fund is intended to support Kansas-based infrastructure projects. Please provide a list of all the zip codes this project will be located in, along with an estimated percent [%] of the project located in that zip code. For example, if seeking funding for road infrastructure, provide a rough percent of the roads expected in each zip code:

[Zip Code Percentage.xlsx](#)

	Part 3: Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) - Grant Application Information Please Note: This information is related to the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity to which you will apply. This is NOT information for the Build Kansas Match Fund.
Please enter the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity title that the entity is applying for:	Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) / IIJA Airport Infrastructure Grant Funding
What is the funding agency for this Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity?	Federal Aviation Administration
What is the Assistance Listing Number (ALN) for this Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity?	20.106
What is the federal application due date for this Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity?	6/30/2025
Application Type:	Implementation
What is the federal fiscal year for this Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity?	2025

Enter the amount of funding being applied for, from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity: \$444,000.00 for a total project cost of \$467,369.00

Enter the total project cost: \$467,369.00

Enter the required non-federal match percentage: 5%

Part 4: Build Kansas Fund - Match Application Information Beginning in July 2024 and moving forward, eligible applicants are expected to contribute a portion of the non-Federal match requirement. This contribution can be in the form of cash and/or in-kind contributions. The goal is to demonstrate the applicant's commitment to the project. The contribution should be significant enough relative to the Build Kansas Fund request. For a local public entity, 5% of the non-federal match is a good guideline, but not a requirement. See Build Kansas Fund Program Guidance for exceptions and more information.

Enter the non-federal cash match amount being requested from the Build Kansas Fund: \$22,201.00 for a total project cost of \$467,369.00

Enter the non-federal cash match amount being provided by the eligible applicant, if applicable: \$1,168.00 for a total project cost of \$467,369.00

Enter the estimated value of the non-federal in-kind match amount being provided by the eligible applicant, if applicable: 0

Expected breakdown of funding sources to support the project: Enter the funding source and projected amount from each source to support this project:

[Kansas+DOT+table_V2.xlsx](#)

Part 5: Build Kansas Fund - Means Test and Eligible Applicant Match

What other available funding sources that are currently planned to go unused by your entity will be leveraged for this project?	N/A
Will any American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) or Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Fund monies will be used for the non-federal match?	N/A
What other sources of in-kind match will be leveraged for this project? Please list and include the actual or estimated value of each.	N/A
What other funding sources (local, federal, or non-federal) will be used for this match?	N/A
Describe your efforts to find other available funding sources for this project:	The IIJA (formerly Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)) local match to the federal grant has been planned for utilizing local funding mechanisms. At this point in time and throughout past research, there are no known funding sources available (federal or local) that could fund the BIL local match.

Part 6: Additional Information

Please upload a draft or final version of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) program grant application associated with this request OR an executive summary providing an overview of the project:

[RCP_Hangar_and_Taxilane_-_Executive_Summary_-_Build_Kansas_Fund.docx](#)
[RCP_Budget.pdf](#)

Provide any additional information about this project not covered in previous sections of this application (optional):	<div>Total Project Cost: \$1,218,700</div> <div>KAIP Grant AV-2024-24: \$47,500</div> <div>Local Match to KAIP Grant AV-2024-24: \$2,500</div> <div>KAIP Grant AV-2024-88: \$171,000</div> <div>Local Match to KAIP Grant AV-2024-88: \$19,000</div> <div>Additional KDOT Funds Intended on Being Provided: \$16,830</div> <div>Local Match to Intended Additional KDOT Funds: \$1,870</div> <div>AIP-NPE Funds: \$411,376</div> <div>Local Match to AIP-NPE Funds: \$21,651</div> <div>Additional FAA Funds Intended on Being Provided: \$56,624</div> <div>Local Match to Intended Additional KDOT Funds: \$2,980</div> <div><u>AIG-BIL/IIJA Funds: \$444,000.00</u></div> <div><u>Local Match to AIG-BIL/IIJA Funds: \$23,369.00</u></div> <div><u>Build Kansas Fund Request: \$22,201.00</u></div> <div><u>Local Match to Build Kansas Fund Request: \$1,168.00</u></div>
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Part 7: Terms and Conditions	
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Understanding of Fund Release Requirements:	checked
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Understanding of Use of Funds:	checked
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Understanding of Reporting Requirements:	checked
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Authority to Make Grant Application:	checked
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Persons and Titles: The following persons are responsible for making this Build Kansas Fund application.	Ian Wright
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Position/Title:	Project Manager
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Source	Amount	% of Project
Build Kansas Funds (non-federal match)	\$22,201.00	4.75%
Eligible Applicant Cash Match	\$1,168.00	0.25%
Eligible Applicant In-Kind Match (estimated value)	\$0.00	0%
BIL Federal Funds (applied for)	\$444,000.00	95.00%
Additional Project Contribution (if applicable)	\$0.00	0%
TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$467,369.00	100%

***Applicant satisfies recommended match contribution of 5% of the required match**

Zip Code	% of project in zip code
67669	100%
	100% In Kansas

Description of the Project

The Rooks County Airport Commission and H.W. Lochner, Inc. (Lochner) entered into a contract for engineering services to design and construct a taxilane and up to three rectangular box hangars.

Project Location, Analysis of Current Airfield Conditions, and Needs Addressed

The Rooks County Regional Airport is located between Stockton and Plainville along U.S. Highway 183 in Rooks County in north-central Kansas. The airport consists almost entirely of concrete pavement including Runway 18-36 (5,000' x 75'), runway turnarounds at each end, a connecting taxiway, and an apron. There is a short section of asphalt taxilane pavement serving the hangar area located south of the fuel system. Per the FAA Form 5010-1 Airport Master Record, the airport serves eight single engine based aircraft. Existing airfield information identifies Runway 18-36 as having an Airport Reference Code (ARC) of B-II. A particular ARC is assigned to the runway based on the characteristics of the typical aircraft that are expected to use that pavement.

A Based Airport and Operation Forecast Report prepared by Lochner under cover dated July 19, 2024, and approved by the FAA supports the addition of three (3) hangars in the short term at Rooks County Regional Airport. A taxilane extension has been designed with options for a single bay rectangular hangar, one (1) additional rectangular hangar bay, or two (2) additional rectangular hangar bays.

Expected Project Goals and Outcomes

The Rooks County Regional Airport has been at risk recently of losing their yearly allotment of Non-Primary Entitlement (NPE) funds as well as their portion of the short-term program of Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funds. One of the federal stipulations in receiving these funds is that the airport must have at least ten based aircraft annually. With a shortage of leasable hangar space on the airfield, and a lack of private development of hangar space, the airport has hovered around the minimum based aircraft requirement for several years and is currently below that threshold. This project and the addition of the additional hangars will increase the based aircraft count at the airport as there is a waitlist of several individuals looking to lease the space once it is constructed. Upon construction and the leasing of the hangars, the Rooks County Regional Airport will be able to comfortably satisfy the minimum based aircraft requirement set forth by the FAA. Additionally, the construction of the taxilane will hopefully spur private development along it as there are several plots available for land lease through private entities.

Project Collaborators

- Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)
- Rooks County Airport Commission
- Rooks County Economic Development
- Kansas Department of Transportation
- Lochner
- Other Local Tenants Based at the Rooks County Regional Airport